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**TODAY'S WEATHER**



Today: Freezing rain, mainly in the morning. Light snow may mix in.  
Tonight: Partly cloudy.

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## Sheridan Boxley Lecture Series will feature Hoosier author

### The REPORTER

Famous Indiana author Gene Stratton-Porter is set to visit Sheridan on Thursday, Feb 15. Well, sort of, that is. Actually, the real Stratton-Porter died 94 years ago but her fame lives on through her many writings including the famous "A Girl of the Limberlost", a standard on any Hoosier reading list.

Stratton-Porter will be portrayed by Glory-June Greiff. Greiff is a professional narrator, photographer and a performer of song and story. She is also a public historian and preservation activist who has written approximately 80 successful nominations to the National Register of Historic Places around the state. In the early 1990s she served as statewide director of Indiana's Save Outdoor Sculpture! (SOS!) Survey. A native of Hud-

son Lake in northern Indiana, Glory earned a B.S. in Radio-Television/English from Butler University and worked several years on the air in radio; she holds a master's degree in Public History from Indiana University.

Annually for the past 10 years, the Sheridan Historical Society has offered a cultural event honoring town founder George Boxley which features re-enactors of famous American personalities. In the past the Society has brought Abraham Lincoln, Benjamin Harrison, Frederick Douglas, Buffalo Bill Cody, Teddy Roosevelt and many more well-known personalities to Sheridan. Many of them have been Hoosiers or had important Hoosier connections. This year will feature the great American

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Photo provided  
Glory-June Greiff portrays Indiana author and naturalist Gene Stratton-Porter for the 2018 Boxley Lecture Series.

## Where oh where has integrity gone?

A man of his word. A man of integrity. A man who always did the right thing.

I was raised by that man. Jim Hart was a man whose hand shake was a binding agreement.

My dad was old school. My dad was of the greatest generation. My dad believed and lived with old-fashioned values.

Dad made a vow to my mom at the age of 16. For better, for worse. For richer, for poorer. In sickness and in health. Till death do us part. He said "I do" and he did, for 64 years, until the good Lord took him home.

I believe that our reputation is built on our choices and following through on our commitments. A man or woman of honor says what they are going to do . . . and they do it.

It is not always easy. It's sticking to an agreement and wading through the muck of work, relationships and issues.

Commitment doesn't always feel good. Commitment doesn't always take the easy road, but it does take the high road.

Commitment doesn't always put you in the forefront or the limelight. Commitment does not leave behind those you brought beside you.

A village relies not on men and women of power but on those men and women of strong commitments that they hold onto even when they are not popular but they are right for his or her people.

The words of a man of



From the Heart  
JANET HART LEONARD

integrity cannot be erased by opposition, discomfort or a simple change of mind. His words stick when the winds of adversity blow their strongest.

People look up to a man of

his word. They know the chances of him letting them down are slim. A man of integrity takes the brunt of hurt for his people. He is their shelter.

A man of integrity will be bruised by harsh words but they make him stronger.

A man of integrity looks for the best in people because he looks with his heart. He builds people up even when he is being put down.

Integrity stands like a lighthouse to those who have been let down by others.

A man of honor thinks and acts upon what is best for his community and not what is best for him, personally. That man never sees the "I", he sees the "we".

I believe old-fashioned values and ideals are needed again.

We have become a society where commitments are promises written in pencil. Vows are spoken then taken back. Deals are made but fingers are crossed behind the back. A man of integrity is not easily found.

A better deal. A sweeter kiss given by some eye candy. What's in it for me becomes more important than what is in it for the good of the family or the community.

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## Help preserve a piece of State Police history

### The REPORTER

The Indiana State Police Alliance (ISPA) is seeking donations for a building restoration project. ISPA recently received a grant through the Indiana Historical Society for the preservation of a historic weigh station located on the Indiana State Police Museum's property. An additional \$2,500 must be raised by the ISPA in order to complete this refurbishment project.

Your **donation** to the ISPA will help restore this important piece of Indiana State Police History.

The restoration project includes replacing the paneling, installing new doors and windows, as well as repairing the roof. Once the project is com-



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This undated photo shows the weigh station ISPA hopes to restore.

plete the building will be used for future exhibits and programs.

The weigh station was originally constructed in

the 1950s for the Indiana State Police. Weigh stations were the work stations for Weighmasters - civilian officers who enforced fed-

eral and state laws regarding large vehicles such as trucks and buses.

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## Fishers "Internet Of Things" lab opening in March

By **LARRY LANNAN**  
[LarryInFishers.com](http://LarryInFishers.com)



In February of 2017, Governor Eric Holcomb joined a large group of government and business leaders to announce a new Internet of Things Lab, one of the first of its kind, would be opening in Fishers. The

public-private partnership model appears to be working well so far, as the suites in the lab appear to be sold out.

The grand opening for the new facility is slated for March 21, but firms are already using the lab. Here are the dedicated suite members:

- **Indiana University:** As a key university partner, Indiana University's presence at the IoT Lab will provide a unique platform for its faculty, stu-

dents and alumni to connect to companies around the state to innovate the future of industry and the economy.

- **Clear Object:** At ClearObject, user-centric IoT solutions are designed to empower custom, connected, collaborative experiences . . . just as the IoT Lab is doing for the state.

- **Outside Source:** Outside Source designs applications for connected home brands. They help product managers launch apps and

cloud integrations for their smart devices.

- **Flexware Innovation:** Their mission is to accelerate innovation within manufacturing and our community by harnessing #IoT and the collaboration of The Indiana IoT Lab in Fishers.

- **Rook Security:** Rook Security protects organizations from the constantly evolving threat of cyber-attack in this new age of

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## A 'Night to Shine' in Carmel

**WISH-TV**  
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It was a night to shine for some Hoosiers with special needs on Friday.

Northview Church's Carmel campus was one of more than 450 churches around the world that hosted the "Night to Shine" event. It's part of the Tim Tebow Foundation.

It's a prom night experience, complete with a red carpet entrance, hair and makeup, limo rides, dinner and dancing.

And the goal is very clear, according to Haley

Thornton with Northview Church: "Just to show these people how God sees them and so just to show them that they are all kings and queens in God's eyes and at the end of the night, they will all be crowned king or queen of the prom. We're just here to celebrate them and show them how loved they are by us."

The worldwide event took place in all 50 states and in 15 countries around the world.

Northview welcomed more than 200 guests and 175 parents.

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## HISTORY

Their duties included inspections of the driver's paperwork, safety inspections of the mechanical aspects of the vehicle and weighing the vehicles to ensure they were in weight compliance.

The original weigh stations were closed in the 1990s and replaced with new buildings that accommodated the changes in vehicle size, weight and updated technology.

The weigh station at the ISP Museum is the last original weigh station and a significant part of the Indiana State Police history thus making its preservation extremely important.

[Click here](#) to donate today and be a partner in the preservation of ISP's past.

To learn more about the Indiana State Police Alliance, visit [indianasfinest.com](http://indianasfinest.com).



Photo provided

Your donations will help preserve this historic weigh station building.

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## AUTHOR

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and native Hoosier author and conservationist/naturalist, Gene Stratton-Porter. Stratton-Porter was born in Wabash County in 1863.

Greiff will present a program on Feb. 15 for the fourth graders at Sheridan Elementary School and then at 7 p.m. she will give a free public program at the Joyce Cline Auditorium at the middle school.

As in years past, the objective of the Boxley Lecture Series is to celebrate the heritage left to our community by our founder, George Boxley. Boxley was an early abolitionist who fled to the Indiana frontier in 1829 to escape a death sentence imposed

in Virginia for inciting a failed slave rebellion. His restored log cabin home stands in Veterans Park in uptown Sheridan and is a monument to his life and worthy deeds.

For further information about this program please contact the Sheridan Historical Society at the museum at 308 S. Main St. or call 317-758-5054.

You could also contact Society VP Steve Martin at the library at 103 W. First St. in Sheridan or by phone at 317-758-5201. We hope you will take time this Thursday to attend this most entertaining free evening program at the middle school.

## INTEGRITY

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Money is paid that costs a man his reputation.

Men and women are left behind to suffer the consequences of a man's choices. A man shuffles the cards and then walks away from the game, leaving people scurrying to clean up the mess he left them.

Oh the bitterness of

betrayal. Oh the pain of broken trust. Oh the agony when the "I do's" become "I don't".

I miss my dad. I miss the old-fashioned values he showed his family.

I wish we had more men like Jim Hart. I wish we had fewer men like Josh McDaniels.

## LAB

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• **Volktek:** Volktek products help business customers build reliable network applications for their clients and inspire them to develop new business models for the expanding market.

"Our economy is at a critical time where innovation must happen in the heart of Indiana's core industries: manufacturing, agriculture and distribution," said Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness in a city news release. "By

creating a physical space to allow innovators and entrepreneurs to come together with industry leaders, Fishers will lead the way for innovation in our state and beyond."

Although the suites are sold out, individual memberships are still available.

"This has been truly a collaborative effort from the public and private sectors to establish a leading IoT innovation hub," said Indiana IoT Lab Founder

and CEO John Wechsler. "Interest in the IoT Lab is high right now, and we are seeing a healthy appetite by corporate innovators for collaboration with IoT subject matter experts affiliated with the Indiana IoT Lab."

John Wechsler talked about the lab in a podcast interview recorded Feb. 8, available [at this link](#).

More information about the lab and the March 21 grand opening is available [at this link](#).

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# Sheridan Rotarians learn about new museum

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Sheridan Rotarians welcomed guest speaker Ron Stone to their meeting this past Tuesday evening. Stone is a life-long Sheridan resident and retired Hamilton Heights teacher. Among his many other retirement activities, he is the president of the Sheridan Historical Society. He was invited to Rotary to tell members about the new Sheridan Historical Society museum being created on Main Street.

Last fall the Historical Society was able to purchase the motor cycle shop at 315 S. Main St. in Sheridan. Many older residents will best remember the building as the old Hippodrome Movie Theater or later the old Pickett Five & Dime Store. Stone has taken the lead in remodeling the facility to give the existing museum across the street at 308 S. Main St. a new home. The present museum is just too small to contain the expanding museum collection and allow for adequate display space.

Following Stone's talk, members of the Rotary Club took a tour of the new facility. The old building has been gutted inside and through the tireless efforts of Stone the interior has been rewired, re-plumbed



**(From left)** Rotarian Steve Martin and First Vice President of Historical Society; Ron Stone, President of the Historical Society; Connie Pearson, Rotary Secretary and also Secretary of the Historical Society; Phil Pearson, Second Vice President of the Historical Society; and Rotarian Dale McCullough, who is a life-time member of the Historical Society.

and next week new HVAC systems will be installed. The interior has seen new storage and office space constructed including space for the Society's extensive Sheridan genealogy collection. Total cost of this project is estimated to be in the range of \$150,000 and it is hoped the new

museum can be finished by mid-summer 2018. Donations to help meet the expense of the remodel are very much welcome. According to Historical Society First Vice President Steve Martin, "The community owes a huge debt of gratitude to Ron Stone for all the sweat

equity he has put into this project. Since last fall he has put in hundreds of hours of hard labor and probably more than a little of his own money to see this new museum come to

fruition and become an asset to our progressive Main Street and the growth of our entire community."

Sheridan Rotary meets at 6:15 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of

each month in the Community Room of the Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. First St. in beautiful uptown Sheridan, just on the country side of Hamilton County.

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# Manifestations of hate: Let's punish actions rather than thoughts

In the world of politics, what legislation is called unfortunately may matter more than what it's intended to do.

Consider, for example, health care. Everyone wants health care to be affordable. So name a bill the "Affordable Health Care Act," and some will immediately be on board. After all, who wants to be against "affordable health care"?

So it is with hate crimes. On its surface, the term "hate crimes" suggests that it is criminal to hate – and therefore what right-thinking person would oppose a bill targeting hate? In fact, anyone opposed to any bill called "hate crimes" should prepare to be accused of bigotry, racism and the like.

However, I believe Hoosiers will dig beyond the surface of what a bill is called and focus on what a bill is intended to fix.

As Shakespeare said, "What's in a name?" No matter what you call it, "hate" is a horrible thing. Unquestionably, we need less of it. But is it something we should legislate?

"Hate" is an emotion ... a belief ... a thought. Although we can agree that hate is wrong and should be roundly discouraged, it



CURTIS HILL  
Indiana Attorney General

has not been our nation's practice to criminalize thought.

Our Constitution protects everyone's right to think, believe and generally speak without fear of prosecution. We are even – or perhaps especially – free to share thoughts that may be unpopular or disagreeable.

Criminal statutes are designed to address wrongful conduct— actions taken by one person against another that infringe upon the other's freedom. Our laws prohibit doing something bad. They do not prohibit thinking something bad.

So "hate-crimes" legislation that focuses on criminalizing hateful belief, speech or thought – while well intended – would be inconsistent with our existing standards for establishing criminal behavior.

But what of the hate that leads to or inspires harmful behavior? What of wrongful conduct that is the manifestation of hate?

Burning a cross is not just trespass or mischief. Spray-painting racial epithets is not just vandalism or defacing property. These acts are the very manifestation of hate. They are symbols, historically used, to send a broader message.

That message? Violence is on the way! It is a message designed to strike panic and fear. It is a purposeful message to intimidate and terrorize its target.

Manifestations of hate that amount to wrongful actions deserve to be prohibited by law.

Hate can often ignite into nasty conduct. When it does, victims of this conduct often suffer both physically and emotionally. Certainly, it is worth considering the law's place in guarding against conduct borne of hate.

But should some groups receive greater protection from hateful conduct than others? Designating specific groups to be "protected" necessarily implies the existence of other groups that are not. Although one might argue that certain groups merit protection over others, this argument oddly contradicts the very essence of equality that such "protection" is intended to ensure.

The protected class of race was established to guard against discriminatory practices that historically impacted blacks. But discriminating against someone solely because they are white is just as much a violation of the protected class of race – regardless that "whites" have not been determined to be the vic-

tims of long-term patterns of discrimination.

In Indiana, policymakers have extended protected-class status to groups such as felons and smokers – suggesting that the list of groups to single out could be limitless. Worse yet is that somebody gets to pick who it's OK to hate and who it's not.

Any group with an identifiable characteristic should qualify for protection. Blacks, whites, Asians, men, women, children, gays, lesbians, transgenders, heterosexuals – as well as police, military, Jews, Catholics, Muslims, blondes, redheads, men with freckles and so on.

In fact, we should stop making lists altogether. If it is appropriate to prohibit hateful conduct aimed at ANY group, then it is appropriate to prohibit hateful conduct aimed at ALL groups.

If we are to criminalize hateful conduct, then we cannot condemn hateful conduct against some and ignore hateful conduct against others.

Our laws may never be able to prevent people from harboring within their hearts hatred for other human beings, but our laws always can and should offer equal protection to all people – from injury, intimidation, threats and property crimes committed by any who would wish to do them harm.

Curtis Hill is the 43rd Attorney General of Indiana.

**Thanks for reading THE REPORTER**

# New at Hamilton East Public Library

## The REPORTER

Here are the new library items lists for the week of Feb. 6:

### New Adult Fiction Books

1. Firefly Cove by Bunn, T. Davis
2. The wife: a novel of psychological suspense by Burke, Alafair
3. Fools and mortals: a novel by Cornwell, Bernard
4. The night trade by Eisler, Barry
5. Sunday silence by French, Nicci
6. Shroud of eternity by Goodkind, Terry
7. Munich by Harris, Robert
8. Promise not to tell by Krentz, Jayne Ann
9. Fall from grace: a novel by Steel, Danielle
10. The English wife by Willig, Lauren

### New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. Eating ethically: religion and science for a better diet by Crane, Jonathan K.
2. The low-FODMAP diet step by step: a personalized plan to relieve the symptoms of IBS and other digestive disorders: with more than 130 deliciously satisfying recipes by Scarlata, Kate
3. Sailing: the basics: the book that has launched thousands by Franzel, Dave
4. Slow cooker by Wheaton, Hazel
5. Why you eat what you eat: the science behind our relationship with food by Herz, Rachel
6. Secrets of the Secret Service: the history and uncertain future of the U.S. Secret Service by Byrne, Gary J.
7. Lost connections: uncovering the real causes of depression – and the unexpected solutions by Hari, Johann
8. Windows 10: step by step by Lambert, Joan
9. The type 1 diabetes self-care manual by Wood, Jamie
10. Cryptoassets: the innovative investor's guide to bitcoin and beyond by Burniske, Chris

### New DVDs

1. Brad's status
2. Crooked house
3. Friend request
4. Geostorm
5. Goodbye Christopher Robin
6. Happy death day
7. It
8. Jigsaw
9. The killing of a sacred deer
10. Loving Vincent

### New Music CDs

1. The post: original motion picture soundtrack by Williams, John
2. Hiss spun by Wolfe, Chelsea
3. The laughing apple by Islam, Yusuf
4. Bubbles by Salamanders
5. Hog wild!: a frenzy of dance music by Boynton, Sandra
6. Mömandpöp by Mömandpöp
7. BCCIV by Black Country Communion
8. Trip by Jhené Aiko
9. Cold dark place by Mastodon
10. The Vietnam War: a film by Ken Burns and Lynn Novik original score by Ma, Yo-Yo

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# Fishers road construction update, week of Feb. 12

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**131st Street**

Periodic lane restrictions will occur at the intersection of 131st Street and Cumberland Road as utility relocation work is completed.

**Eller Road**

Eller Road is closed to through traffic, and the intersection of 106th Street and Eller Road will be closed for two to three weeks for the 106th Street Infrastructure project.

**Maple Street**

Lane restrictions will occur just north of 116th Street beginning on Monday, Feb. 12 for storm sewer installation (weather permitting).

**126th Street**

Expect possible lane restrictions on 126th Street from Allisonville Road to the railroad tracks while aerial utility work is completed.

**Allisonville Road**

Possible lane restrictions may occur on Allisonville Road between 126th and 131st streets while utility work is completed.

ville Road between 126th and 131st streets while utility work is completed.

**Morgan Drive**

Morgan Drive will be closed between Lantern Road and Emmanuel Court for work on stormwater structures.

**106th Street**

Expect lane restrictions at the 106th Street and Crosspoint/Lantern Road roundabout beginning on Monday, Feb. 12 for utility work.

Crews will be landscaping the center of the roundabout at 106th Street and Geist Road throughout the week, weather permitting. Temporary lane restrictions may be in place as work is completed.

In an effort to locate utilities at the intersection of 106th Street and Allisonville Road, the westbound lane of 106th Street (just east of Allisonville Road) will be closed until all utilities are located. Westbound traffic on 106th Street will

be forced to turn north.

**Interstate 69**

As part of a \$92 million design-build contract, Milestone has added a third lane in each direction to the median, repaired and resurfaced existing pavement and rehabilitated bridges and drainage structures on 15 miles of I-69 in Hamilton and Madison counties. Construction of an additional auxiliary lane between the 116th Street entrance ramp to I-69 South and the I-69 South Exit 204 ramp to 106th Street will continue through next spring.

I-69 South will be temporarily reduced to two lanes to allow space for the State Road 37 and 116th Street entrance ramps to safely merge while construction continues on the southbound auxiliary lane between the 116th Street and 106th Street ramps.

Questions about this project should be directed to INDOT via [email](mailto:email) or at 1-855-463-6848.

# Where was Lincoln on his 52<sup>nd</sup> birthday?

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**1851** – The Indiana Legislature approved an act which formed a state board of agriculture, encouraged local agricultural societies and authorized a state fair.

**1861** – Abraham Lincoln woke up on Feb. 12, his 52nd birthday, at the Bates House Hotel in Indianapolis. He had breakfast with Governor Oliver P. Morton before boarding a train to continue his trip to Washington where he would take the oath to becoming the 16th President.

**1865** – Indiana ratified the 13th Amendment which abolished slavery in the United States. The legislature was prompt in response, becoming one of 18 states to ratify the Amendment in the first



month. The adoption became official for the nation in December of the same year.

**1928** – Norman Bridwell was born in Kokomo. He became an author and cartoonist, famous for creating Clifford, the Big Red Dog.

**1937** – Indiana Governor Maurice Townsend declared martial law in Madison County. The order came in the aftermath of violence involving union and non-union workers at

the Guide Lamp Corporation in Anderson. Over 1,000 National Guardsmen were sent to assist the state police.

**1997** – Jeff Gordon of Pittsboro won the Daytona 500-mile race. At age 25, he was the youngest person ever to win the NASCAR event, which is sometimes called "The Great American Race." He recorded an average speed of 148.295 miles per hour and took home a purse of more than \$377,000.

## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David. And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David.*

Matthew 20:30-31 (KJV)

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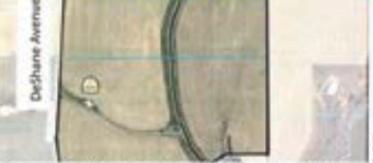
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# Five weight loss tips from a woman who lost 128 pounds

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Sometimes the best advice comes from someone who's been there, done that. So, if you're working towards losing weight, why not consider the wisdom of someone who faced this challenge, and did so with great success?

Morgan Root, an Army veteran, found that after the birth of her second child, the scale kept going up instead of down. Determined to make a change, Morgan committed to losing weight and shed an inspiring 128 pounds. Here are her tips to help you lose weight:

- Make your excuse

your motivation. When you flip your excuses into your motivation, it's amazing how much you can accomplish. Always remind yourself of why you started and what your motivation is when things get tough. "For me, my kids used to be my excuse for why I couldn't work out or make myself a priority, but now they're my motivation," says Root.

- Find a weight loss plan that works for you. Finding a plan that works for you is so important to fuel your weight loss goals and create sustainable success.

"Being in the army, I was used to structure. As

a result, I turned to Nutrisystem, which provided the framework I needed to help me lose the weight," says Root, who is also a busy mom. "Having portion-controlled meals delivered to my home made it easier. My favorite food is the Margherita Pizza. I could eat pizza when my kids had pizza and didn't have to think about counting, measuring or weighing anything. It was a win-win!"

- Increase your water intake. Water is so important to your overall health, so invest in a new water bottle and drink up! A study found that when people drink six cups (48



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Morgan Root, an Army veteran, after dropping 128 pounds.

ounces) of cold water, they increase their resting calorie burn by up to 50

calories per day. Water also helps you feel full and potentially eat less. Sometimes when you think you are hungry, you are actually just thirsty. Aim for 64 ounces per day.

- Change your rewards and comforts. When something good happens in life, we often reward ourselves with food, and when something bad happens we comfort ourselves with the same. Find other ways to reward yourself, like buying something new. Comfort yourself by taking a bath or long shower. Chances are, you'll forget about wanting that food.

- Get moving. Being active not only benefits your weight loss journey, it can also clear your head and will help you feel better overall. Aim

for three 10-minute exercise sessions daily. Do a quick workout video before work in the morning, take a conference call on-the-go at lunch and take your dog for an extra walk around the neighborhood when you get home. No matter what, always aim to be active for at least 30 minutes a day. By the end of the week, you'll have burned as many as 200 extra calories per day.

For more tips to help you on your weight loss journey, visit [leaf.nutrisystem.com](http://leaf.nutrisystem.com).

A weight loss journey is never easy, no matter how much you have to lose, but it's absolutely worth it. "I have found myself again. I am stronger, healthier, confident, driven and determined more than ever," says Root.

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*Girls swimming state finals...*

## Carmel wins 32nd consecutive championship

### Royals take third, Tigers fifth, Verbrugge and Huff earn medals

By RICHIE HALL

Reporter Sports Editor

Several years ago, Carmel girls swim coach Chris Plumb said that each of the Greyhounds' state championships has a different path from the beginning of the season to the end.

The destination is always the same, of course: Carmel holding up the state trophy. This year was no different: The Greyhounds continued their record state championship streak, winning their 32nd consecutive state title Saturday at the IU Natatorium.

Carmel scored 363 points, with a spirited Northridge team taking second by scoring 215 points. After the traditional jumping in the diving well, Plumb took a moment to reflect on this year's team.

"In terms of the team, I think the way this group came together was unique and special," said Plumb. "The great teams are better than the sum of their parts, and I felt like that's what this team became: Greater than the sum of their parts. If you had told me six months ago we would score 363, I would've told you you were crazy, but these guys really came together and performed well."

The Greyhounds started the meet on fire, winning the first three events. Carmel was first in the medley relay, which was important because 1) They were not seeded first after the state preliminaries and 2) It got the Greyhounds' momentum going for the remainder of the meet. Grace Pangburn, Trude Rothrock, Grace Estabrook and Kelly Pash swam on that first-place relay.

"We were really trying to figure out where to put Kelly in what relay, and we just knew we had to start off the meet with a W, and that we had that ability," said Plumb. "It was just a matter of choosing the right relay and was that the right place for Kelly to go. And we made a choice to do that, and it really got us started, because we won a lot of the first events out of the game and we had a lot of momentum from there."



Photo by Bret Richardson

The Carmel girls swim team won its 32nd consecutive state championship Saturday at the IU Natatorium. The Greyhounds scored 363 points and won six of the 12 events.

Carmel's manifest destiny asserted itself in the next two events, with junior Pash winning the 200 freestyle and senior Rothrock holding off future Olympic gold medalist Emily Weiss of Yorktown to win the individual medley. Weiss would come back later to win the breaststroke in a new national record time of 58.40 seconds.

The Greyhounds also picked up championship heat finishes from Kendra Bowen (sixth) and Ashlyn Underhill (seventh) in the 200 free, and Katie

Dougherty (fourth in the IM), helping Carmel to get that early separation.

Rothrock and Pash would each pick up one more individual win, with Rothrock triumphing in the butterfly and Pash winning the 100 free. Northridge outdueled the Greyhounds to win the 200 free relay, but Carmel finished the meet with a win in the 400 free relay. Rothrock, Pangburn, Underhill and Pash swam on that relay.

**ROYALS TAKE THIRD**

Hamilton Southeastern Andy Pedersen is a great swimming coach, and he's also pretty good at making predictions about the future.

The coaching part everybody already knows about. That showed in the Royals' third-place finish at the state meet Saturday. Southeastern scored 165 points to get the third-place finish, beating out Franklin Community by two points.

We're just elated because it's just been an up-and-down year. We lost some kids and the team just kept battling, kept fighting. It's kind of amazing to think that this team was able to come up with a third-place finish. I'm really proud of them. And today was like the season, so to speak. It wasn't a perfect day, but it ended up being a great day."

Pedersen said last year that then-freshman Abby Harter was a rising star in the sport. Harter proved herself greatly this year as a sophomore. She finished third in the backstroke, and was also on two of HSE's medal-winning relay teams. Harter joined Madison Kertin, Hannah Pugh and Emily Barnes on the third-place medley relay, then swam with Molly Pedersen, Barnes and Ellie Pedersen on the fifth-place 400 free relay team. The 400 relay's finish is what pushed the Royals past Franklin for third in the team standings.

Barnes earned a medal in the 50 free, taking fourth. Southeastern also got help

from its divers: Sarah Ballard finished fourth and Halli Siwik took eighth.

"It feels so good," said Ballard. The sophomore finished ninth last year by less than a point - "I was a mess, I was devastated," she admitted. "But this year to go from ninth to fourth feels so good."

"This is my very first time," said Siwik of getting a state medal. "I finaled last year, but did not get podium."

**TIGERS TAKE FIFTH**

Fishers had to endure some adversity on its road to state this season, but it all came together over the weekend for the Tigers, who placed fifth with 155 points.

"We had a good solid meet today," said first-year Fishers coach Joe Keller. "Last night we were a little better. It's always tough to swim this meet and come back the next day and be equally as good."

Amilia Nusbaum picked up two medals for the Tigers, tying for sixth in the 50 free and placing eighth in the 100 free. In the 500 free, Samantha Hietpas was third, while Abigail Jahns took seventh.

Fishers took seventh in the medley relay, with Corinne Yorkman, Miya Wai, Nicole Rueff and Ellen Fero swimming on that squad. The Tigers ended the meet solidly with a fourth-place 400 free relay finish. Nusbaum, Jahns, Kyla Srncik and Hannah Pratt were the swimmers on that relay.

Keller also had special praise for his freshman divers Morgan Casey and Grace Mossing, who placed ninth and 14th respectively. All in all, it was a good performance for the entire Fishers team.

"They've persevered, and we've got to the end to be a top five team," said Keller. "We're pleased with that and certainly gives us something to build upon for the future."

**TWO MEDALS FOR VERBRUGGE**

Westfield junior Erin Verbrugge marked her third year at the state meet this time, and she brought two medals back home. Verbrugge finished fifth in the backstroke and seventh in the individual medley.

"It feels great," said Verbrugge. "The last two years, I rested for sectionals more than state, and I felt like this was a really good year to get up on the podium and represent Westfield."

**FRESHMAN HUFF MEDALS FOR MILLERS**

Noblesville freshman Sammy Huff took home a medal in her debut at the state meet. Huff finished eighth in the breaststroke, scoring all 11 of the Millers' points.

"It's nice," said Huff. "I've had better swims, but it felt good."

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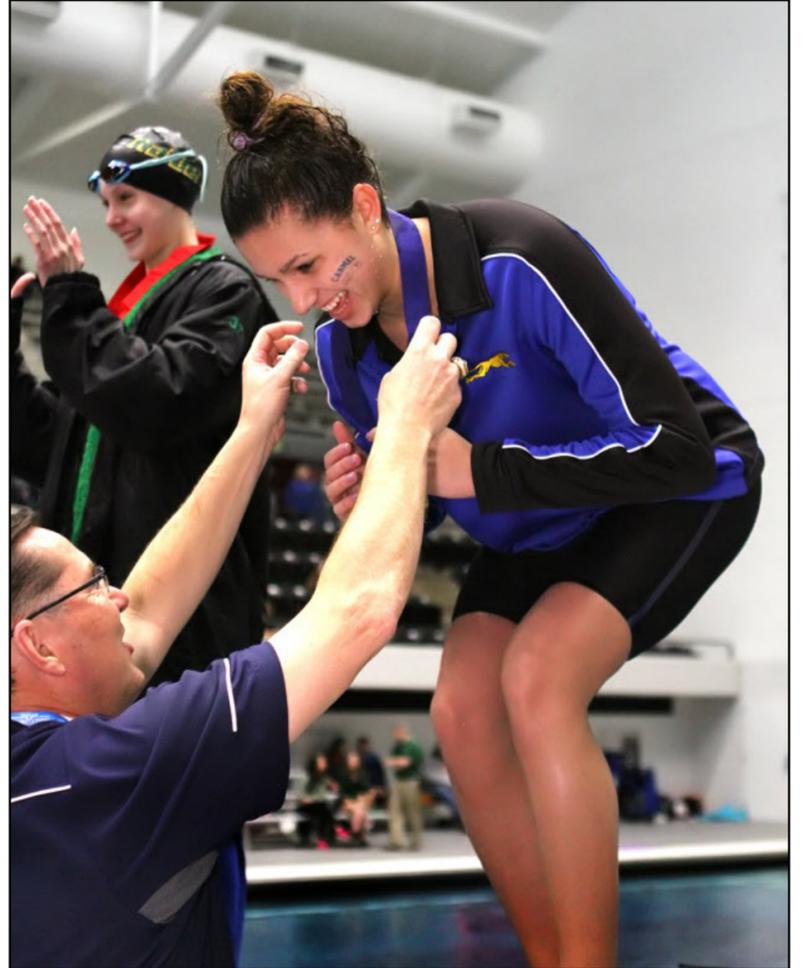
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LEFT: Hamilton Southeastern's Emily Barnes placed fourth in the 50 freestyle and also earned medals as part of the Royals' three relay teams.

ABOVE: Carmel's Kelly Pash accepts her first-place medal after winning the 100 freestyle. Pash also won the 200 free and swam on the Greyhounds' first-place medley and 400 free relays.



Westfield's Erin Verbrugge placed fifth in the backstroke and seventh in the individual medley (pictured).



Noblesville's Sammy Huff finished eighth in the breaststroke.



Fishers' Miya Wai took 13th in the breaststroke (pictured) and also swam on the Tigers' seventh-place medley relay.

## Hamilton County girls state swimming results

**Team scores (Top five and all county):** 1. Carmel 363, 2. Northridge 215, 3. Hamilton Southeastern 165, 4. Franklin Community 163, 5. Fishers 155, 18. Westfield 34, T26. Noblesville 11.

### 200 medley relay

"A" final: 1. Carmel (Grace Pangburn, Grace Estabrook, Trude Rothrock, Kelly Pash) 1:42.31, 3. Southeastern (Abby Harter, Madison Kertin, Hannah Pugh, Emily Barnes) 1:43.68, 7. Fishers (Corinne Yorkman, Miya Wai, Nicole Rueff, Ellen Fero) 1:46.01.

"B" final: 13. Westfield (Molly Ruggles, Erin Verbrugge, Katherine Hand, Mia Herzog) 1:48.08.

### 200 freestyle

"A" final: 1. Pash (C) 1:45.50, 6. Kendra Bowen (C) 1:50.49, 7. Ashlyn Underhill (C) 1:50.51.

"B" final: 11. Hannah Pratt (F) 1:52.32, 15. Abigail Jahns (F) 1:53.45.

### 200 individual medley

"A" final: 1. Rothrock (C) 1:58.28, 4. Katie Dougherty (C) 2:01.60, 7. Verbrugge (W) 2:05.62.

"B" final: 10. Harter (HSE) 2:05.43, 12. Rachel Young (C) 2:06.97, 15. Yorkman (F) 2:08.03, 16. Pugh (HSE) 2:08.34.

### 50 freestyle

"A" final: 1. Julia Wolf (Bloomington South) 23.11, 4. Barnes (HSE) 23.56, T6. Amilia Nusbaum (F) 23.57.

"B" final: 9. Pangburn (C) 23.54, 11. Alyssa Conley (C) 23.66, 12. Colleen Duffy (C) 23.77.

### One-meter diving

Finals: 1. Sara Troyer (Northridge) 507.65, 4. Sarah Ballard (HSE) 440.20, 8. Halli Siwik (HSE) 430.50, 9. Morgan Casey (F) 421.10, 10. Alaina Heyde (C) 409.60, 14. Grace Mossier (F) 397.75.

### 100 butterfly

"A" final: 1. Rothrock (C) 53.12, 4. Meredith Berglund (C) 55.18.

"B" final: T10. Kara Robeson (F) 56.21, 12. Pugh (HSE) 56.26.

### 100 freestyle

"A" final: 1. Pash (C) 48.59, 8. Nusbaum (F) 51.68.

"B" final: 10. Underhill (C) 51.88, 12. Molly Pedersen (HSE) 51.92, 13. Young (C) 51.99, 15. Pratt (F) 52.33.

### 500 freestyle

"A" final: 1. Kay Foley (Munster) 4:49.87, 3. Samantha Hietpas (F) 4:56.80, 5. Bowen (C) 4:58.33, 6. Dougherty (C) 4:58.98, 7. Jahns (F) 5:01.43.

"B" final: 9. Morgan Booth (F) 4:58.11, 12. Hannah White (C) 5:03.02.

### 200 freestyle relay

"A" final: 1. Northridge 1:34.07, 2. Carmel (Pangburn, Duffy, Avery Williams, A. Conley) 1:34.28, 7. Southeastern (Barnes, Kayleigh Witt, Bri Saple, Laura MacLafferty) 1:37.20.

### 100 backstroke

"A" final: 1. Tessa Wrightson (Zionsville) 54.02, 3. Harter (HSE) 54.67, 5. Verbrugge (W) 56.16, 6. Taylor Conley (C) 56.22, 8. Duffy (C) 56.30.

"B" final: 11. M. Pedersen (HSE) 57.29, 14. Yorkman (F) 57.67, 15. Sarah Myung (C) 57.81.

### 100 breaststroke

"A" final: 1. Emily Weiss (Yorktown) 58.40, new state and national record, 6. Estabrook (C) 1:03.85, 8. Sammy Huff (N) 1:05.06.

"B" final: 11. Wai (F) 1:04.93.

### 400 freestyle relay

"A" final: 1. Carmel (Rothrock, Pangburn, Underhill, Pash) 3:21.78, 4. Fishers (Nusbaum, Jahns, Kyla Srncik, Pratt) 3:28.88, 5. Southeastern (M. Pedersen, Barnes, Harter, Ellie Pedersen) 3:29.15.

Girls basketball regionals...

# Huskies reach championship, fall to Fairfield

Hamilton Heights reached the championship game of the Class 3A Columbia City regional on Saturday.

The Huskies beat Marion 50-37 in the semi-final. Heights got off to a fantastic start, leading 15-2 after the first quarter. The Huskies were able to maintain that advantage for the remainder of the game, as they were up 24-13 at halftime.

Heights had a very efficient shooting day against the Giants, making 18 of their 27 field goal attempts - exactly two-thirds of their shots went in. Bayleigh Runner led the way for the Huskies with 18 points, while Lauryn Wiley added 14 points. Ana Collar pulled seven rebounds and Kayla Kirtley



**Branham** **Kirtley**

collected five. Runner dished out seven assists.

Heights took on No. 3-ranked Fairfield in the championship game, falling 40-21. The Huskies kept pace with the Falcons in the first half, only trailing 20-16 at halftime. But after that, Fairfield ramped up its defense, only allowing Heights five points in the second half.

Runner led the Huskies with six points.

Both she and Collar had five rebounds, with Collar also making four steals in the game.

Heights finished its season with a 20-8 record, the first time it broke the 20-win mark since the 2012-13 season - the same year the Huskies reached the 3A state final. The 2012-13 campaign was also the last time Heights had won a sectional; the Huskies broke that drought last week with a victory at the Blackford sectional.

Three seniors graduate from the Heights program: Lexi Branham, Ana Collar and Kayla Kirtley.

Score by Quarters

Heights	15	9	12	14	50
Marion	2	11	10	14	37
Heights 3-point shooting (2-4)	Wiley 1-2, Kirtley 1-1, Branham 0-1.				
Heights rebounds (20)	Collar 7, Kirtley 5, Branham 4, Wiley 4.				

## CHAMPIONSHIP Fairfield 40, Heights 21

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ana Collar	2-4	1-2	5	1
Bayleigh Runner	1-9	3-4	6	4
Kayla Kirtley	1-7	0-0	2	2
Lexi Branham	1-10	0-0	3	4
Lauryn Wiley	2-7	0-0	5	4
Payton Dissett	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	7-38	4-6	21	15

Score by Quarters

Heights	5	11	3	2	21
Fairfield	7	13	9	11	40
Heights 3-point shooting (3-23)	Branham 1-8, Runner 1-6, Wiley 1-4, Kirtley 0-5.				
Heights rebounds (16)	Collar 5, Runner 5, Wiley 4, Branham 3.				

## SEMI-FINAL GAME Heights 50, Marion 37

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ana Collar	4-6	1-5	9	1
Bayleigh Runner	6-8	6-7	18	4
Kayla Kirtley	2-2	1-2	6	2
Lexi Branham	2-4	2-6	6	3
Lauryn Wiley	4-7	2-2	11	3
Payton Dissett	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	18-27	12-22	50	13

# Eagles stun Carmel

It's hard to beat the same team three times in a season.

That was the assignment for the Carmel girls basketball team Saturday afternoon in the second semi-final of the Class 4A Kokomo regional. The No. 2-ranked Greyhounds played No. 10 Zionsville, a team they had beaten convincingly in their other two meetings this season.

Unfortunately, things didn't go Carmel's way in the regional. The Eagles upset the 'Hounds 54-49, ending the Greyhounds' season at 24-3. Zionsville won the regional Saturday evening over Fort Wayne South Side 67-50.

The Eagles led 18-11 after the first quarter and were up by as much as 35-21 in the second period before Carmel cut that lead to 35-27 by halftime. The 'Hounds chipped away at the Zionsville lead, snipping it to 41-40 by the end of the third period. Carmel took its first lead of the game at 44-43 with 3:48 remaining, but the Eagles scored four straight points and held on to the lead from there.

The Greyhounds' loss meant the end of high school careers for three sensational Carmel seniors. Blake Smith, who has committed to Ball State University, reached double-double status with 11 rebounds and 10 points. Tomi Taiwo, who will play at the University of Iowa, scored five points. Amy Dilk, a University of



**Taiwo** **Smith**

Michigan commit, played incredible in her final Carmel game, with 26 points.

Sophomore Jasmine McWilliams led the Greyhounds' rebounding with 14, while junior Reagan Hune had five rebounds.

Carmel finished its season at 24-3, a record for most wins in a season, and its third consecutive sectional championship.

## Zionsville 54, Carmel 49

Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Amy Dilk	9-24	7-8	26	5
Blake Smith	4-12	2-4	10	1
Tomi Taiwo	2-10	1-2	5	4
Jasmine McWilliams	3-15	0-1	6	4
Reagan Hune	1-4	0-0	2	4
Maddi Sears	0-1	0-0	0	1
Molly Gillig	0-0	0-0	0	0
Mackenzie Wood	0-0	0-0	0	1
Sophie Bair	0-0	0-0	0	0
Macy Berglund	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	19-66	10-15	49	20

Score by Quarters

Zionsville	18	17	6	13	54
Carmel	11	16	13	9	49
Carmel 3-point shooting (1-11)	Dilk 1-7, Taiwo 0-2, McWilliams 0-1, Hune 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (39)	McWilliams 14, Smith 11, Hune 5, Dilk 2, Gillig 1, Taiwo 1, Wood 1, Berglund 1, team 3.				

# University comeback falls short to Jac-Cen-Del

A late comeback effort fell short, as University's season came to an end Saturday afternoon, falling 66-57 to No. 4 Jac-Cen-Del in the regional semi-final.

After a tight first quarter, Jac-Cen-Del (21-4) opened up some breathing room in the second quarter, as the Eagles stretched a 15-11 quarter-time lead to a 21-14 advantage with 5:42 to play in the half. University (18-8) clawed back, though, going on a 9-2 run to tie the game at 23-23, then answering a Jac-Cen-Del bucket to knot the game back up at 25-25. The Trailblazers never did recover the lead, though, as the Eagles closed the half with a 5-0 spurt to lead 30-25.

The Trailblazers got the opening bucket of the second half when Lucy Snyder scored on an assist from Lily Snyder on the first possession, but Jac-Cen-Del soon took control of the game, going on a 6-0 run to open up a 36-27 advantage two minutes into the second half. That Jac-Cen-Del lead grew to 48-33 with 2:21 left in the half, before settling at 52-38 to close the third quarter.

The Eagles scored to open the fourth, 54-38, pacing them to their biggest lead of the game — but the Trailblazers kept chipping away at that lead, going on a 14-3 run over the next four minutes to draw within five. Lucy Snyder, who scored 19 of her game-best 21 in the second half to keep her team in the game, started the run with a bucket at 7:28. Brooke Andrus followed with two free throws just over a minute later to cut it to 54-42 before Jac-Cen-Del stretched the lead back out to 14 on the next possession. Lucy Snyder answered with a 3-pointer to bring the deficit back to 11, then

Lindsey Syrek cut it to double digits with 5:17 to play on two made free throws.

Jac-Cen-Del pushed the lead back to 10, but Lucy Snyder rose for University, scoring five straight points — an and-1 capping her own mini-run — to close the gap to 57-52 with 3:52 left.

University never got closer, though.

The Trailblazers twice had the ball down five, but turned it over both times. After the teams traded points, the lead was down to five again at 59-54 — but Jac-Cen-Del made enough free throws down the stretch to finish out the 66-57 win.

The Eagles' game plan was to neutralize University's biggest threats, and it worked well to get them to the championship game. Jac-Cen-Del blanketed Trailblazers guard Natalie Nickless all game, and it showed on the stats sheet, as University's lone senior closed out her high school career with just five points. Syrek, a sophomore forward and the team's leading scorer, had things working in the first half with 10 points, but Jac-Cen-Del limited her damage in the second half — the Eagles collapsed on Syrek in the paint, who scored her only five points of the second half in transition.

But during a tournament run where it felt like a different player stepped up every night, it felt fitting that it was junior forward Lucy Snyder's 21-point effort that kept her Trailblazers hanging around. Like Syrek, Andrus made a first-half impact, but was limited in the second half — the junior guard scored eight in the first half, but only two after the break, spending a significant amount of Jac-Cen-Del's third-quarter run on the bench with three fouls.

Senior guard Lilly Simon paced the Eagles with a 20-point effort, while junior guard Marian Day and senior forward Morgen Carroll each pitched in 10. Those three were the leading scorers on the year, but the Jac-Cen-Del role players did as much damage. Twice, Dillan Hughes came off the bench to hit key 3-pointers for the Eagles, while the rest of their squad chipped in just enough to stay ahead for most of the afternoon.

The loss closed University's season, but it was a year that returned the Trailblazers to the regional round at Southwestern (Shelby) for the first time since 2012 — University won sectionals in 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2012, but had gone dry for the last six seasons.

The Trailblazers will graduate second-leading scorer Natalie Nickless, who will continue her basketball career at IU-Kokomo, but should otherwise return the rest of their production. After getting over the hump to win a sectional this year, University will enter the 2018-19 season as one of the favorites in next year's regional field.

## Jac-Cen-Del 66, University 57

University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Lindsey Syrek	6	2-2	15	1
Brooke Andrus	3	2-2	10	5
Lily Snyder	2	0-0	4	3
Jordan McGuire	0	0-0	0	1
Lucy Snyder	8	3-3	21	2
Haley Tomlinson	1	0-0	2	3
Natalie Nickless	1	2-2	5	1
Totals	21	9-9	57	16

Score by Quarters

Jac-Cen-Del	15	15	22	14	66
University	11	14	13	19	57
University 3-pointers (6)	Andrus 2, Lu. Snyder 2, Nickless, Syrek.				

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Boys basketball

# Millers keep cool, beat Tech

By RICHIE HALL  
Reporter Sports Editor

While facing serious heat at The Mill on Saturday night, the Millers kept their cool.

Noblesville was in a battle with Arsenal Tech in front of a good-sized crowd, and everybody got their money's worth. The Titans kept themselves in the game with some hot shooting, but the Millers brought the heat when they needed it, and finished the game up at the free throw line for a 68-62 victory.

"We did so many things well tonight," said Noblesville coach Brian McCauley. "I was proud of our guys. It's a very important win for our team, our program and I'm really proud of them."

The Millers got off to a good start, leading 12-3 midway through the first quarter. Eagan Keever-Hill and Xavier Hines scored four points each, including a cool turnaround jumper from Keever-Hill. Ryan Barnes ended the quarter with an easy layin off an assist by Jaron Youree.

"Eagan and Ryan did a great job establishing the low post," said McCauley. "Combined, they had eight points in the first quarter."

Brendan Fisher opened the second quarter with a 3-pointer to put Noblesville ahead 17-7. The Millers maintained their lead for the first part of the period, which included a three-point play by Jaron Youree and a rebound basket by Keever-Hill. A '3' by Xavier Hines moved Noblesville ahead 27-19.

Tech got hot at that point, finishing the half on a 10-2 run that tied the game 29-29 at the break. Anthony Anderson scored 14 points in the second quarter, and it was his layin that tied the game.

"When they're pressuring like that, the game can get helter-skelter," said McCauley. "For the most part, I thought we did a good job of getting in formation and handling it."

Instead, the Millers came out firing in the second half, opening with a 13-2 run. Jordan Schmidt scored seven points, including a 3-pointer and a breakaway that resulted in an easy basket. The momentum from that start helped Noblesville to stay ahead 44-37 at the end of the third.

The Millers enjoyed 12-point leads on three different occasions in the fourth quarter, the latest a 53-41 advantage after another putback by Keever-Hill. Noblesville led 63-54 with 53.3 seconds left; Tech made one



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Noblesville's Eagan Keever-Hill earned a double-double of 13 points and 10 rebounds in the Millers' 68-62 win over Arsenal Tech Saturday night at The Mill.

last furious push, but the Millers were unstoppable from the foul line, making 15 of 16 free throw attempts in the fourth period.

Schmidt led the Noblesville scoring with a career-high 17 points, while Keever-Hill got his first career double-double with 13 points and 10 rebounds, along with six assists. Barnes finished with 16 points; he, Schmidt and Youree each had six rebounds.

The Millers are now 9-10 and will host

Lawrence Central on Tuesday.

### Noblesville 68, Arsenal Tech 62

	FG	FT	TP	PF
Noblesville				
Jaron Youree	1-9	3-3	5	2
Jordan Schmidt	4-5	7-8	17	2
Eagan Keever-Hill	6-10	0-0	13	0
Xavier Hines	3-6	1-2	8	4

	6-8	4-4	16	5
Ryan Barnes				
Brendan Fisher	1-1	0-0	3	1
Alex Hancock	2-5	2-2	6	2
Totals	23-44	17-19	68	16

Score by Quarters

	1	2	3	4	Total
Tech	7	22	8	25	62
Noblesville	14	15	15	24	68

Noblesville 3-point shooting (5-12) Schmidt 2-2, Hines 1-4, Fisher 1-1, Keever-Hill 1-1, Youree 0-4.

Noblesville rebounds (35) Keever-Hill 10, Youree 6, Schmidt 6, Barnes 6, Hines 4, team 3.

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# University claims first-ever Pioneer Conference title

For the first time, the University boys basketball team are Pioneer Conference champions. The Trailblazers won the PAAC title with a dominating 64-46 win over Greenwood Christian.

The top-ranked team in Class 1A improved to 17-1 overall and were led by David Howard with 19 points. Josh Watson had a superb defensive game and five rebounds and 12 points. Ethan Sickels added 12 and Foster Flamion nine. Zack Hodgkin had just two points, but dished out nine assists and grabbed six rebounds. Sam Mervis came off the bench for six points and five assists.

University coach Brandon Lafferan was happy after the game. "We are excited to win our first conference championship" the fifth year coach said. "Our defense was at an all-time best level against a Greenwood Christian team that does a good job moving the ball. Josh Watson had his best defensive game, covering the three point line and blocking three shots. It was good to have Sam Mervis back. He gave us some good minutes and made some big plays."

Watson's defense sparked a 13-0 University run that spanned the first and second quarters. Trailing 10-8, Watson deflected a Cougar three point attempt, then raced down the floor to take a pass from Mervis for a lay-in that tied the game. Watson got a hand on another Greenwood Christian three point attempt on the next possession. Hodgkin found David Howard for a three pointer that put University ahead for good at 13-10. Flamion followed with a rebound basket and Howard drilled another three pointer off a Hodgkin assist for a 18-10 lead after the first period.



Photo courtesy Alex Carson

The University boys basketball team won its first-ever Pioneer Conference championship on Saturday. The Trailblazers beat Greenwood Christian 64-46. Class 1A No. 1 University is now 17-1.

Watson gave University their first double digit lead at 21-10 early in the second. After the Cougars made two foul shots, Sickels made a pair of corner three pointers off feeds from Hodgkin to push the lead to 27-12. Greenwood Christian cut the lead to 30-21 with 2:50 remaining, but a

Watson free throw and driving basket by Mervis at the buzzer gave University a 33-21 halftime lead and the Blazers led by double figures the rest of the game.

An 8-0 University run after Greenwood Christian scored the first two points of the third quarter gave the Blazers a commanding

41-23 lead. The lead reached 25 points midway through the fourth quarter, before the Cougars outscored University 12-5 down the stretch.

University returns to The U Center Tuesday night to host the Heritage Christian Eagles.

## 'Rocks upset No. 6 Royals

Westfield scored an upset of Class 4A No. 6 Hamilton Southeastern on Saturday, beating the Royals 57-50 in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference and all-county game at The Rock.

The Shamrocks trailed 25-22 at halftime, but slowly took over in the second half. Westfield took a 39-38 lead going into the fourth quarter, and outscored HSE 18-12 in that final period.

Four Shamrocks finished the game in double figures. Zach Banks scored 15 points, Caleb Welch added 13, Camden Simons threw in three 3-pointers on his way to 11 points and Josh Van Dyke added 10. Welch led the boards with six rebound, with Chris Chin and Van Dyke both collecting five.

Chaz Birchfield led the Royals with 11 points, followed by Nick Bowman's 10 points. Noah Smith corralled eight rebounds, with Birchfield pulling five. Bowman handed out four assists, and Birchfield and Smith each made four steals.

The Shamrocks are 2-4 in the HCC and 8-10 overall. They travel to Western Boone for a Tuesday game. Southeastern is 17-4 and hosts Brownsburg on Friday, both schools are on top of the conference at 4-1.



Camden Simons Westfield



Noah Smith Southeastern

Kole Hornbuckle	0-0	0-0	0	0
Noah Smith	4-7	1-2	9	3
Brandon Miller	0-0	0-0	0	1
Chris Grubbs	3-6	2-2	8	3
Bradley Beemon	0-0	0-0	0	1
Mabor Majak	2-5	2-4	6	1
Totals	18-43	12-20	50	18
Southeastern 3-point shooting (2-11)	Etherington 1-6, Bowman 1-4, Grubbs 0-1.			
Southeastern rebounds (24)	Smith 8, Birchfield 5, Bowman 3, Etherington 3, Majak 3, Grubbs 2.			
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Zach Banks	5-11	4-4	15	3
Chris Chin	2-4	0-0	4	1
Josh Van Dyke	2-3	6-6	10	2
Garrett Pollard	2-3	0-0	4	1
Benji Welch	0-1	0-0	0	0
Caleb Welch	4-7	3-4	13	4
Camden Simons	4-4	0-0	11	2
Jack Reinoehl	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	19-33	13-14	57	13
Westfield 3-point shooting (6-14)	Simons 3-3, C. Welch 2-4, Banks 1-5, Chin 0-2.			
Westfield rebounds (20)	C. Welch 6, Chin 5, Van Dyke 5, Simons 2, Banks 1, Reinoehl 1.			
Score by Quarters				
Southeastern	13	12	13	12
Westfield	9	13	17	18

### Westfield 57, Southeastern 50

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Nick Bowman	3-7	3-6	10	4
Chaz Birchfield	4-6	3-4	11	1
Aaron Etherington	2-12	1-2	6	3
Delind Hooks	0-0	0-0	0	1

## 'Hounds rally past Carroll

Carmel came back from an early deficit to beat Fort Wayne Carroll 53-42 Saturday night at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

The Class 4A No. 9 Greyhounds trailed 15-8 after the first quarter, but worked their way back to a 24-24 tie by halftime. Carmel then took the lead in the third period and extended it throughout the half.

Jalen Whack led the 'Hounds with 18 points, with Luke Heady draining three 3-pointers on his way to 13 points. John Michael Mulloy added 10 points.

Carmel is now 13-6 and travels to Warren Central on Friday for a Metropolitan Conference game.

### Carmel 53, Fort Wayne Carroll 42

Carmel	FG	FT	TP	
John Michael Mulloy	3-5	4-6	10	
Luke Heady	3-3	4-4	13	
Eddie Gill	1-6	1-2	4	
Cole Jenkins	1-3	0-0	3	
Andrew Owens	2-4	0-0	5	
Jalen Whack	5-6	6-7	18	
Karsten Windlan	0-1	0-0	0	
Alex Jackson	0-1	0-0	0	
Totals	15-31	15-19	53	
Score by Quarters				
Carroll	15	9	11	7
Carmel	8	16	15	14
Carmel 3-point shooting (8-17)	Heady 3-3, Whack 2-2, Gill 1-4, Jenkins 1-3, Owens 1-3, Jackson 0-1, Windlan 0-1.			

Whack

## 'Hawks fall to Lebanon

Sheridan dropped a 56-47 game to Lebanon Saturday at Rosenstihl Gymnasium.

The Blackhawks led 24-21 at halftime, but the Tigers outscored Sheridan 35-23 in the second half. Three Blackhawks reached double figures: Drake Delph scored 13 points, Ange Gnamkey added 12

### Lebanon 56, Sheridan 47

Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Austin Hunter	4-8	0-0	10	2
Jack Waitt	2-4	0-0	5	3
Drake Delph	4-9	4-6	13	2
Caleb Duke	3-6	0-0	7	4
Ange Gnamkey	4-8	3-4	12	3
Nick Burnell	0-0	0-0	0	1
Sean Weitzel	0-3	0-0	0	1
Jesse Kolb	0-0	0-0	0	2
Totals	17-38	7-10	47	18
Score by Quarters				
Sheridan	14	10	11	12
Lebanon	7	15	20	16
Sheridan 3-point shooting (6-16)	Hunter 2-6, Delph 1-3, Waitt 1-2, Duke 1-2, Gnamkey 1-2, Weitzel 0-1.			
Sheridan rebounds (14)	Gnamkey 4, Burnell 3, Hunter 2, Weitzel 2, Delph 1, Duke 1, Kolb 1.			

Hunter

and Austin Hunter scored 10. Gnamkey led the boards with four rebounds. Sheridan is now 10-8 and travels to Bishop Chatard on Tuesday.

## Fishers wins in overtime

Fishers won an overtime game on the road Saturday night, beating Franklin Central 59-58.

The Tigers won on a last-second 3-pointer by Terry Hicks. Fishers led 26-18 at halftime, but the Flashes scored 20 points in the fourth quarter to force the extra period. Josiah Matthews scored 14 points, while Willie Jackson added 11.

Fishers is now 10-9 and travels to Zionsville on Friday for a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.

### Fishers 59, Franklin Central 58 (overtime)

Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Josiah Matthews	5	2-4	14	2
Willie Jackson	2	6-7	11	3
Jeremy Szilagyi	2	0-0	6	5
Brendhan Russom	2	0-0	4	3
Terry Hicks	4	0-1	9	0
Alex Szilagyi	2	2-2	8	1
Luke Hernandez	0	0-0	0	2
Jordan Jones	0	2-2	2	5
Justin Long	1	0-0	3	1
Bryce Gee	1	0-0	2	1
Jack Maller	0	0-0	0	1
Craig Yoho	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	19	12-16	59	24
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	13	13	8	14
FCHS	9	9	10	20
Fishers 3-pointers (9)	Matthews 2, A. Szilagyi 2, J. Szilagyi 2, Jackson 1, Long 1, Hicks 1.			

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# NBA standings

Saturday's scores		Dallas 130, L.A. Lakers 123
New Orleans 138, Brooklyn 128, 2OT	Milwaukee 111, Orlando 104	Golden State 122, San Antonio 105
Philadelphia 112, L.A. Clippers 98	Washington 101, Chicago 90	Denver 123, Phoenix 113

## Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	40	17	.702	-
Toronto	38	16	.704	0.5
Philadelphia	28	25	.528	10.0
New York	23	33	.411	16.5
Brooklyn	19	38	.333	21.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	32	22	.593	-
Milwaukee	31	24	.564	1.5
Indiana	31	25	.554	2.0
Detroit	27	27	.500	5.0
Chicago	19	36	.345	13.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	32	24	.571	-
Miami	30	26	.536	2.0
Charlotte	23	32	.418	8.5
Orlando	18	37	.327	13.5
Atlanta	17	39	.304	15.0

## Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Minnesota	34	24	.586	-
Portland	31	25	.554	2.0
Oklahoma City	31	25	.554	2.0
Denver	30	26	.536	3.0
Utah	27	28	.491	5.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	43	13	.768	-
L.A. Clippers	28	26	.519	14.0
L.A. Lakers	23	32	.418	19.5
Sacramento	17	37	.315	25.0
Phoenix	18	39	.316	25.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	41	13	.759	-
San Antonio	35	22	.614	7.5
New Orleans	29	26	.527	12.5
Memphis	18	36	.333	23.0
Dallas	18	38	.321	24.0

## Four county wrestlers qualify for state

Four Hamilton County wrestlers will compete at the IHSAA state meet next Wednesday after finishing in the top four in their respective weight classes Saturday at the New Castle semi-state.

Leading the way is Carmel senior Jack Eiteljorge, who won the semi-state championship at 160 pounds. Eiteljorge easily earned his spot with a technical fall over Seecina junior Jake Rebein in the first round, then scored a pin over Lawrence North's James Despain in the "ticket round," or the quarter-final. The senior reached the championship match with an 8-3 decision over Perry Meridian junior Brooks Davis, then took care of Union County junior Tucker Coffman in the final with an 11-0 major decision.

Westfield sophomore Carson Eldred finished second at 113 pounds. Eldred started with a first-period fall over

North Central senior Chris Peters, then won a 7-2 decision over PM junior Ceu Kung in the ticket round.

Eldred advanced to the final with a 4-0 decision over Cathedral sophomore Caleb Oliver before being pinned in the championship match by Roncalli sophomore Brayden Lowery. Nevertheless, Eldred's record is 42-3, making him the first county wrestler to break the 40-win mark this season.

The other two county wrestlers both finished fourth: Carmel sophomore Brendan Mattingly at 120 and Fishers senior Alexander Strueder at 138.

Mattingly came into the semi-state undefeated, and rolled into the semi-finals with a first-round pin of Pendleton Heights freshman Jared Brown, and a 4-0 decision over Roncalli sophomore Sam Slivka in the ticket round. In the semi-finals, Cathedral junior Lukasz

Walenzak handed Mattingly his first loss of the year in a 4-0 decision.

Mattingly then lost the third-place match in a squeaker, as Zionsville freshman Logan Wagner beat him in overtime 6-4. Mattingly's record is now 35-2.

Strueder reached the ticket round with a last-second pin of Roncalli junior Brian Keeney, then earned his state spot by beating South Dearborn senior Garrett Walton in an 8-0 major decision. Strueder then fell to Cathedral senior Zach Melloh 9-2 in the semi-finals, then dropped the third-place match to Beech Grove senior Bailey Moore in a 5-1 decision.

The state wrestling meet begins at 6 p.m. Friday at Bankers Life Fieldhouse with 16 wrestlers in each weight class. Friday night winners advance to the Saturday placement rounds, where they are guaranteed a top eight finish.

## Noblesville gymnasts take sixth at Connersville

The Noblesville gymnastics team competed at the Connersville Invitational on Saturday, finishing sixth out of 10 teams.

Freshman Makayla Kauzlick finished sixth in the all-around with a score of 34.80. She also placed fifth in the uneven bars and the highest Millers score of the day, earning a 9.15 on the floor exercise. Olivia Mangin led the way on the vault with an 8.625.

"We had a great day today," said Noblesville coach Jody Ramey. "It was a day we needed for our confidence levels to increase, especially after the fall of all the team injuries

early in the season. My only disappointment was that we fell just short of Roncalli, which is a team we beat earlier in the season. Of course we made our mistakes, but we were able to do so well at the same time, just setting our team up for the big day. I am very proud of this team today."

The Millers will travel to Franklin Central on Thursday for their next meet.

**Team scores:** Columbus North 110.775, Northwest-ern 109.175, Connersville 101.85, Roncalli 98.60, Noblesville 97.50, Franklin Central 97.025, Centerville

inc., Morristown inc., Brebeuf Jesuit inc.

**All-around scores:** 6. Makayla Kauzlick 34.80, Devyn Palmer 31.925, Olivia Mangin 30.775.

**Vault:** Mangin 8.625, Kauzlick 8.25, Palmer 8.20, Kayleigh Sahr 7.90, Zoe Hartman 7.75.

**Uneven bars:** 5. Kauzlick 8.775, Palmer 7.45, Mangin 6.90, Grace Kwiatkowski 6.75, Sahr 6.45.

**Balance beam:** 9. Kauzlick 8.625, Palmer 7.825, Mangin 7.55, Ella Deno 5.625.

**Floor exercise:** 6. Kauzlick 9.15, Palmer 8.45, Mangin 7.675, Sahr 7.45, Kwiatkowski 7.375.

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