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**TODAY'S WEATHER**



**Today:** Partly to mostly cloudy. Chills as cold as 25 below in the morning.  
**Tonight:** Snow showers, with an inch or two final accumulation possible. Temps rise after midnight.  
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## Carmel Young Republicans help as temperatures drop



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Carmel Young Republicans had the first distribution day for their blanket drive on Monday. They donated 40 blankets to the Wheeler Mission at Traders Point. The blanket drive was started by Carmel High School Young Republicans President Chris Elmore. The blanket collection for the homeless will continue until Feb. 23 at several locations in the Hamilton County and Indianapolis areas, including: The Jane Pauley Community Health Center (Indianapolis), Student Impact of Westfield, Donatello's in Carmel, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, Hamilton County GOP Headquarters in Westfield, Westfield Washington Public Library, Butler Auto Collision Center, FC Tucker Company, Schwartz Bait and Tackle, Cicero Library, the Hamilton County Courthouse and Burgerhaus. See more on Page 3.

## Noblesville school shooter's parents deny responsibility

### The REPORTER

The parents of a 13-year-old boy who opened fire in a Noblesville West Middle School classroom say they could not foresee their son's actions and deny any responsibility for them.

They boy's parents, Kevin and Sarah Moore, responded to a lawsuit filed in Hamilton County Superior Court 1, brought by the parents of Ella Whistler, seeking damages for her injuries suffered in the May 25 shooting.

According to a report by news gathering partner WISH-TV, the shooter's parents said they are not personally responsible for the girl's injuries and that their son and Noblesville Schools may both bear some responsibility. They also say that if the court orders them to pay any damages, they should be offset by the amount the Whistlers have already received from other sources such as insurance and donations.

Cory and Julia Whistler, Ella Whistler's

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## "Cheer for pancakes" with Westfield High School LEO Club

### The REPORTER

Help the Westfield High School LEO Club support WHS alumna and now cheer coach Katlyn Stevenson, who is battling Stage 3 adrenal cancer.

The WHS LEO Club's seventh annual pancake breakfast will take place on Saturday, March 23 at the Westfield Lions Club, 120 Jersey St., Westfield.

[Click here](#) to view a sponsor form that can be printed and sent in with a check to the Westfield Lions Club or dropped off at Westfield High School.

You can also call Jeff Larrison at 317-416-8330 with any questions.

## Henderson, White re-elected to Fishers Police Merit Commission

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



Warren Henderson and Jim White have each been re-elected to serve another term on the Fishers Police Merit Commission. State law allows police officers to elect two members of the five-member commission. Henderson and White have been serving as the officers' elected commission members.

The Police Merit Commission is charged with administering discipline to department members, including suspension, demotion and termination of employment. Even when no such cases are pending, the commission is required to meet at least twice each year.

One member of the commission is appointed by the Fishers City Council and the remaining two members are named by the mayor. Currently, Gary Bolenbaugh is the City Council appointee. The mayor's appointees are Bryan Babb and Tiffany Sharpley. However, Ms. Sharpley told commission members at the last meeting she plans to move from Fishers and will need to leave the commission.

Fishers Chief of Police Ed Gebhart announced the election results at Monday's Board of Works and Safety meeting.



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(From left) 2018 Noblesville Common Council President Chris Jensen, Lt. Bruce Barnes, Police Chief Kevin Jowitt, Councilor Mark Boice and members of the Common Council present Barnes with the 2018 "Stake in the Ground" award during their meeting on Tuesday evening.

## Bruce Barnes receives Noblesville's 2018 'Stake in the Ground' Award

### The REPORTER

The Noblesville Common Council recognized Lieutenant Bruce Barnes of the Noblesville Police Department as the 2018 Stake in the Ground honoree at their meeting Tuesday night. In addition to his daily job responsibilities, Barnes addressed the media during and throughout the investigation of the Noblesville West Middle School shooting in May 2018.

"Bruce was the public face speaking on this incident," said Noblesville Police Chief Kevin Jowitt. "Bruce did an extraordinary job doing what he did, particularly because he had a son at the school and didn't know his status until the later in

the day. Bruce went far beyond what anyone could expect in that situation. He does a fantastic job and we are lucky to have him."

Councilor Mark Boice said Barnes does an exceptional job of portraying Noblesville well on a national level through many trying situations.

"During the May 25 school incident, Mayor John Ditslear, Chief Jowitt and State Police Superintendent [Doug Carter] trusted Bruce and he provided the national media very precise information without compromising the integrity of the case," Boice said. "In every situation that he has provided information to the public and me-

dia, he has done so in a manner that portrays Noblesville as professional and in the best way possible."

Barnes currently serves as the department's public information officer, but he has served the police department in a variety of capacities including shift supervisor, shift commander, SWAT team commander and honor guard commander.

"Bruce has been responsible for all of our recruiting and selection for more than 10 years. He started our crime watch program and he created and still runs the citizens academy," Jowitt said.

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## RESPONSIBILITY

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parents, state in their suit that 13-year-old David Moore shot their daughter, Ella Whistler, and teacher Jason Seaman after entering Noblesville West Middle School with a .22 caliber pistol equipped with a silencer, a .45 caliber pistol and more than 200 rounds of ammunition all belonging to Kevin and Sarah Moore, David Moore's parents.

Court documents indicate the firearms used by David Moore were kept in a gun safe in a storage closet that David Moore had access to.

The Whistlers allege Kevin Moore and Sarah Moore knew or should have known their son had unusual and potentially violent propensities, disconcerting attraction to and obsession with firearms and violence and that their son suffered from mental and psychological disorders. The suit further alleges that David Moore took pleasure in violence in others and lacked empathy and that he had the capacity to commit violent acts.

The Whistlers feel Kevin Moore and Sarah Moore should have taken reason-

able steps to prevent access to their firearms, ammunition and other weapons.

David Moore admitted to the attack during a juvenile court hearing on Nov. 14 and was ordered to be held in a state juvenile detention center until he's 18 or deemed rehabilitated.

Newly elected Superior Court 1 Judge Mike Casati has not yet set a trial date for the suit.

To see the complete suit filed by Cory and Julia Whistler, [click here](#).

To see the response filed by Kevin and Sarah Moore, [click here](#).

## STAKE IN THE GROUND

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Barnes began working for Noblesville in November 1993.

"I am very honored and humbled," Barnes said. "It is hard to accept this award without saying that so many people did their job that day. Chief Jowitt and Major Scott Kirby set the standard and it blossomed from there. We don't rise to the occasion, we are prepared. That's why it was

a success."

Barnes said his goal that day was to send a message of confidence.

"I wanted Noblesville residents and parents to know we're here. Your kids may not be with you, but trust they are in good hands - our hands or Noblesville Schools. We wanted parents to have confidence in us," he said.

The "Stake in the

Ground" Award is designed to recognize city employees - typically at the director level - who go way above and beyond their jobs by "putting their stake in the ground" to not only to be a good employee, but to be an exceptional employee. Each councilor makes a nomination and then all members vote on the award. Barnes is the second non-director to win the award.

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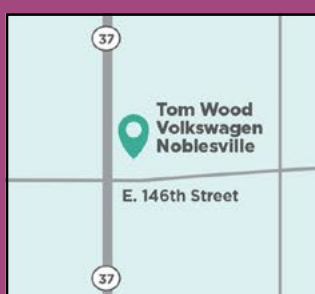


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*- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville*

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# Brainard listens to Young Republicans' ideas



Photo provided by Denise Moe

On Tuesday, Carmel Young Republicans were invited to Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard's home with Carmel City Councilor Ron Carter to discuss their ideas for the future of the city. Carmel Young Republicans will soon expand the blanket drive, and updates on additional locations will be announced Friday.

## Heights educator to share "experience of a lifetime" at Cicero Kiwanis meeting

**The REPORTER**

Jon Kirschner, Hamilton Heights High School Social Studies teacher, head football coach, and strength and conditioning coach, will be the guest speaker at this Saturday's Cicero Kiwanis Club breakfast meeting.

Thanks to a Teacher Creativity Fellowship Grant through the Lilly Endowment, Kirschner realized a dream of traveling through parts of America's last frontier. Through this opportunity, Kirschner was able to combine three of his favorite things: Running, photography and teaching. Kirschner, whose grant request was entitled, "Running and Flipping through the West," was among the 100 selected from a competitive pool of 520 qualified applicants throughout the state.

Kirschner said the trip was one of the most remarkable experiences of his life and he was able to check off a few items on his bucket list including seeing several animals in their natural habitats.

Kirschner brought back a plethora of educational opportunities from his travels to supplement many of his current chapters. The lessons and information

from this once-in-a-lifetime experience have helped him to bring history and geography to life for his students through a first-person account.

He will share highlights from the adventure and the impact on his life and on his students since then.

The meeting is set for 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2 at the Red Bridge Park Community Building in Cicero.

**About the Cicero Kiwanis**

The Cicero Chapter of the Kiwanis International as a part of a non-profit global organization with members who are dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time. In the greater Cicero-area community, the Cicero Kiwanis provide scholarships to local high school students, support local schools through donations to various programs and manpower, provide food and assistance to local food pantries, support families and individuals in need or in crisis and help the community at large through donations to Riley's Children's Hospital. Weekly meetings begin at 7:30 a.m. on Saturdays at the Red Bridge Community Park Building in Cicero.

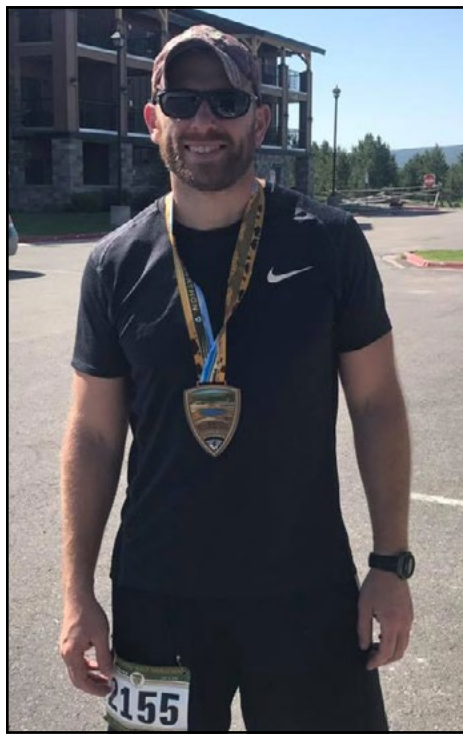


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Jon Kirschner will recap his three-week journey to Wyoming, Nevada, California and Alaska to members of the Cicero Kiwanis Club on Saturday.

## March 1 deadline nears for music scholarship

**The REPORTER**

The Hamilton County Chorus, The Silvernotes, provides a \$500 music scholarship every year in hopes to further the education of a student who wants to incorporate music into his or her professional life.

To be eligible for the \$500 scholarship the student must be a graduating senior from a Hamilton County school with a C or better average and must either major or minor in music while at college.

There is an application to be completed along with a written essay on why music is important in your life. Applicants must also have a sealed recommendation from a teacher.

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# HSE teachers bring kindness to the classroom

By **KATIE WISELY**  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

Two Hamilton County teachers have challenged their students to spread kindness throughout the classroom.

Thousands of schools across the country have signed up for The Great Kindness Challenge. The goal is simple: To spread kindness.

"It means to be nice and

so sweet," 5-year-old Anna-Gabriella Hiatt said.

Ashley Conlon and Jennifer Gabbard are kindergarten teachers at Thorpe Elementary in Fishers. They saw the nationwide challenge in November and decided to introduce the idea to their students.

"When they said it, we were so excited!" Hiatt said.

Both teachers taught their students what it means to be kind and how to

help others.

"We want them to see these are things they can do every single day," Thorpe Creek Elementary teacher Jennifer Gabbard said. "If we start young, hopefully it's something they will continue to do and hopefully becomes adults that are really kind."

The word spread quickly after Conlon posted a video of her students on Twitter asking the community to get involved. Students have also memorized a pledge.

"We need more kindness in the world," Thorpe Creek Elementary teacher Jennifer Gabbard said. "If we start young, hopefully it's something they will continue to do and hopefully becomes adults that are really kind."

The challenge kicked off Monday with local law enforcement at the school to welcome students off the bus. The students plan to visit a nursing home on Friday in Pendleton.

# 236<sup>th</sup> Street, U.S. 31 intersection to be studied by INDOT

**The REPORTER**

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will hold a public open house to educate residents and solicit community input regarding an interchange study at U.S. 31 and 236th Street.

The open house will take place from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 7, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th St., Sheridan.

The study will help

determine the type of interchange INDOT will install. The project will help to improve safety in the intersection, reduce congestion and accommodate future growth in the area. INDOT plans to hold a total of two open houses and one public hearing during this study.

If you have questions, contact the INDOT Customer Service Center by calling 1-855-463-6848 or email [INDOT@indot.in.gov](mailto:INDOT@indot.in.gov).

# Postal service suspends deliveries for second day

WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

The U.S. Postal Service says it will not deliver mail for a second day Thursday due to the extreme cold weather.

Here is a portion of the news release from the Postal Service:

"Due to the extreme weather conditions caused by Winter Storm Jayden, the U.S. Postal Service has temporarily suspended delivery service throughout most of the state of Indiana on Thursday, Jan. 31, 2019, to ensure the safety and well-being of

our employees. Specific information about the areas affected is being posted to the [USPS Service Alerts page](http://USPS Service Alerts page).

"All post office retail operations will be open, except the Goshen, Ind., location which is closed due to loss of power."

# U.S. Senator Todd Young cosponsors bill to repeal federal 'death tax'

**The REPORTER**

U.S. Sen. Todd Young (R-Ind.) a member of the tax-writing Senate Finance Committee is cosponsoring legislation to permanently repeal the federal estate tax, more commonly known as the death tax. The bill, led by Senator John Thune (R-S.D.), would end the punitive tax that negatively affects Hoosier farmers and small business owners.

"Death should not be a taxable event," said Young. "Hoosiers should not be forced to sell a family farm or transfer ownership of a small business because of the loss of a family member. Let's repeal the death tax once and for all."

The historic Tax Cuts and Jobs Act passed in 2017 granted temporary relief for some. The estate tax gift exclusion was doubled

through 2025, but it will revert to previous levels if no further action is taken. Indiana repealed its state death tax in 2013.

The bill is supported by the American Farm Bureau Federation, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, NFIB, the Associated General Contractors of America, the Family Business Estate Tax Coalition, Policy and Taxation Group and many others.

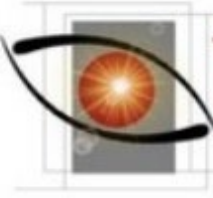
In addition to Senators Young and Thune, the bill is cosponsored by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), Finance Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa), and U.S. Senators Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.),



Young

John Barrasso (R-Wyo.), Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.), Roy Blunt (R-Mo.), John Boozman (R-Ark.), John Cornyn (R-Texas), Tom Cotton (R-Ark.), Kevin Cram-

er (R-N.D.), Mike Crapo (R-Idaho), Ted Cruz (R-Texas), Steve Daines (R-Mont.), Joni Ernst (R-Iowa), Deb Fischer (R-Neb.), Cory Gardner (R-Colo.), John Hoeven (R-N.D.), Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-Miss.), James Inhofe (R-Okla.), Johnny Isakson (R-Ga.), John Kennedy (R-La.), Jerry Moran (R-Kan.), David Perdue (R-Ga.), Jim Risch (R-Idaho), Pat Roberts (R-Kan.), Mike Rounds (R-S.D.) and Marco Rubio (R-Fla.).



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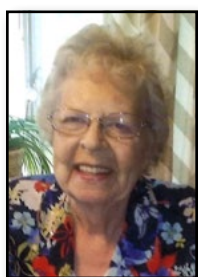
Anita Hicks, 86, Westfield, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at Maple Park Village in Westfield. She was born on January 9, 1933 to Ralph and Gail (Ford) Locey in Muncie.

Anita was a secretary for the Noblesville Library. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Noblesville. Anita loved playing the organ for many years. She loved to roller skate and participated in skating dance competitions. Anita was a poster artist for many years at the Muncie and Noblesville libraries. She was a talented and giving person.

She is survived by her sons, Steven Thomas (girlfriend, Sandy Rutter) and Jon Thomas; daughter-in-law, Teresa Thomas; grandchildren, Bobby (Kathy) Thomas, Nick (Tiffany) Thomas, Stephanie (Mike) Smith and Andrew Thomas; 12 great-grandchildren; and brother, Wayne Locey.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William J. Hicks in 1984; daughter, Jill McCully; and sister, Nancy Lee.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville, with Rev. Cheryl Russell officiating. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to the time of service at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.  
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*And it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man whose right hand was withered. And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him. But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth. Then said Jesus unto them, I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy it? And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other. And they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus.*

Luke 6:6-11 (KJV)

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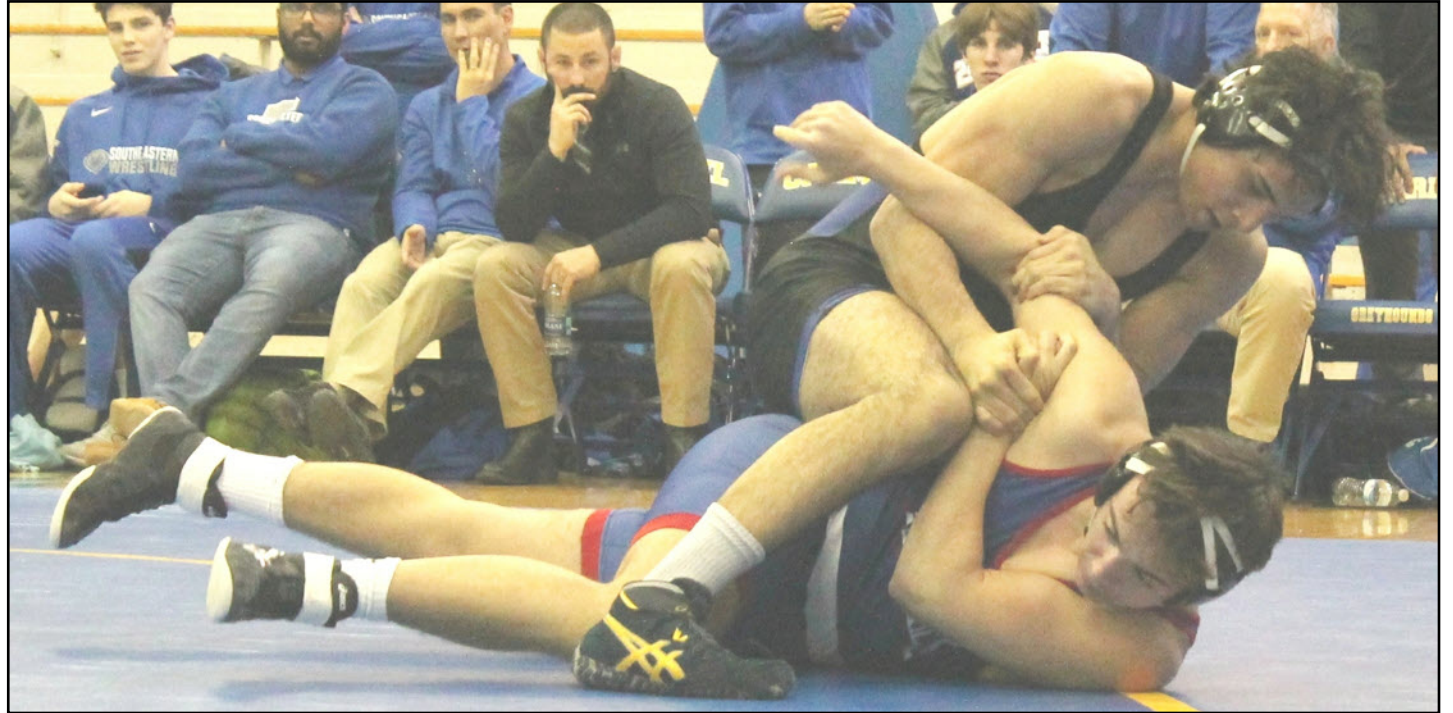
## A look at Saturday's wrestling regionals

Saturday will be Step 2 of the Indiana high school wrestling world's road to state, as the regional tournament takes place that day.

Hamilton County wrestlers will be split among two regionals. Qualifiers out of the Frankfort sectional head west to North Montgomery, to take on qualifiers out of the Crawfordsville sectional. Meanwhile, the Elwood qualifiers participate in the Pendleton Heights regional, with qualifiers from the Arsenal Tech sectional also competing.

Each weight division has eight wrestlers, and the top four advance to the New Castle semi-state - one win and you're in.

Carmel will have the most athletes at the regional, as the Greyhounds advanced all 14 out of Frankfort to North Montgomery. Fishers and Westfield both qualified 10 to the regional, with Hamilton Southeastern advancing nine and Sheridan one. Here's a school-by-school look at each wrestler and his first-round opponent. Sectional champions are marked with an asterisk.



Richie Hall/File photo

**CARMEL**

- 106: Suhas Chundi\* (21-12) vs. Eli Oiler, Fountain Central (14-12)
- 113: Brac Hooper (21-12) vs. Ethan Conkright, Crawfordsville (23-8)
- 120: AJ Gunn (10-13) vs. Jacob Parsons, Western Boone (23-11)
- 126: Joey Langeman (16-16) vs. Logan Sandlin, Crawfordsville (30-5)
- 132: TJ Barrett (11-6) vs. Seth Johnson\*, North Montgomery (26-2)
- 138: Kyle Holman\* (20-9) vs. Jaden Bailey, Western Boone (15-8)
- 145: Joe Theriot\* (18-17) vs. Clayton Owens, Crawfordsville (18-18)
- 152: Gabe Davin\* (27-9) vs. Anthony Cook, Crawfordsville (22-9)
- 160: Garrett Sharp (15-16) vs. Steven Latre, Crawfordsville (21-7)
- 170: Logan Hart\* (23-10) vs. Robby Taylor, Western Boone (14-13)
- 182: Cameron Bacon\* (33-1) vs. Joshua Roehm, South Vermillion (18-4)
- 195: Jack Heldt\* (31-3) vs. Thomas Weir, Crawfordsville (20-9)
- 220: Haakon Van Beynen (19-3) vs. Matt Cloud, Southmont (15-11)
- 285: Jonathan Williams (19-11) vs. Zion Essex, Southmont (27-3)

**FISHERS**

- 106: PJ Pritchett (23-7) vs. James McClerkin\*, North Montgomery (17-8)
- 120: Dylan Parodi (18-13) vs. Noah Bengel, Southmont (19-11)

Carmel's Cameron Bacon (top) is one of 14 Greyhound wrestlers that will compete in Saturday's regional at North Montgomery. Bacon will wrestle in the 182-pound division.

- 126: Josh Thompson (19-13) vs. Logan Wagner\*, Zionsville (27-4)
- 138: Zaac Morey (10-11) vs. Dimitrie Laury, Southmont (26-3)
- 145: Tyler Lindamood (14-15) vs. Dylan Small, Western Boone (16-16)
- 152: Josh Reardon (25-11) vs. Mathew Mangus\*, Zionsville (19-8)
- 170: Mason McCartney (17-15) vs. Wyatt Reynolds, North Vermillion (21-3)
- 182: JD Farrell (21-2) vs. Riley Woodall, Southmont (24-7)
- 195: Preston Putzback (24-11) vs. Joey Shew\*, South Vermillion (18-2)

**HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN**

- 106: Sam Crousore (23-5) vs. Clayton Downey, Southmont (21-9)
- 113: Jake Simone\* (34-4) vs. Domanick Brooks, South Vermillion (18-10)
- 126: Gaige Lloyd (14-15) vs. Takeshi Greiner, Southmont (20-6)
- 132: Ethan Pritt (13-17) vs. Dillan Laury, Southmont (24-6)
- 138: Reece Luhmann (30-3) vs. Tyler Abney, North Montgomery (12-11)
- 145: Cam Roberts (12-21) vs. Tim Newlin, North Montgomery (17-13)
- 152: Jackson Williams (27-14) vs. Michael Worth, Southmont (20-10)

- 160: Ronan Hiner (20-1) vs. Logan Bengel, Southmont (18-13)
- 220: Andrew Irick\* (28-0) vs. Jakob Brown, Crawfordsville (11-5)
- 285: Crae Kunkleman (31-6) vs. Chadd Ervin, Crawfordsville (25-6)

**SHERIDAN**

- 138: Axel Aleman (19-13) vs. Chase Poynter\*, Zionsville (12-4)

**WESTFIELD**

- 113: Dylan Driver (27-10) vs. Forest LaPlante, Zionsville (7-3)
- 120: Carson Eldred\* (29-3) vs. Wyatt Bible, Fountain Central (20-6)
- 132: Milo Merkel\* (25-8) vs. Austin Pickett, Fountain Central (19-13)
- 145: Jackson Anderson (5-10) vs. Shane Bates\*, Zionsville (27-10)
- 160: Gabe Arvin (22-14) vs. Jake Lowe\*, North Montgomery (31-2)
- 170: Kyle Saez (31-3) vs. Ty Welliever, Southmont (25-7)
- 182: Ryan Mahoney (28-9) vs. Dawson McCloud, North Montgomery (28-5)
- 195: Sam Medlen (27-8) vs. Tanner Dreher, Covington (26-3)
- 220: Dakota Arvin (21-12) vs. Gavin Emery, Covington (26-6)

**GUERIN CATHOLIC**

- 106: Clay Patton (17-9) vs. Logan Carrender\*, Lawrence North (23-3)
- 120: Jon Koscal (13-16) vs. Harrison Hadley, Lapel (20-3)
- 145: Jeff Dunasky Jr.\* (31-2) vs. Aidan Bunce, Lawrence North (21-14)

**HAMILTON HEIGHTS**

- 106: Isaiah Rodriguez (27-7) vs. Evan Dickey, Cathedral (16-16)
- 145: Cooper Mansfield (19-17) vs. Alex Mosconi\*, Cathedral (32-3)
- 152: Dreiken Dunn\* (33-4) vs. DeJavier Goodner, Indiana Deaf (29-6)
- 160: Bobby Williams (33-4) vs. Ethan Butterfield, Lawrence North (22-12)
- 285: Alex Naylor (28-10) vs. Zach Evans, Bishop Chatard (18-3)

**NOBLESVILLE**

- 113: Keaton Sepiol (14-19) vs. Zeke Seltzer\*, Cathedral (32-1)
- 120: Tim Alexander (21-17) vs. Carson Johnson, Mount Vernon (28-10)
- 126: Dalton Huffman (28-10) vs. Skyler Blackwell, North Central (29-11)
- 132: Cesar Sierra (8-17) vs. Logan Bailey\*, Cathedral (30-5)
- 138: Justin Johnson-Sparks\* (21-2) vs. Reid Seymour, Bishop Chatard (17-9)
- 152: Sebastian Dillon (21-12) vs. Colby Lemaster, North Central (16-5)
- 160: Dewayne Simpson (13-23) vs. Jordan Sliyka\*, Cathedral (25-3)
- 182: Zack Knoll (22-12) vs. PJ Sterrett\*, Mount Vernon (33-4)
- 285: Sam Wertz (19-12) vs. Jake Skotnicki, Mount Vernon (21-13)

Over at Pendleton Heights, Noblesville will have nine athletes competing in that regional. Hamilton Heights qualified five, and Guerin Catholic advanced three. All three schools had one sectional champion last week at Elwood.

Here's a look at each competitor and his first-round match, with sectional champions marked by an asterisk.

## Cold weather causes schedule changes

The polar vortex has disrupted quite a bit of normal activity in Indiana, including high school sports.

One of the sports that is most affected is girls basketball, which is in the midst of sectional week. Two sectionals involving Hamilton County teams have had their schedules altered significantly: Class 3A Sectional 24 in New Castle, where Hamilton Heights is playing, and Class 1A Sectional 58 at Bethesda Christian, where University is trying to defend its title.

The schedules for both those sectionals have changed to a Friday-Saturday-Monday format. While both sites got their Tuesday first-round games completed, the Wednesday games were originally pushed back to Thursday. With Thursday shaping

up to be just as bad weather-wise, both sectionals moved the Thursday games to Friday.

With that, here are the new schedules: At New Castle, the Friday first-round games begin at 6 p.m., with the Trojans taking on Blackford and Delta playing Jay County. The semi-finals are now on Saturday, where Heights will play Muncie Burriss at 6 p.m., followed by a game between the Friday winners at 7:30 p.m. The sectional championship is now set for 7:30 p.m. Monday.

At Bethesda Christian, the host Patriots will take on Indiana Math & Science at 6 p.m., with University playing International at 7:30 p.m. The Saturday semi-finals will see Indiana Deaf play Metropolitan at 6 p.m., then the Friday winners face off at 7:30 p.m. The sectional championship will be played at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Since the Heights girls could possibly play on Monday, the boys basketball game between the Huskies and Sheridan has been postponed again. A make-up date is being sought.

Meanwhile, the girls swimming sectional preliminaries, which are being hosted by Carmel and Fishers this year, have been postponed to Friday. Swimming at both sites will begin at 5:30 p.m., and the Saturday finals are scheduled to start on time. University's swimmers compete at Zionsville, which is still having its sectional preliminaries tonight as of press time.

The Sheridan boys basketball team has postponed its game with Rossville that was scheduled for tonight.

There are four other boys games set for tonight: Heights at Frankton, Carmel at Lawrence North, Fishers at Westfield, and Franklin Central at Hamilton Southeastern. All four games are still on, but the Huskies' game has been moved up an hour, to a 5 p.m. junior varsity/6:30 p.m. varsity start, in anticipation of snow that is forecast to come down late Thursday evening.

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	<b>Noblesville City Council Regular Meeting   Live</b>	7:00 pm	
	Fishers vs Anderson (GM2)   HCTV Sports Girls Basketball Sectionals at Hamilton Southeastern	7:30 pm	
Thur Jan 31	Hamilton Heights at Frankton   Put Me in Sports Boys Basketball LIVE AUDIO ONLY	7:30 pm	
Fri Feb 1	Westfield vs Winner GM1   HCTV Sports Girls Basketball Sectionals at Hamilton Southeastern	6:00 pm	
	Hamilton Southeastern vs Winner GM2   HCTV Sports Girls Basketball Sectionals at Hamilton Southeastern	7:30 PM	
Sat Feb 2	Sectional Championship   HCTV Sports Girls Basketball Sectionals at Hamilton Southeastern	7:00 pm	
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Wednesday's scores		Minnesota 99, Memphis 97, OT
Boston 126, Charlotte 94	Denver 105, New Orleans 99	
Chicago 105, Miami 89	Sacramento 135, Atlanta 113	
Dallas 114, New York 90	Portland 132, Utah 105	
Washington 107, Indiana 89		

## Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	37	15	.712	-
Philadelphia	33	18	.647	3.5
Boston	32	19	.627	4.5
Brooklyn	28	24	.538	9.0
New York	10	40	.200	26.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	36	13	.735	-
Indiana	32	18	.640	4.5
Detroit	21	28	.429	15.0
Chicago	12	40	.231	25.5
Cleveland	11	41	.212	26.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	24	25	.490	-
Charlotte	24	26	.480	0.5
Washington	22	29	.431	3.0
Orlando	20	31	.392	5.0
Atlanta	16	34	.320	8.5

## Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Denver	35	15	.700	-
Oklahoma City	32	18	.640	3.0
Portland	32	20	.615	4.0
Utah	29	23	.558	7.0
Minnesota	25	26	.490	10.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	36	14	.720	-
L.A. Clippers	28	23	.549	8.5
L.A. Lakers	26	25	.510	10.5
Sacramento	26	25	.510	10.5
Phoenix	11	42	.208	26.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	29	21	.580	-
San Antonio	30	22	.577	-
Dallas	23	27	.460	6.0
New Orleans	23	29	.442	7.0
Memphis	20	32	.385	10.0

## Pacers on three-game losing streak after falling in Washington

By WHEAT HOTCHKISS

Courtesy nba.com/pacers

For the first time in over a year, the Indiana Pacers have a three-game losing streak.

Indiana (32-18) dropped its third straight game on Wednesday night, falling to the Wizards (22-29) in Washington on the first stop of a four-game road trip, 107-89.

The Pacers had not lost three straight games since they dropped five straight from Dec. 26, 2017 to Jan. 3, 2018 and were the only team in the NBA to not lose three consecutive contests in 2018. But they suffered a major blow a week ago when All-Star guard Victor Oladipo ruptured his quad tendon in his right knee and have dropped all three subsequent games without their leading scorer.

"It's just low energy right now," Pacers head coach Nate McMillan said after Wednesday's loss. "We've kind of lost our

way here and we've got to find it. Victor is not coming back. We've got to move past that and not look at what we don't have and focus on what we do have."

The Blue & Gold got off to a hot start offensively, starting 8-for-9 from the field to jump out to an early lead. But they missed six of their next seven shots and committed three turnovers as the Wizards answered with a 17-3 run of their own to move back in front.

Two nights after giving up a season-high 40 points in the first quarter in a loss to the Warriors, Indiana allowed Washington to amass 35 points in the opening frame on Wednesday and trailed by 10 after one.

The Wizards strung together another 14-2 spurt to take a 53-34 lead midway through the second quarter. Thaddeus Young scored five points as Indiana responded with an 8-0 run, but the Pacers weren't able to get back within single digits

before halftime and trailed 59-45 at the break.

The hosts wasted no time breaking the game open in the second half. Washington scored on its first three possessions of the third quarter thanks to a Trevor Ariza 3-pointer and dunk followed by another three from Bradley Beal.

The Wizards extended their lead to as many as 25 points before the Pacers mounted a charge. Bojan Bogdanovic and Aaron Holiday each tallied five points as Indiana put together a 19-4 run to cut the deficit to 79-69.

A corner three from two-way guard Jordan McRae in the closing seconds of the third quarter stopped the bleeding for Washington and gave them a 13-point advantage heading into the fourth.

The Wizards put the game away early in the final frame, scoring eight unanswered points to open the period.

"We take pride in playing defense and

the last couple games, we have not had that sense of urgency on the defensive end and sense of pride on the defensive end," Young said. "Guys are just walking in and dunking. We cannot let that happen. That is not us as a team."

Young led the Pacers with 13 points on 5-of-8 shooting in the loss and also tallied seven rebounds and five assists, though he also had five turnovers.

Bogdanovic added 12 points, as did Doug McDermott, who went 3-for-7 from 3-point range. Holiday scored 10 points and was joined in double figures by Domantas Sabonis, who scored all 10 of his points after halftime to go along with eight rebounds and three assists.

Beal led all scorers with 25 points on 9-of-15 shooting, six rebounds, and six assists.

The Pacers play again on Thursday night at 7 p.m. in Orlando.

## Hamilton County Reporter's 2018 Volleyball All-County Team

### Player of the Year

Rose Duffy, Fishers

### All-County Team

Name	School	Grade
Elana Brueggemann	Carmel	Senior
Anne Lesure	Carmel	Junior
Sophie Oliphant	Carmel	Senior
Lauren Van Remortel	Carmel	Senior
Jada Allen	Fishers	Senior
Rose Duffy	Fishers	Senior
Camryn Haworth	Fishers	Sophomore
Emma Rosenberg	Fishers	Senior
Haley Soper	Fishers	Senior

Catalina Dunasky	Guerin Catholic	Senior
Izzie McGuinness	Guerin Catholic	Junior
Ashley Utnage	Guerin Catholic	Junior
Hannah Crist	Hamilton Heights	Senior
Kelsey Smith	Hamilton Heights	Freshman
Grace Hunter	Hamilton Southeastern	Junior
Carly Mills	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Olivia Phillips	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Taylor Shelton	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Lexie Almodovar	Noblesville	Junior
Ava Nichols	Noblesville	Sophomore
Kayla Thompson	Noblesville	Senior
Cheyenne Brooks	Sheridan	Junior
Becca Merritt	Sheridan	Junior
Stella Behforouz	University	Junior
Gillian Monroe	University	Junior
Jillian Sager	University	Freshman
Lindsey Syrek	University	Junior
Kenzie Daffinee	Westfield	Sophomore
Kinsey McAfee	Westfield	Senior
Bailey Mendler	Westfield	Senior
Sarah Weglarz	Westfield	Sophomore

### Honorable Mention

Emma Harmon	Carmel	Senior
Audrey Haworth	Fishers	Senior
Jasmine Wolfgram	Guerin Catholic	Senior
Delaney Garner	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Anna Johnsey	Westfield	Senior

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