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Seaman to be honored

The REPORTER

Jason Seaman will be recognized and honored with the Robert P. Connelly medal of heroism from the Noblesville Sunrises Kiwanis club during a ceremony at 7:15 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at the Noblesville Boys and Girls Club cafetorium. This medal is one of the most prestigious awards given by the global volunteer service organization.

Mr. Seaman is being honored for his actions on May 25, placing his body in harm's way to protect the students being confronted with gunfire in his Noblesville West Middle School classroom. Jason was struck three times as he first distracted the student, then rushed him and was successful in disarming the young man. One student was struck numerous times in the encounter.

"This medal of honor is named for a former Kiwanis member, Robert P.

Connelly, who died trying to save a woman who had fallen in front of a passenger train in 1966," said Ted Mahnensmith, Sunrises President. "Kiwanis International created this medal of honor to recognize community members who go to great lengths to save individuals in peril."

When Seaman put his life in peril to save Ella Whistler and the other students in his classroom, the Noblesville Sunrises Kiwanis club immediately thought of the Connelly Medal of Heroism for recognition.

Please come to the Noblesville Boys and Girls Club on Nov. 13 to celebrate Jason Seaman and to discover what Kiwanis is about. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. Kiwanis welcomes and encourages you to join the club.



Reporter file photo
Jason Seaman will be honored for risking his life to save Noblesville West Middle School students.

Carmel City Council launches new website to answer questions

The REPORTER

Let's Talk, Carmel! That is the name of a new website that has been launched by members of the Carmel City Council as a way to answer commonly asked questions about a variety of issues related to the City, its government and its mission to become the best place to live in America.

"All seven of us represent a certain district or a certain set of Carmel residents who come from all walks of life," said Council President Kevin Rider. "But we have noticed that the questions we hear during our meetings with constituents are often the same. We decided to launch this website in order to address the most commonly asked questions."

As social media continues to grow and often dictate the course of debate on a local level, it has become increasingly difficult for elected leaders to answer all the questions and ensure that residents are getting facts from trusted sources and not just opinions.

Let's Talk Carmel will become a repository of commonly asked questions and answers pertaining to the City of Carmel and the actions taken by its governing body. It is owned and operated by the Carmel City Council, and is intended to inform, not be a platform for addressing political opinions. There are a number of social media outlets for that debate.

"We want readers of Let's Talk Carmel to get simple, plainly-written and direct answers to the questions that they have," said Council Vice President Jeff Worrell. "We feel we owe it to our constituents to be as transparent as possible about the things we do ... and the reasons behind our decisions."

While each of the Council members review and approve the responses, there will be times when individual members will want to offer an alternative opinion or additional thoughts. Those will be added to each answer as needed.

"I believe this is a transformative, if not a little risky, outreach tool for a City Council to use," said Council Finance Chair Sue Finkham. "As in most things we do, Carmel's leaders are attempting to do what has not been done before. We are taking an aggressive approach to creating a transparency portal ... and we anticipate that our residents will appreciate the intent to inform and engage."

You can access the website at LetsTalkCarmel.com.



Rider



Worrell



Finkham

Noblesville students recognizing Vets

File photo

The Noblesville High School junior class invites area veterans to be recognized at the upcoming Veteran's Day program at 1:15 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 9 at Noblesville High School. Veterans, please RSVP in advance to Eric Gunderson (317-773-4680 ext. 12296, or eric.gunderson@nobl.k12.in.us) and bring a government-issued ID. Please arrive by 1 p.m. and enter at Gate 1.



Ditslear delivers annual Noblesville 'State of the City' address

The REPORTER

Noblesville Mayor John Ditslear delivered his annual "State of the City" address to the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce Wednesday afternoon at Embassy Suites' Conference Center.

Ditslear updated the record crowd about the status of the Noblesville NOW Capital Improvement Plan. Announced in July, the plan includes 10 top-priority projects for the city.

The Levinson, a \$24 million mixed-use project in the heart of downtown, will provide commercial space, modern apartments and a parking garage with a minimum of 237 paid parking spaces. It will attract and retain millennials, empty-nesters, high-earning and workforce professionals to

Noblesville to have two Santa Houses this year

The city has heard from the public regarding the announced changes to holiday festivities. City officials are in talks with the Hamilton County Historical Society to have the Society host a Santa House on the Courthouse Square in addition to the city-run house at Federal Hill Commons.

downtown. The Levinson will serve as an economic driver and help bring urban density to our square to support our local businesses, restaurants and shops.

In two short years, the city has aggressively constructed the Midland Trace Trail. This year, phase two extended the trail east to Willowview Road and a trail head was opened along Hazel Dell Road. In 2019, the city will construct Phase Three and continue the trail to Hague Road. From

there, users can access existing trails to downtown.

The city is preparing to make enhancements on Olivo Road from 141st Street to north of 146th Street with four lanes, a roundabout and drainage improvements. With sanitary sewer connections, this project opens up more than 125 acres of area for development.

Work is proceeding on
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Photo provided by the City of Noblesville

Ditslear's address covered city improvement projects, road construction, holiday festivities, next year's Fourth of July Festival at Forest Park, and numerous other topics.



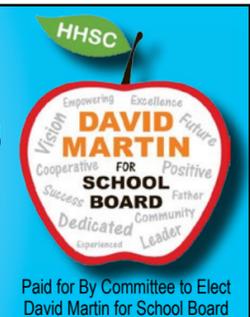
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Florida Road, roundabout open in Fishers

Florida Road between Luxhaven Road and Martha Street is now open to all traffic. Some incidental work remains, so please continue to use caution as you drive through this area.

In addition to the county's bridge project, the new roundabout at 113th Street and Florida Road is now open to all traffic. This was a project by the City of Fishers. If you have any questions about this project, please reach out to the City of Fishers by phone at (317) 595-3160.

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making east-west travel easier. Currently, the city is converting the intersection of 19th and Pleasant streets into a roundabout. The project is expected to be finished before Thanksgiving.

The city is working with Hamilton County on a joint project on the Logan Street Bridge. The existing bridge will be rehabilitated and widened. To improve pedestrian access, a path will be added to the south side of the roadway with railing closely match-

ing the River Walk.

Upcoming holiday events also were discussed, including the creation of Lights Over Seminary this December. The display, which kicks off on Friday, Dec. 7, is a collaboration between the city and Noblesville Preservation Alliance, Main Street and Nickel Plate Arts.

"Lights Over Seminary is a walkable, holiday lights display in Seminary Park that will focus on history. Vintage decorations used by the city in the past are being restored for display along with a collection of new pieces from local artists that convey or relate to our history," Ditslear said.

Next summer, the city will construct a roundabout at Field Drive and Cumberland Road using federal funds. Due to a short construction window, the city is adjusting its plans for the annual Fourth of July celebration.

"Those that grew up in Noblesville, or have been here long enough like myself, remember watching the fireworks off the viewing hill at Forest Park. For those of you who have never had that experience, you can in 2019," said Ditslear. "The Fourth of July Festival and Fireworks are returning to Forest Park."

Other highlights of the State of the City speech include:

- The Noblesville Po-

lice Department met more than 189 professional standards set by CALEA and its national re-accreditation serves to demonstrate the agency's on-going commitment to excellence and providing a high quality service to our community. Six percent of Indiana law enforcement agencies are accredited and Noblesville is only one of nine that have national and state accreditation.

• Through August, the city has seen the number of "part 1" crimes drop by more than half compared to last year. Part 1 crimes include two groups: Crimes against person – homicide, rape, robbery and assault; and property crimes – burglary, theft, auto theft and arson.

• There is construction in every major corridor in Noblesville. State Road 37 and 146th Street have seen retail build out. In 2017, Noblesville added approximately 1,000 new jobs through council-approved projects. Through the first three quarters this year, SMC, Verdure Sciences and Metal Powder Products have invested \$77 million and created 187 new jobs.

• The city has heard from the public regarding the announced changes to our holiday festivities. City officials are in talks with the Hamilton County Historical Society to have the Society host a Santa

House on the Courthouse Square in addition to the city-run house at Federal Hill Commons.

• The Noblesville Arts Council is developing one-of-a-kind experiences that can help define our community as a must-see destination and an incredible place to live with its alley activation efforts. The plan involves additional lighting, new amenities and the installation of more public art. We anticipate that this project will take approximately 16 months to complete.

• 2018 has been a year of firsts in Noblesville. The city was the first in Indiana to subscribe its public safety departments to FirstNet. The Mayor's Youth Council inducted its inaugural class for the 2018-2019 school year in May. Noblesville opened four Zagster bike sharing locations and in six months, the city has almost 500 active members using 20 bikes.

• Progress continues on Finch Creek Park. The majority of earthwork is done and work is starting to build some of the amenities. Finch Creek will have phase one open next summer.

• This year, \$250,000 of improvements have been made to city parks. The changes allow for additional safety features, beautification of the parks and routine maintenance.



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Hoosier native to present her own cabaret to Carmel theatergoers

The REPORTER

Magic Thread Cabaret is proud to welcome back to Indiana for its final act of the 2017-18 season a shining star of New York City and beyond, dancer-singer-actress-choreographer Melissa Schott. The accomplished young artist will present her own cabaret Nov. 16-18, "Melissa Schott: The Key of Me," at The Cat Theatre in Carmel the weekend before Thanksgiving.

Schott brings a blend of pop, Broadway and folk to her cabaret, making "you feel like she's singing it just for you," according to Indiana Auditions. You will spot Schott playing a waitress in the next season of Amazon's "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel." The New Palestine native has toured nationally with Cirque du Soleil's "Banana Sheel," performed as a soloist across the

U.S. and Canada in the symphony pops concert "Classic FM" and was a member of the national company of "Irving Berlin's White Christmas" at Detroit's Fox Theatre. She was invited to perform as a featured soloist at the Adrienne Arsht Center's 11th Annual Gala, A Celebration of Women in the Arts, alongside Chita Rivera, Rita Moreno, Vanessa Williams and Gloria Estefan, the latter of whom remarked "I wish I could tap like that. It would be a dream!" Schott is an award-winning choreographer and currently teaches tap at Broadway Dance Center in the heart of Times Square in New York.

Schott will be accompanied by her music director Scott Harris on piano. Born and raised in Toledo, Ohio, Harris graduated from Belmont University with a degree in composition and arranging and has made

a living in Nashville's vibrant music scene as an arranger, orchestrator, producer, publisher and multi-instrumentalist. In 2016, Harris was recruited to run A&R and music publishing for the Barbershop Harmony Society. He works with the artform's top arrangers from all over the world to create and produce new four-part a cappella arrangements for quartets and choruses and also curates the society's 80-year catalog of songs arranged in the barbershop style.

"Melissa Schott: The Key of Me" will run at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 16 and 17 and at 4 p.m. on Nov. 18 at The Cat Theatre, 254 Veterans Way, Carmel. Tickets are \$35 and \$25 and reflect seating options. Tickets are available online at magicthreadcabaret.com, by calling 800-838-3006 or at the door. Cash beer and wine bar and snacks are available.



Melissa Schott

Carmel supporters gather for Councilman Glynn



Photo provided by Denise Moe

Supporters gathered on Oct. 25 at Danny Boy Beer Works, 12702 Meeting House Road, Carmel, to support the re-election of County Councilman Fred Glynn, who represents most of Carmel on the County Council. (Above) Glynn (left) and State Senator John Ruckelshaus.



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Editor's note: The Reporter published a press release from the Wayne-Fall Lions Club, available here, about a candidates forum. The following statement was read to the audience on behalf of Diane Crim, who was unable to attend due to the short notice she was given.

Dear Editor:
I would like to thank the organizers for this event and regret that I am unable to participate due to the short notice. I have a prior commitment at my church this

evening. Thank you for allowing my spokesperson to read my statement.

I am just finishing my third term as Wayne Township Trustee, a position that I do not take lightly. In these 12 years Wayne Township has almost doubled in population and the culture has evolved from a laid back rural community to a very diverse combination of affluence and poverty.

My primary duties are Fire Protection/Basic Life Support Service, Financial Assistance to

those in need and Cemetery Care & Maintenance. These all carry a heavy price tag. I have worked to keep our tax rate lower than most of the communities in our county.

We have provided our residents with the first all-Volunteer Fire Department with Advanced Life Support services. We are fortunate to have the most qualified, highly trained and dedicated officers, the best maintained equipment and motivated firefighters in the area.

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up and down with the economy. We had a huge surge during the exodus from the inner city when everyone wanted the great quality of life that Hamilton County has to offer for those that can afford it. It took a while, but after a lot of time spent teaching people how to manage their money and prioritize things, the demands are stabilizing. And of course networking with other agencies and non-profits is vital.

Our cemeteries had been neglected for years, but we were

able to build up the funds to finally get them restored. As you drive through the township, take a look at the fresh appearance and the new Hoosier Heritage signs.

It is an honor to serve as your township trustee but I still have a lot to do. My goal is to build a Township Government building with offices, and a new Fire Station and Community Center for all to enjoy.

Sincerely,
Diane Crim
Wayne Township Trustee

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Deadline nearing for DAR essay contest entries

The REPORTER
The deadline for essay entries in the Horseshoe Prairie Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, is Monday, Nov. 12.

Essays will be judged by an independent panel of judges with the winning essays in each category forwarded to the State competition, with those winning

essays judged in the national competition in Washington, D.C.

The essay categories are the American History Essay and the Christopher Columbus Essay competition for grades 5-8 and the Women's Suffrage Campaign, and the topic for

grades 9-12 is Comparing Ship Technology: The Ships Columbus Used Versus the Ships of Today.

All students in public, private, parochial and homeschool classes are welcome to enter. To receive details of the essay topics and criteria, email horsehoeprairiensdar@aol.com.

Quakenbush receives endorsements from fire fighters, police associations

The REPORTER
Hamilton County Sheriff candidate Dennis Quakenbush has been endorsed by the Hamilton County Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 4416 and the Hamilton County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 103.

Quakenbush is the current Hamilton County Captain of the Patrol Division. As Captain of the Patrol Division he supervises over 60 full time deputies, administrative personnel, reserve and auxiliary officers.

"Dennis' many facets of experience in law enforcement distinguishes him as uniquely qualified to manage and innovate the Sheriff's enterprise," said Tony Murray, Hamilton County Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 4416. "I am encouraged by his methodology of working together with all involved in delivering public safety services to citizens and vis-

itors in Hamilton County. Dennis understands the benefits of a coordinated first responder system and the essential requirement of leading from the front on critical safety issues."



Quakenbush

Quakenbush has continued to move up the ranks within the Hamilton County Sheriff's office over the last 16 years. He became a merit-deputy in 2003 and was promoted to sergeant in 2007 before being promoted in 2011 to his current position.

"As our county continues to grow, I know how to expand the protection and safety we cherish in Hamilton County," said Quakenbush. "I am humbled by the endorsements from the local public safety organizations and take it very seriously."

Quakenbush won a

highly-contested primary election in May. In November's general election, Quakenbush will face opposition as the Republican candidate. These endorsements follow the support

and endorsements for Quakenbush from current Hamilton County Sheriff Mark Bowen and the Hamilton County Farm Bureau, Inc.

Quakenbush is a lifelong resident of Hamilton County. He currently lives in Cicero with his wife and four young sons. Quakenbush is a member of Genesis Church, and owns two small businesses based in Hamilton County.

To learn more about Dennis Quakenbush, please visit quakenbushforsheriff.com/meet-dennis. You can also follow the campaign on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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Sheridan gets treated to community event



Reporter photo by Kirk Green
 Main Street in Sheridan was closed off for the annual Trunk-or-Treat community event. Hundreds of children and their families gathered. Community members of all ages had a great time and enjoyed some fantastic weather. See more photos online at ReadTheReporter.com.



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Spanenberg supporters gather for pre-election event Monday



Community leaders and members of the public were on hand Monday evening at Peace Water Winery and Tasting Room, 37 W. Main St., Carmel, to show their support for Layla Spanenberg, candidate for Carmel Clay School Board. (From left) Carmel City Council candidate Adam Aasen, Hamilton County Republican Party Chair Laura Campbell and Spanenberg stand together for a quick photo during the campaign event.

Letter guidelines this election season

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 will no longer be accepted.

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.

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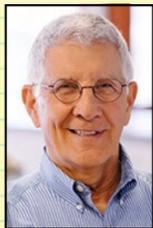
Noblesville Teachers' Forum explains its endorsements for school board

Dear Editor:

The Noblesville Teachers' Forum, the professional association for all teachers in Noblesville Schools, has released its recommended candidates for the 2018 Noblesville School Board Election: Dr. Joe Forgey, Jeff Bragg and David Leyda.

Voters will choose candidates to fill two open At-large seats. These decisions were made after a committee of Noblesville teachers completed a thorough vetting process, which included a review of completed questionnaires, personal interviews with candidates and attendance at the public candidate forum.

The Noblesville Teachers' Forum is confident that these candidates will best serve the students, staff and entire Noblesville Schools community. Please consider



Forgey



Bragg



Leyda

supporting these candidates on Nov. 6.

Sincerely,

Amanda Giordano

President, Noblesville Teachers' Forum



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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.

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Pay no attention to that man behind the curtain . . .



Photo provided
It's been a very windy month, and you're not in Kansas anymore! For those of you who did not have business which would have taken you to the Judicial Center on Wednesday, the Hamilton County Clerk's Office went all out for Halloween this year. Here you see 13 characters from *The Wizard of Oz* and a tiny house that fell on a tiny witch, both of which The Reporter hopes are recyclable. We can't wait to see what you ladies do for Christmas this year!

School board candidate proud to live in Noblesville

Dear Editor:
Lily Tomlin famously said, "I always wondered why somebody doesn't do something about that. Then I realized I was somebody."

I am somebody, and I've been conversing with quite a few concerned and frustrated somebodies in Noblesville. I'm a husband and father of three, and I co-founded SOS Noblesville in February following the massacre that took place in Parkland, Fla. Six days later, there was a deadly shooting at Jackson Memorial Middle School in Massillon, Ohio, where I had attended as a child.

I have since endeavored to collaborate with local, state and national law enforcement, collaborating with the top security experts in the nation, including Thor Ells, National Tactical Officers Association Executive Director, and Lieutenant Colonel David Grossman, an internationally acclaimed security expert who has trained members of the Noblesville Police Department. I have had the opportunity to work closely with experts such as Mike Kersey, a multi-jurisdictional SWAT commander and national security/school safety consultant, who was instrumental in implementing and maintaining the emergency response system at Southwestern High School in Shelbyville, Ind., and has been nationally recognized as the "Safest School in America."

Along with other members of SOS Noblesville, we presented our proposal to the Noblesville School Board on March 20, two months prior to our own school shooting, to proactively address these school safety concerns and adopt an emergency response system like Southwestern High School's, which complies with the Indiana Department of Homeland Security Guide-

lines found in Public Law 27.

I offer this background to demonstrate my ongoing commitment to school safety, and assure the discerning voter that I'm not on any bandwagon to score political points.

SOS Noblesville directly addressed continuing concerns pertaining to Noblesville's use of portable classrooms with the administration, and with the collaborative efforts of Sheriff Tim Troyer, President of the Indiana Sheriff's Association, successfully led to the school board's decision to discontinue the use of portable classrooms. We have additionally been advocating for Noblesville Schools to have an Independent Threat Assessment (ITA) since February, months before the May 25 shooting. An ITA is vital and essential, because an independent third party comes in and assesses all of the school structures for potential threats. An ITA also assess how effective proposed safety protocols and safety measures are in response to the identified threats.

The administration initially stated an ITA was not necessary, but reversed its stance after continued advocacy by SOS Noblesville and by many within the community in the wake of the shooting. We have been informed that an ITA will be conducted, but have yet to receive any confirmation that this has been done.

When student, staff, and faculty safety is at stake, and there's a \$50 million referendum already on the ballot, the opportunity to utilize this essential information citing identified risks to propose comprehensive, effective and prudent safety measures has been lost. Please understand that when I speak of and demand increased accountability, transparency, and fiscal responsibility from those serving you in Noblesville Schools, it's not just campaign rhetoric.

I am an educator, having spent my professional life serving in both the secondary and post-secondary classroom setting. I pursued a Master of Divinity at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and then I earned my M.Ed. in Social Studies Education from The Ohio State University. I have had a state teaching license in both Ohio and Indiana. During my transition from Ohio to Indiana, I worked at the old Noblesville Middle School. I have also served as an adjunct professor in Indiana Wesleyan University's College of Adult and Professional Studies, and have worked in Western Governors University's (WGU Indiana) Teachers College for the last eight years, where I serve as a faculty manager in the Elementary Education licensure programs.

I offer this to demonstrate that my support of teachers goes beyond paying "lip service," saying what is politically expedient, to acknowledge that it is in fact my personal and professional calling. I fully support my colleagues teaching in Noblesville Schools, and genuinely believe their salaries should be more competitive with those in surrounding districts. Unlike the teachers they serve, Noblesville administrator salaries have remained competitive with their peers in surrounding districts, and I would support an administrative pay freeze until teacher compensation is equally competitive with their peers.

The Noblesville Schools Administration needs increased accountability, transparency and fiscal responsibility. Without question, these are vitally important areas in need of improvement, and this election is a great start in the right direction. The community entrusts the administration with their children, which includes an unmistakable clarion call to finally address bullying,

putting in "teeth" to enforce anti-bullying policies.

I've heard and read far too many angry and frustrated accounts of bullying from parents, who felt their concerns fell on deaf ears. These frustrations are corroborated by Noblesville Schools self-reported bullying to the DOE during the 2017-2018 school year, which noted, among other things, zero instances of bullying in Noblesville High School for that entire school year. Only one reported incident of physical bullying took place for the entire year, occurring at Promise Road Elementary. Three incidents of verbal bullying were reported at East Middle School. Only one reported incident of social bullying, occurring at NWMS. Lastly, there were three reported incidents of electronic bullying at Hinkle Creek and one such incident report at Noble Crossing.

We need accountability, and we demand the administration to enforce anti-bullying policies, to support our teachers, and protect our students.

I am proud to live in Noblesville, and fully support our teachers, staff and students. I want to strive to safeguard them when at school, which can be done without creating "a prison." I will bring oversight, fiscal responsibility, increased transparency and accountability to the school board and administration. Our community, our teachers and our children deserve nothing less. I will work collaboratively with the administration and school board to mediate differences, find common ground, and do our utmost in service to you, the #NoblesvilleStrong.

Respectfully,
Michael Duell
Noblesville School Board Candidate
sosnoblesville.com

Obituary

Thomas D. Long

Thomas D. Long, 81, Noblesville, died Monday at Roudebush Veterans Hospital following a brief illness.

A native of Carmel, Mr. Long was a graduate of Carmel High School and veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a retired realtor.

Survivors include two daughters, Janice Owen and Kimbel Clarkson, both of Frankton, Ind., two sisters, Marty Comstock, Carmel, and Jeanne Burnett, Fort Wayne. There are five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service is planned for 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 10 at Carmel Friends Church, 651 W. Main St., Carmel. Arrangements were made by Indiana Funeral Care.

Arrangements

Service: 11 a.m., Nov. 10
Location: Carmel Friends Church, 130 Penn St., Westfield.
Condolences: indianafuneralcare.com

See more obituaries on Page 9

Meeting Notices

The Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet at 5 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 5, 2018, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel.

The Westfield-Washington Advisory Plan Commission will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 5, 2018, in the Assembly Room of Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St., Westfield.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Highway Committee will meet at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018, at the Hamilton County Highway Department, 1700 S. 10th St., Noblesville. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of highway projects.

The Hamilton County Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018, in the Commissions' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

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Wendy Louise Hudson

November 12, 1973 – October 19, 2018

Wendy Louise Hudson, 44, Fishers, passed away on Friday, October 19, 2018 at her home. She was born on November 12, 1973 in Kankakee, Ill.



Wendy grew up in Beecher, Ill., as a child and moved to Westfield where she attended Westfield Junior High and High School. Later she resided in Fishers and graduated from IUPUI with a Bachelor of Science degree from Purdue University.

Wendy loved her friends and kept them close to her and close to her heart, many life-long. She enjoyed spending her free time with her friends from all aspects of her life, work, fun, school and neighbors; celebrating life's milestones with each of them. If you were out and about with Wendy, you were bound to meet many others she knew. She was an avid Norte Dame football and Chicago Bears fan. Her love of sports didn't stop there. Wendy could be found out for Cubs games, college basketball tourney time, and at IMS during the month of May. When she had the chance, she attended games and events with her friends.

Wendy was preceded in death by her mother, Mary Lou Hudson (Hill); brother, Christopher Hudson; and niece, Emma Burnell.

She is survived by her father, David A. Hudson; sister, Stephanie Burnell (Hudson); two nephews and one niece, Reed, Sam and Libby Burnell; loving uncles, aunts, cousins; and phenomenal friends Wendy considered her family.

Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Arrangements
 Calling: 1 to 5 p.m., Nov. 3
 Location: Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary
 Condolences: randallroberts.com

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And he began to speak unto them by parables. A certain man planted a vineyard, and set an hedge about it, and digged a place for the winefat, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country. And at the season he sent to the husbandmen a servant, that he might receive from the husbandmen of the fruit of the vineyard. And they caught him, and beat him, and sent him away empty. And again he sent unto them another servant; and at him they cast stones, and wounded him in the head, and sent him away shamefully handled. And again he sent another; and him they killed, and many others; beating some, and killing some. Having yet therefore one son, his wellbeloved, he sent him also last unto them, saying, They will reverence my son. But those husbandmen said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be our's. And they took him, and killed him, and cast him out of the vineyard.

Mark 12:1-8 (KJV)

Betty Ann Merrill Vawter

July 24, 1926 – October 29, 2018

Betty Ann Merrill Vawter, 92, Sheridan, passed away on Monday evening, October 29, 2018 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born to Grover "Pat" Merrill and Effie (Pickard) Merrill on July 24, 1926 in Scircleville, Ind., located in Clinton County. Betty was sixth in line of eight children born to Grover and Effie Merrill.

Betty and Samuel M. Vawter were married on January 25, 1947 in Hamilton County. Together they had four children, three sons and one daughter. They raised the children in the house on the southwest corner of State Road 47 and Hamilton-Boone County Line Road. She recalled that after a huge snowfall one winter they had a house full of strangers sleeping on their living room floor because all roads were closed. Later, many of those who stayed stopped by with boxes of food for the family who had welcomed them with open arms.

Betty worked for several years at Aero Drapery in Westfield, and remained in touch with some of her former coworkers. After her retirement, she and Sam spent many winters in Ft. Myers, Fla., where they enjoyed the company of other snowbirds who liked to go shelling on Sanibel Island, play bingo and have fun euchre games on New Year's Eve.

She was a lifetime member of Weight Watchers and enjoyed interacting with the members and stayed in touch with many of them through the years. Her hobbies included crochet, embroidery and needlepoint.

She and Sam attended Six Points Church (formerly Sheridan Wesleyan Church) for many years, and after Sam's passing, she also attended Sheridan First United Methodist Church. She very much appreciated the many visits and prayers from both congregations.

Betty loved having visits from family and friends, especially after her move a year ago to Sanders Glen Assisted Living in Westfield. She enjoyed sitting around chatting before mealtime, playing bingo, and winning chocolate bars with the other residents as prizes!

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, husband Samuel M. Vawter, sons Keith and Rick Vawter, and siblings Thomas Merrill, Lloyd Merrill, Mildred VanMeter, Ruth Wallace, Helen Merrill and Glen Merrill.

Survivors include her sister, Norma (Donald) Hall, Carmel; daughter Pam (Bill) Hintalla of Michigan; and her son Phil (Tina) Vawter. Sheridan. Betty also leaves behind 10 grandchildren: Billy (Vanessa), Zach (Phylcia) and Margie Hintalla, Kari (Jack) Hunter, Christina Vawter, Megan (John) Ward, Daniel (Vinny) Vawter, Marsha (Mike) McMillen, Ryan (Diana) Vawter and Marissa (Lynn) Lee; eight great-grandchildren; two daughters-in-law, Janet and Wanda Vawter; and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, November 2, 2018 at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. Pastor Carol Fritz will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Sheridan Public Library, Sheridan First United Methodist Church, or Six Points Church in Sheridan.



Arrangements
 Service: 11 a.m., Nov. 2
 Location: Crown View Cemetery, Sheridan
 Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

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Younger Huskies open with tough loss to Bulldogs

By RICHIE HALL
ARCADIA - This year's edition of the Hamilton Heights girls basketball team is a little younger than last year, but the goals are still the same.

Last season's Huskies team had a core group of three seniors that led Heights to a 20-win season and a sectional championship. While those seniors are now playing college athletics, there is enough experience left on this year's Huskies team to build on that success.

Heights will again be trying to do that against a difficult schedule. The Huskies hosted Brownsburg Wednesday night in their season opener, and the Bulldogs dominated early on their way to a 60-35 win.

Brownsburg scored the first 10 points of the game in less than two minutes, prompting Heights to take its first 30-second time out with 6:05 left in the first quarter. The Bulldogs continued to roll after that, leading 16-0 before the Huskies finally scored with 46 seconds left in the period.

The first Heights basket was by freshman Mykayla Moran, a 6-foot-2 center. Brownsburg got one more bucket before the quarter ended, giving it an 18-2 lead.

The Huskies played a little more even with the Bulldogs in the second quarter. Junior Bayleigh Runner started the period with a 3-pointer, and hit another triple later in the quarter. Runner was the second-leading scorer for Heights last season at 10.8 points per game.

At halftime, Brownsburg led 28-11, and the Bulldogs slowly increased their lead throughout the second half.

"The one thing that we stressed prior to this game was poise and toughness, and we didn't have either one of those things," said Heights coach Keegan Cherry. "We didn't have poise early, they jumped on us. Just a lot of unforced errors. And then toughness, we didn't have toughness, really, at all tonight. They killed us on the backboard. Multiple possessions they got multiple opportunities, and when you play a good team like Brownsburg, you got to do all the little things. And we didn't do that tonight."

Runner is one of five returning players on this year's Huskies squad, and one of two starters. The other starter back is senior Lauryn Wiley; she averaged 5.5 points and



Reporter photos by Kent Graham

Lauryn Wiley is one of two returning starters for the Hamilton Heights girls basketball team this season. Wiley scored 10 points for the Huskies in their season-opening game with Brownsburg on Wednesday.

4.2 rebounds last season. Runner and Wiley led Heights in their opener with 10 points each.

Also back are junior Payton Dissett, who was often the first off the bench for Heights last year, sophomore Jillian Osswald, who played 13 games last season as a freshman, and junior Chloe Henderson, who played six games last year.

After the freshman Moran, new to the varsity roster this year are senior Abby Christiansen and junior Hailey Champion.

"I've got a great locker room," said Cherry. "I've got tremendous girls in there. The one thing that I really like about it now, after things have sort of shaken out here is, I've got loyal girls in that locker room and I've got loyal families. So as long as I have those two things, then we're going to be just

fine. We're going to keep getting better. We're playing for February."

Runner pulled seven rebounds, while Moran had five. Runner also dished out four assists.

Heights will host Danville, which is ranked No. 4 in Class 3A in the Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association's pre-season poll. (Brownsburg received votes in

the 4A poll.) This will be par for the course for the Huskies, who are playing 10 4A teams this season, and also will be taking on tough 2A and 3A teams, including Hoosier Conference opponent Northwestern, the defending 3A state champion.

"And that's by design," said Cherry. "Everything that we do, we're in preparation for the tournament."



Bayleigh Runner scored 10 points for Heights in its season opener. Runner was a starter on last year's Huskies team.



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Brownsburg 60, Heights 35

Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
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Jillian Osswald	2-8	1-2	6	0
Bayleigh Runner	2-4	4-4	10	2
Lauryn Wiley	3-12	4-6	10	2
Mykayla Moran	2-3	0-0	4	0
Abby Christiansen	0-0	0-0	0	1
Hailey Champion	0-1	0-0	0	1
Chloe Henderson	1-1	0-0	3	0
Totals	11-34	9-12	35	10

Score by Quarters
 Brownsburg 18 10 17 15 - 60
 Heights 2 9 15 9 - 35

Heights 3-point shooting (4-16) Runner 2-4, Osswald 1-6, Henderson 1-1, Wiley 0-3, Dissett 0-2.

Heights rebounds (24) Runner 7, Moran 5, Christiansen 4, Osswald 3, Wiley 3, Dissett 2.



Football sectional championship preview...

Big re-matches on Friday for Fishers, Carmel

In order to win Class 6A Sectional 5, the Fishers football team will need to beat a team it played the first week of the season.

The Tigers will host North Central at 7 p.m. on Friday at Reynolds Tigers Stadium. This marks the ninth consecutive year that Fishers will play for a sectional title. The Tigers won last year, while the Panthers last won a sectional in 1993.

Fishers is hoping to reverse the result of its regular season game with NC. The Panthers beat the Tigers 31-7 and has since gone on to an 8-2 season, the first time they've won eight games since 2006.

North Central's other regular-season wins have come against Hamilton Southeastern 31-13, Lawrence North 12-7, Center Grove 26-14, Lawrence Central 26-7, Pike 40-37 (in overtime) and Ben Davis 38-23. The Panthers played the Royals again last week in the first round of Sectional 5, winning 41-12. Losses were to Warren Central 58-27 and Carmel 41-40, in triple overtime.

Senior quarterback Liam Thompson has been solid for the Panthers, completing 146 of 281 passes for 2,148 yards and 20 touchdowns. His top receiver is senior Tre'von Elliott, who has caught 50 receptions, including 10 TDs. Senior Jordan Bingham has 44 catches, including two touchdowns.

On the rushing front, senior Alexander Tarver is the leader with 771 yards in 169 carries, with four touchdowns to his credit. Junior Michael Brown has 135 tackles to lead the North Central defense, with senior Harrison Ochs making 133 stops. Senior Devontay Moore has 6.5 sacks to his credit.

Fishers will come into the sectional title game with a 4-6 record, including wins in three of its last four games. The Tigers have victories over Pike 31-14, Franklin Central 17-12 and Westfield 11-7 in the regular season, then beat the Red Devils 33-20 to open Sectional 5 play last week. After North Central, Fishers lost to Noblesville 21-9, Southeastern 14-10, Brownsburg 27-20, Avon 33-0 and Zionsville 13-12.

Junior quarterback Marcus Roux came back for the Tigers last week in the sectional and had a decent game, going 5-for-12 with 91 yards and a touchdown. For the season, Roux is 39-of-99 with 512 yards and two TDs. Senior Collin Statz has 28 catches, while junior Dylan Scally leads the rushing with 634 yards, including three scores.

CARMEL AT LAFAYETTE JEFFERSON

Carmel, ranked No. 3 in 6A, will travel to No. 8 Lafayette Jefferson's Scheumann Stadium on Friday for a chance to defend its 6A Sectional 4 championship.

This will be a re-match of last year's Sectional 4 final, which was played at Carmel Stadium. The Greyhounds won that game 41-20, stopping what had been an undefeated Bronchos team that had won 10 games for the first time since 2006.

This year, Lafayette Jeff holds a 9-1 record coming into the championship game. The Bronchos lost their opener to West Lafayette 38-29, but then swept through the regular season unbothered over Western 54-14, McCutcheon 48-7, Harrison 31-14, Kokomo 58-13, Anderson 76-0, Richmond 44-6, Logansport 55-7 and Arsenal Tech 46-0. Jeff then held off Noblesville 35-24 last week to win a sectional semi-final game.

Sophomore quarterback Maximus Grimes has been a remarkable story for the Bronchos. Grimes has completed 181 of 285 passes and compiled 3,175 yards and 46 touchdowns. His top receiver, senior Brian Jenkins, went past the 1,000-yard mark last week; Jenkins has 59 catches, including 18 touchdowns. Junior Derrick Matthews has 11 TDs as part of 43 catches.

Junior Marquis Munox leads Jefferson on the ground with 898 yards in 133 carries, including nine scores. On defense, senior Brittain Chandler has 95 tackles to top that list. Sophomore Kayden Sowers has 14 tackles for a loss, one of four Bronchos players with at least 10 tackles for a loss.

The Greyhounds are 8-2 for the season. Carmel has beaten Louisville Trinity 24-21, Noblesville 34-7, Pike 28-13, Lawrence North 23-9, North Central 41-40 (in triple OT), Ben Davis 21-7 and Lawrence Central 16-14 in the regular season, then defeated Westfield 28-7 last week in the sectional semi-final. The 'Hounds lost to Center Grove 17-7 and Warren Central 41-17.

Carmel's likely quarterback is Tyler Trent, who has completed 65 of 160 passes for 930 yards and 10 touchdowns. Christian Williams has 24 of those catches, including five scores, with Sam Rogers making 20 receptions, including four touchdowns. Zach White leads the Greyhounds' rushing with 865 yards in 136 carries and eight TDs.



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Fishers quarterback Marcus Roux passed for 91 yards and a touchdown last week in the Tigers' Class 6A Sectional 5 semi-final game at Pike. Fishers hosts North Central on Friday for the Sectional 5 championship.

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Charlotte	4	4	.500	-
Miami	3	4	.429	0.5
Orlando	2	5	.286	1.5
Atlanta	2	5	.286	1.5
Washington	1	6	.143	2.5

Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Denver	6	1	.857	-
Portland	5	2	.714	1.0
Utah	4	3	.571	2.0
Minnesota	4	4	.500	2.5
Oklahoma City	2	4	.333	3.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	8	1	.889	-
Sacramento	5	3	.625	2.5
L.A. Clippers	4	3	.571	2.5
L.A. Lakers	3	5	.375	4.5
Phoenix	1	6	.143	6.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Antonio	5	2	.714	-
Memphis	4	2	.667	0.5
New Orleans	4	3	.571	1.0
Dallas	2	6	.250	3.5
Houston	1	5	.167	3.5

Perfect Sabonis leads Pacers past Knicks

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On a night where some of the Pacers struggled to find their shot, Domantas Sabonis looked like he was working the layup lines.

Against the Knicks on Wednesday, Sabonis went a perfect 12-for-12 from the field, finishing his evening with 30 points and nine rebounds as Indiana overcame a fourth quarter deficit to win 107-101 at Madison Square Garden.

"I thought (Sabonis) was really good the time he was out there tonight," said Pacers head coach Nate McMillan after the game. "He got into foul trouble, and only played seven minutes in first half. In second half, he continued to be aggressive and make plays for us."

Despite Sabonis' impressive offensive outpouring, the game was tight until the finish, when Victor Oladipo sent home a pair

of dagger 3-pointers to propel Indiana to the victory.

The Pacers (5-3) began the fourth quarter with Sabonis' 12th field goal, which sparked a 6-0 run to bring the lead back to Indiana.

Moments later, it was Tim Hardaway Jr. leading the Knicks (2-6) back into the lead as he sank a three from the corner with a hand in his face. Hardaway Jr. led New York's attack all night, posting a game-high 37 points and connecting on 7-of-11 3-point shots.

With just 4:12 remaining in the game and the Pacers entering desperation mode, Bojan Bogdanovic canned a 3-pointer, slicing New York's lead to just one point.

After another jumper from Hardaway, Sabonis drew a foul on offense, sinking both free throws as Indiana began a crucial 9-0 run.

An Oladipo dunk and Young hookshot soon followed, forcing a Knicks timeout with 1:55 left and the Pacers leading 100-97. Out of the timeout, Oladipo calmly drained

a three, giving Indiana what was then its largest cushion of the fourth.

Following a New York timeout, the Knicks got a pair of free throws by Hardaway and a layup from rookie Allonzo Trier to make it a 103-101 Pacers lead with 34.1 seconds remaining.

Out of a Pacers timeout, Bogdanovic missed a three from the top of the key, but the rebound was corralled by Thaddeus Young, who zipped it to Oladipo in the corner for a dagger 3-pointer as Indiana was able to close out the heart-racing win from there.

"Thad made an amazing play," recounted Oladipo. "The way he rebounded the ball, the only place that he could throw it to was the corner, so I got there and he made a great play. I hit the shot."

The pairing of Myles Turner and Sabonis set the tone in the first quarter for the Blue & Gold. Turner scored six quick points to start the game, including a powerful one-handed slam that put the Pacers up early.

Once Sabonis checked in, the big man went to work right away, making all six of his field goals in the opening quarter and racking up 13 points and five rebounds in the process.

Even with the impressive frontcourt pairing, the Pacers only led 28-25 after one thanks to a tricky layup from Knicks reserve Mario Hezonja in the closing minute of the quarter.

As the second quarter got underway, the youthful Knicks chipped away at the lead, tying things up at 36 with a pair of Trey Burke free throws.

Just as it appeared the Pacers might be opening up a lead, the Knicks again closed the gap as New York forward Noah Vonleh tied things up at 45 with a hook shot. The New York run forced Pacers head coach Nate McMillan to call timeout with 2:59 remaining in the half.

In the closing minutes of the half, it was the Knicks who had the edge, getting a 3-pointer from Vonleh to build their 52-50 lead at the break.

As the second half got underway, Indiana struggled to find its footing on offense as the hosts picked up where they left off, opening up a six-point lead behind more sharpshooting from Hardaway Jr.

Oladipo, however, was quick to pick up the slack, scoring eight straight points out of a timeout to tie the game at 66 apiece. Oladipo — who was held to just five points in the first half — erupted in the second half, scoring 19 of his 24 points over the final two quarters of play.

Despite the Knicks retaking the lead, Sabonis continued his incredible roll on offense, improving to 11-of-11 from the field as New York took an 81-77 lead into the fourth quarter at MSG.

The Pacers began the final frame locked in on offense as the reserves jumped out of the gates with a 10-4 run to put Indiana ahead by two, setting up a thrilling finish at the Garden.

The Pacers looked as if they might lose control of the contest when Knicks guard Damyean Dotson drained a 3-pointer to put New York up by four with 4:25 remaining. But from that moment forward, Indiana outscored the Knicks 16-6 to close out the game.

The stellar night from Sabonis, paired with Oladipo's two clutch 3-pointers in the final minutes of the game, was enough to propel the Pacers to the road victory in the Big Apple.

"That's what All-Stars do," Knicks head coach David Fizdale said of Oladipo's performance. "We couldn't get to him for whatever reason. On our traps we couldn't get him trapped. Once a guy like that hits a couple he is going to get it going."



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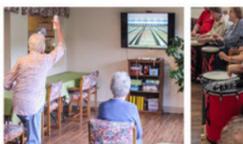
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