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## Noblesville Lions Club visited by Dr. Beth Niedermeyer



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On Wednesday, Noblesville Schools Superintendent Dr. Beth Niedermeyer visited the local Lions Club and discussed the need of the current referendum in the upcoming election. She was assisted by Assistant Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy and Noblesville Schools CFO Robin Phelps. Niedermeyer answered questions from the club members after her presentation. She detailed most of her answers in such a way that it helped the club members understand the school needs much better. School safety was a big concern, and she explained the actions the school will take if the referendum is passed. Niedermeyer was presented an appreciation certificate for taking the time to speak to the club. (Above) Niedermeyer stands with Noblesville Lions mascot Stanley (Steve Craig).

## Two found dead in Fishers home

**The REPORTER**

Two staff members of Hamilton Southeastern school district, a man and a woman, were found dead Wednesday night after police responded to the 1300 block of Dorster Street in Fishers on a report of possible shots fired Wednesday evening.

According to police, nearby construction workers heard gunshots at a neighboring residence around 6 p.m. When police arrived, they found a man and a woman, later identified by Hamilton County Coroner John Chalfin as Frank and Crystal Sergi.

Sgt. Tom Weger, the spokesman for Fishers Police Department, said no one is actively being sought and police believe there was no threat to the public. Police said no one else was in the home.

Emily Pace Abbotts, the director of school and community relations for the HSE district, issued this statement:

"It is with great sadness that we have learned of the sudden passing of two longtime staff members during an incident Wednesday evening. Fishers Police Department is leading the investigation, and we will be supporting them in their efforts. We are currently working through our district's Crisis Response Team, which includes mental health professionals, to provide much-needed support during this difficult time."



Chalfin

Classes were canceled Thursday at Hoosier Road Elementary and Fall Creek Intermediate schools. Coroner John Chalfin told The Reporter an autopsy would be conducted at some point today.

*"Wednesday night's tragic incident is difficult news to share with our community. We stand in support of our schools, and the teachers and administration impacted by the events. Fishers Police Department continues to conduct a thorough investigation and details will be released as they become available and when appropriate. On behalf of the entire Fishers community, our sincere thoughts and prayers go out to the family and their friends and loved ones."*

**- Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness**

## HSE parents worry about kids' future; district advances redistricting plans

By **JENNY DREASLER**  
WISH-TV | [wistv.com](http://wistv.com)

For the second time since 2015, the Hamilton Southeastern school district will be reshuffling elementary school boundary lines.

The plans to redistrict will impact thousands of students.

More than 200 parents voiced their opinions at a meeting Wednesday evening at Fishers High School.

Parents have been given three choices of how to redistrict HSE schools.

(Click here to the redistricting options packet PDF.)

Parents who spoke to News 8 said they are worried, and some were even angry about the choices that many said offer no right answer.

"People move to Hamilton Southeastern school district for the schools, and that's really one of the reasons we moved here, for that specific school that our neighborhood is joined with," said HSE parent Elizabeth Statzer. "I mean, it is what it is. Whatever is best for the kids."

The spark to redistrict the Hamilton Southeastern lines came as Fishers expanded east with the addition of a 13th elementary school, which is currently being built. The district wants to reduce overcrowding, address the use of portable classrooms and offer improved teacher-to-student ratios.

"We keep changing as a community," said William Carnes, the interim assistant superintendent of Hamilton Southeastern. "We're a very dynamic community and as

a result we need to rebalance our schools and make sure we have the proper numbers in each of our buildings."

Each of the three scenarios would move upwards of 3,500 kids to a new school.

It's a change many parents said they feel is the wrong answer to a tough question.

"This is just the wrong time in life to be taking kids away from their friends," said HSE parent Amy Riebe. "As a parent, I struggle with

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## Noblesville Common Council passes 2019 Civil City budget, adds 17 new full-time positions

**The REPORTER**

The Noblesville 2019 Civil City budget was passed at the Common Council at its Oct. 23 meeting. The 2019 proposed Civil City budget totals \$69,259,933, with a general fund budget of \$43,193,151.

A guiding theme for Controller Jeff Spalding and the finance and accounting office was to "right size and realign" for fiscal transparency, forecasting and planning, cost efficiency and performance metrics.

"This budget reflects the

operational goals and needs of city departments. All expenses get accounted for and are budgeted for," he said. "The overall structure of civil city budget to best use taxpayer dollars wisely and allocate finances logically and clearly. Noblesville is a growing community, the point is to do things well and do things better. We still want to be cost-efficient, but doing a



Spalding

job well costs less than doing it cheaply." The Noblesville Civil City budget does increase, but the proposed 2019 budget is balanced and builds reserves by approximately \$4 million. Several recommendations with the 2019 Civil City budget include:

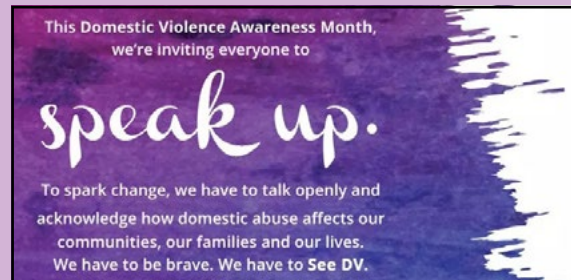
- The hiring of 17 new full-time positions, which include fire department (4),

street (4), parks (2), police (2), planning (1), economic development (1), information technology (1), human resources (1) and finance and accounting (1). The estimated costs with benefits for the positions is \$1,361,900.

- Full-time city employees, mayor, clerk and city judge will receive a 3 percent raise. Common Council members have a 1.5 percent raise.
- Public safety is the No. 1

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*The Bystander Effect can change with us. Below are some tips to speak up in a way that will not put you in danger as well.*

**1) Disrupt the situation:** If you see someone being harassed, interrupt the conversation by asking for directions or a similar question. This allows the person being harassed time to leave the situation if needed.

**2) Don't act alone:** Ask others around you to help. The more people that get involved, the less likely the incident will continue. If you feel you may be putting yourself in danger, call law enforcement.

**3) Confront the harasser:** Simply tell them in a respectful way that what they are doing is not acceptable and that they need to stop. Remember, safety is key here. Do not put yourself at risk if you feel it is a dangerous situation.

**4) Focus on the needs of the target:** Tell them that they are not to blame for the incident and act as a support system, if needed.

Always remember that you should never put your safety in jeopardy. If you feel that you may be putting yourself in danger by helping, call law enforcement!

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# Family must adjust to being in the spotlight

I'm so grateful for the support from my husband, John, and my teenage sons, Jonathon and Jacob, on my endeavors. They've cheered me along all of my journeys, from walking in the Indy 500 Mini Marathon last May, to becoming an independent grant consultant, and to finally getting published "for real" with my recent self-help book.



a bit hesitant to show enthusiasm for my new Reporter column. Let me explain. I used to write a column years ago for another local paper. My family also has a rather unusual last name. Like my previous column, "Sandwiched" will primarily focus on my family life to help others realize they're not alone in their highs and lows.

elements for a column in a beloved local newspaper, you can't help but put your family in the spotlight. Thanks to my previous column, John probably has 20+ stories of when strangers have asked him about:

1. His health
2. A recent vacation
3. Our boys and their mishaps at home and school
4. Our home improvement projects
5. Our parents

... and other topics. He's already steering himself for even more questions now

that I'm back in the saddle, especially since he's a salesman who often has customers in Hamilton County. Also, my boys were little back in the days of my old column. They're young adults now, which means they won't be immune to people asking them, "Are you the Jonathon/Jacob that Amy Shankland writes about?"

With all of this in mind, I literally asked each of them weeks ago if they were okay with me starting this new column. After some eye rolls and me swearing upon my father's grave that I would always run topics past them before I even open up my laptop, they granted me per-

mission. Begrudgingly. I'll also be writing stories about my mom as well, although of course I'll always call her Mom and I won't use her real name. Out of respect, however, I'll talk to her about any topics revolving around her as well.

I'm still at the beginning of this new venture, so to avoid causing (much) embarrassment to my family, I've made a vow to always think, "What would Erma do?" I'm referring of course to the beloved humorist, writer, columnist, and journalist Erma Bombeck.

Some of you young'uns won't know who Erma Bombeck was, as she passed

away in 1996. I grew up reading her column, which focused on the everyday experiences of being a wife and mother. Erma is one of my idols. She had a beautiful gift for storytelling and could make you laugh out loud or wipe away a few tears. If I ever write a column even half as good as one of hers, I'll be amazed.

So with Erma's spirit always with me, a thorough pre-screening process for every story, and the occasional prayer, I hope the spotlight will be softened for each and every family member. Thank you once again, John, Jonathon, Jacob, and Mom, for your support!

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## HSE

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losing all my connections. Now, all my kids are in high school with families that I don't have a lot of interaction with like I've had for the last several years."

"I really get this," district leader Carnes said. "I understand that this is not about numbers. This is about children. We want to do what's best for the children, and re-districting is the way that we get there."

"They keep talking about this being a 'community process,'" said HSE parent Gwen Keller-Lusk. "But, the communities are built around the schools. When you take the parents that are involved in those schools and you rip

## BUDGET

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priority in the community. In 2019, public safety accounts for 68 percent of the general fund budget and 47.3 percent of the overall Civil City budget. Capital equipment requests include 18 new police SUVs, a new fire engine and ambulance and a remount ambulance chassis.

- The budget includes \$3 million for road resurfacing and sidewalk, trail and alley design and construction.

"While the 2019 tax rate has not been calculated and finalized by the state, the city anticipates it will be no higher than the 2018 rate of \$1.0735 per \$100 of assessed value, or decrease marginally," Spalding said.

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# Sobriety checkpoint coming this weekend

**The REPORTER**

A sobriety checkpoint will be conducted on the night of Saturday, Oct. 27 and the early hours of Sunday, Oct. 28.

Impaired driving is one of our nation's most frequently committed violent crimes. Just in Indiana in 2014, alcohol-related traffic crashes killed 101 people, accounting for approximately 13 percent of all fatal crashes, and injured another 1,880 people.

About 750 people are convicted of an impaired driving offense annually in Hamilton County alone, and nearly 100 of those are repeat offenders. In 2015 in Hamilton County, for example, the State filed 732 cases of operating while intoxicated. Of these, 106 drivers had prior convictions for operating while intoxicated within the last five years.

To combat this crime, the Hamilton County Traffic Safety Partnership will be setting up sobriety checkpoints around Hamilton County to aggressively deter, detect, and arrest those drivers who make the decision to drive impaired. Sobriety checkpoints have proven successful in both raising awareness of impaired driving and reducing the likelihood of a person driving after they have been drinking.

In order to raise awareness of the prevalence of impaired driving in our community and the efforts of the Partnership to com-

bat the crime, the Partnership maintains a webpage at [hamiltoncounty.in.gov/503](http://hamiltoncounty.in.gov/503).

At a sobriety checkpoint, law enforcement officers evaluate drivers for signs of alcohol or drug impairment at a specified point along the roadway, often depending upon the support of local property owners for the use of appropriate land. Checkpoint sites are selected based upon analysis of available crash and impaired driving arrest data and a consideration of officer safety.

Vehicles are stopped in a specific sequence, such as every other vehicle, every third vehicle, every fourth vehicle or by stopping three, four, or five cars in succession and allowing other traffic to proceed while checking the stopped vehicles. The planned sequence in which vehicles are stopped depends on the number of officers available to staff the checkpoint, traffic congestion, and other safety concerns.

Upon making contact with the driver, the officer advises them that they've been stopped at an HCTSP sobriety checkpoint and asks for the driver's license and the vehicle's registration. If, in the course of the contact, the officer detects that alcohol may be involved and that the driver may be impaired or if some other issue arises, then the vehicle is directed into a pull-off area for further investigation. Further investigation may involve the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFSTs).

On the other hand, if all looks right during the initial contact, the driver is often on his or her way in less than two minutes.

Officers staffing the sobriety checkpoints work on an overtime basis paid by grant funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through the Indiana Governor's Council on Impaired and Dangerous Driving.

Sobriety checkpoints are legal in 39 states, including Indiana, and the District of Columbia. In 1990, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that, if conducted properly, sobriety checkpoints do not constitute an illegal search and seizure. In the 2002 case of *State v. Gerschoffer*, the Indiana Supreme Court found that sobriety checkpoints are constitutional when conducted properly. Members of the Hamilton County Prosecuting Attorney's Office work with the Partnership to ensure that each checkpoint

meets constitutional requirements.

Should you have any questions regarding these sobriety checkpoints, please contact Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Andre Miksha at 317-776-8595.

**About the Hamilton County Traffic Safety Partnership**

The Hamilton County Traffic Safety Partnership (HCTSP) is a consortium of law enforcement agencies in Hamilton County working to increase the usage of seatbelts, to combat aggressive driving, and to decrease impaired driving with the overall goal of creating a safer Hamilton County. The HCTSP is comprised of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, Fishers Police Department, Carmel Police Department, Noblesville Police Department, Westfield Police Department and Cicero Police Department, with the assistance of the Indiana State Police.

# Westfield man arrested for child exploitation

**The REPORTER**

A Westfield man was arrested Thursday afternoon on a Henry County Felony Warrant after a lengthy State Police investigation. The investigation started in April of this year after Pendleton District Investigator Andy Byers received a tip from a concerned parent.

As a result of Byers investigation, Timothy W. Brouwer, 27, Westfield, was arrested on seven Level 5 Felony charges of Child Exploitation and two Level 6 Fel-

ony charges of Dissemination of Material Harmful to a Minor.

The charges against Brouwer stem from events that occurred earlier this year when Brouwer allegedly took photographs of a minor child engaged in sexual activity as well as transmitted images of an adult engaged in sexual activity with a minor. Brouwer was lodged in the Henry County Jail.

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## Letter guidelines this election season

### The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Reporter, your hometown newspaper, is always willing to publish Letters to the Editor in our pages. But with the approach of the Nov. 6 General Election, we are establishing some guidelines to keep things fair and balanced.

Letters to the Editor addressing new topics about the upcoming election or the policies of individual candidates will be accepted until the end of the business day on Tuesday, Oct. 30 and will be published on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Letters in response to new topics published in the Oct. 31 edition will be accepted until Friday, Nov. 2 and will be published in the Saturday, Nov. 3 edition.

These deadlines will give candidates and their supporters the opportunity to reply to letters sent the last week of October.

Please send your letters to [News@ReadTheReporter.com](mailto:News@ReadTheReporter.com).

Letters to the Editor do not represent the opinions of The Reporter or our staff.



## Calling on community for Yes vote

Dear Noblesville residents,  
My family and I moved to Noblesville about eight years ago. Our top criterion for selecting an area and house was *good schools*. We selected Noblesville because of the schools, but the sense of community was an added benefit.

In the past eight years, Noblesville has proven itself to be a wonderful and close-knit community. After the shooting at NWMS, Noblesville once again came together to take care of one other. I was so proud of how everyone from the teachers, staff, students, parents and community handled themselves with such class and dignity. I am proud to call Noblesville our home and proud that all three of our children have been educated by Noblesville schools.

Unfortunately, like the shooting has affected our community, so has the national shortage of teachers. Teachers are leaving Noblesville for neighboring school systems to make

\$5,000 to \$15,000 more per year. I don't blame the teachers. They have to do what is best for their families. How many of us wouldn't jump at an opportunity for higher salary without increased responsibilities? We need to be able to offer competitive salaries to attract the best teachers for our kids in order to provide them with a high-quality education.

The way schools are funded has changed in the last decade. In 2010, dramatic changes were made by implementing the 1 percent property tax cap. These changes significantly decreased funding for the schools. Noblesville schools have "lost" \$46.5 million since 2009. Therefore, our schools are forced to rely on referendum funding. Indiana has had to become a referendum state in order to compensate for the shortfall of school funding.

Those who don't have kids in the school system may find it difficult to see why they should vote "YES" for the referendum. Maintaining the

highest level of education is proven to be a major factor in why families purchase homes. It is what brought us to Noblesville and will continue to bring transplants to Noblesville. Investing in our education is investing in our community, businesses and the development of our town.

Please come together as a community and show our kids that we care and that we are willing to give them the resources they need by retaining teachers, providing more and better resources for mental health and counseling, and increasing security while they are at school.

Voting "YES" for the referendum will provide this to our children, our students and our future! Please come together once again, Noblesville, and help provide these resources for our kids and our community. Don't fail us now, Noblesville!

Thank you,  
**Hyde (Heidi) Heckman**  
Noblesville

## Thanks for reading!

## Invest in the future by voting Yes for school referendum

Dear Neighbors,

Our children and families are the heart of our community. And if our people are the heart, then our schools are the backbone. It is essential that we invest in the education of our students by promoting safety, emotional wellness and staff retention.

As a graduate of the 2017-2018 Miller Ambassador class, I had the great privilege of having a front row seat to learn just how much goes on behind the scenes within our Noblesville schools. Our administrators, teachers and support staff are doing some amazing and innovative things. They are making every moment, every student and every dollar count. Noblesville Schools has adopted the mission "Engage. Inspire. Empower.", and that is just what they are doing. Noblesville Schools needs the community to partner with them to continue this mission.

However, when we make this commitment to our schools, make no mistake,

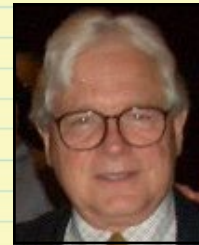
we are not just investing in our schools – we invest in so much more. We invest in our future workforce and leaders. We invest in our local businesses by promoting community growth. We invest in our neighbors and friends who are employed by the school system, which is the largest community employer in Noblesville. We invest in our residential and commercial property holdings as we draw others to live within our community and boost property values.

Our children and staff need to know that this community believes in them, believes in their safety, believes in their education, believes in their ability to thrive, and believes in their worth and value as learners and educators. Invest in our schools and invest in our community. Vote YES on Nov. 6, 2018.

Sincerely,  
**Patrick & Kami (Hines) Propst**  
Community Advocate and Noblesville & Miller Ambassador Alumna

## Florida reader applauds Lt. Housman for Hurricane Michael relief efforts

Dear Editor:  
I would like to commend the City of Noblesville for their plan to send much needed relief items to Hurricane Michael victims in Chipley, Fla. In particular, I want to thank Noblesville Firefighter Lt. Eric Housman for spearheading this relief effort.



**Kraft**

Beach, south of this area, and Panama City to the west. Both areas have been dramatically disrupted.

For many, it is not just an exercise in living without electricity. It is a matter of economic survival. Thousands have lost their homes, vehicles and sadly, their jobs.

The article in the Hamilton County Reporter was accurate. This area has been devastated. Those of us in Tallahassee were spared the brunt of the storm with mere wind gusts of 50 or 60 miles per hour. Ninety-five percent of Tallahassee was without power after Michael went through. Luckily, we mainly had fallen trees and downed utility lines, roads were cleared within 48 hours, and 90 percent of power was restored by the fourth day.

This was not the case west of Tallahassee. Communities such as Bristol, Blountstown, Alpha, Sneads, Chattahoochee and Chipley were literally wiped off the map. Of course, the national attention was on coastal Mexico

Since hundreds of small businesses have either been wiped out or severely damaged, there is little hope of an economic rebound for the afflicted any time soon. National support from government, charities and relief groups is reaching these areas, but there is not much one can do without a car, truck, home or a way to earn a wage. It is a very dire situation.

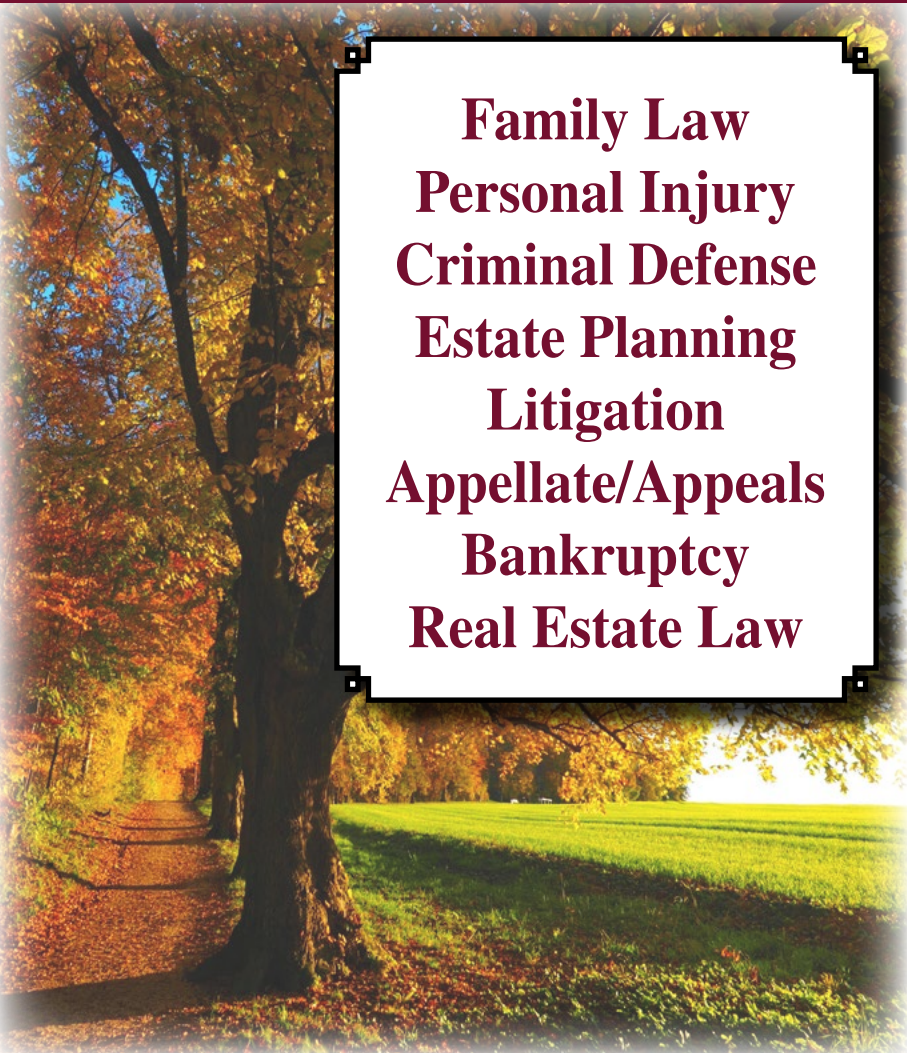
Again, it was very gratifying to read in the Reporter that my hometown is banding together to send much needed supplies to this region of North Florida.

Thanks to everyone involved!  
**John Kraft**  
Tallahassee, Fla.  
5th generation Hamilton County Hoosier

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# Group in Carmel working to raise funds for Best Buddies program

By **JOE MELILLO**  
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A team of co-workers in Carmel is trying to raise as much money as it can for Best Buddies of Indiana. The team is nominated for "Champion of the Year" and the competition is happening right now.

The Best Buddies program helps people with intellectual and developmental disabilities get opportunities from one-to-one friendships, employment and leadership

development.

At TCC in Carmel, RJ Zeph and his boss Kim Miller are both nominated for the 2018 Best Buddies "Champion of the Year" for Indiana. The award recognizes active leaders in the name of inclusion. People who know Zeph say when he started his new job at TCC one year ago he was a completely different person.

He was nervous, shy and only talked through text messages. Now he's outgoing and talkative and has made

friends with everyone in the office. Zeph was hired as an HR assistant after he was let go at a Marsh grocery store. He not only changed jobs but changed careers. Despite all the difficulty, Miller says Zeph thrives in the corporate environment.

"I was blessed with RJ," said Miller. "I think this program has blessed me more than anything and it's made me want to give back to my community to those individuals with IDD because I see how much he changed and

how passionate he is about his job. There's not a day that he comes to work with a bad attitude. He's always positive and I'm so thankful for that."

"I have the same skills as everyone else does," said Zeph. "It might take me a little bit longer but my team

doesn't hold that against me or anything."

Miller designed their team's logo and hashtag, a bicycle and "#withfriendship." Miller believes none of this would be possible without friendship. Their story is only one of a dozen nominees for this year's

champion.

The competition ends Nov. 10. There are 12 champions raising money right now. All funds, 100 percent of them, go to Best Buddies in the community.

For more information on the Best Buddies program, [click here](#).

## Public Notices

### NOTICE OF JOINT MEETING OF ARCADIA TOWN COUNCIL AND ARCADIA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Notice is hereby provided to the public that the Arcadia Town Council and the Arcadia Board of Public Works will hold a joint public meeting on Monday, October 29, 2018, at 6:30 o'clock p.m., at the Arcadia Town Hall Building, located at 208 West Main Street, Arcadia, Indiana 46030. The public is invited to attend.

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## Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville to host first Topgolf Tournament

### The REPORTER

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville (BGCN) will host its first Topgolf Tournament on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at Topgolf Fishers, 9200 E. 116th St. The afternoon will feature food, drinks, giveaways, a silent auction and Topgolf's TopContender gameplay, all while supporting affordable, after-school programming for over 2,000 local youth and teens.

"BGCN's first Topgolf Tournament will help ensure that the Club's memberships remain affordable to local youth. Each day after school, over 325 members come to the Club at a cost of only \$55 for the year, while the true cost of a membership is \$555 per year. This outing is a great opportunity for businesses and citizens of Hamilton

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support local youth," said BGCN Board Member and Committee Chairman, Paul Cahlander, of Sysco Indianapolis.

The event will kick off at noon with check-in and open play. A lunch buffet, sponsored by Sysco Indianapolis, and two TopContender games will follow beginning at 12:45 p.m. During the event, participants will have the chance to participate in contests such as closest-to-the-pin and longest drive, in addition to a \$10,000 hole-in-one contest. The event will wrap up with an awards ceremony at 4:15 p.m.

To inquire about team and individual registrations and sponsorship opportunities, please reach out to BGCN Director of Development Nathan Helm at

317-773-4372 or [nhelm@bgcni.org](mailto:nhelm@bgcni.org), or register online at [bgcni.org/index.php/topgolf-tournament](http://bgcni.org/index.php/topgolf-tournament). The deadline to register is Monday, Nov. 5.

### About the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville provides high-quality, low-cost programs for youth members with the help of donors and sponsors. Between the Club, the Community Center and Camp Crosser, it provides opportunities for members to enjoy activities and experiences that help shape character and offer new perspectives. The Club is dedicated to inspiring and enabling all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens by promoting leadership, character, health and physical development.

## Noblesville residents must contact Street Department for free brush pickup

### The REPORTER

Residents with brush piles must contact the Noblesville Street Department to schedule a pickup at 317-776-6348. Weekly brush pickup on trash days by the street department started March 13 and ended Oct. 13.

"While not available weekly anymore, we still offer this free service to our residents when needed,"

said Street Commissioner Patty Johnson. "Brush pickup is meant for homeowner trimmings and not intended for contractors to utilize when being paid to remove residential trees."

Residents are asked to stack brush in small piles that are no more than four feet in length and eighteen inches in diameter (4'x18"). The individual limb size

should be no more than four inches in diameter. If a resident's brush pile exceeds the listed size, street department crews will utilize different equipment to pick up the larger pile.

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## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And many spread their garments in the way: and others cut down branches off the trees, and strowed them in the way. And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve. And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry: And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet. And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard it.

Mark 11:8-14 (KJV)

### Donald Earl McCarty

February 27, 1932 – October 22, 2018



Donald Earl McCarty, 86, after a long struggle with cancer, went to be with his Lord on October 22, 2018, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville. He was born February 27, 1932 to Walter and Nellie (Caraway) McCarty in Adams Township, Hamilton County.

In 1950, Don graduated from Sheridan High School and married Phyllis Poer in December 1951. He served in the U.S. Army from 1954 to 1956. He was manager of the Records Department at Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance Company for 35 years. During harvest time, you could find him helping at Waitt Elevator in Westfield, moving grain and cooking for customers and the employees. Don was an active member and preacher for over 60 years at Gadsden Church of Christ in Lebanon, and an avid fisherman and farmer. His claim to fame was playing Santa Claus every year for the Poer family. However, the loves of his life was his wife, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and his large extended family.

Don is survived by his beloved wife, Phyllis; daughters, Jetta (Steve) Hall and Jodie (Bob) Freeland; five grandchildren, Katie (Anthony) Scott, Amy (Jason) Sanford, Scott Hall, Andrew (Sarah) Freeland and Holly Freeland; and seven great grandchildren, Blake Sanford, Briley Sanford, Maddie Scott, Chase Scott, Nadia Hall, Heidi Freeland and Nigel Freeland.

In addition to his parents, Walter (1949) and Nellie (1972), he was preceded in death by his sisters, Devota (McCarty) Pickett (1990) and Lillian (McCarty) Hiatt (1997).

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, October 29, 2018 at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan, with Brother Richard Hendricks officiating. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, October 28, 2018 at Kercheval Funeral Home. Burial will be at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested a memorial contribution to the Riverview Health Foundation – Infusion Center, 395 Westfield Road, Noblesville, IN 46060.

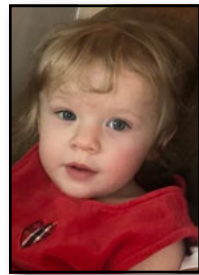
#### Arrangements

Calling: 4 to 6 p.m., Oct. 28  
Service: 10:30 a.m., Oct. 29  
Location: Kercheval Funeral Home  
Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

### Isabella “Belle” Josephine Collier

December 12, 2016 – October 22, 2018

Isabella “Belle” Josephine Collier, 22 months, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, October 22, 2018 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on December 12, 2016 to Byron and Jackie (Mohr) Collier in Fishers.



Belle was a very sweet girl. She was adventurous with a free spirit. Belle loved Elmo and Cookie Monster. She loved her parents, her sisters and her family.

She is survived by her parents, Jackie and Byron Collier; twin sister, Abigail Marie Collier; sister, Gabriella Louise Collier; grandparents, Vivien and Michael Mohr and Judy Collier; and aunts, Amanda (Matt) Duke and Denise Austin.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Bobby Collier.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2018 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Private family services will be held.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

#### Arrangements

Calling: 5 to 8 p.m., Oct. 26  
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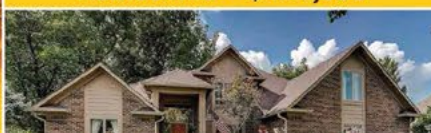
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## Girls basketball

# Experienced Millers are a tough group

By RICHIE HALL

This year's Noblesville girls basketball team will be a familiar team to Miller fans.

Four of Noblesville's returning starters are back from last season, during which the Millers went 15-8. That included an eight-game win streak that gave Noblesville an undefeated month of January and a sectional win over Anderson. The Millers then played sectional champion Carmel tough in the semi-finals before falling 50-45.

While Noblesville did graduate Indiana All-Star Emily Kiser, now playing at the University of Michigan, the four returning starters are tough, talented players.

"This is a tough group," said Millers coach Donna Buckley. "They know how to win. We will look to our seniors to provide the leadership we will need to be successful."

The three seniors include two double-figure scorers. Mallory Johnson is the top returner with 12.2 points per game; she also averaged 2.3 rebounds and 1.7 assists per contest. Next in line is Maddie Knight, who contributed 11.4 points per game, in addition to 3.8 rebounds and 2.7 assists.

Noblesville's third returning senior is Madison Whetro, who averaged 4.6 points and 2.8 rebounds per game. The fourth returner is junior Abby Haley, who brings back the most assists per game (3.1).

Haley is one of five juniors on the team, and each of them brings back varsity experience. In fact, Haley and Anna Kiser played in all 23 of the Millers games last year (as did Haley). Sarah Etchison will be another solid player, as she averaged 3.8 points per game last season. Kailyn Ely played in 21 games, and Devon Ray got in five games.

Two Noblesville sophomores are also on the varsity list: Emily Wood and Mallory Miller. Both played a handful of games last year as freshmen, so that means everyone on the Noblesville varsity roster has some varsity experience.

"We will be experienced," said Buckley. "We will need to rebound and take care of the basketball to give ourselves a chance on game nights."

The Millers open their season at home next Thursday (Nov. 1), playing Lawrence North.



Kent Graham/File photo

### VARSITY ROSTER

**Seniors:** Mallory Johnson, Maddie Knight, Madison Whetro.

**Juniors:** Kailyn Ely, Sarah Etchison, Abby Haley, Anna Kiser, Devon Ray.

**Sophomores:** Mallory Miller, Emily Wood.

### JUNIOR VARSITY ROSTER

**Juniors:** Sarah Matte, Olivia Stinson.

Noblesville's Madison Whetro is one of three returning seniors for the Millers girls basketball team this season. Noblesville opens its season next Thursday by hosting Lawrence North.

**Sophomores:** Abby Baker, Olivia Busalacchi, Emery Denison, Jayla Jones, Makenna Mundy, Sarah Unison.

**Freshman:** Neely Berezny.

### C TEAM ROSTER

**Junior:** Helen Tietze.

**Sophomore:** Deanna Grey.

**Freshmen:** Aubrey Arms, Shelby Cates, Megan Feltner, Mary Claire Fisher, Abby Hoover, Lilly Kempf, Natalie Solomon.

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# Cross country state finals are this weekend

As usual, Hamilton County will be well-represented at this year's IHSAA state cross country meet, which takes place Saturday at the LaVern Gibson Championship Cross Country Course in Terre Haute.

The girls will race first on the 5,000-meter course, with their race starting at 1 p.m. The boys will be next in line, beginning their race at 1:45 p.m.

Four county girls teams will be racing, three of which are making a return trip from last season. Carmel will be competing for the 38th time, continuing their record of perfect attendance at the state meet. Noblesville is back at state for the first time since 2016; both came out of the Shelbyville semi-state. Fishers and Hamilton Southeastern also qualified, each earning a spot out of the New Haven semi-state.

Hamilton Heights will also have a runner at state, with sophomore Maria Mitchell

competing at state for the first time.

In the boys race, Carmel will appear at state for the 43rd time, advancing out of Shelbyville. Fishers, the champion of the New Haven semi-state, is back at state for the fifth year in a row and Hamilton Southeastern also qualified out of New Haven.

Two boys individuals are also in the race: Guerin Catholic senior Quinn Gallagher and Noblesville sophomore Travis Hickner.

Twenty-four full teams and 40 more individuals who qualified without their squad (208 runners each race) will compete in each race over the 5,000 meter course with a reputation as one of the finest in the nation. Here's a list of notables from the IHSAA.

### Defending Boys Team Champion

The Carmel boys team is making its state record-extending 43rd consecutive appearance at the state finals and stands as the defending state champion after winning its second title in three years in 2017. This year's Greyhounds are ranked third in the final state coaches poll after a runner-up finish to top-ranked Indianapolis Cathedral at the Shelbyville Semi-State last Saturday. Cathedral, which has won a championship each weekend this tournament so far, is looking for its first cross country crown. It's previous best finish was third place in 1960.

### Boys Individual Champion

A new boys individual state champion is assured as Hamilton Southeastern's Gabe Fendel has graduated after winning the 2017 state title.

### Defending Girls Team Champion

Third-ranked Zionsville is the defending team champion after capturing the school's first title a year ago and is a prime contender again having won a title at each stop this tournament. Top-ranked Fort Wayne Carroll, the state runner-up each of the last three years and also winner each weekend of this tournament, is looking to score its first state crown on Saturday.

### Defending Girls Individual Champion

Greencastle senior Emma Wilson is the

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## CROSS COUNTRY

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defending state champion after running away with the title a year ago by nearly 15 seconds. Wilson has comfortably won each tournament race up to this point and would become the first back-to-back girls winner since Culver Academies' Alex Banfich won three in a row from 2005-07.

### GIRLS NOTABLES

#### Former Girls State Champions in the Field

Emma Wilson (12) Greencastle, 2017.

#### Girls Teams Participating (24)

Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Brebeuf Jesuit, Carmel, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Chesterton, Columbus North, Crown Point, Edgewood, Evansville Memorial, Fishers, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Franklin Central, Hamilton Southeastern, Homestead, Lowell, Noblesville, Penn, Pike, Valparaiso, Warsaw, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

#### Girls Teams Returning from 2017 (20 of 24)

Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Brebeuf Jesuit, Carmel, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Chesterton, Columbus North, Crown Point, Edgewood, Evansville

Memorial, Fishers, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Hamilton Southeastern, Homestead, Lowell, Penn, Valparaiso, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

#### Most Consecutive Girls Team Appearances

38 by Carmel, 1981-present.

#### Active Streaks of Girls Team Appearances

(Three or more years)

38: Carmel. 15: Carroll (Fort Wayne). 12: Bloomington South, Columbus North. 9: West Lafayette. 8: Penn. 7: Homestead. 6: Floyd Central, Zionsville. 5: Valparaiso. 4: Bloomington North, Fishers. 3: Evansville Memorial, Lowell.

#### Girls Team Appearance Droughts Broken (10 or more years)

31 years: Pike (1987).

#### Girls First Team Appearance (0)

None

#### Girls Semi-State Individual Champions

Annalyssa Crain (10) Edgewood  
Meagan Hathaway (12) Carroll (Fort Wayne)

Mary Schultz (12) West Lafayette  
Emma Wilson (12) Greencastle

#### Girls Sectional Champions: Barr Reeve,

Batesville, Bloomington North, Brownsburg, Carmel, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Center Grove, Columbus North, Crown Point, Delta, Elkhart Memorial, Evansville Memorial, Floyd Central, Forest Park, Franklin Central, Hamilton Southeastern, Jennings County, Morgan Township, Munster, Norwell, Oak Hill, Penn, Pike, Rushville, Terre Haute South Vigo, Twin Lakes, Valparaiso, Warsaw, West Lafayette, West Noble, Western, Zionsville.

**Girls Regional Champions:** Bloomington North, Brebeuf Jesuit, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Center Grove, Chesterton, Columbus North, Evansville Memorial, Fishers, Floyd Central, Lowell, New Palestine, Oak Hill, Penn, Warsaw, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

**Girls Semi-State Champions:** Bloomington North, Carroll (Fort Wayne), West Lafayette, Zionsville.

### BOYS NOTABLES

#### Former Boys State Champions in the Field

None.

#### Boys Teams Participating (24)

Avon, Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Carmel, Columbus North, Crown Point, Fishers, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Franklin Community, Hamilton Southeastern, Harrison (West Lafayette), Highland, Homestead, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jennings County, Lowell, North Central (Indianapolis), Tell City, Valparaiso, West Lafayette, West Noble, Westview, Zionsville.

#### Boys Teams Returning from 2017 (18 of 24)

Avon, Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Carmel, Columbus North, Crown Point, Fishers, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jennings County, Lowell, North Central (Indianapolis), Tell City, Valparaiso, West Lafayette, West Noble, Westview, Zionsville.

#### Most Consecutive Boys Team Appearances

43 by Carmel, 1976-present.

#### Active Streaks of Boys Team Appearances (Three or more years)

43: Carmel. 12: Columbus North. 11: Valparaiso. 7: Bloomington North, West Lafayette. 6: Crown Point. 5: Avon, Fishers. 4: Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Lowell, Tell City, Westview. 3: Jennings County, Zionsville.

#### Boys Team Appearance Droughts Broken (10 or more years)

45 years: Highland (1973) 11: Franklin Community (2007) 10: Floyd Central

#### First Boys Team Appearance

Harrison (West Lafayette)

#### Boys Semi-State Individual Champions

Caleb Futter (12) Christian Academy of Indiana

Jesse Hamlin (12) Fort Wayne Snider  
Cole Hocker (12) Indianapolis Cathedral  
Gabriel Sanchez (11) Lowell

**Boys Sectional Champions:** Batesville, Belmont, Bloomington North, Brownsburg, Carmel, Columbus North, Elkhart Memorial, Evansville F.J. Reitz, Fishers, Floyd Central, Franklin Community, Gibson Southern, Harrison (West Lafayette), Highland, Homestead, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jennings County, Kankakee Valley, Logansport, Lowell, New Palestine, Northview, Penn, Rushville, Seeger, Tell City, Valparaiso, Wabash, Warsaw, Westview, Yorktown, Zionsville.

**Boys Regional Champions:** Avon, Bloomington South, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Chesterton, Columbus North, Crown Point, Elkhart Memorial, Evansville F.J. Reitz, Fishers, Floyd Central, Franklin Community, Indianapolis Cathedral, New Palestine, Wabash, Warsaw, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

**Boys Semi-State Champions:** Bloomington South, Fishers, Indianapolis Cathedral, Valparaiso.



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# NOBLESVILLE SCHOOLS

## REFERENDUM 2018



### Strong Schools, Strong Community

Strong schools make for a strong community. The ability to attract new businesses to Noblesville, prepare our future workforce, and achieve a high quality of living as a community are all directly related to the strength of our school system.

The 2016 referendum was about maintaining the status quo and was a reduction in the tax rate. The 2018 referendum is about enhanced mental health, increased safety and retaining top-quality staff. It's about keeping our schools and our community strong.

Due to the teacher shortage and recent pay increases by neighbor districts, our teachers are leaving for positions that can pay \$5,000-\$15,000 more.



Since 2009, Noblesville Schools has lost \$46.5 million in funding.

The 2018 referendum will replace the 2016 referendum and will provide funding through 2026.

53% of the additional funding would be spent on mental health & safety, while 47% would be spent on staff pay.

The current referendum rate is 18.9 cents and the new proposed rate is 37 cents.

This referendum would raise an additional \$6.25 million/year for Noblesville Schools.

For more info visit [noblesvilleschools.org](http://noblesvilleschools.org)

#### MENTAL HEALTH

Enhanced focus including student screenings & more counselors

1

#### SAFETY

Expanded protections including more police officers & safety equipment

2

#### STAFF PAY

Pay competitively with neighbor district to keep good teachers & staff

3

### How Much Will This Referendum Cost Taxpayers?

A median Noblesville home valued at \$206,000 currently pays \$192/year for the 2016 referendum. The new 2018 rate would cost this home \$376/year. That's an additional \$184/year—an additional \$15/month—for enhanced student mental health, school safety and teacher pay.

# NBA standings

Thursday's scores	
Detroit 110, Cleveland 103	
Portland 128, Orlando 114	
Boston 101, Oklahoma City 95	
L.A. Lakers 121, Denver 114	

## Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	5	0	1.00	-
Boston	3	2	.600	2.0
Brooklyn	2	2	.500	2.5
Philadelphia	2	3	.400	3.0
New York	1	4	.200	4.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	4	0	1.00	-
Detroit	4	0	1.00	-
Indiana	3	2	.600	1.5
Chicago	1	3	.250	3.0
Cleveland	0	5	.000	4.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	2	2	.500	-
Atlanta	2	2	.500	-
Charlotte	2	3	.400	0.5
Orlando	2	3	.400	0.5
Washington	1	3	.250	1.0

## Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Denver	4	1	.800	-
Portland	3	1	.750	0.5
Utah	2	2	.500	1.5
Minnesota	2	3	.400	2.0
Oklahoma City	0	4	.000	3.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	4	1	.800	-
L.A. Clippers	2	2	.500	1.5
L.A. Lakers	2	3	.400	2.0
Sacramento	2	3	.400	2.0
Phoenix	1	3	.250	2.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
New Orleans	3	0	1.00	-
Memphis	2	2	.500	1.5
San Antonio	2	2	.500	1.5
Dallas	2	2	.500	1.5
Houston	1	3	.250	2.5

# Cornelison to return to IMS in 2019

Fan favorite Jim Cornelison will return to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in 2019, singing "Back Home Again in Indiana" at the 103rd Indianapolis 500 and performing at other events as part of the official countdown to the "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing."

Cornelison also will perform at the 100 Days Out Party on Friday, Feb. 15 in Indianapolis and will attend other events on the INDYCAR and Indy 500 promotional calendar.

"Jim has become a familiar, anticipated voice for Indianapolis 500 and IndyCar Series fans in just two years, so we're thrilled he's back with us on Race Day and joining in on the entire countdown to the Indy 500," IMS President J. Douglas Boles said. "Everyone loves Jim and his passion for IMS and IndyCar, and his stirring pre-race performances are becoming a Month of May highlight for everyone."

Cornelison is known to sports fans everywhere as the powerful voice behind "The Star-Spangled Banner" at Chicago Blackhawks' home games. He also has captivated Indianapolis 500 fans and viewers for the last two years, generating widespread praise and social media applause since taking the "Back Home Again in Indiana" mantle in May 2017.

He became the first performer to sing "Back Home Again in Indiana" in consecutive years since the retirement of Jim Nabors in 2014. Nabors sang the tune 36 times during Indy 500 pre-race ceremonies between 1972-2014.



"Performing at the Indianapolis 500 is one of the ultimate highlights and privileges of my career, as the electricity and magic of Race Day are incredible," Cornelison said. "I'm so grateful for the warm welcome from Indy 500 and IndyCar Series fans around the world and am excited to sing at even more events."

Cornelison is a 1992 graduate of the Master of Music program at the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University and has been the popular singer of the national anthem before all Blackhawks' home games

at the United Center in Chicago since the 2008-09 season. His soaring vocals and spirited style have welcomed millions of network viewers to the Stanley Cup Finals over multiple championship runs for the team.

The popularity of Cornelison's performances has led to him singing in front of national audiences at many other sporting events, including a 2012 Ryder Cup golf match, Arlington Million horse race, Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series races, ESPN's "College GameDay" before an Indi-

ana-Ohio State game in August 2017, ESPN's "Friday Night Fights" and two USA Rugby matches, the first vs. New Zealand All Blacks and the second vs. Australia at Soldier Field. He's also made television performances on "TODAY," "The Colbert Report" and "Harry Connick Jr. Show."

Cornelison's widespread appreciation and popularity in Chicago is also evident on his resume. He has performed before games for every major Chicago professional sports team, including the Chicago Bears' home opener since 2010.

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