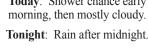
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Pages join Richardson at Statehouse





State Rep. Kathy Kreag Richardson (R-Noblesville) recently welcomed student pages to the Statehouse. As a House page, these participants toured government offices, helped staff with daily duties and joined Richardson on the House floor during the legislative session: (left) Ella Podany, Carmel, attends Mohawk Trails Elementary School; (right) Adeline Gordon and J.P. Etchison, Arcadia, attend Hamilton Heights High School. Richardson said students aged 13 to 18 should consider participating as a page during the 2019 session. For more information, visit indianahouserepublicans.com/pageprogram.

Social media post prompts Westfield to issue statement

The REPORTER

Westfield Washington School officials on Wednesday released a statement to parents throughout the district regarding a social media post.

The statement read, "Some of you may have heard from your students that there was a concerning message posted regarding Westfield High School. School administrators and local police authorities are aware of this post, and information contained in this post is inaccurate and not factual. We will continue to be diligent in investigating any and all safety situations. Thank you for your concern."

Kate Snedeker, a spokes-

person for Westfield Washington Schools, told The Reporter, "I know that everyone is on high alert right now but the message was investigated and deemed inaccurate."

When asked what information contained in the post prompted an investigation by school officials and police, Snedeker replied, "Because the information was inaccurate, I don't feel like the school district should not be commenting beyond the above statement. Again, we investigated, it included inaccurate information, and we notified parents of that."

Westfield Police Department did not respond to The Reporter's request for comment.

Noblesville prevails at fundraiser



Photo provided by the City of Noblesville Saturday, Feb. 17 marked Prevail's 18th Annual City vs. County Bowl-A-Thon Challenge at Bowl 32 / Three-Two-Fun in Noblesville. Prevail is a not-for-profit victim's advocacy center based in Hamilton County that assists men, women, teens and children who have been victims of a violent crime or abuse. The Bowl-A-Thon is one of Prevail's largest fundraising efforts, and it raised more than \$25,000 in 2018. The event is a fun competition between the employees of Hamilton County and the City of Noblesville – each has 16 teams of five bowlers. Each year the bowlers compete for prizes, top scores, bragging rights and trophies. This year, the City of Noblesville knocked down 36,575 pins in three games and Hamilton County teams scored 34,582 pins. The Odd Balls, led by Charlie Jones, had the highest pin total of 3,062 for the city. The Rowdy Rollers knocked down the most pins for the county with 2,688 pins. (Above) The Odd Balls team representing the City of Noblesville were (from left) Charlie Jones, Noblesville Deputy Mayor Steve Cooke, Noblesville Common Council member Wil Hampton and Brandon Jones.

Indiana's red flag law could help take guns out of dangerous hands

WISH-TV

wishtv.com

In the wake of a Florida school shooting that killed 17 people, the national debate over gun control has intensified, with some taking a closer look at the laws in each state.

states with a "Red Flag" law, and one lawyer says the law could help prevent a tragedy like the one in Park-

land from happening here. It's designed to get guns out of the hands of people

deemed "dangerous."

Indiana is one of five never heard of the law — they don't even know it exists.

> "This is an incredibly unique law for the state of Indiana to have a basically restrictive gun control law," said Jack Crawford, a

Many Hoosiers have See Red Flag... Page 2

A look at news from around Hamilton County

A popular Noblesville restaurant, the Hamilton, going out of business. The last day for longtime eatery at 933 Conner St. is

this Saturday. Owners Vanita Clements

and Clyde Worley, who opened the Hamilton 16 years ago, said they plan to retire in order to enjoy more time with family



County government is now found on Facebook, posted by Tammy Sander, the county's

tivities.

Hamilton

media consultant. Upcoming projects and events along with pictures of current events are found there. To locate the postings, visit Facebook. com/HamCoIndiana.

Jeff Heinzman, who served as treasurer of the Hamilton County Republican Party the past year, has resigned due to his decision to run for the GOP nomination for judge of Superior Court 1. He is involved in a three-way primary elec-

A Storm Spotters

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tion contest with Michael Casati and Will Riley.

Second bond financing Geist Park in Fishers gets approval

By LARRY LANNAN LarryInFishers.com



Monday night, the Fishers City Council approved a \$5 mil-

lion bond to finance the purchase of land for a new city park located on Geist Reservoir's waterfront. The only dissenting vote came from Councilwoman Selina Stoller, who also voted "no" on the bond in last week's City Council Finance Committee meet-

A \$12 million bond is

currently in place, but the eminent domain process has valued the land roughly \$6 million more than the city's offer to purchase the parcel from IMI Incorporated. That required the additional bond to complete the purchase through the state's condemnation pro-

Council President Todd Zimmerman allowed public comment before the vote. Former Fishers Town Councilman Mike Colby and former Democratic Council candidate Greg Purvis both spoke against the bond issue, citing to the possibility of ongoing costs the city may face in the future developing this park.

The council voted unanimously to suspend the rules, allowing a final vote on the bond Monday. Stoller voted to suspend the rules and allow a final vote Monday, but voted "no" when the bond was up for approval.

In another financial item, the council voted unanimously to re-establish a Cumulative Capital Development Fund for 2019. City staff told council members this simply conforms current systems to changes in state law. Some local residents

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apparently were under the impression that passing the establishment of this fund would raise the city tax rate by 5 cents for each \$100 of assessed property valuation. City officials assured those at the session that the mechanism for consideration of such an increase is not changed by this vote and the city has no plans

at this time to raise the local property tax rate for this fund.

In one more financial matter, the council unanimously approved a study done by Policy Analytics, an independent firm commissioned by the city, to conduct a study of data related to the use of Tax Increment Financing (TIF)

pm - 12 am, February 24

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in economic development. Mayor Scott Fadness plans to present the report to the Hamilton Southeastern School Board next month. You can read the report at this link.

Finally, Todd Muth of the Fishers Fire Department was recognized by the council for an Employee Service Award.

RED FLAG-

criminal defense attorney.

He said it's been on the books since 2006.

"If anyone has reason to believe that an individual has a propensity toward violence, or may have indications of violence as a result of mental deficiencies, or as a result of some type of documented threat, they can notify police. Police can get a search warrant to take the weapon, or any weapon that may or may not exist," said Crawford.

The attorney said there have been no reported cases of the law being acted on in Indiana, but one of the posts

suspected Florida school shooter, Nikolas Cruz, made online prior to the shooting would've been enough for police to seize his weapons under Indiana's version of the law. The post read, "I am going to be a professional school shooter."

and police are notified, then they can go into that person's house, search for a gun, take any gun that he has," said Crawford.

"If that history exists

To get the firearms back, Crawford said that person would be required to ask for a hearing and prove to a judge that they are

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not "dangerous."

The law could raise some debate, especially among supporters of the Second Amendment. Some may argue the law goes too far.

"Our desire to have safety for our children and our schools of course is paramount, but then when you run it up against issues of what people can say or do on the internet, you are going to get a backlash," said Crawford.

California, Connecticut, Oregon and Washington also have versions of a red flag law.

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training session is planned for March 3 at Noblesville's Hazel Dell Road fire station. The first session in the basic course will run from 9 until 11 a.m. It is sponsored by the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). More information may be found on their website, hamiltoncounty.in.gov/911/CERT.

The County Highway Department's first major project of 2018 is expected to start within the next month with construction of a 'flyway' from 146th Street to southbound Keystone Parkway at Carmel. It is actually an extension of Lowe's Way to allow much easier access to Keystone. It will bridge northbound lanes of Keystone

from Page 1 and allow a merger to

the south.

The City of Carmel has added movies to its attractions at the municipal ice rink. Friday there will be a double feature which skaters and visitors can watch. The outdoor movies begin at 5 p.m. The ice rink is located along Third Ave. SW, south of City Center Drive.

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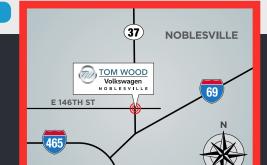
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Donatello's in Carmel will hold fundraiser to fight human trafficking

The REPORTER

Donatello's Italian Restaurant in Carmel is hosting a fundraiser for Restored, Inc., an Indianapolis-based nonprofit that addresses human sex trafficking throughout the state.

The event, called "Springtime in Italy: A Time for Renewal," is a four-course wine dinner at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24. Tickets cost \$75, which includes a charitable donation but not tax or tip. They can be purchased at 9 W. Main St., Carmel or online at donatellosrestored. eventbrite.com.

Restored helps raise awareness and provide education and advocacy on the issue of human sex trafficking. In addition, victim services are offered, such as emergency housing referrals, trauma counseling, court advocacy, food and clothing, medical help and more.

"We are thankful for Donatello's putting together such a great event for Restored," said Jim Eibel, a Carmel resident and member of Restored's board of directors. "We are also thankful for those who will sit down with us and enjoy an amazing dining experience while taking a stand against human trafficking."

Hamilton County hasn't been immune to cases of human trafficking. For instance, in 2016 authorities identified nine young girls from Hamilton County who were purchased by adults for sex. The youngest girl was 11 years old.

Nationally, 1 in 6 endangered runaways reported that they were likely sex trafficking victims, according to a 2016 report by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

Globally, estimates show that 4.5 million people have been trapped in human sex trafficking, according to the International Labor Organization.

Angela Khan, a Car-

mel-based philanthropist and owner of Sofi B. Luxury Rentals, decided to be a paid sponsor for this event because of her own connection to this issue. She said her mother ran away from home and was caught up in the world of human sex trafficking. She said people are often surprised when she tells her story — which she only recently became comfortable sharing — but she said it's important to raise awareness about this issue.

"Restored Inc. is an angelic group of compassionate, well-trained individuals who know how to treat victims of sex trafficking," Khan said. "Without these kinds of organizations, girls left untreated will turn to drugs and alcohol and too often the end result is suicide. Restored educates families to know the signs so that if you do see something, you can say something and know where to go for help."

Hamilton County Sgt.

Bill Clifford, a candidate for county sheriff, also has decided to be a paid sponsor for this charity fundraiser.
"Human traf-

ficking is a failure of humanity where the worst of society prey on the weak for a profit," Clifford said.

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"Law enforcement at all levels needs to be trained to identify warning signs and

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to sign up to support this cause.

"We are so thankful for everyone who has decided to support this important cause," Aasen said. "I personally visited Restored's offices and spoke to their staff and I can attest that these selfless servants are truly doing God's work as they work tirelessly to both help victims and prevent future human trafficking cases. I just can't say enough about the good work they do."

White River Township addresses ambulance service

adamaasen@gmail.com

Dear Editor:

White River Township would like to clarify our past, current and future position of emergency services with Cicero Fire Department (CFD).

Over the last 30 years, CFD has provided ambulance service to White River residents in the form of a memorandum of understanding and received compensation for services rendered. The only discussion with Cicero was in August 2017 when it was stated that there would need to be an increase in compensation paid by White River for ambulance services provided by Cicero. Budgets for 2018 must be received to the county and state officials by July 31 each year and White River officials knew this would be a problem to make changes (increases) in their budget.

While White River is aware of rising costs to healthcare, the timing of this discussion made it impossible to make budgetary changes with the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF). To be proactive with this potential rise in ambulatory costs, our officials made requests to Cicero on Sept. 20, 2017 for data to help us better evaluate our current position and be able to make an educated response for increasing this budget.

The township board discussed the request that was sent at their regular meeting later that day, Sept. 20, 2017, and agreed they needed more information to evaluate future needs for the township. A letter was sent the first of October 2017 to request run data sheets for our township; an email on Oct. 18, 2017 was received that Cicero was working on the request. A registered letter arrived on Dec. 6, 2017 stating that the Cicero Town Board will discuss termination of ambulance services to White River Township on Dec. 19, 2017. White River board was invited to attend, but Cicero will not allow any discussion by White River.

The board met the following day, Dec. 20, 2017, to discuss the termination of emergency services effective Jan. 1, 2018. Services will be rendered

until June 30, 2018. The timing of this termination cripples White River Township from establishing its own ambulance services for the rest of 2018 and possibly 2019. Tax levies cannot be raised to compensate for adequate ambulance services in such a short amount of time.

White River was not given an opportunity to negotiate a higher compensation for services and requests for run data were ignored, and still to this date have never been produced. Cicero did not initiate any meetings to discuss what increase they were requesting. They simply terminated services. With many outdoor recreational activities in White River Township including Koteewi Park, Lafayette Trace and the White River, what message does it send to our neighbors all over the county and even further that there are no emergency services for these events?

As one of the most rural townships left in Hamilton County, we strive to keep taxes low while maintaining the best services for our residences and guests. Maintaining an agreement with compensation for ambulance services with Cicero Fire Department has been a cost-effective way for our residents to have emergency services when needed while keeping the township fiscally responsible in the management of the funds of our taxpayers. We were open to finding a workable resolution with Cicero that would continue a long-term, established relationship of more than 30 years. The township trustee, board and fire chiefs of White River will continue to seek the best alternatives we can for residents and guests of our township while keeping the fiscal responsibility that voters had when electing them at the forefront of discussions for the future of ambulance services.

Sincerely,
Jamie Rulon, Trustee
Board Members:
Donna Gentry
Charles Burkhardt
L. Suzanne Flanders

Kenley responds to Williams

Dear Editor:

As Trustee of Noblesville Township I feel compelled to respond to the factual errors and exaggerations presented by Mr. Williams in his recent letter to the editor published in The Reporter.

First, I would like to point out that the correct salary for our board members is \$12,400 annually. Mr. Williams incorrectly reported that it was \$15,000. He also failed to mention the board's current salary was a compromise in exchange for the elimination of township paid benefits such as medical insurance and PERF retirement accounts. The proposal for the elimination of township board benefits along with salary adjustments as compensation for the lost benefits was presented to the board by the trustee. The proposal was designed to have a net zero impact on the township budget while protecting the township from future increases in benefit expenses.

After much discussion the board voted to accept an adjusted salary of \$12,000 and the elimination of the above mentioned benefits. This resulted in no increase in the budget and with future savings for the township. One board member actually received less than her prior year's total compensation package. Thus, there was not an increase in compensation by a board vote but rather a restructure of how they were paid. The board has voted for a

mere \$400 salary increase over the past two years.

Second, Mr. Williams' assertion that the board only puts in three to five hours a year is again simply incorrect. We meet monthly, and on average the length of our meeting is one to two hours, as recorded in our minutes book. All of them take the time to review materials on their own prior to the public meetings. They attend meetings held by the Hamilton County Trustee's Association and also represent the Trustee's Office at other important community events.

Finally, I would like to point out that the Noblesville Township general property tax rate has declined in 2017 and 2018 under my administration, and with the supporting vote of the board. Coupled with this decrease in your tax rate we have provided additional township services, more assistance to residents who qualify, and a dedicated staff to better serve the needs of our community. We stand on the record of our accomplishments. All is well in our township, and I don't believe for a moment that our duties to the public would be handled more efficiently or more cost effective by the county government without a serious reduction in the services we provide to the citizens of Noblesville.

Thank You, **Tom Kenley** *Noblesville Township Trustee*



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State Police K9 Mojo passes away

The REPORTER

In the overnight hours of Feb. 9, 13-year-old retired Indiana State Police K9 Mojo passed away. Mojo's partner of more than 11 years was Sgt. Dennis Wade.

Mojo graduated from K9 School on Christmas Eve in 2006 and was assigned to the ISP Drug Enforcement Section where he began patrolling the Indianapolis Metro Area. He was trained as a dual-purpose

dog to help with various police investigations. During his career Mojo is responsible for an incredible amount of seizures that include:

• 4,222 pounds

- Mojo of marijuana • 3.75 pounds of methamphetamine
 - 115 pounds of cocaine
 - 1/4 pound of crack

• \$1,985,309 in seized money

Mojo played a key role for more than 10 vears helping officers from not only the Indiana State Police but dozens of other agencies. Without

question he and his partner, Sgt. Wade, helped make our communities safer.

Thank you for your ser-

• 1.75 pounds of Heroin vice Mojo. School rallies behind cause that hits teacher close to home

WISH-TV

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More than 20 years ago, Ray Alvey was teaching physical education at an elementary school when he agreed to run an event called Jump Rope for Heart with his students.

It was the first of what would become two decades of fundraisers the educator would host for the American Heart Association.

"I had some American Heart Association people coming after me and I ran out of excuses to say no," Alvey joked. "I finally said Okay, I'll try it' and once I tried it. It was such a positive experience for the students and our school ... It just kind of became a passion."

As a teacher in elemen-

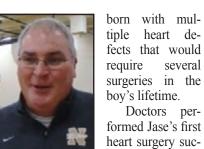
tary and middle schools, Alvey and his students have participated in Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart events.

On Wednesday, a "red out" took place during Noblesville

West Middle School girls basketball games in support of Heart Month. The players, coaches, cheerleaders and fans will wear the color red to raise money and awareness.

The game was a culmination of two weeks of classroom donations.

The community's passionate dedication to the cause would become personal in 2015. Alvey's first grandchild, Jase, was



Alvey

of 2017.

"I knew all along what we were doing. I knew we were helping people and that was my message to the kids, 'you're helping people you know probably,' but to be honest once you really know them, it's a big difference," Alvey said.

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The American Heart Association has listed each of Alvey's schools as number one in the state in fundraising for multiple years.

One injured in Tuesday night crash

The REPORTER

A single vehicle crash Tuesday night in southern Hamilton County left one person with serious injuries. Hamilton County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to a crash on 111th Street near Cornell Drive shortly after 11 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Investigators from the Sheriff's Office Crash

2012 Hyundai Santa Fe was eastbound on 111th Street approaching Cornell Drive when it ran off the pavement, striking a culvert and then a tree on the right side of the road.

Injured in the crash was the driver, Kevin Dowd, 62, Louisville, Ky. Dowd was unconscious following the crash and was unable to

Team reported a black speak with investigators. He was taken to the St. Vincent Hospital on 86th Street with serious injuries including bleeding and possible internal injuries.

> The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Crash Team is still investigating the incident. Anyone with information is asked to contact the team at 317-773-1282.

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16 Candles is set to perform at Federal Hill Commons on Saturday, June 2.

Come to Concerts at the Commons

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department announces Concerts at the Commons line up and new partnership with local radio station 99.5 ZPL to bring regional and local bands to the First Merchants Pavilion stage at Federal Hill Commons. Concerts at the Commons will take place on five Saturday nights throughout the summer with each show starting at 7 p.m.

With the success of last year's concerts and events, we are expanding our free shows this year, to give the community more opportunities to enjoy Federal Hill Commons throughout the summer. We are excited to welcome some new bands to Noblesville, along with the return of our more popular acts from last year," Noblesville Parks Director Brandon Bennett said.

The partnership with 99.5 ZPL provides added features for concert attendees, including a VIP area in the event lawn, meet and greet photo opportunities with the bands, onstage announcements by station personalities and exposure on the station's website and social media pages.

"99.5 ZPL has been a great partner of the parks department and this part-

nership will add a differ- tact Kristi Spehler at kspeent element to the concert hler@noblesville.in.us experience," said Noblesville Parks Assistant Director Mike Hoffmeister. "And with their large base of listeners, it's a great fit that will allow us to promote our free Saturday night concerts to more music fans."

"Summer time screams outdoor music and getting together with friends and family. We couldn't be happier to couple our radio stations with Noblesville's Saturday night concert series," added Jessica Koetteritz, 99.5 ZPL promotions and marketing director.

The Concerts at the Commons line-up includes:

- May 19 Rod Tuffcurls + The Benchpress with Ripple Effect
- June 2 16 Candles with Cosmic Situation
- June 30 Separate Ways with Edward Zlaty's "The Cause"
- July 7 Karen Waldrup
- Aug. 18 Flying Toasters with Sam King

The Concerts at the Commons series is supported by local sponsors, including title sponsor, Myers Construction Management Inc., and concert sponsor Indiana American Water. Additional partnership opportunities are available. For more information, con-



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Matthew 21:14-17 (KJV)

Heather Carroll Hensley May 4, 1973 - February 18, 2018

Heather Carroll Hensley, 44, Fishers, passed away on Sunday, February 18, 2018 at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. She was born on May 4, 1973

to Charles E. Carroll and Jane (Broadwater) Heiny in Marion. Heather worked as a boutique sales associate and had a passion for interior design. She loved animals, children and decorating for the holidays. Heather was outgoing, bubbly, kind and amazing. Heather was loving, caring, hardworking, dedicated, smart, funny, goofy, gorgeous and so much more. She would defend anyone she loved in a heartbeat without hesitation. Heather could make you laugh for no reason at all. She loved laughing and being around the

ones she loved. Heather had a gigantic heart and loved doing for others. Her daughters were her life; she loved her family and her fur babies, Khloe, Gretchen and Annie.

Heather is survived by her mother, Jane Heiny; daughters, Kalee Carroll and McKenna Carroll; sister, Kelly Carroll; stepfather, Mark (Tonya) McCoy; grandmother, Jan Comer; grandfather, Charles M. Carroll; and her extended family, Eric Rosenthal and his parents, Ann and Burt Rosenthal.

She was preceded in death by her father, Charles E. Carroll; grandparents, Gene and Phyllis Broadwater; grandfather, Gene Comer; and grandmother, Ruth Carroll.

Services will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers, with visitation from 4 p.m. to the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 1721 Pleasant St., Suite B, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

<u>Arrangements</u>

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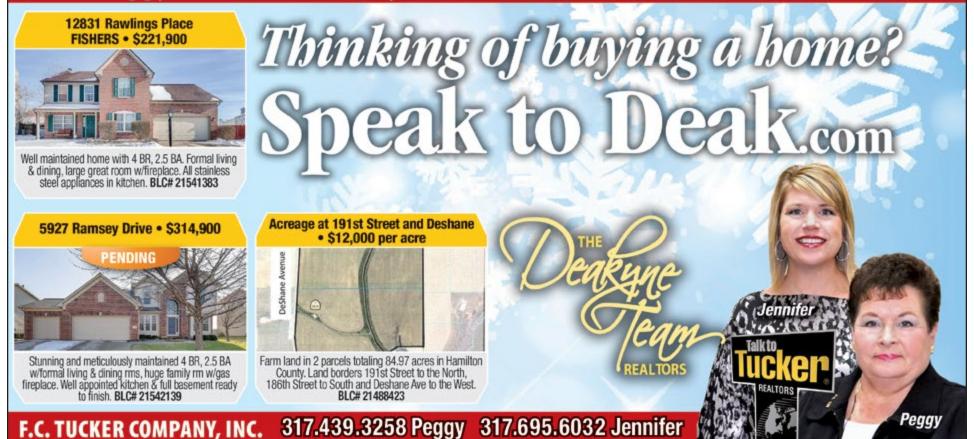
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Abby and Olivia swim the same events...

Harter sisters enjoy the HSE state experience

By RICHIE HALL

Reporter Sports Editor

Over the years, several fantastic siblings have graced the Hamilton Southeastern swim teams.

Now, here come the Harter sisters.

Sophomore Abby and freshman Olivia both competed at the IHSAA state swim meet for the Royals on Feb. 9 and 10 at the IU Natatorium. Not only did both girls swim for HSE, they swam in the same events: The individual medley and the

The sisters didn't swim at the same time in the Friday, Feb. 9 preliminaries they were in different heats in both events. Still, it was a fun experience for them both.

"I thought it was fun," said Abby. "I really liked the competitiveness of it."

"We already know Abby's going to win every time," said Olivia. "It's still fun."

Abby Harter finished in the top 16 in both events on Friday, so she came back to swim each one in the Saturday, Feb. 10 finals. Abby placed third in the backstroke and 10th in the IM.

"I'm really excited and I think next year I can do even better," said Abby.

Olivia placed 18th in the IM prelims and 21st in the backstroke, just missing the finals. But she is a freshman, so there are still three more years to go. Abby said her younger sister "did really well" and would "be back next year better."

And of course, Olivia was on deck during the finals, cheering her sister and all of the HSE swimmers on.

"It was really fun and it was just fun for the experience, and just being with our team is really fun," said Olivia.

Both girls are already gearing up for next season. While there were several seniors providing leadership for the Royals this year, Southeastern also had many swimmers who will be back next year, and too, so I think we can only go up." the Harter sisters can't wait to see what's next for their team.

"I'm really excited," said Abby. "We see how we do with them," said Olivia.



Sisters Abby and Olivia Harter are the latest siblings to make it to state for the Hamilton Southeastern swim program. Sophomore Abby placed third in the backstroke and 10th in the individual medley at state, while freshman Olivia also competed in those two events at the state meet.

have some people coming up as freshman

"We have some really good rising freshmen and it's going to be really fun to

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weekend's boys state swim meet

By RICHIE HALL

Reporter Sports Editors

This weekend's IHSAA boys state swim meet promises to be one of the fastest ever. Don't believe it? Take a look at the psych

sheets on the IHSAA website. One can always tell just how fast an event could be by taking a look at how many state cut qualifiers there are. The "state cut," as many swimmers are aware, is that crucial time that swimmers are focused on when they compete in a sectional final. Swim your event at or faster than a state cut, and you have a golden ticket to state - whether you

place first or 16th in the sectional. Each event at state is always supposed to have 32 swims in the preliminary round, which begins at 6 p.m. Friday at the IU Natatorium. Twenty spots are reserved for the champion from each sectional, who automatically heads to state regardless of time. After that, the state cut swimmers are added in.

Since all swimmers that make cuts are guaranteed a spot, that means there can be years where an event has more than 32 swimmers. That's happening in three events this year: The individual medley has 37 swimmers, including 28 who swam faster than the cut. Both the 50 and the 100 freestyles will have 36 competitors each -

both events had 31 swims make the state cut. In the other events, there were a handful of swims that were called back to state in order to make sure each event has 32 competitors. Those times may not be cuts, but

they're still fast. One event that could turn out well for Hamilton County is the backstroke. There are five local swimmers seeded in the top nine, including three from Carmel. Sophomore Wyatt Davis is the top seed, after winning his own sectional in a time of 49.20

The other two Greyhounds in the 50 free mix are senior Drew Amaral, seeded fourth and freshman Griffin Hadley, seeded sixth. Fishers senior Kyle Haflich has the ninth

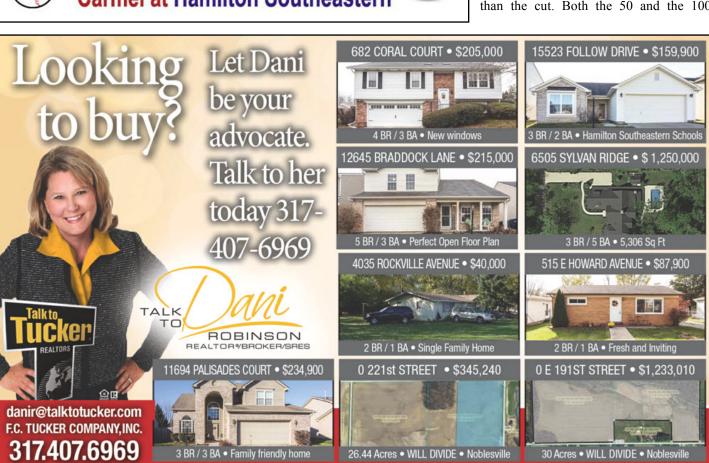
And then there's junior Jared Holder from Hamilton Heights. Holder is seeded third in a new Huskies school record time of 49.98 seconds. Holder will also swim the 50 free, where he is seeded 16th in 21.27 seconds. The eighth seed is Plainfield junior Max Wiser in 21.03 seconds, so there's not much separating any of the swimmers.

In all, Carmel has nine top seeds going into the prelims. Senior Drew Kibler is the first seed in the 50 free, in a time of 20.10 seconds and the butterfly, where his sectional race was 49.27 seconds. Sophomore Jacob Mitchell leads the list in the 200 free (1:38.09) and 500 free (4:28.88), with freshman Augustus Rothrock the second seed in the long-distance event (4:31.23).

The 500 free, in fact, also looks strong for Hamilton County, with six local swimmers among the top nine. After the Carmel top two, Fishers sophomore Aaron Frollo is seeded fourth, Carmel senior Brett Sherman is sixth, and Fishers seniors Nicholas Harris and Sam Kuhn are seventh and ninth respec-

The 'Hounds are also seeded 1-2 in the breaststroke, with senior Andrew Couchon first (55.03) and senior Stefano Batista second (55.59). Junior Andrew Rafalko holds the fifth seed). Carmel will also come into the meet with top seeds in the medley relay (1:32.08), and the 400 free relay (3:06.67)

Haflich has a second seed for Fishers in the IM, with his sectional time of 1:50.51 giving him that high placement going into the prelims. Junior Drake Stallworth is seeded fourth in the butterfly, while sopho-



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LEFT: Hamilton Heights' Jared Holder (left) and Carmel's Wyatt Davis (right) are among the top three seeds in the backstroke in the Friday night boys swimming state preliminaries.

BELOW: Noblesville's Jack Wolfred is seeded 21st in the 100 freestyle.



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the 500 free. The Tigers' 400 free relay is seeded fifth.

Hamilton Southeastern sophomore DJ Rogers will look to keep the momentum from his great sectional. He is seeded sixth in the 50 free.

Westfield senior Chris Kenney has two top-eight seeds: He is rated third in the 100 free and seventh in the 50 free. Noblesville junior Evan Diamente is seeded 20th in the butterfly, with a time of 51.60 - not far from the 16th seed, Valparaiso junior Samuel Behrend's 51.45.

A complete list of Hamilton County seeded swimmers now follows:

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

200 medley relay: 1. Carmel 1:32.08, 9. Fishers 1:35.00, 11. Hamilton Southeastern 1:35.23

200 freestyle: 1. Jacob Mitchell (C) 1:38.09, 3. Augustus Rothrock (C) 1:40.57, 9. Alec DeLong (C) 1:41.65, 11. Drake Stallworth (F) 1:41.93, 13. Sam Kuhn (F) 1:42.65, 19. Nicholas Harris (F) 1:43.17, 22. Keegan Streett (HSE) 1:43.60.

200 individual medley: 2. Kyle Haflich (F) 1:50.51, 8. Wyatt Davis (C) 1:52.18, 11. Andrew Rafalko (C) 1:52.74. 13. Aaron Frollo (F) 1:53.33, 19. Brett Sherman (C) 1:54.52, 21. Cory Jacocks (F) 1:54.76, 28. Blake Ratliff (HSE) 1:55.23.

50 freestyle: 1. Drew Kibler (C) 20.10, 6. DJ 16. Noblesville 3:13.07.

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more Aaron Frollo holds the fourth seed in Rogers (HSE) 21.01, 7. Chris Kenney (Westfield) 21.02, 9. Andrew Couchon (C) 21.05, 16. Jared Holder (Hamilton Heights) 21.27, 25. Evan Diamente (N) 21.49, 28. Stefano Batista (C) 21.54

One-meter diving: 3. Cole VanDevender (F) 577.00, 24. Nathan Barr (HSE) 380.00, 26. Garrett Garwood (HSE) 378.15, 31. Jared Newman 361.15.

100 butterfly: 1. Kibler (C) 49.27, 4. Stallworth (F) 49.90, 15. Jota lwase (C) 51.24, 18. Connor Harrison (HSE) 51.52, 20. Diamente (N) 51.60.

100 freestyle: 3. Kenney (W) 45.97, 7. Griffin Hadley (C) 46.48, 10. DeLong (C) 46.79, 16. Rogers (HSE) 46.94, 20. Andrew Morozov (C) 47.01, 21. Jack Wolfred (N)

500 freestyle: 1. Mitchell (C) 4:28.88, 2. Rothrock (C) 4:31.23, 4. Frollo (F) 4:35.21, Sherman (C) 4:36.62, 7. Harris (F) 4:38.46, 9. Kuhn (F) 4:38.46, 20. Streett (HSE) 4:44.90, 21. Aaron Helms (N) 4:45.04. 200 freestyle relay: 5. Carmel 1:25.68, 8. Southeastern 1:26.21, 10. Fishers 1:26.49, 17. Westfield 1:27.75, 23. Noblesville

100 backstroke: 1. Davis (C) 49.20, 3. Holder (HH) 49.98, 4. Drew Amaral (C) 50.09, 6. Hadley (C) 50.55, 9. Haflich (F)

100 breaststroke: 1. Couchon (C) 55.03, 2. Batista (C) 55.59, 5.Andrew Rafalko (C) 56.77, 13. Noah Baldwin (F) 57.59, 22. Joel Crull (F) 58.48.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel 3:06.67. 5. Fishers 3:09.59, 10. Southeastern 3:11.34,





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NBA standings

The NBA has been on its All-Star break. Games resume today.

Western Conference

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	41	16	.719	-
Boston	40	19	.678	2.0
Philadelphia	30	25	.545	10.0
New York	23	36	.390	19.0
Brooklyn	19	40	.322	23.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	34	22	.607	-
Indiana	33	25	.569	2.0
Milwaukee	32	25	.561	2.5
Detroit	28	29	.491	6.5
Chicago	20	37	.351	14.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	33	24	.579	-
Miami	30	28	.517	3.5
Charlotte	24	33	.421	9.0
Orlando	18	39	.316	15.0
Atlanta	18	41	305	16.0

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Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB			
∕linnesota	36	25	.590	-			
Oklahoma City	33	26	.559	2.0			
Denver	32	26	.552	2.5			
Portland	32	26	.552	2.5			
Jtah	30	28	.517	4.5			
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB			
Golden State	44	14	.759	-			
A. Clippers	30	26	.536	13.0			
A. Lakers	23	34	.404	20.5			
Sacramento	18	39	.316	25.5			
Phoenix	18	41	.305	26.5			
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB			
Houston	44	13	.772	-			
San Antonio	35	24	.593	10.0			
New Orleans	31	26	.544	13.0			
/lemphis	18	38	.321	25.5			



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Miller distance medley wins at Kentucky Invitational

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team scored a victory at last weekend's Kentucky Invitational indoor meet.

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Dallas

Anderson, Sophie Reichard and Abi Little (N) 12:09.90. won that race in 12:27.64. The same group also placed second in the 4x800 relay.

One-mile run: 8. Katherine Modrall (Black Robe) 5:04.28, 10. Maddie Dalton (Carmel) 5:06.40, 15. Gabby

The Noblesville girls distance medley Dilick (Westfield) 5:09.99, 17. Mikayla Gallagher (BR) 5:11.44.

26.5

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Two-mile run: 19. Taylor Gregory The foursome of Aubrie Deal, Maria (Noblesville) 12:04.55, 22. Aubrey Swart

> 4x800 relay: 2. Noblesville (Maria Anderson, Abi Little, Aubrie Deal, Sophie Reichard) 9:32.99, 6. Westfield (Dilick, Sophie Porter, Julia Clark, Ava Zellers) 10:11.05.

> Distance medley: 1. Noblesville (Deal, Anderson, Reichard, Little) 12:27.64.

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Haworth places fourth in 100 hurdles at Trine

Hamilton Heights junior Bailey Haworth placed fourth in the 100-meter hurdles in 10.86 Saturday at the Trine University

"It wasn't the time and finish we wanted, but Bailey has had a long season in track with me and diving with the school," said her coach K.O. Jackson of the K-Town Elite Track Club.

According to Indianarunner.com she is still among the top 10 hurdlers in the state and this meet will help prepare her for the Hoosier State Relays in two weeks, March 3 at Indiana Wesleyan University.

"We both know we have to get faster real quick," said Jackson. "We want to be one of the best sprinter/hurdlers in the state. Our club had six indoor meets this season - four with college athletes and two with age-group competition. We are prepared and ready for a successful spring session in high school and a summer Junior Olympic season."



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