

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019

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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Scattered showers and storms. Breezy, with wind gusting to 45 mph.
 Tonight: Partly cloudy. Breezy.

HIGH: 69 LOW: 40



Help Westfield Playhouse build a new home

The REPORTER

In an old converted church with no indoor plumbing, Main Street Productions (MSP) and Westfield Playhouse has been producing award-winning live theater for 16 years. Westfield has grown enormously since then and is poised to become a dynamo of lasting economic growth. Westfield Playhouse plans to be a part of this growth to keep theater art alive in Westfield, but they need your help to build a new theater in downtown Westfield, to be located at 220 N. Union St.

The current playhouse is small, inconveniently located in Eagletown, increasingly expensive to maintain, and without indoor plumbing. MSP has received permission to build a new theater in the heart of downtown that will seat up to 160 patrons, with sufficient stage area and equipment to present plays and musicals that are not feasible in the old building.

In early 2018 the Board of Directors, consisting of John Sampson, Jan Jamison, Thom Johnson, Kate Hinman, Kevin Shadle, Bill Miller, Jen Otterman, Doug Davis, Rich Steinberg, Tom Smith and Brandi Davis met and voted to move forward with the building of a new playhouse and fundraising began.

Through private donations and grants, they are now just over halfway to the funding needed to build a new playhouse. They still need of \$250,000, much of which they hope to raise through grant opportunities and donations of materials

and construction work. According to the MSP board of directors, "It is our hope that our friends and theatre community will help us raise \$25,000 of the total amount we still need."

You can donate to the project by visiting MSP online at westfieldplayhouse.org. Donations can be made through PayPal for a secure online transaction. You can also call them at (317) 402-3341 to arrange to donate in other ways.

Construction should begin this summer, so time is of the essence.

Anyone who gives \$100 or more will be mentioned in the 2019 season program.

Any donor that gives \$1,000 or more will receive a brass plaque inscribed with your family or business name on a chair at the new playhouse.

"Main Street Productions, Inc. has realized the importance of moving Westfield Playhouse to a new location in the downtown area of the City of Westfield," said Westfield Playhouse Board President John Sampson. "As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, we are very excited with this new opportunity which we are pursuing with the help of the city to grow the Mainstreet experience of Westfield."

According to Sampson, Westfield made the decision to develop the downtown as a destination for travelers and locals alike to make it a welcome, convenient and enjoyable place to be.

"Westfield Playhouse recognizes this and will support Chamber of Com-



Artistic rendering provided

This artist's rendering shows what the new Westfield Playhouse will look like when completed. The new building, which could be completed as early as this year, will be located at 220 N. Union St.

merce, Downtown Westfield Association, all the restaurants, associated businesses, the new Grand Junction Park, and will add to the downtown attractions," Sampson said. "We have worked with the Parks Department for the past seven years by presenting 'Voices From the Past' and 'Follow the Drinkin' Gourd.' We have worked with our volunteer help for 'Westfield in Lights' and will continue to be a part of the growing Westfield downtown."

Sampson told The Reporter that MSP is proud to be a part of the Westfield and Hamilton County, and

the organization looks forward to finding even more ways to give back to the community in their new playhouse.

"Many opportunities await Westfield and we intend to be an integral part of it by relocating the theater arts to blend with the artistic community,"

Sampson said. "We would like to work with the Westfield schools, by offering theater classes and presentations to increase the theater arts in the area. Since 1992, MSP has produced 98 full plays, 60 of those in the past 10 years, and 20 outreach productions in Westfield as the performing

arts and we will continue to entertain and educate with the area citizens for many years to come."

While the new playhouse will offer many opportunities for MSP to grow and better serve their audiences and young actors, it is a bittersweet move for Sampson.

"I am saddened to leave the old location due to the successes we have had even without plumbing and with the cost of maintaining the old building," Sampson said. "The drive to keep the arts alive in Westfield and the vibrant efforts of the City of Westfield to create an all-round atmosphere of comfortable, close and entertaining des-

ignation must include live theater that involves the entire community. We will be working even closer with the City and sharing of theater art with the citizens and visitors that come. We will always be 'the theater with heart.'"

The mission of Westfield Playhouse/Main Street Productions, Inc. is to create and present quality theatre which balances artistic vision and expression by producing theatre that involves, reflects and nourishes the community it serves. If you want to learn more or donate to the construction of the new theater in downtown Westfield, visit westfieldplayhouse.org.

"We will always be the theater with heart."
 - John Sampson

Noblesville releases 2018 comprehensive year in review

The REPORTER

The City of Noblesville has released its year-end report. The 2018 Annual Report details major accomplishments from every city department and within the community during the past year.

"2018 was an exciting year in Noblesville. We showed resolve and compassion as a community in the face of challenges," said Mayor John Ditslear. "At the city level,

our departments achieved so much, from future plans to policy changes and new initiatives to better serve our citizens more efficiently. I know the momentum of our current projects is continuing to grow in 2019."

This is the third consecutive year the city has compiled a comprehen-



Ditslear

sive year-end report. Previously, each department previously created its own annual report. In addition to city departments, the expanded 32-page report covers downtown, the Common Council, clean water program and upcoming projects. The report is available as a print version and an

interactive one (which includes hyperlinks to additional information on a variety of subjects on each page).

"I am proud to share the hard work being done within our community. I believe residents will find this report informative and useful. I hope they enjoy learning more about our city and its services," Ditslear said.

To view the full report, [click here](#).

Fishers Board of Works approves \$1.3M bid for road resurfacing

By LARRY LANNAN
LarryInFishers.com



The City of Fishers is gearing up for the summer road resurfacing season. The Board of Public Works and Safety approved a \$1.342 million bid from Calumet Contractors to perform the work.

The resurfacing will be done in Timber Springs, Hamilton Proper, Hawthorne Ridge, and 121st Street from Cumberland

Road to Hoosier Road. The city engineering department says those streets are in poor condition and in bad need of resurfacing. Funds for this project will come from the Wheel Tax. Resurfacing work is expected to get underway this spring.

In another road matter, the board approved the final part of the road widening on Allisonville Road to four lanes. Rieth-Riley was awarded the \$1.58 million project, widening the roadway from Smock Creek to 0.3 miles north of Smock Creek. This location is between the existing four-lane section just south of Smock

Creek and ties into the two new projects of 126th and 131st streets and Allisonville Road.

The board approved a supplemental agreement for the planned roundabout at 126th Street and Ford Road. The city plans to move forward with the design if the Board of Works approves the agreement for construction in late 2019 or 2020, and dependent upon the right-of-way acquisition and utility relocation.

The city long ago worked out an agreement with the Indianapolis Airport Authority to develop land within the local airport

near 106th Street and Allisonville Road. The board voted for an extension of the contract with Jones Lang LaSalle to market the airport land for sale or lease, for another year, until March 16, 2020. The city will not be liable for any broker fees under this agreement.

Neighborhood Matching Grants were approved by the board. A total of \$35,000 will be spent by the city on these grants. [Click here](#) for a full listing.

The board also voted to approve \$20,000 in neighborhood tree matching grants. [Click here](#) to view a map of the areas approved.

Carmel Clay sets \$22M bond issue for new schools

By FRED SWIFT
ReadTheReporter.com

The Carmel Clay School Board has announced plans for the sale of \$22.4 million in general obligation bonds to finance construction of two new elementary schools and upgrades in other buildings.

Plans were first announced last year for the new schools to replace Carmel Elementary and Orchard Park Elementary. The new Carmel Elementary will be built on school property near the site of the present building at 101 4th Ave. S.E. The school is more than 50 years old.

The new Orchard Park building will be constructed on a site along Clay Center Road north of 116th Street. Its relocation from the Orchard Park neighborhood at 106th Street and Westfield Blvd. has been a subject of controversy by patrons who do not want the school's location to be moved

from its present area. Orchard Park was built in the 1950s.

Following several months of debate and protest from some residents, the school board this week proceeded with action on the bond sale. In addition to the new buildings, the bond proceeds will finance a wide range of improvements at all schools in the Carmel system.

Technology upgrades, renovation of buildings for increased safety and security, equipping some facilities, land improvements and even the purchase of performing arts instruments are among the items listed as being covered by the bonds.

Presumably the bond sale process will get underway immediately, although no date is mentioned in the notice to taxpayers. The school corporation will pay no more than 5 percent interest on the bonds, and a lower rate could be achieved through bidding, school officials say.

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Letter to the Editor

Reader calls on police, firefighter unions to step aside from politics

Dear Editor:

I noticed in your paper that Adam Aasen was endorsed by the Carmel firefighters' union. I would have to assume this is because his opponent, Dave Hommel, either supports arsonists or doesn't support the fire department. I guess that makes [this point on his candidate page](#) inaccurate: "I fully support our awesome teams such as Police, Fire, Roads, Parks, etc."

By issuing endorsements, I think the police and fire unions undermine the commonly held view that they do it for the public and not to serve their own interests. I think we would all be better served if they refrained from wallowing in the political mud.

Sincerely,
Eric Morris
Carmel

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Community News

Refuge Christian Church Chicken/Beef Noodle Dinner

Refuge Christian Church CWC will hold its annual Chicken/Beef Noodle Dinner from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, March 22 at the church, located at 11772 196th St., Noblesville. The menu will include chicken or beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw or applesauce, rolls, drink and a dessert. Carry out will be available. Donations will be accepted, with proceeds going to help local community needs.

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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)

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Connie Tyler promoted to IMCU Assistant VP, Branch Operations

The REPORTER

Indiana Members Credit Union (IMCU) is happy to announce that Connie Tyler has been promoted to Assistant Vice President, Branch Operations. Tyler has been with IMCU for 33 years and began her career in 1985 as a Teller.

Tyler will oversee IMCU's College Park, West Carmel, Old Meridian, Fishers, Westfield and Zionsville branches. As Assistant Vice President, Branch Operations, Tyler's role includes developing team

focused strategies to assist branches in attaining goals.

Tyler enjoys traveling and spending time with her family and grandson Jackson. Connie resides in Noblesville with her husband Gary.

About Indiana Members Credit Union

Indiana Members Credit Union, headquartered in Indianapolis, was founded in 1956 on the campus of



Tyler

IUPUI. IMCU has since grown to 27 branches in Central Indiana, offering consumer and business members a better financial alternative and a full array of products and services. Traditionally offering better rates on loans and deposits, IMCU maintains true to its roots by "Keeping It Simple" for members. For more information, please visit IMCU online at imcu.com.

Carmel Police need help catching this deceptive thief

The REPORTER

Holly Blankenship, age 30, is wanted for multiple charges in Hamilton and Marion counties. These charges consist of fraud, synthetic identity deception and multiple counts of theft.



Blankenship

If anyone has any information on this individual, please contact the Carmel Police Department at 317-571-2500 or Crime Stoppers of Central Indiana at 317-262-8477 (TIPS).

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Applicants must possess a valid Indiana Driver's License.
Resumes submitted without an application will not be considered.

Applications are available at the Arcadia Town Hall
208 West Main Street Arcadia, Indiana 46030.
Applications will be accepted at the Clerk's Office until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 1, 2019.
Online application available at:
www.arcadiaindiana.org/home/community-news

Corbett's third principle: Respecting the taxpayer

Submitted

Mike Corbett has five key principles driving his campaign for mayor of Noblesville. Each week he takes a deep dive into each of the five principles. Over the past two weeks he explained what improved transparency looks like and how historic preservation can be an economic development strategy.

The third principle is a greater respect for the Noblesville taxpayer. "I pay close attention when the tax table comes out each year," says Corbett. The table lists tax rates for Hamilton County towns and cities and it's a good way to see how the communities compare to each other. Noblesville's city tax rate is the third-highest in the county, behind Sheridan and Arcadia.

"Small towns struggle because they have a small tax base," says Corbett. "We have a much larger tax base in Noblesville but our rate is comparable to the smaller towns. In fact, Atlanta's rate is lower than ours. Worse yet, we compare poorly to our peer cities, despite the fact that they all have had huge public projects recently. Our city rate is 33 percent higher than Westfield's and Carmel's, and 52 percent higher than Fishers', which means we pay \$530 more in taxes each year than Carmel and \$723 more than Fishers on a home assessed at \$200,000."

And, Corbett added, that doesn't even include the trash fee, a tax dis-

Tax rates on \$100 of taxable real and personal property

City/Town	Tax rate	Tax on \$200K home	Compared to Noblesville
Sheridan	1.4488	\$2,897.60	+\$791.80
Arcadia	1.1289	\$2,257.80	+\$152.00
Noblesville	1.0529	\$2,105.80	\$0
Atlanta	0.9593	\$1,918.60	-\$187.20
Carmel	0.7886	\$1,577.20	-\$528.60
Westfield	0.7880	\$1,576.00	-\$529.80
Fishers	0.6915	\$1,383.00	-\$722.80
Cicero	0.6517	\$1,303.40	-\$802.4



Corbett

guised as a fee, and the fact that Noblesville has had more school referendums than any other community in the state, which raise taxes even higher. Renters are hit harder still because rental properties have a higher tax cap than owner occupied homes. According to several landlords, if they charge \$1,500 a month in rent, \$300 to \$500 of that goes directly to taxes.

So, what's going on? Corbett cites a lackluster economic development effort over the past decade or more. "We need to grow our assessed valuation (i.e. tax base) to help relieve the residential taxpayer and you do that by increasing your commercial and industrial base," he says. "Our efforts pale in comparison to other Hamilton County cities and it shows in our tax rate. We've been losing ground to them for years. You can't hide from the facts."

Corbett also blames a willingness to give tax relief to corporations that don't need or deserve it. "Tax abatements are meant

to help spur economic development by helping corporations who are willing to build in economically challenging areas," he said. "But we give them away like candy to businesses who build on our most desirable land. It amounts to millions of dollars each year and helps keep our tax rate high. It's just very poor management."

Corbett also promises to take a close look at TIF (tax increment financing) Districts to make sure they are performing as promised and are not being abused. "I will make sure they're being used properly to the benefit of you, the taxpayer."

"Noblesville taxpayers have been very patient," said Corbett, "but we cannot maintain this stagnation and lackluster performance for another four years. The time for change is now."

For more information, please visit mikecorbettformayor.com. Connect with Mike on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

Public Notices

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION AND HEARING OF INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT AUTHORITY GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2-2019

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that, at a regular meeting of the Board of the Indianapolis Airport Authority, at 8:00 a.m. on March 15, 2019, General Ordinance No. 2-2019 will be introduced. The Board will meet in the Airport's Board Room located in the main terminal building, 7800 Col. H. Weir Cook Memorial Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46241. Public Hearing on General Ordinance No. 2-2019 will then be held by the Board of the Indianapolis Airport Authority on April 19, 2019 at 8:00 a.m., at its regular meeting place in the Airport's Board Room, 7800 Col. H. Weir Cook Memorial Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46241.

General Ordinance No. 2-2019 provides for the establishment of a system to permit representation of public safety employees by unions (employee organizations) for purposes of limited collective bargaining.

All interested parties are invited to attend said meeting, and, at the Public Hearing, may give testimony, evidence or argument for or against the proposed General Ordinance No. 2-2019, in person or by counsel. Copies of the proposed General Ordinance No. 2-2019 are available for inspection at the Office of the Executive Director on the fourth (4th) floor of the main terminal building at the Indianapolis International Airport.

Should special assistance/accommodations be needed for an individual's participation in this meeting, please call (317) 487-9594 or TDD (317) 487-5151 prior to the schedule date.

RL2168 3/14/2019

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Indiana Code 20-26-7-37, the Board of School Trustees of Hamilton Southeastern Schools gives notice that on March 27, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., they will meet in public session at 13485 Cumberland Road, Fishers, Indiana, to discuss and hear objections and support regarding proposed projects which are separate and distinct and include the renovation of and improvements to facilities throughout the school corporation, including energy savings projects, solar improvements, roofing, site improvements and technology. You are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing.

Dated: March 14, 2019

/s/ Michelle Fullhart
Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Hamilton Southeastern Schools
RL2175 3/14/2019

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the school corporation known as Hamilton Southeastern Schools (the "School Corporation") that the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of the School Corporation will meet at 13485 Cumberland Road, Fishers, Indiana, at the hour of 7:00 p.m. (Local Time) on March 27, 2019, to consider the following additional appropriation of its General Obligation Bonds of 2019A (the "2019A Bonds") and General Obligation Bonds of 2019B (the "2019B Bonds," collectively, the "Bonds") which the Board has determined to issue. The Board considers such additional appropriation necessary to meet the need existing at this time:

- 1) An appropriation in the amount of \$12,800,000 from the proceeds of the 2019A Bonds and all investment earnings thereon, on account of the renovation of and improvements to facilities throughout the district, including technology, roofing, and site improvements (the "2019A Projects") in the School Corporation, including the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the 2019A Project and the issuance of 2019A Bonds on account thereof.
- 2) An appropriation in the amount of \$4,600,000 from the proceeds of the 2019B Bonds and all investment earnings thereon, on account of energy savings improvements to facilities throughout the district, including the installation of solar facilities (the "2019B Projects") in the School Corporation, including the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the 2019B Project and the issuance of 2019B Bonds on account thereof.

The funds to meet such additional appropriation are to be provided by the issuance and sale of Bonds by the School Corporation.

The foregoing appropriation is in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy, and a need for such appropriation exists by reason of the inadequacy of the present facilities to provide necessary school facilities in the School Corporation.

Taxpayers of the School Corporation appearing at said meeting shall have the right to be heard in respect to the additional appropriation.

Dated this 14th day of March 2019.

/s/ Michelle Fullhart
Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Hamilton Southeastern Schools
RL2176 3/14/2019

HELP WANTED

The Carmel Dads' Club is seeking full time and seasonal facility maintenance positions. Candidates should contact Facility Superintendent Josh Blackmore, at 846-1663 ext. 315 to set up applications/interviews. Full time candidates must have clean driving record and no physical limitations. Seasonal candidates must also have no physical limitations. Both positions require manually work in all weather conditions. Sports Field Maintenance, landscaping and/or equipment maintenance experience a plus.

Meeting Notices

The Cicero Redevelopment Commission will meet at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at the Cicero Town Hall, 70 N. Byron St., Cicero.

The Cicero Town Council will meet with Department Heads at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at the Cicero Town Hall, 70 N. Byron St., Cicero.

The Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2019, at Cool Creek Park Nature Center, 2000-1 E. 151st St., Carmel.

The Hamilton County Plan Commission will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, in the County Council/Commissioners' Courtroom on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

Third case of mumps discovered at IU

WISH-TV | wishtv.com
A third case of mumps has been discovered at IU Bloomington, according to the school. School officials say the male student lived off campus and that all of his roommates have been contacted

about the situation. The school also says the male student did not live with the other two people who were found with mumps in February. However, at this time it's unclear if the third student had contact with the other two people.

The student has since left for spring break and has had the required MMR vaccines. The school says they are continuing to work with county and state department of health to determine the next steps.

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Janet I. Boser
January 24, 1934 – March 11, 2019



Janet I. Boser, 85, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, March 11, 2019 at Riverwalk Village in Noblesville. She was born on January 24, 1934 to the late Robert and Cleo (Broadstreet) Dillinger in Plainfield. For over 40 years, Janet owned and operated Nob City Hair Salon. She was a member of Fishers Church of Christ. Janet loved supporting her community, especially with the Miller Backers, Janus Development and Indiana Hairdressers Association. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, George Boser; daughter, Darlena (Paul) Myer; sons, Jan (Beverly) Boser, Jay (Tammy) Boser and Jon (Linda) Boser; 10 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2019 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville, with visitation from noon to the time of service. Evangelist Lanny Smith and Roger Shouse will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hamilton County Cancer Fund, c/o Good Samaritan Network, 12933 Parkside Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. Condolences: randallroberts.com

Arrangements
Calling: Noon to 2 p.m., March 18
Service: 2 p.m., March 18
Location: Randall & Roberts Funeral Home
Condolences: randallroberts.com

Brett Joseph Kramer
January 20, 1976 – March 3, 2019

Brett Joseph Kramer, 43, went home to be with his Heavenly Father on March 3, 2019. He died at home from a heart attack in Basehor, Kan.



Brett was born January 20, 1976 to Delene (Jefferies) Kramer and the late David E. Kramer in Indianapolis. He graduated from Franklin Central High School where he enjoyed playing baseball and football. He went on to study engineering at Purdue University. He received his BS in Business Management from WGU. His career has always been in the construction industry, working for Davidson Industries, Contract Lumber and Neighbors Construction. He started his own design business, KO Components, in 2016.

He married his wife, Lisa (Siecke) Kramer on July 31, 2010. He was the papa of two senior dogs, Madison and Josie, and the foster dad of several other dogs. Together, they enjoyed camping, geocaching, the theater and mostly being together.

He was given the gift of life and tried to always show respect and kindness to anyone he met. Volunteering to help the homeless, the elderly and animals – especially the senior dogs – were just some of his passions. You could also find him reading, studying new topics, woodworking, camping and discussing where he wanted to travel.

He is survived by his wife, Lisa Kramer; mother, Delene Kramer; brother, Jared Kramer; half-brother, Darrell Kramer (Toyua); half-sister, Whitney (Robbie) Hopkins; nieces and nephews, Cameron Kramer, Katie Kramer, Ian (Jena) Siecke, Dylan Siecke and Kaitlyn Siecke; and mother-in-law and father-in-law, Ron and Celia Siecke. Also, he had many aunts, uncles and cousins who loved him very much.

He is preceded in death by his father, David E. Kramer; his half-brother, Eric Kramer; aunt, Daena (Jefferies) Schaffer; and his grandparents, Milo and Betty Jefferies.

A Celebration of Life will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary with a service to follow at 3 p.m. Friends and family are welcome to share stories of the wonderful life of Brett. Burial will be held at a later date at Grant Memorial Park in Marion.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Misty Eyes Animal Shelter in Brownsburg, misteeyes.org/donate. Condolences: randallroberts.com

Arrangements
Celebration of Life: 1 to 3 p.m., March 16
Service: 3 p.m., March 16
Location: Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary
Condolences: randallroberts.com

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head. And he said unto another; Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God. And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house. And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

Luke 9:57-62 (KJV)

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Softball previews

New coach, young team for Hamilton Heights

Hamilton Heights softball fans should get ready to see many new faces when the Huskies begin their season on Monday.

Heights will have a brand-new coaching staff, led by head coach Ken Olovich. In addition, the Huskies will have a young team, with five freshmen on this year's roster.

The two seniors for Heights this season are Adyson Baber and Lia Williams. Baber, a Saint Mary of the Woods College commit, will lead the Huskies pitching staff after what Olovich called "a very productive 2018 season." Baber excelled on both sides of the ball, as she pitched to a 9-4 record and 4.18 earned-run average, while batting .338 and hitting three home runs for the season.

Two key juniors that are returning to the lineup are Bayleigh Runner, who hit at a .390 clip last year, and Meredith Diller, who averaged .346 at the plate. The sophomore class also has some talent returning: Hayley Greene will hit in the middle of the lineup after an outstanding freshman year, where she slammed seven home runs and batted .419. Kelsie Albright will be an integral member of the pitching staff; she threw 40 innings last year as a freshman.

Other sophomores returning include catcher Kat Cox and first base/outfielder Sydney Massicotte. Three freshmen, Faith Hittle, Alayna Barber and Belle Neiling are expected to play key roles.

Heights opens its season Monday at Zionsville.

HEIGHTS ROSTER

Seniors: Adyson Baber, Lia Williams.

Juniors: Meredith Diller, Harley Green, Bayleigh Runner.

Sophomores: Kelsie Albright, Kat Cox, Hayley Greene, Sydney Massicotte.

Freshmen: Alayna Barber, Sydney Buffum, Ashlyn Fletcher, Faith Hittle, Belle Neiling.



Richie Hall/File photo

Hamilton Heights' Kelsie Albright pitched 40 innings last season as a freshman on the Huskies softball team. Albright is one of several sophomores returning to the Heights team this season, which starts Monday at Zionsville.

Shamrocks ready to bounce back in 2019

Westfield is looking forward to bouncing back from an injury-plagued 2018 season into a strong campaign in 2019.

The Shamrocks have a nice number of key returning players that will help the team navigate its way through a tough regular season, including each of the teams in the Hoosier Crossroads Conference.

"We had a lot of young talent last year that gained some great experience and look for them to make an impact this season," said Westfield coach Brian Revercomb. "As always our schedule will be a very competitive one and is full of good teams, including our conference schedule, which will be an excellent challenge for us each game. I cannot say enough about the teams and

coaching in our conference, in my opinion one of the toughest in the state each year."

The 'Rocks have two three-year letter winners returning for their senior season. Outfielder Alexis McClure compiled a fielding percentage of .917 last season, while Caroline Maymon will also play a role in the outfield as well.

"Very versatile player used as a utility player for most of her first three years including as a pitcher," Revercomb said of McClure. As for Maymon, the coach said that her consistent improvement and aggressive play as an outfielder "will be important to our success."

Juniors returning for Westfield are first baseman Lexi Martin, catcher/shortstop



McClure



Maymon

Savannah Arvin and second baseman/utility Emily Revercomb. Martin was injured in 2018 after a stellar freshman year where she batted .333 with two home runs, 18 runs batted in and six doubles.

"Coming off of an injury in 2018, Lexi will be a leader for us both offensively and defensively," said Revercomb.

Returning sophomores include pitcher Avery Wagner, outfielder Reghan Oland, catcher/third baseman Sara Harmeyer and shortstop/second baseman Brooklyn Carey. Wagner led the team in the circle last year with 81 innings pitched, 41 strikeouts and a 5.185 earned-run average. Oland was an Honorable Mention in the HCC last year, batting .329 with a .444 on-base percentage, 11 stolen bases and 29 runs scored.

"Each of the last three seasons we have improved our program and our level of play, our expectation for this season will be no different," said Revercomb. "Our players have worked very hard to improve their skill sets this off season and look for that

improvement on the field. I feel one of the biggest and most important improvements we've made as a program, is in our relationships and communication with each other. If we have solid relationships and communication throughout the season we will have success regardless of wins and losses."

Westfield plays its first game Monday at Monrovia.

WESTFIELD VARSITY ROSTER

Seniors: Caroline Maymon, Alexis McClure, Khloe Miller.

Juniors: Savannah Arvin, Madeline Hunter, Lexi Martin, Emily Revercomb.

Sophomores: Brooklyn Carey, Lilah Denton, Sara Harmeyer, Reghan Oland, Avery Wagner.

Freshmen: Natalie Deck, Avery Parker.

JUNIOR VARSITY GREEN

Junior: Cassidy Mallory.

Sophomores: Lizzie Batta, Gabby Fekete, Kennedy Greenwalt, Brynn Oros, Mackenzie Partain, Victoria Pucci, Sami Stegner, Abby Stump.

Freshmen: Mya Hughes, Zoe Klink, Madison Krich, Zoe Watson.

JUNIOR VARSITY WHITE

Sophomores: Mackenzie Partain, Victoria Pucci.

Freshmen: Sydney Flora, Mya Hughes, Jenna Kingma, Kerizma Lewis, Brookly Miner, Lily Parlos, Grace Spangler, Alexia VanSyke, Zoe Watson.

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Thurs March 21	Hamilton Southeastern at Noblesville Girls Lacrosse JV game at 6pm HCTV Sports www.HCTV1.com	7:30 pm
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Overtime victory at Bishop Chatard...

Noblesville girls lacrosse wins opener

New head coach Baylee Tobin chalked up her first victory with the Noblesville girls lacrosse team on Wednesday, as the Millers outlasted Bishop Chatard 11-10 in the overtime victory on the road.

The contest was a close match throughout the night, but the Millers were able to keep the ball on their end of the field during the three-minute overtime period, then scored the winning goal with seven seconds remaining in sudden victory on a wrap-around move and shot by senior Kylie Morris. Morris led the Millers offensively with five total goals for the evening on 4 of 8 shooting from the field.

Defensively, the Millers came up with the big plays at the end of regulation and overtime to keep the Trojans out of the net. Senior Erin Wilson led the Millers with seven ground balls and two key blocks, both coming in the overtime period. Senior Olivia Long contributed an interception at midfield to lead the game-winning offensive attack with only 45 seconds left in OT.

The Noblesville junior varsity team lost a tough match against the Trojans 7-6 in the first game of the night. Offensively, the Millers were led by sophomore Brooke Miller with three goals, three ground balls, and two forced turnovers. Defensively, junior Helen Tietz contributed three ground balls and one forced turnover.

The Millers are back in action Friday when they travel to Louisville to face Kentucky Country Day High School. Noblesville's home opener will be Thursday, March 21 against Hamilton Southeastern. This game will also be televised live on Hamilton County TV.

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Latest HSR qualifying top 50 lists

Here's an updated list of the top 50 performers in the indoor track season as qualifying meets continue for the Hoosier State Relays.

Lists are divided into Large School (football classes 4A to 6A) and Small School (1A to 3A) for boys and girls. Athletes can continue to qualify in meets through this weekend, with the top 24 athletes in all events (except for high jump and pole vault, which take the top 18), earning a spot in the Relays.

The Hoosier State Relays take place on Saturday, March 23 at Indiana University.

LARGE SCHOOL (4A-6A) BOYS TOP 50

60 dash: 3. Noah Malone (Hamilton Southeastern) 6.88, T18 T23. H.L. Lewis (Fishers) 7.12, T21. Donovan Duffy (Carmel) 7.13, T30. Shomari Rogers-Walton (Noblesville) 7.17, T34. Gage Pratt (HSE) 7.19, T41. Colton Parker (C) 7.21.

3200 run: 12. Travis Hickner (N) 9:37.15, **13.** Ethan Meyer (F) 9:39.25, 14. Jacob Wiggers (HSE) 9:39.45, 16. Blake Hipkiss (N) 9:39.95, 17. Pat Campbell (C) 9:40.76, 23. Brady Jarosinski (HSE) 9:45.87, 26. Cole Kimmel (N) 9:47.95, 28. Cam Harless (C) 9:49.59, 35. Bing Hudson (C) 9:55.78, 40. Luke Shinneman (N) 9:58.78, 41. Ben Johnson (C) 9:59.27, 43. Grant Moon (C) 10:02.49, 44. Jacob Fisher (C) 10:02.59, 48. Sam Stage (C) 10:05.59, 50. Will Murphy (C) 10:08.26, 40. Nick Schuster (C) 10:08.66.

60 hurdles: 6. Cooper Boehm (Westfield) 8.36, T14. Jakob Pearson (C) 8.55, 31. Sean Mullen (C) 8.85, T43. John Warren (C) 9.01, T48. Amariion Ballard (W) 9.03.

4x200 relay: 7. Fishers 1:33.04, 19. Westfield 1:34.87, 29. Hamilton Southeastern 1:36.29.

4x400 relay: 3. Carmel 3:31.63, 19. Westfield 3:36.26, 31. Noblesville 3:38.27, 32. Fishers 3:38.76.

4x800 relay: 4. Fishers 8:12.20, 6. Westfield 8:13.70, 14. Hamilton Southeastern 8:28.10, 16. Carmel 8:29.87.

Distance medley: 7. Fishers 10:48.39, 8. Hamilton Southeastern 10:52.23, 13. Westfield 10:56.92, 16. Noblesville 11:00.53.

High jump: T7. Andrew Herman (N) 6-4, 9. Anthony Campbell (F) 6-3, T21. Peyton Forbes (F) 5-10, T32. Christian Blaettner (N) 5-10; Peyton Forbes (F) 5-10.

Pole vault: T2. Logan Sandlin (C) 16-6, T5. Jakob Pearson (C) 14-0, 16. Alexander Cluff (HSE) 13-3, T17. Mitchell Conard (N) 13-0, 24. Josh Thompson (HSE) 12-0.

Long jump: 7. Anthony Campbell (F) 22-0.5, T8. Shomari Rogers-Walton (N) 21-7, T26. Kyle Senuta (C) 20-7, 35. Caleb Durden (HSE) 20-3.

Shot put: 1. Hayden Tobias (F) 57-9, 7. Caleb Shaffer (C) 52-9.25, 26. Ethan Dye (F) 47-3, T29. Jacob Netral (W) 47-1, 32. Colin Caldwell (W) 46-11.5, 35. Graham Hatfield (C) 46-8.

GIRLS TOP 50

60 dash: T18. Tamia Perryman (F) 7.92, 22. Ella Scally (F) 7.98, T37. Alyssa Barker (HSE) 8.12.

3200 run: 1. Phoebe Bates (C) 10:48.11, 5. Lulu Black (HSE) 11:11.40, 14. Elizabeth Barrett (F) 11:34.10, 15. Brooke Waldal (C) 11:37.52, 17. Tessa Kraft (F) 11:39.02, 18. Deborah Shera (F) 11:39.39, 21. Jamie Klavon (C) 11:44.60, 23. Lily McAndrews (C) 11:47.97, 28. Halle Hill (HSE) 11:51.34, 32. Alivia Romaniuk (C) 11:54.75, 33. Aubrey Swart (N) 11:54.94, 37. Roni Ledzema (C) 11:58.33, 38. Sophie Stahl (N) 11:58.74, 41. Halle Welch (C) 12:02.43, 44. Lindsey Roper (C) 12:03.61, 48. Ellie Johnson (HSE) 12:07.70, 50. Madison King (N) 12:14.71.

60 hurdles: 22. Haley Boehm (W) 9.77, T36. Lindsey Wormuth (N) 9.93.

4x200 relay: 3. Hamilton Southeastern 1:44.51, 9. Fishers 1:46.59, 25. Noblesville 1:51.17, 34. Carmel 1:52.40.

4x400 relay: 3. Hamilton Southeastern 4:06.96, 14. Carmel 4:15.78, 15. Fishers 4:17.28, 38. Noblesville 4:25.84, 41. Westfield 4:27.06.

4x800 relay: 2. Carmel 9:43.10, 3. Noblesville 9:45.33, 10. Fishers 9:57.30, 13. Westfield 9:58.90, 14. Hamilton Southeastern 9:58.88.

Distance medley: 6. Hamilton Southeastern 12:47.87, 7. Carmel 12:52.07, 15. Noblesville 13:09.72, 16. Fishers 13:09.94, 20. Westfield 13:16.79.

High jump: T2. Shelby Tyler (N) 5-8, T6. Tamia Perryman (F) 5-4, T20. Lily Wilhelm (N) 5-0, T35. Jasmine Middleton (C) 4-10; Emily Monson (F) 4-10.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Hamilton Southeastern's Alexander Cuff, pictured here at the Hoosier Crossroads Conference indoor meet this past Saturday, is currently 16th in the pole vault standings for the Large School boys division of the Hoosier State Relays qualifying.

Pole vault: 1. Kennedy Drish (HSE) 12-8, T3. Alison Casey (F) 11-0, T6. Jenna Springirth (C) 10-6; Shelby Tyler (N) 10-6, T18. Erika Knieper (N) 9-9, T20. Flora McKay (C) 9-6, T24. Parker Davis (N) 9-0; Hannah Justice (HSE) 9-0; Lauren Sheppard (HSE) 9-0, T33. Lauren Bryant (F) 8-6.

Long jump: 5. Ella Scally (F) 18-0.25, T10. Tierra Sydnor (HSE) 16-10.5, T14. Katie Folta (F) 16-8.5, 18. Sydney Black (W) 16-5.5, 49. Jehnea Mirro (HSE) 15-8.25.

Shot put: T25. Zoe Pentecost (W) 36-3, 35. Olivia Willman (F) 35-4.5.

SMALL SCHOOL (1A-3A)

BOYS TOP 50

60 dash: 23. Nate Josza (Hamilton Heights) 7.40*, T29. Cameron Murray (Guerin Catholic) 7.45.

NOTE: Josza ran a 55-meter dash; his time was converted to an equivalent 60-meter time.

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County has six top-three finishers at ISWA Women's Folkstyle State

Six Hamilton County wrestlers finished in the top three at the Indiana State Wrestling Association's Women's Folkstyle State tournament this past weekend.

Deonna Smith and Petyon Rapchak, both of Fishers, and Westfield's Melody Barrows all finished first in their divisions. Carmel's Katie Mattingly and Westfield's Simone Rodenbarger placed second, and Carmel's Kendall Moe finished third.

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x - Toronto	48	20	.706	-
Philadelphia	43	25	.632	5.0
Boston	41	27	.603	7.0
Brooklyn	36	34	.514	13.0
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	33	.507	16.5
Chicago	19	50	.275	32.5
Cleveland	17	51	.250	34.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	32	35	.478	-
Orlando	31	38	.449	2.0
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Portland	41	26	.612	3.5
Utah	38	29	.567	6.5
Minnesota	32	36	.471	13.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	46	21	.687	-
L.A. Clippers	39	30	.565	8.0
Sacramento	33	33	.500	12.5
L.A. Lakers	31	36	.463	15.0
Phoenix	16	53	.232	31.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	42	26	.618	-
San Antonio	39	29	.574	3.0
New Orleans	30	40	.429	13.0
Memphis	28	41	.406	14.5
Dallas	27	40	.403	14.5

Cummins, IMS announce special multiyear partnership as part of Cummins centennial celebration

INDIANAPOLIS - Leaders from Cummins Inc. (NYSE: CMI), the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and elected officials gathered today to announce a new multi-year partnership between the two 100-year old, Indiana-based companies.

Cummins is celebrating its centennial this year and as part of this, Cummins will have an enhanced presence at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway throughout the year. Cummins will have a number of activities for the community to enjoy throughout the year, and its iconic Cummins "C" logo and videos will be visible in locations throughout the Speedway. During this year's Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge on Sunday, May 26, Cummins will have all five of its historic Indy 500 race cars together for the first time ever to participate in a pre-race parade lap.

Cummins and the Indianapolis Motor Speedway have enjoyed a long and storied history together beginning at the first Indianapolis 500 in 1911, when Cummins founder Clessie Cummins served on the pit crew for the winning car driven by Ray Harroun. Since that time, Cummins has used the venue to develop and refine new diesel technological innovations.

"Today, we are marking our 100th anniversary and our history of technological innovation with a renewed presence at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway," said Jennifer Rumsey, Vice President and Chief Technical Officer, Cummins Inc. "We are also grateful to our elected officials for presenting us with an official resolution from the State of Indiana recognizing and honoring our centennial. This partnership with IMS is a great way for Cummins to continue to raise our profile, recognize our history of innovation and discuss the future of our company, as we continue to challenge the impossible. It's a great platform to talk more publicly about how we continue to innovate our products and services to bring our customers the clean, reliable power solutions, whether it be advanced diesel, natural gas, hybrids, fully electric or other alternative technologies like fuel cells."

"Cummins and IMS have enjoyed a productive relation-



Photo courtesy Indianapolis Motor Speedway

ship for 100 years based on shared values of integrity, innovation and community stewardship," said Mark Miles, CEO of Hulman & Company, the parent company of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. "We're honored to continue that bond with this partnership that will help to celebrate Cummins' 100th birthday this year and also serve as a platform for Cummins' industry-leading technology and products for years to come. This partnership is a perfect fit between two proud Hoosier companies that have grown to serve customers with quality products in all corners of the world."

Cummins Inc., a global technology leader, is a corporation of complementary business segments that designs, manufactures, distributes and services a broad portfolio of power solutions. The company's products range from diesel

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Headquartered in Columbus, Indiana, since its founding in 1919, Cummins employs approximately 62,600 people committed to powering a more prosperous world through three global corporate responsibility priorities critical to healthy communities: education, environment and equality of opportunity. Cummins serves customers in approximately 190 countries and territories through a network of approximately 600 company-owned and independent distributor locations, and over 7,600 dealer locations. In 2018, the company earned about \$2.1 billion on sales of \$23.8 billion.

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3200 run: 11. Quinn Gallagher (GC) 9:51.25, 22. Joe Barrett (GC) 10:06.05, 31. Matt Fletcher (GC) 10:18.81.
60 hurdles: 26. Tyler Backlund (GC) 9:52, 50. Jake Brinker (HH) 10:02.
4x200 relay: 25. Guerin Catholic 1:40.03, 26. Hamilton Heights 1:40.10.
4x400 relay: 48. Guerin Catholic 3:59.76.
4x800 relay: 2. Guerin Catholic 8:24.71, 24. Hamilton Heights 9:11.14.

Distance medley: 3. Guerin Catholic 11:00.60, 23. Hamilton Heights 12:00.04.
High jump: T18. Matt Fletcher (GC) 5-8.
Pole vault: T10. Cameron Murray (GC) 11-3.
Long jump: 34. Tad Defoe (HH) 19-1.5.
Shot put: 16. Nick Demas (GC) 44-5.
GIRLS TOP 50
60 dash: 15. Markaela Pugh (HH) 8.21, T27. Anna Hallett (GC) 8.38, T31. Emma Bock (GC) 8.41.

3200 run: 17. Isabelle Museck (GC) 11:55.53.
60 hurdles: 21. Bailey Haworth (HH) 10.38, 33. Alaina Schultze (HH) 10.68.
4x200 relay: 6. Hamilton Heights 1:53.46, 7. Guerin Catholic 1:53.77.
4x400 relay: 3. Hamilton Heights 4:18.47, 4. Guerin Catholic 4:23.54.
4x800 relay: 4. Hamilton Heights 10:09.57, 7. Guerin Catholic 10:16.54.
Distance medley: 1. Guerin Catholic 13:00.50, 6. Hamilton Heights 13:14.38.

High jump: T25. Heather Barker (Sheridan) 4-8, T40. Emma Bock (GC) 4-6.
Pole vault: T24. Alyssa Chang (GC) 7-0.
Long jump: T25. Grace Gjerde (GC) 15-1.5, 30. Anna Hallett (GC) 14-10.5.
Shot put: 17. Rebecca Merritt (S) 33-7, T22. Taylor Mason (HH) 32-4.25, 39. Lauryn Wiley (HH) 31-2.25, 40 Mykayla Moran (HH) 30-11.75, 41. Kami Speicher (HH) 30-10.5.

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