

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019



**TODAY'S WEATHER**  
 Today: Mostly cloudy with scattered showers in the morning. Some sun in the afternoon.  
 Tonight: Rainy, with some thunder. Wind gusting to 35 mph.  
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# Community Opioid Prevention Effort/ Quick Response Team begins service

**The REPORTER**  
 After extensive planning and preparation, the Hamilton County Community Opioid Prevention Efforts (COPE) Quick Response Team (QRT) announced implementation of the program effective Monday. Surrounded by public safety officials, government leaders and private organizations, Monica Greer, Executive Director of the Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs, presented program details that will assist county residents dealing with overdose issues.

county added throughout 2019. Each QRT is comprised of a law enforcement officer, a medic and a peer recovery counselor provided by Aspire Indiana. The team's goal is to meet with an opioid overdose patient within 48 to 72 hours of the event to check on the individual and provide them with details of services available to both the survivor and family members. This includes counseling by a peer recovery coach and information on treatment services in an attempt to stop any repeat behaviors. The QRT will provide support as it attempts diversions and alternatives to incarceration when/if appropriate. Hamilton County has experienced a steadily increasing number of overdose calls and deaths in re-



On Monday, leaders from several Hamilton County law enforcement and fire departments gathered to announce the newly formed Opioid Response Team.

cent years. In 2018, Public Safety Communications Office reported 38 overdose calls while the Coroner's Office reported 38 overdose deaths.

Funding for the COPE/QRT program comes from grants through the Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addictions and the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

## Westfield City Council approves Grand Junction Plaza funding

**The REPORTER**  
 On Monday, the Westfield City Council approved a \$35 million funding plan to pay for the Grand Junction Plaza. The project, which has been in development for more than 10 years, will become a six-acre park featuring greenspace, trails, an amphitheater and an ice-skating rink.

with the building phase of this exciting project," said Mayor Andy Cook. "The Plaza will be the crown jewel of our downtown and create a balance of great amenities in our community. This is an investment in the future of Westfield!" There will be no tax increase for residential



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property taxpayers through the City's funding plan for the Grand Junction Plaza. The project was designed by renowned landscape architect David Rubin Land Collective. The Grand Junction Task Group, a volunteer citizens group, included the Plaza as an integral part of its master plan designed over the last 10 years. The organization was instrumental in the concept development and design of the Grand Junction Plaza. Last October, the City announced the reconstruction of State Road 32 which was also a fundamental element of the Task Group's master plan. Plaza construction will begin this summer and be complete in the summer of 2021.

## Commissioners OK 14 new sheriff's cars

**By FRED SWIFT**  
 ReadTheReporter.com  
 The Hamilton County Sheriff's Department was granted 14 new Ford police cruisers in action by the Board of County Commissioners on Monday. The cars include 14 older vehicles being replaced. Pearson Ford's bid of \$34,900 was accepted by commissioners as the lowest and best for the replacement units.

Lt. Dustin Dixon. The county officials also voted to grant an abandoned Midland Railroad right-of-way at Durbin to adjoining property owners. The strip of ground was used for a railroad siding at the Durbin grain elevator when the Midland was active. The ground will now, under private ownership, be returned to the tax rolls. Following their regular session, commissioners conducted a work session with Kent Irwin Associates, a firm engaged by the county to review and recommend new salary scales for executive positions in county government. No decisions were reached, but when a recommendation is formulated it will be placed in ordinance form for County Council consideration. Executives included in the study are generally department heads of the various offices of county government.

## Minor injuries in Arcadia accident



A driver narrowly escaped serious injury Sunday after crashing in the 400 block of East Main Street in Arcadia. Rescue crews had to extricate the driver from the inverted vehicle. Emergency personnel reported the driver was transported by ambulance to St. Vincent's Hospital for minor injuries. Crews from Jackson Fire, Cicero Fire and Noblesville Fire, along with Arcadia Police, Cicero Police and Hamilton County Sheriff's Department responded to the scene.

## Carmel wins judgment in civil lawsuit

**The REPORTER**  
 A Federal District Court in Indianapolis has granted summary judgment to the City of Carmel, a federal DEA investigator, and a local law enforcement officer who were sued for their role in the 2014 investigation and arrest of Carmel doctor Larry Ley and his staff on charges related to the prescription of Suboxone, a controlled substance used to treat opiate addictions. This investigation and resulting arrests came about after the death of a patient who had been being treated for his drug addiction at Dr. Ley's DORN addiction treatment center in Carmel. After their arrests, judges from Ham-

ilton County Superior Court and Howard County Superior Court examined the probable cause affidavits prepared against Dr. Ley and his staff and found that probable cause existed to charge them with the commission of a crime. Dr. Ley was subsequently acquitted of his charges and the charges against his staff were dismissed. The doctor and his staff physicians then filed a lawsuit in the United



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States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana against the City of Carmel and others involved in their investigation and arrest. Dr. Ley's non-physician staff filed a separate lawsuit against the same. The claims alleged in these lawsuits included, variously, false arrest, malicious prosecution, civil conspiracy, constitutional violations and

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## Hamilton County Tourism wins award for 'Best Leisure Marketing Campaign'

**The REPORTER**  
 A marketing promotion that highlighted Hamilton County as a destination for a weekend getaway earned the Indiana Tourism Association's "Best Leisure Marketing Campaign" designation at the recent state tourism conference. The spring and fall campaign, targeted to the Chicago market, generated \$62 million in visitor spending in the region.

2018 campaign." Hamilton County Tourism's six-member marketing team works with Three-Sixty Group of Indianapolis as its agency of record. Last year, HCT targeted Chicagoland with the layered campaign that generated \$372 of visitor spending for every \$1 spent on advertising, the best outcome of any marketing campaign to date.



Ledford

"When we create a marketing campaign, we work to produce images, video and messages that we hope can communicate the amazing things to see and do and strategically layer print, radio, television and social digital ads to share our story," said Ashley Ledford, HCT's marketing and promotions director. "This award is recognition for a very successful

"We are fortunate to have great cities, attractions and strategic partners - like Three-Sixty Group - that help shape our successful efforts," Ledford said. "The 2018 results took years of research and testing, but we feel our message is truly on target and we look forward to expanding our efforts in the future."

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### LAWSUIT

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municipal liability. On March 8, the Court granted summary judgement to the City of Carmel and all other defendants in both lawsuits. In so ruling, the Court held that probable cause supported the warrants used in connection with the arrests of Dr. Ley and his staff, that probable cause was an absolute defense to the plaintiffs' claims of false arrest and malicious prosecution, and that, even if probable cause

had not existed, the law enforcement officers involved would be entitled to qualified immunity against claims arising from these arrests. The Court also held that the plaintiffs' conspiracy claims failed as a matter of law. "The Court ruled that arrests based upon probable cause, such as those involved in these cases, shields officers from liability absent some showing of officer misrepresentation that would

vitate the probable cause determination," said Douglas Haney, Corporation Counsel for the City of Carmel. "The officers involved performed their duties honorably and lawfully, as is borne out by the Court's summary judgment rulings in these matters."

The plaintiffs have the right to appeal the Court's decisions and entries of final judgment in favor of the defendants in these cases.

### TOURISM

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The annual tourism conference included 250 tourism leaders from around the state at the new Embassy Suites by Hilton in Plainfield with three days of opportunities to network and attend educational sessions. Awards were presented Tuesday evening to honor tourism organizations for their creativity, innovation and maximization of dollars invested.

For more information on the conference, visit [Indiana-TourismAssociation.com](http://Indiana-TourismAssociation.com).

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#### About Hamilton County Tourism

Hamilton County Tourism Inc. is a nonprofit, destination management organization that promotes tourism growth through strategic marketing, hospitality and development initiatives providing hospitality to more than four million visitors to Hamilton County each year.

[About Indiana Tourism Association](http://AboutIndianaTourismAssociation)

The Indiana Tourism Association's mission is advocating the value of tourism in Indiana and supporting the best practices of its members. Established in 1980, the association partners with the Indiana Office of Tourism Development, Association of Indiana Restaurant and Lodging and other statewide associations to support tourism investment and promotion as an economic contributor to the state.

## NEWS-EVENTS-WEATHER-SPORTS

This is... The Hamilton County Reporter

*I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault - it wasn't something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Prevail is strictly confidential, and since their core values include integrity and respect, they provide their services at no charge. Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don't often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we're breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County. - Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville*

**To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:**

- Art supplies (for children to journal and express their emotions)
- Bottled water (8 oz. bottles, preferably)
- Individually packaged snacks
- Gas cards (many women have no access to funds after fleeing their abuser)

You can drop off items at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, located at 14701 Tom Wood Way. You can also donate directly to Prevail of Central Indiana by visiting [Prevailinc.org](http://Prevailinc.org).

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(Above left) Carmel Police Chief Jim Barlow (left) presented Teresa Anderson (right) with the Carmel Police Department's 2018 Civilian Employee of the Year Award. (Above right) Major Dave Strong (left) and Chief Jim Barlow (right) presented Carmel Police Detective Adam Theis (center) with the 2018 Officer of the Year award.

# Carmel Police Department honors local heroes at annual awards banquet

**The REPORTER**

The Carmel Police Department recently held its annual Awards and Recognition banquet. This formal event recognizes employees of the police department for outstanding service and heroic deeds.

This year Carmel Police Department recognized approximately 50 employees for highly credible acts of service during the 2018 year. There were 25 additional employees recognized for their dedicated years of service to the city of Carmel.

**Distinguished Service**

This award is given for a highly creditable act in the line of duty or employment showing initiative and accomplishment,

which brings acclaim to the officer, the police department, or the City of Carmel. An officer selected for this award will receive a distinguished service commendation bar.

Distinguished Service Awards were given to following employees: Detective John Pirics, Detective Mark Paris, Sgt. Sean Brady, Sgt. Phil Hobson, Detective Billy Haymaker, Officer Mike Morley, Detective Adam Theis and Detective Matt Kinkaid.

**Life Saving Award**

This award is given to a member of the department who physically takes action, which directly results in the saving of a person's life from imminent danger or from the likelihood of certain death.

Life Saving Awards were given to the following employees: Detective Adam Theis, Officer Mike Morley, Officer Matt Keinsley, Officer Dustin VanTreese and Officer Kevin Kinghorn.

**Meritorious Service**

This award is given for a particularly notable accomplishment in the line of duty showing outstanding initiative and achievement under adverse conditions with some degree of hazard to the officer. Any officer selected for this award will receive a commendation bar.

Meritorious Service Awards were given to the following employees: Officer Cody Barlow, Sgt. John McAllister, Officer Mike Mill-

er, Officer Mikel Leach and Officer Jon Rice.

**Officer and Civilian of the Year**

An officer and civilian of the year is selected annually by the Chief of Police from nominations submitted.

Two highly notable awards were given to the 2018 Civilian and Officer of the Year. Teresa Anderson received the Civilian of the Year and Detective Adam Theis received the Officer of the Year.

Carmel Police Department would also like to thank the following sponsors for helping support the event: Zotec Partners, Carmel Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge #185, Holistic Financial Partners and ACB Insurance Inc.

## The United Methodist Church: A new story

Dear Editor:

A Church that is open to all people and values the stories, gifts, talents and witness of its members and families. A Church characterized by affirmation that God's grace is available to all and diversity is to be celebrated not feared. A Church where people together experience Christian community, welcoming, forgiving, and loving one another as Christ has loved and accepted us. A United Methodist Church in Indiana that is in ministry with and for all people.

To United Methodists who are LGBTQ+, to our brothers, sisters, siblings, friends, families, churches, communities and supporters, I want to convey our love and support for you and for a Church where our welcome is not hollow and our commitment to full inclusion is more than aspirational. Your sacred worth and personhood is not determined by church votes in a denomination too long divided on matters of human sexuality. The movement of God and the human rights of Hoosiers who chose to worship and do ministry in The United Methodist Church cannot be held hostage by votes at a General Conference or the wide chasm between those who read the Bible and see condemnation and others who read the Bible and see grace.

At the recent General Conference in St. Louis, the Traditional Plan was passed that retains language in the United Methodist Discipline that conveys a hurtful message of exclusion with proposed penalties for pastors and bishops and obstacles for persons who are LGBTQ+ to answer their call to ministry in our Church. Our actions as a Church have caused anger, hurt and opened a door of discouragement when so many thousands of people were anticipating a Way Forward for diversity of perspective and all persons to worship under the big tent of United Methodism. I am deeply pained and sorry for the harm we have done, and the fact that our attempt as a Church to resolve a long-standing division has left us no less divided.

Our actions again have made you feel talked about and not listened to or seen

through the eyes of Jesus.

Many persons have expressed they will not leave their church because it is a place of welcome and vital ministry for you. Some persons have expressed their pain as though a dagger has been stabbed in their hope for change. Some of you are considering whether you will stay in The United Methodist Church. I respect your feelings and your desire to live with integrity and not with a qualified welcome or what may feel like empty words of love.

I want to end this letter by quoting words from Pastor Rudy Rasmus book, "Love Period, When All Else Fails," who will be preaching the opening at our 2019 Annual Conference. Pastor Rudy has taught me and thousands that we all need love with a period; we need spiritual friends, guides and counselors. Most of all, we need Jesus Christ.

Pastor Rudy says, "The L in love stands for liberation." Our Church needs to be liberated from this singular focus on the marginalization of part of the Body. "Our love has the potential to be unlimited, even revolutionary, if we allow the flow of God's love to surge through our words, actions, and attitudes." We have experienced a setback on our way forward. "There is always a stone standing in the way of the power of love."

This is a time of crisis in The United Methodist Church. Crisis and heartache can be a launching place for the drafting of a new narrative for our Conference and pouring witness as United Methodists.

Let's write a new story where we don't have to hide our old signs that say, Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors. A Church at its best where people who don't always agree can worship together and live fully as a missional movement in Indiana and beyond.

Do not be discouraged, answer God's call and bring renewal with justice and a place for all.

I am not leaving, and I ask you to help bring change to the Church we love for the sake of Christ Whom we follow.

Be encouraged.  
**Bishop Julius C. Trimble**  
 United Methodist Church Indiana

## Bittersweet thoughts on Carmel financial excellence

Dear Editor:

It is bittersweet to read in the Reporter (March 9) that Carmel has been cited by an international body for excellence in financial reporting. Clerk-Treasurer Christine Pauley and her staff should be justifiably proud of their accomplishment – two years in a year.

That's sweet.

What's bitter is knowing Ms. Pauley is unwelcome in the mayor's future plans for the city, picking a successor for her when the clerk-treasurer job is split

into an elected clerk and an appointment treasurer when the city becomes a Class II jurisdiction Jan. 1, 2020.

At the very time continuity, experience and – to be sure – excellence would help the city, Ms. Pauley will go away. And, we are left with \$1.3 billion in total outstanding debt (according to the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance) and tyros in command of clerical/financial matters.

**William Shaffer**  
 Carmel

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# Carmel Professional Firefighters Local 4444 endorses Adam Aasen for Carmel City Council

Submitted

After an interview with their board and a vote by their membership, Adam Aasen, a first-time candidate for elected office, has been endorsed by the Carmel Professional Firefighters Union Local 4444 for his Carmel City Council campaign. Aasen is running as a Republican candidate to represent southeast Carmel on the City Council. The primary election is May 7.

Aasen said he's honored by the endorsement. Supporting police and fire is one of his campaign

priorities and he understands the role they play in making our community great.

"My first job out of college was actually as a police and fire reporter for a major metropolitan daily newspaper," Aasen said. "Nearly every night I went out to homicide callouts, traffic accidents, house fires, shootings and more. I covered trials and arson cases. I learned a lot. So very early on, I gained an appreciation for the role



Aasen

that first responders play in making our community great."

Aasen has also developed a connection to Carmel police and firefighters through his small business, Donatello's Italian Restaurant. Aasen also spent four years writing for Current in Carmel newspaper, so he understands the issues surrounding the city, including those surrounding the police and fire departments.

Aasen said he'd like to

continue seeing city officials work to proactively tackle the opioid epidemic and design roads to minimize serious vehicle accidents. He praised what's currently going on in the city, including the work done by the incumbent City Council.

"I believe our current City Council strongly supports our police and fire departments and I hope to have the opportunity to work alongside them and learn ways we can continue to keep Carmel one of the best places to live," Aasen said.

# Noblesville's corporate campus needs more industry

As our city leaders describe Noblesville's progress in the last decade or so as growing from "cornfields to corporations," I start to wonder about the hundreds of untapped acres in our Corporate Campus that extends along 146th Street from Interstate 69 and State Road 37.



ROCKY SHANEHSAZ  
Guest Column

city's functions or services. For instance, why did the city need to hand out \$6 million in tax incentives to build the Embassy Suites at I-69? Biases can occur when municipalities invest

in private sector business, and existing businesses find it harder to compete in an unfair marketplace.

Planned as a 3,600-acre Corporate Campus with zoning for mostly industrial, retail, commercial and some residential, the city made capital investments in this project with a goal to bolster tax-generating revenue for city services. While a handful of advanced-manufacturing industries, like SMC, Helmer Scientific and Verdure Sciences, have moved in, the area remains mostly devoted to retail.

The Hamilton Town Center, which opened about a decade ago, has definitely been a boon in retail for our city, attracting multiple restaurants, other shopping outlets and hotels to the area. Even destination shopping like Cabela's and Duluth Trading Co. help to put Noblesville on the map. But these types of businesses are not enough to generate the kind of tax revenue needed for the Corporate Campus to pay for itself.

The numbers are clear when you compare the per capita income for Noblesville with Carmel, Fishers and Hamilton County as a whole. In Noblesville, the per capita income is \$34,910 for a population of nearly 62,000 residents with the median household income at \$74,681, according to 2017 U.S. Census estimates.

Compare that to Carmel's \$55,796 per capita income and \$109,201 median household income, or Fishers' \$46,619 per capita income and \$101,469 median household income, and it's clear Noblesville still lags behind. Granted, both Carmel and Fishers each have 30,000 more residents than Noblesville, but even our city's median household income is more than \$20,000 lower than the county's median (\$95,080). I believe a lack of business opportunities and jobs that pay higher wages are to blame.

I believe in true free enterprise with little government incentives and intervention. I question the need to provide huge tax incentives for private businesses that are not part of the

Much of the Corporate Campus was designed as an industrial complex to locate manufacturing businesses with high-paying jobs. The low-paying retail jobs currently offered in the area create less tax revenue for city services, which is one reason the city now collects a nearly \$11 per-month trash fee.

Noblesville needs to focus on bringing more manufacturing plants to the Corporate Campus to provide more steady revenue for the city and its workforce. With much of the campus development occurring at I-69 or near SR 37, acres of vacant property remain in the middle along 146th Street as well as hundreds of acres on the far east side.

City leaders talk about developing village centers with office space in some of these areas, but we hear little about any effort to attract larger industries to Noblesville. The city's approach seems to be reactive, instead of proactive. We wait for industries to approach us, instead of getting out there and selling ourselves as a viable option.

Noblesville needs more automation, tech, information system, manufacturing and research and development jobs. When Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb travels to Europe, Asia and other countries to attract industries for Indiana, Noblesville needs to be part of that formula. We need to better market the benefits of the Corporate Campus and its proximity to a strong workforce.

As your At Large Councilman on the Noblesville City Council, I want to expand the city's tax base by attracting more international companies to relocate in our great city. We can entice more businesses to relocate here without giving away free tax breaks.

Rocky Shanehsaz is a Republican candidate for the Noblesville Common Council At-Large seat. Learn more at [RockyForCouncil.com](http://RockyForCouncil.com) or email him at [rocky@rockyforcouncil.com](mailto:rocky@rockyforcouncil.com).

# Chris Jensen presents plan for future of Noblesville's "Places and Things" at second mayoral forum

Submitted

At the second Noblesville candidate conversation, Chris Jensen outlined his vision for the future of Noblesville's infrastructure, public parks, trails and future development.

Jointly hosted by the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce and the League of Women Voters, the second candidate forum focused on the "Places and Things" of Noblesville.

"As a current city

councilor and an employee of a company that specializes in municipal infrastructure, I have the unique opportunity to see how cities invest in their communities and infrastructure from both sides of the spectrum," Jensen said.

The night's topics focused on two of the four policy pillars of the No-



Jensen

blesville's Next Chapter Agenda that form the heart of Jensen's campaign: Protecting and Enhancing Noblesville's Historic Downtown and Smart Infrastructure Investment, along with the pillars of Transforming Public Safety and Strong and Sustainable Workforce Development.

"We all want Nobles-

ville to thrive and to be a place where people love to not only visit and play, but to stay," Jensen said. "We need to be smart and strategic with our growth so that we maintain Noblesville's unique history and charm, while still meeting the wants and needs of future generations."

For more information and to stay up to date with campaign news, visit [jensenfornoblesville.com](http://jensenfornoblesville.com) and [facebook.com/jensenfornoblesville](https://www.facebook.com/jensenfornoblesville).

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**Meeting Notices**

The Westfield Redevelopment Commission will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2019, in the Assembly Room of Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St., Westfield.

The meeting of the Westfield Washington Advisory Plan Commission originally scheduled for Monday, March 18, 2019, has been canceled.

The meeting of the Westfield Redevelopment Authority originally scheduled for Monday, March 18, 2019, has been canceled.

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**Virginia "Ginny" Henderson-Tackitt**  
 April 6, 1931 – March 10, 2019



Virginia "Ginny" Henderson-Tackitt, 87, Sheridan, passed away Sunday morning, March 10, 2019, surrounded by her family at Sanders Glen Retirement Community in Westfield. Born April 6, 1931 in Anderson, she was the daughter of the late Homer Wilbur and Pearl Esther Nicholson.

After graduating from Sheridan High School with the Class of 1949, Ginny entered the workforce and would go to work for the Mayflower Corporation. Ginny had a skill set that most people would envy. She was an amazing organizer. Events, schedules, people, places and even things that she heard in passing; she was able to keep track, effortlessly recall small details and keep everything running seamlessly behind the scenes as if that is how it had always been. In her own unique way, she always made everybody around her look their best. Ginny worked as an administrative assistant with the company for about a decade and would spend another 12 years as an executive secretary before taking her retirement. For many years, she was the coordinator and tournament secretary for the annual LPGA Mayflower Classic golf tournament. Her modest and unassuming nature didn't hide the fact she was very good at what she did, having been honored on three separate occasions by the Kiwanis Club for her administrative skills. After leaving Mayflower, Ginny worked for Central Newspapers, Inc., which would later become owners of the Indianapolis Star. She devoted 12 years to the company as an executive secretary before taking her retirement.

She was a member of Radiant Christian Life in Westfield and was currently attending Mts. Runn Baptist Church in Boone County. A woman of strong faith, she supported and participated in numerous mission trips to Nicaragua over the years. Ginny was also a member of the Sheridan Historical Society, serving as their secretary for many years.

When Ginny decided to take some time for herself, she loved to go ballroom dancing. Organization may have been Ginny's specialty, but family was her passion. She cherished every day she was able to spend with her family, especially when it came to her grandchildren. She would always joke about her favorite grandchild being whichever one she was with at the moment, and that was certainly the case. Even when spending time with family, she still couldn't let her skills take a backseat for too long. She enjoyed traveling and loved organizing family gatherings and vacations.

Ginny is survived by her two sons, Jerry Henderson (Janet), Franklin; and Coleman "Cokey" Henderson (Sally), Sheridan; one daughter, otherwise known throughout the family as her favorite daughter, Lori Homan (Werner), Noblesville; seven grandchildren, Tad Henderson (Hannah), Adam Henderson (Veronica), Hallie Henderson, Sean Homan (Liz), Chad Homan (Nancy), Christopher Henderson (Kim) and Lauren Henderson; her brother, Laverne Nicholson, Indianapolis; three sisters, Donna Jessup (Don), Sheridan; Bonnie Williams (Jerry), Johnson City, Tenn.; and Kathy Bender (Dean), Kuna, Idaho; and by her canine best friend, her Pomeranian, Candy. Ginny loved her "Candy Dog" very much.

Ginny is also survived by the many friends and countless people she helped over the years while volunteering with the Riverview Hospital Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister-in-law, Rosie Nicholson; and by the love of her life, her husband Everett Tackitt in December of 2001. She and Everett were married in May of 1990.

Services will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan, with visitation from 3 p.m. until the end of service. Pastor Jack Walker will be officiating. A private family burial will take place at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan.

Memorial contributions may be presented to either the Nicaragua Resource Network, or to the Sheridan Historical Society.

**Arrangements**  
 Calling: 3 to 7 p.m., March 14  
 Service: 7 p.m., March 14  
 Location: Kercheval Funeral Home  
 Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

**Euldine Ann King**

November 12, 1919 – March 1, 2019

Euldine Ann King, 99, Sheridan, formerly of Las Vegas, passed away on Friday morning, March 1, 2019 at Miller's Merry Manor in Tipton. Born November 12, 1919 in Muskegon, Mich., she was the daughter of the late Guy O. and Helen M. (Cline) Gipson.

If there was one thing in this world that Ann loved more than anything else, it was a good story. And a good story, whether she realized it at the time, was exactly what she was living.

The story starts in the small Midwestern town of Sheridan, where she attended Sheridan High School and later set to raising a family. Some years later, Ann decided to pack up all her worldly possessions and hit the open road westward for the sunny coast of California. Fueled by a desire to see what was out there, the promise of a new start at life was too overpowering to ignore. The adventure was well underway and going smoothly until everything came to a screeching halt, literally. Ann's car broke down in the middle of the desert. Fortunately, although it didn't seem that way at the time, she was just outside of Las Vegas. Stranded with no car and not much money, Ann looked for work around Las Vegas. She worked at a few different jobs here and there, trying to save up enough to finish her trip, however, one of her former employers landed her a job as a hostess at the famous Desert Inn Hotel and Casino. At that time, no other hotel or casino even came close to the Desert Inn. Everybody who was anybody walked through the door. All the biggest acts to play Vegas had at least one stint at the Desert Inn; not to mention that during her time there, billionaire recluse Howard Hughes resided on the top two floors of the property. Not in a million years could she have imagined all the people she would meet in her 50-plus year career in Las Vegas.

At the age of 80, Ann decided to give up the Vegas lifestyle and slow things down just a bit. Wanting to be closer to family, Ann moved back to Indianapolis in 2005. She loved telling her stories and always seemed to have a new one to share, especially when she went to Monica's to get her hair done and catch up on all the happenings around town. She was also no stranger around Walmart or Perkins Pancake House. A trip to one of her three favorite places would usually garner her a welcome not unlike Norm from Cheers. Ann also had a love for flowers and red birds.

Ann was a member of the Sheridan First Christian Church and the Sheridan Legion Auxiliary.

Ann is survived by daughter-in-law, Ardith Sutton, Sheridan; eight grandchildren, Jim Smith (Ronda), Boxley; Larry W. Sutton II, Sheridan; Lance W. Sutton, Sheridan; Ronnica Jo Radband (Kevin), Snellville, Ga.; Michael K. Sutton of Arizona, Larry Lee Beard, Sheridan; Jon Ford Bess (Beth), Galveston, Texas; and Sean Bentley Sutton (Karen), Carmel; nine great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. Ann also loved spending time with her canine grandchild, her son Larry's dog, Mr. Tibbs.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sons, Larry Wayne Sutton and Timothy Kent Sutton; and by her granddaughter-in-law, Julie Sutton.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan, with visitation from noon until the time of service. Reverend V.J. Stover will be officiating. Ann will be laid to rest at Boxley Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be presented to the Alzheimer's Association.

**Arrangements**  
 Calling: Noon to 2 p.m., March 16  
 Service: 2 p.m., March 16  
 Location: Kercheval Funeral Home  
 Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

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Luke 9:51-56 (KJV)

### Carol Ann Bentivoglio

December 29, 1944 – March 12, 2019

Carol Ann Bentivoglio, 74, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at her home. She was born on December 29, 1944 to Nicholas and Marie (Lerraris) Salvato in Philadelphia, Pa.



Carol was a devoted mother and grandmother who loved spending time with her family. She will be missed by her husband of 54 years, Joseph Bentivoglio; sons, Joe (Nora) Bentivoglio and Jeffrey (Trish) Bentivoglio; grandchildren, Andrew, Mack, Kate, Samantha and Abby; as well as sisters, Kathleen Kalan Salvato, Anita Salvato and Anne Marie (John) Capaldi. Carol found great joy in watching her grandchildren grow into loving, caring, intelligent and successful young adults.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Stephen Bentivoglio. Family and friends will remember her joyful personality and her love for her dog Coco. She loved to bake, create a beautiful home and garden, and spend time with friends and neighbors. Those who worked with her in the lighting industry knew her to be hard working, knowledgeable, trustworthy and persistent. Her 30-year career in the lighting industry was marked by positions from sales to ownership of Light Lab in Fishers.

Visitation will be from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 17, 2019 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 18, 2019 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, 14598 Oak Ridge Road, Carmel, with an additional visitation one hour prior to Mass. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to MD Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, TX 77210-4486.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

#### Arrangements

Calling: 1 to 4 p.m., March 17  
 Location: Randall & Roberts Funeral Center  
 Service: 11 a.m., March 18  
 Location: Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church  
 Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Linda Williams Easterly

October 7, 1945 – March 9, 2019

Linda Williams Easterly, 73, Fishers, passed away on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at Hamilton Trace of Fishers. She was born on October 7, 1945 to William and Frances (Cahill) Williams in Big Stone Gap, Va.



Linda graduated Valedictorian of R.B. Worthy High School in 1963. She enjoyed playing games, including bridge with her friends and trying her luck at the casino with her beloved husband. Linda also loved cooking, crafting and shopping for her grandkids. Most of all she loved her family and her many wonderful friends.

Linda is survived by her husband of 46 years, Retired Army Colonel Richard Easterly; son, Mark (Sherril) Clear; daughter, Suzanna Fine; grandchildren, Caity and Ben Clear, and Amy and Macy Fine; sister, Carol Arp; as well as many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Billie Begley.

Services will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers, with visitation from 3 p.m. to the time of service. Rev. Stanley R. Sutton will officiate.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

#### Arrangements

Calling: 3 to 6 p.m., March 13  
 Service: 6 p.m., March 13  
 Location: Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary  
 Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Suzanne "Sue" Kirby Leonard

May 27, 1933 – March 2, 2019

Suzanne "Sue" Kirby Leonard, 85, Indianapolis, was surrounded by her loving family as she took her final breath on March 2, 2019. Sue was born on May 27, 1933 in Indianapolis, the third of six children born to Robert and Tony (Langsenkamp) Kirby. She attended high school at St. Agnes Academy, and then went on to receive her physical therapy degree from St. Louis University. Sue married Herman "Leo" Leonard on June 25, 1955 and they went on to raise a family of 10 children.

She is survived by nine of their 10 children: Dan (Kathy), Carol (Bob) Blankman, Steve, Dave, Ken (Sally), Sue (Matt) Glaze, Ted (Judy), Jeanne (Joe) Hutcherson and Bob (Aum); 25 grandchildren; brother Bob (Todd, deceased) Kirby, sister Tish (Bob) Brafford and brother Mike (Debbie) Kirby; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Leo, son Patrick, sister Mimi (Chuck, deceased) Murphy and sister Margot (Ed) Burke.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, March 18 at Leppert Mortuary – Nora Chapel, 740 E. 86th St., Indianapolis. The funeral mass will begin at 10:30 a.m. on March 19 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, followed by interment at Calvary Cemetery.

Donations may be made to St. Elizabeth Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Services, Alzheimer's Association, or the charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be made by visiting dignitymemorial.com.

#### Arrangements

Calling: 4 to 8 p.m., March 18  
 Location: Leppert Mortuary – Nora Chapel  
 Service: 10:30 a.m., March 19  
 Location: St. Matthew's Catholic Church  
 Condolences: dignitymemorial.com

### Jewell A. Noe-Haskett

February 15, 1921 – March 7, 2019

Jewell A. Noe-Haskett, 98, Sheridan, passed away peacefully on Thursday morning, March 7, 2019 surrounded by her loving family at Wellbrooke of Westfield. Born February 15, 1921 in Hamilton County, she was the daughter of the late Virgil and Jessie (Walker) King. She was a 1939 graduate of Sugar Creek High School, and would live most of her adult life around the Sheridan area.

Jewell was a firm believer in the strength of family. She kept her family at the center of her life, and in turn became the center of theirs. She was a dedicated farm wife whose top priority was taking care of those that she loved most in this world, especially when it came to her grandchildren. Jewell not only raised the kids and took care of the housework, but also helped her late husband Lavern with their farming responsibilities. She and Laverne also ran the family excavating business for many years.

Jewell was a woman of unwavering faith in God. She was very active within her church family. She also believed in the importance of being active within the community. It didn't really matter what type of family you were: Blood relation, church family, or part of the area she was proud to call home, you were part of Jewell's life.

Jewell is survived by her sons, Richard M. Noe (Melissa), Monument, Colo., and Ken E. Noe (Lynn), Sheridan; stepson, David M. Haskett (Tish), Carmel; daughters, Connie Dunn, Kirklint; Karen Denny, Sheridan; and Vicki Nunery Hittle (Max), Indianapolis; 13 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren. Jewell is also survived by two sisters, Joan Brown, Frankfort; and Phyllis Powell of Texas. Of 11 total children, Joan and Phyllis are the last of the family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; grandson Justin Laverne Noe; son-in-law, Keith Dunn; five brothers, Kenneth, Roscoe, Gifford, Bob and Zeke King; and three sisters, Velma Boone, Dortha Mae Boone and Lavonne Patchette. Jewell was also preceded in death by two loving husbands. On December 31, 1939, Jewell married Kenneth Laverne Noe; he preceded her in death on February 1, 1989. She would later marry Max Haskett on February 22, 1994; he preceded her in death on August 20, 2002.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 18, 2019 at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan. Burial will follow at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan. Jewell's grandson, Cam Nunery, will be officiating.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 17, 2019 at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Memorial contributions may be presented to the Sheridan Youth Assistance Program, 24185 Hinesley Road, Sheridan, IN 46069.

#### Arrangements

Calling: 2 to 7 p.m., March 17  
 Service: 10 a.m., March 18  
 Location: Kercheval Funeral Home  
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### Wrestling

## County has several champions at Folkstyle State

Several Hamilton County wrestlers won state championship this past weekend at the Indiana State Wrestling Association Folkstyle State Finals, which took place this past weekend at Warren Central High School.

The Contenders Wrestling Academy won the team championship by scoring 490 points. A young Westfield wrestler helped The Contenders to victory: Connor Maddox, a third-grader at Washington Woods Elementary School, won the Intermediate 10U 43-49 division.

Maddox, 9, won his first three matches by fall, pinning his opponents in less than a minute each time. Maddox then got a major decision victory in the semi-finals, followed by an 8-3 decision win in the championship match. This was the second year in a row that Maddox won a state championship; he won the 10U 45 pounds title last year.

Several Hamilton County-based teams competed at Folkstyle State. Noblesville Wrestling Club finished in 27th place with 61 points, with Carmel USA Wrestling Club taking 28th place by scoring 57 points.

Noblesville had a veteran lead the way, as Scott Kelly finished first in the Veterans 167.5 division. After receiving a quarter-final bye, Kelly won two matches by decision, first over Carroll Wrestling Club's Erick Adams 2-1 in the semi-finals. Kelly defeated Lebanon Tiger WC's Jacob King 8-5 in the championship match.

The younger wrestlers were also well-represented, with Gage Yates (Bantam 8U 45) and Austin Hastings (Schoolboy 14U 165) finishing fourth in their respective divisions.

Noblesville coach Michael Weimer said he was proud of each and every one of his wrestlers, noting they had been "training since November" for the championship. He said each wrestler competed hard, had fun and were there to cheer on each other's teammates.

"This group is a true family," said Weimer.

Cameron Bacon finished first for the Carmel club in the Junior 195 division. Bacon won his first two matches by pin, then



Photos provided

Westfield's Connor Maddox (center) holds up the Intermediate 10U 43-49 bracket after winning that division at the Indiana State Wrestling Association Folkstyle State Finals, which took place this past weekend at Warren Central High School. Maddox, wrestling for team champion The Contenders Wrestling Academy, got three pins during the day and won the title with an 8-3 decision in the championship match.

toughed out decision wins in the next three rounds, beating Perry Meridian Wrestling Club's Austin Lane 7-6 in the championship bout.

Fishers Wrestling Club finished tied for 46th with 43 points, and had two champions. Christopher Tilden won two matches to take the title in the Intermediate 10U 120+ division, beating both of his opponents by fall. Patterson Pritchett was the winner in the Junior 106 division; after a first round bye, Pritchett made two pins to get to the final, then won a 1-0 decision over Warren Wrestling Academy's Zachary Dray for the championship.

Hamilton Southeastern Wrestling Club also scored 43 points, putting it in the tie for 46th place. A.W. Kirk won a championship for HSE in the Intermediate 10U 120 division. After receiving a first-round bye, VanKirk won two matches by fall, then took the championship match by a 12-0 major

decision. Westfield Wrestling Club scored 14 points at the meet. Kyle Saez finished in second place in the Junior 170 division, winning four matches to get to the championship bout. That included a third-period fall in his semi-final match.

Here is a list of place winners.

**Noblesville Wrestling Club**  
Gage Yates, 4th place Bantam 8U 45  
Brody Weimer, 8th place Intermediate 10U 71  
Luke Hargis, 6th place Intermediate 10U 93  
Aidan Kincaide, 7th place Novice 12U 86  
Austin Hastings, 4th place Schoolboy 14U 165

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Noblesville Wrestling Club's Austin Hastings placed fourth in the Schoolboy 14U 165 division at the ISWA Folkstyle State Finals. Austin is pictured with his father, who is also an NWC coach. Turn to Page 10 to see more Noblesville pictures.

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# Fishers boys volleyball gets victory in season opener



Reporter photo by Kirk Green

The Fishers boys volleyball team won its season-opener on Tuesday, beating Herron in straight sets (3-0) at the Tiger Den. Pictured is Luke Roe making the hit to win a point for the Tigers. Fishers will next play Thursday when it hosts Roncalli.

## FOLKSTYLE

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Jacob Etchison, 5th place Cadet 16U 182  
Cade Iles, 8th place Junior 106  
Scott Kelly, 1st place Veterans 167.5

120+  
Xavier Smith, 6th place, Novice 12U 117  
Patterson Pritchett, 1st place Junior 106  
Jon Daniel Farrell, 3rd place Junior 182

### Carmel USA Wrestling Club

Suhas Chundi, 4th place Junior 113  
Kyle Holman, 3rd place Junior 145  
Jeff Dunasky Jr., 6th place Junior 152  
Gabriel Davin, 6th place Junior 170  
Cameron Bacon, 1st place Junior 195

**Hamilton Southeastern Wrestling Club**  
Hudson Breitwieser; 5th place Bantam 8U 45  
A.W. VanKirk; 1st place Intermediate 10U 120  
Devin Dudley; 3rd place Cadet 16U 220  
Jacob Simone; 6th place Junior 120  
Andrew Irick; 3rd place Junior 220

### Fishers Wrestling Club

Finnegan Harvey, 8th place Bantam 8U 70  
Christopher Tilden, 1st place Intermediate 10U

**Westfield Wrestling Club**  
Kyle Saez, 2nd place Junior 170

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## Track and field

# Huskies boys tie with Lebanon, girls edged out by one point

Hamilton County's first outdoor track and field meet of the season took place Tuesday at Hamilton Heights, and it was as close as a meet could get.

The Huskies boys team finished tied with Lebanon; both teams scored 66 points. In the girls meet, the Tigers beat Heights by one point, 62-61.

Mitchell Walbolt was a double winner for the Huskies boys, sweeping the 1600 and 3200 runs. Other first-place finishers were Tad Defoe in the 100 dash, Jake Brinker in the 300 hurdles, Preston Miller in the 800 run, Tyler McQuinn in the pole vault and the 4x800 relay team.

Heights' girls won nine events. Maria Mitchell also was a double winner by finishing first in the 1600 and 3200 runs. Also victorious for the Huskies: Alaina Schultze in the 100 hurdles, Bailey Haworth in the 300 hurdles, Kelsey Smith in the high jump, Jayla Logan in the long jump, Taylor Mason in the shot put, Lauryn Wiley in the discus and the 4x800 relay.

### GIRLS MEET

**Team score:** Lebanon 62, Hamilton Heights 61  
**4x800:** 1. Heights 10:16.7.  
**100 hurdles:** 1. Alaina Schultze 17.4, 2. Bailey Haworth 17.5, 3. Jayla Logan 19.8.  
**1600 run:** 1. Maria Mitchell 5:25.8, 3. Chloe

Henderson 6:08.4.  
**4x100 relay:** 2. Heights 53.6.  
**400 dash:** 2. Abby Christiansen 1:05.1, 3. Kelsey Smith 1:05.9.  
**300 hurdles:** 1. Haworth 55.4, 2. Katie Smith 1:03.1, 3. Kylie Kaiser 1:03.7.  
**800 run:** 2. Abby Roth 2:38.4.  
**200 dash:** 2. Victoria Lopez 28.9.  
**3200 run:** 1. Mitchell 12:07.8.  
**4x400 relay:** 2. Heights 4:28.8.  
**High jump:** 1. Ke. Smith 5-0, 3. Schultze 4-8.  
**Long jump:** 1. Logan 14-6.5.  
**Shot put:** 1. Taylor Mason 31-7.  
**Discus:** 1. Lauryn Wiley 99-1.

### BOYS MEET

**Team score:** Hamilton Heights 66, Lebanon 66  
**4x800 relay:** 1. Heights 9:31.2.  
**110 hurdles:** 2. Jake Brinker 17.9.  
**100 dash:** 1. Tad Defoe 11.6, 3. Nate Josza 11.8.  
**1600 run:** 1. Mitchell Walbolt 4:57.3, 2. Preston Miller 5:07.1.  
**4x100 relay:** 2. Heights 47.8.  
**400 dash:** 3. Landon Steele 1:00.6.  
**300 hurdles:** 1. Brinker 48.6.  
**800 run:** 1. Miller 2:18.6, 2. Luke Vanderwall 2:25.2.  
**200 dash:** 2. Isaiah Campbell 25.4, 3. Isaac Tuma 25.0.  
**3200 run:** 1. Walbolt 11:17.2, 2. Josh Russell 11:32.7, 3. Clay Forrer 12:07.8.  
**4x400 relay:** 2. Heights 4:09.5.  
**High jump:** 2. Gavin Bramel 5-2, 3. Tuma 5-2.  
**Pole vault:** 1. Tyler McQuinn 9-6, 2. Lutz 9-6, 3. Andy Lieneman 7-6.  
**Shot put:** 3. Alex Naylor 38-9.  
**Discus:** 2. Naylor 116-6.

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# NBA standings

| Tuesday scores                 |                                 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Indiana 103, New York 98       | San Antonio 112, Dallas 105     |
| Philadelphia 106, Cleveland 99 | Denver 133, Minnesota 107       |
| L.A. Lakers 123, Chicago 107   | Portland 125, L.A. Clippers 104 |
| Milwaukee 130, New Orleans 113 |                                 |

## Eastern Conference

| Atlantic      | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
|---------------|----|----|------|------|
| x - Toronto   | 48 | 20 | .706 | -    |
| Philadelphia  | 43 | 25 | .632 | 5.0  |
| Boston        | 41 | 27 | .603 | 7.0  |
| Brooklyn      | 36 | 33 | .522 | 12.5 |
| New York      | 13 | 55 | .191 | 35.0 |
| Central       | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
| x - Milwaukee | 51 | 17 | .750 | -    |
| Indiana       | 43 | 25 | .632 | 8.0  |
| Detroit       | 34 | 32 | .515 | 16.0 |
| Chicago       | 19 | 50 | .275 | 32.5 |
| Cleveland     | 17 | 51 | .250 | 34.0 |
| Southeast     | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
| Miami         | 31 | 35 | .470 | -    |
| Orlando       | 31 | 37 | .456 | 1.0  |
| Charlotte     | 30 | 37 | .448 | 1.5  |
| Washington    | 28 | 39 | .418 | 3.5  |
| Atlanta       | 23 | 45 | .338 | 9.0  |

x - Clinched playoff berth

## Western Conference

| Northwest     | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
|---------------|----|----|------|------|
| Denver        | 44 | 22 | .667 | -    |
| Oklahoma City | 41 | 26 | .612 | 3.5  |
| Portland      | 41 | 26 | .612 | 3.5  |
| Utah          | 37 | 29 | .561 | 7.0  |
| Minnesota     | 32 | 36 | .471 | 13.0 |
| Pacific       | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
| Golden State  | 45 | 21 | .682 | -    |
| L.A. Clippers | 39 | 30 | .565 | 7.5  |
| Sacramento    | 33 | 33 | .500 | 12.0 |
| L.A. Lakers   | 31 | 36 | .463 | 14.5 |
| Phoenix       | 16 | 52 | .235 | 30.0 |
| Southwest     | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   |
| Houston       | 42 | 25 | .627 | -    |
| San Antonio   | 39 | 29 | .574 | 3.5  |
| New Orleans   | 30 | 40 | .429 | 13.5 |
| Memphis       | 28 | 40 | .412 | 14.5 |
| Dallas        | 27 | 40 | .403 | 15.0 |

# Pacers start tough stretch with win over Knicks

By WHEAT HOTCHKISS  
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

Coming off back-to-back road losses and knowing a brutal stretch of the schedule awaits them, the Pacers desperately needed to take care of business on their home floor against the lowly New York Knicks.

They did just that on Tuesday night, handling the NBA's worst team at Bankers Life Fieldhouse, 103-98.

It was as close to a "must-win" game as you will find in early March for Indiana (43-25). The Pacers remain in position to secure home-court advantage in the first round of the playoffs (Tuesday's win maintained a two-game lead over Boston in the loss column for fourth place in the Eastern Conference), but their next eight games are all against teams that are at least 10 games over .500, and six of those eight contests are on the road.

"Whenever you get a win it's a good thing," Pacers guard Cory Joseph said. "But we still didn't play our basketball today. We know we've just got to keep on playing together, playing hard."

Rookie forward Kevin Knox helped keep the Knicks (13-55) in front early, scoring 10 points in the opening quarter. Indiana tied the game at 27 on Aaron Holiday's jumper with 7.3 seconds left in the frame, but Emmanuel Mudiay answered with a baseline bucket on the other end to give the visitors a two-point lead heading through one.

The opening minutes of the second quarter featured four ties and four lead changes. But New York seized control by hitting three 3-pointers over an 11-0 run midway through

the frame to take a 47-37 lead.

The Pacers answered, however, reeling off an 18-5 spurt of their own to take a 55-52 lead into halftime. The Blue & Gold's defense was superb down the stretch, holding the Knicks to just two field goals over the final five minutes of the half.

The hosts opened the game up shortly after halftime. Myles Turner knocked down a 3-pointer on Indiana's opening possession of the third quarter and Bojan Bogdanovic added two more treys shortly thereafter. Just two minutes and 20 seconds into the half, the Pacers had a 12-point lead.

They took that same advantage into the final frame, closing the third quarter with an 85-73 lead.

"The key to the offense was our great defense," Bogdanovic said about the crucial stretch. "I think in the first half we had less than five points on the fastbreak. In the third quarter, we started to play way better defense and then we got a couple shots and easy layups in transition."

The Knicks got within eight on Mudiay's jumper with 9:29 remaining, but the Blue & Gold responded with eight straight points, which looked to put the game away.

The Knicks made one last slow charge, chipping away at the deficit and eventually making it a 99-93 game on a pair of free throws by Mudiay with 2:17 to play.

The Pacers locked in defensively, forcing contested shots on the next two New York possessions, but couldn't convert on the other end. Knicks guard Damyean Dotson eventually drew a foul with 41.8 seconds left and converted

both foul shots to make it a four-point game.

After a timeout, veteran point guard Darren Collison knocked down a step-back jumper with 24.2 seconds remaining — Indiana's first points since the 5:35 mark in the fourth quarter. Mudiay hit a quick triple on the other end, but Collison knocked down two free throws on the other end to preserve the victory.

"We missed some open shots in that fourth quarter," Pacers head coach Nate McMillan said. "But we were able to get the stops we needed to win this game."

Bogdanovic led all scorers with 24 points, going 9-for-16 from the field and 3-for-8 from 3-point range. Collison had 16 points and nine assists, while Turner added 15 points, nine rebounds, four assists, and two blocks.

All five starters reached double figures for Indiana. Wesley Matthews tallied 14 points and Thaddeus Young stuffed the stat sheet with 10 points, six rebounds, four assists, and three steals.

Domantas Sabonis added 10 points and seven rebounds in 17 minutes off the bench in his second game back after missing five straight contests with a sprained ankle.

Mudiay led New York with 21 points, while Dotson added 18 points, six rebounds, and three assists. Knox finished with 16 points and DeAndre Jordan tallied 12 points, 16 rebounds, and five assists in the loss.

The Pacers will close out a brief homestand on Thursday night against Paul George, Russell Westbrook, and the Thunder before embarking on a four-game Western Conference road trip that begins on Saturday night in Denver.



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# ISWA Folkstyle State Finals

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Fishers' Pat Pritchett (center) won the Junior 106 division at the Indiana State Wrestling Association Folkstyle State Finals, which took place this past weekend at Warren Central High School. At far left is Noblesville's Cade Iles, who placed eighth in that division.



Noblesville's Brody Weimer (left) placed eighth in the Intermediate 10U 71 division, while Luke Hargis (right) placed sixth in Intermediate 10U 93. Also pictured is Noblesville Wrestling Club head coach Michael Weimer.



Noblesville's Aidan Kincaide (center) finished in seventh place in the Novice 12U 86 division. Also pictured are coaches Brian Kincaide (left) and Michael Weimer.



Noblesville's Jacob Etchison placed fifth in the Cadet 16U 182 division. Also pictured is coach Michael Weimer.



Noblesville's Gage Yates finished fourth in the Bantam 8U 45 division. Also pictured is coach Dale Bailey.

