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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Showers and thunderstorms, especially in the afternoon.
 Tonight: Showers and thunderstorms.
 HIGH: 78 LOW: 66



Money to help pay for projects like the Bell Ford Bridge . . .

County receives \$7.3M in federal funds

The REPORTER

On Friday, Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Director Anna Gremling presented a check in the amount of \$7,392,304 in federal funds to Hamilton County Board of Commissioners President Steve Dillinger, Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt and Commissioner Christine Altman.

The funds will help pay for three infrastructure projects, including the reconstruction of Bell Ford Bridge, a historic covered bridge that's being relocated to Geist Park to provide both a park attraction and a connection point for the Geist and Fall Creek Nature Trails. The bridge is being moved from Jackson County to the park at 10979 Florida Road, where it will be restored and reconstructed over Fall Creek. The bridge will be a prom-



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The Bell Ford Bridge, originally standing in Jackson County, will be restored and reconstructed over Fall Creek in Geist Park.

inent feature as part of the county's Recreational Connectivity Master Plan.

The two other projects receiving funding are the resurfacing of 146th Street from U.S. 31 to Hazel Dell Parkway, and replacing Bridge 187, which spans Mud Creek on 106th Street east of Cumberland Road. Funding for all three projects will be available in State Fiscal Year 2024.

As part of an annual funding process, Ham-

ilton County submitted projects for consideration by the Metropolitan Planning Organization, which is responsible for planning and programming federal transportation funds in the eight-county Central Indiana region. Projects are ranked based on such criteria as impacts to air quality, improvements to congestion, safety, pavement quality and more.

"It's always a very competitive process with nearly



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The Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) awarded the Hamilton County Commissioners a \$7,392,304 check today. The federal funds will cover three upcoming highway projects, including reconstruction of the Bell Ford Bridge in Geist Park. (From left) Hamilton County Parks Director Al Patterson, Hamilton County Commissioners Mark Heirbrandt, Steve Dillinger and Christine Altman, MPO Executive Director Anna Gremling, Highway Department Director Bradley Davis and Fishers Deputy Mayor Leah McGrath.

70 applications this year from 18 municipalities, but were among those that rose

to the top," Gremling said. "Building and maintaining infrastructure is one of local governments' biggest

challenges, and one of the ways they make a critical contribution to regional and state economies."

Sheridan Rotary honors scholars, teachers



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Each year, the Sheridan Rotary Club is pleased to honor the top 10 percent of Sheridan High School's graduating class, as well as giving special recognition to the elementary and secondary teachers of the year and their principals. The Sheridan Rotary recognizes the participants with a dinner and awards program for all, including parents of the students and family members of the teachers. Pictured are the 2019 award winners: (Seated, from left) Kristin McPeake, Josie Dickerson, Abby Davis, Maddie Zola, Piper Zola, and Elementary Teacher of the Year Violet Chesney. (Standing, from left) Sheridan High School Principal Rick Davis, Drake Delph, Jesse Kolb, Katherine Parsley, Scott Miller, Secondary Teacher of the Year Adam Spencer, Sheridan High School Assistant Principal Kent Davis and Elementary Principal Dean Welbaum. Congratulations to all from the Sheridan Rotary.

Several offices still do not have Democrats on November ballot

By FRED SWIFT
 ReadTheReporter.com

Republican candidates for most municipal offices in the November election are going to be elected without opposition. Democratic County Chairman Joe Weingarten said Friday that despite his earlier hopes for candidates, including one for mayor of Carmel, there will be none other than a handful of city council hopefuls already filed around the county.

Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard is essentially re-elected to a seventh term. Also to be elected are mayoral candidates Chris Jensen in Noblesville, Scott Fadness in Fishers, and Andy Cook in Westfield. Technically, Democrats have until June 30 to fill vacancies on their November general election ticket. But, none have come forward.

Weingarten said there is still a possibility of a city council candidate in Fishers. Three Democrats for Fishers council who secured a place on the ballot in the May primary are: Jocelyn Vare, at-large; Lane Skeeters, South Central District, and Adam Kaps, Southwest District.

In Noblesville there are three Democrats: Paula Gilliam at-large, Jason Myers in District 5 and Jeremy Hawk in District 6. And, in Carmel, Democrats for council are Cleaster Davis in the Central District, Ti'Gre McNear in the Northeast District, William Howard II in the North District and Miles Nelson in the West District.

No Democrats are filed in Westfield, Sheridan, Cicero, Arcadia or Atlanta. Weingarten said the county party is sponsoring an Emerging Leaders Project designed to prepare younger Democrats, ages 21 to 40, for seeking office in the future.

He also announced that he is accepting applications for the position of County Democratic Party secretary. The post is currently vacant. Persons interested should contact the chairman by June 21.

Joy Volz named Heights Teacher of the Year

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights School Corporation is pleased to announce that Joy Volz has been selected as its Teacher of the Year. Volz, who is an English Teacher at Hamilton Heights High School, was among four outstanding professionals from the district nominated as the top pick for the building for this year's recognition. Volz will represent Hamilton Heights at the state Teacher of the Year competition in Indianapolis in the fall.

"I am very honored to receive this award," said Volz, who just completed her 25th year as an educator at Heights. Volz journey into education may have started by chance but she has stayed by choice.

"Being respected by my peers is a tremendous compliment," she continued. "So many of us work so hard, and it is nice to receive recognition for our efforts. Each teacher of the year nominee was deserving of this honor because they all have such an amazing impact on their students."

In addition to Volz, this year's building nominees included: Kari Beery, Language Arts (Hamilton Heights Middle School); Cheri Trachtman, Art (Hamilton Heights Elementary School); and Susan Lester, Second Grade (Hamilton Heights Primary School).

Being raised by two teachers, Volz was groomed to be a natural educator, although she didn't realize it at the time. When she left for Indiana University, she had a dif-



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Hamilton Heights High School English Teacher Joy Volz was recently honored as the district's Teacher of the Year at Hamilton Heights School Corporation's Staff Appreciation Breakfast. She works to ensure that every student knows they are noticed, they count, and are important. Volz will represent Heights at the State Teacher of the Year Competition in Indianapolis in the fall.

ferent path in mind. However, during her summer break from college, a chance meeting with a child named Christopher would alter her life and career path. She switched

her major to English her sophomore year and earned her bachelor's degree in education in 1994. She has never regretted that decision.

Volz has not only been a respected educator at Heights, she has served as the leader or co-leader of the School Improvement Committee for the better part of two decades. She has dedicated countless hours focusing on the concepts that make the high school a better place to learn and work.

She loves her job and it shows. She is passionate about helping her students learn and their potential shine through in everything she does.

"I have a job where I get to have a positive impact on another human being every single day," said Volz, of what she describes as one of the most rewarding aspects of her job.

Hamilton Heights High School Principal Jarrod Mason said, "This award given to Mrs. Volz validates what her students and colleagues have known for years. The energy and passion she brings to the classroom every day is second to none, and she is relentless in finding new ways to challenge students to think and express themselves. Additionally, she is a Co-Chair for our school improvement team, and an integral player in planning meaningful professional development for our staff. The list of 'things' that she does to warrant this award

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Joy Volz

from Page 1

pales in comparison to simply building meaningful relationships with students. They know she cares, and that has given her the ability to push students to perform at higher levels.”

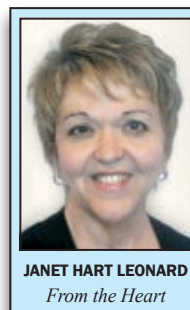
“All four candidates of HHSC Teacher of the Year are outstanding and Joy Volz is an excellent choice to represent HHSC at the

state level,” said Hamilton Heights School Corporation Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood. “As a parent of a student in her class I know she truly cares about her students while pushing them to become the best version of themselves. Joy is an amazing educator who epitomizes the caliber and qualities of the teachers we

want every Heights student to experience.”

Volz’s enthusiastic and upbeat personality makes her a favorite among students and colleagues alike, with many students circling back to credit her for their success in college. Volz lives in Westfield with her husband Ryan and daughter Ellen.

And so the story began



JANET HART LEONARD
From the Heart

Once upon a time ...

Everyone has a story. For the past almost 13 years you have been reading about mine. I love words and I love the written word.

My love of writing began in junior high when I had Mr. Purvis for literature and creative writing. He introduced me to the fun and challenges of taking simple sentences and enhancing them with creative descriptions.

A woman wakes up in the morning and begins her day with coffee. With a few enhancements it becomes ...

She awoke to the sounds of harmony in the songs of the birds that beckon her near her bedroom window. She feels the cold tiles on the kitchen floor that help to awaken her from a long summer's night sleep. She had been tucked into bed with the humming of the needs-to-be-replaced ceiling fan. She sips her coffee, relishing in the sweet taste that reminds her to take time to enjoy the little things.

It is with these words and phrases a rich story can be written, one that captures the thoughts and translates

them into visuals for the reader.

Mr. Purvis introduced us to the writings of the classics. Huckleberry Finn and Tom Sawyer became real characters because of the imagination of Mark Twain and his writings.

To Kill a Mockingbird allowed us into the lives of Atticus Finch and his daughter, Scout. We began to understand exactly what prejudice and bigotry meant to those who were targets of them. We felt the hurt. We shared in their anger.

The written word can evoke so many feelings. We picture the characters and scenes in our mind and we are transported into the story.

We anxiously turn the pages wanting to find out the rest of the story. As we turn the last pages in the final chapter we feel a sadness as we don't want the story to end. A good writer leaves us wanting more of the story.

Each week I am challenged to write what I am thinking. Honestly, it is often scary. For 13 years I have shared my thoughts, my opinions and my life,

but mostly my heart.

I had no idea some 50 years ago when I sat in that tiny, windowless room in what is now Noblesville East Middle School that my words would matter. I had no idea anyone would ever want to read what I would have to say.

Mr. Purvis's encouraging words are still heard in my head as well as my heart. I hope he would be proud of me and could know how much I appreciated him and his teaching.

I wish every student could be blessed with a teacher like Mr. David Purvis. He taught us to crave the stories of the classics. He taught us just how important words can be. He had a gift when it came to teaching. I am one of many NHS grads who were blessed to be assigned to his classes. We didn't care what he was teaching. We just wanted to be there.

You see, Once Upon a Time in the late 1960s and early 70s a shy (yes, I once was just that) young girl dressed in wide bell bottoms and thick wedged heels sat in a classroom and was taught creative writing.

She was given the assignment to write a story ... and she is still writing it.

Thank you Mr. Purvis!

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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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Westfield, Noblesville Lions help get Diabetes Youth Camp ready for summer



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On June 1, 15 members of the Westfield and Noblesville Lions Clubs worked at the Indiana Diabetes Youth Camp in Noblesville to get the facility ready for campers. The Lions performed yard work, cleaned and prepped the pool, set up the archery range and organized the Infirmary. Lions Clubs International has recently taken on the fight against diabetes. As part of that the Noblesville and Westfield Lions have been supporting the Diabetes Youth Foundation of Indiana with financial donations and service work. Anyone interested in learning more about the Diabetes Youth Foundation of Indiana and their camp can visit dyfi.org. (Clockwise from top left) Don Russel, Jeff Boller, Dave Sobczak and Duke Miller.

Volunteers find more meaning in long-term service

In January, Prevail's Executive Director flagged an article in the *Indianapolis Business Journal* titled "Let's become better-quality volunteers," which highlighted the difference between short-term (or one-time) and long-term volunteers.

The author pointed out that long-term volunteers – those that show up regularly and stick around for years – end up having a far more meaningful experience than those who come in once to stuff envelopes or paint an office.

I know that that is true here. Don't get me wrong, we really appreciated the people who showed up to help move furniture after our office expansion and we could not have done it without them, but I cannot help but feel that they are missing out on a deeper, more moving experience.

If they were filled with the good feelings one gets from giving, imagine getting that feeling on a regular and ongoing basis. Imagine becoming an integral part of the Prevail team on your own terms. Imagine making a difference not just by checking off the duties in your job description, but by deepening and expanding, or even redefining your job.

We have several long-termers, and I believe that they have fallen in love with us – fallen in love with our clients and staff and mission – but more importantly,



fallen in love with the way volunteering here for years and years on a regular basis makes them feel.

They have become team members and they feel that. They know how important they are to us, and not just because of the Community Appreciation Breakfast, but because they understand that they are uniquely important to our work. They fill roles that they have molded into their own specialty. They play their part with the confidence of a professional.

It is my goal as Prevail's Volunteer Coordinator to nurture that experience for every person that comes here to donate their precious time to us. I want our volunteers to find meaning here. I want them to become educated. I want them to fall in love.

For more information about Prevail, Inc. and to find what you can do to help, visit prevailinc.org.

Beth Dunlop is the Volunteer Coordinator for Prevail, Inc.

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Community News

Retirement Journey: Now What?

The next meeting of *Retirement Journey: Now What?* is set for 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 11 in the Stage Room at Fishers Library, 5 Municipal Drive. Please join the group as it continues to explore ways to assist retirees in finding their purpose and applying their skills and experience in meeting needs in Hamilton County.

Steve Nation will present information on the very successful Youth Assistance Program in Hamilton County, and Mackenzie Coughlin, Director of Community Outreach and Resources at Prime-Life Enrichment, will provide information on Prime-Life's programs and ways to participate.

Attendees will also be provided timelines for the start of the Discovery Growth Group using ACT 3 assessment program.



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Take off through a 'Universe of Stories' at Hamilton North Public Library this summer

The REPORTER

Take off into the wild blue yonder with Hamilton North Public Library's A Universe of Stories Summer Reading Program (SRP). The official launch was May 31, but signup is open throughout the program, which runs through July 19.

A Universe of Stories is open to patrons and reciprocal borrowers of Hamilton North Public Library (HNPL). Summer Reading is a great time to get a library card, too. Bring an ID and mail with current address to obtain one. Registration and summer reading signup takes only a few minutes, resulting in countless hours of reading.

Of course, Universe of Stories is not only about reading. Both Cicero and Atlan-

ta branches host special programs for adults and children throughout June and July.

Crowd-pleasing Professor Steve returns to fire up excitement and wreak havoc in the library universe with his Space & Flight Show on Wednesday, June 12. Catch it at 3 p.m. in Atlanta or 6 p.m. in Cicero.

Other events include: Do Us A Flavor! Taste Competition, Heroes Scavenger Hunt, Star Wars and Space Movies, Blast-off to Magic, and Guac-Off. For a complete list of events, visit and check often the [HNPL online calendar](#).

Hamilton North Public Library - Cicero is located at 209 W. Brinton St., and the Atlanta branch is located at 100 Walnut St. near downtown Atlanta. Visit the HNPL website at hnp.l.lib.in.us.

Our high school experiences

Editor's Note: The Sheridan Student Column is brought to readers by Sheridan High School's 10th grade English class, taught by Abby Williams.

Abbi Clouser

I have gotten good grades my entire life, so high school hasn't been very hard academically for me. Emotionally, though, high school has been a wreck. I have had many bad experiences with people in my school. I am not one that likes to be around drama, so it's amazing how much drama enters my life.

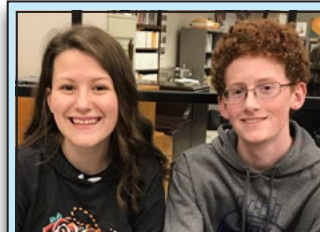
Now, this isn't to say that students at Sheridan High School are mean, because they aren't. Sometimes though, people and teachers don't realize how much their decisions are affecting you. I stress myself out by constantly caring what people think, even though in reality, nobody really cares.

Sometimes I feel alone because I hang out around such diverse people that I think nobody can truly be just like me. During my life I have always heard people say, "Your friends in high school won't be the friends that you have in the future." Now, this may be true, but often people forget the effect that our friends in high school have on us. Your friends help to shape you as a person, so when you are in high school, that is the most crucial time for having friends. I think that a lot of adults don't realize that sometimes, high school just sucks.

That isn't even in the sense of having to get up early and go learn for seven hours. It's being around people who aren't like you and people who don't care as much as you do. Sometimes it can be very hard to learn in a class because there are some students who get it instantly and some who take a little longer to understand. This can be challenging for all students because none of us learn the same and a lot of us want to learn about different things.

The struggle in high school is wanting to fit in, but knowing that you won't fit in completely because everybody is different. High school is great for learning about diversity and discovering who you really are, but it can be challenging to learn who you are when those around you want you to act a certain way.

I think that everybody should have the



ABBI CLOUSER & CARTER BRAZZELL
Sheridan High School Students

experience of going to high school because it helps you to learn who you truly are and it helps you to experience the adult reality: Not everybody is going to be your friend, but you have to learn how to get along with those who aren't the same as you.

Carter Brazzell

So far in high school, it hasn't required a whole lot of effort on my part. This can be really helpful in some ways, by giving me more free time, but it has also hurt me by lowering my motivation to do things that I don't find enjoyable. If I'm required to do something I'm not interested in, I usually avoid it until the last possible moment. If there's a class I'm not fond of, which is rare, I find myself not putting forth my maximum effort to do well in that class. This has caused a lot of unnecessary stress in my life.

In the past six months or so, I've found out that my friends often care about what I do more than I do myself. They always remind me to do my work, they offer help if I'm struggling, and they just generally support me with everything I do.

Recently, I've become more open with my friends, which has made me a happier person. In this last semester of school, I've made more friends than I ever have in high school. I've become closer with some of my friends from childhood, and I've made some completely new and unlikely friends.

However, becoming more involved with people at my school has also made it easier for there to be drama in my life. The more people I'm around, the more complicated things can often become.

Sometimes I feel as though every time I talk to someone, there's new drama. Even if drama eventually gets resolved or fades away, there's always new drama to replace it. With everything constantly changing, it's hard to keep track of everything going on, and it can make friendships difficult. With so much drama, it feels like I sometimes have to pick sides among my friends. It feels like every minor decision that I make can greatly affect other people's lives, and that can be terrifying. I can create and destroy friendships just by doing something that I might not even think about. That fact is a really important part of growing as a person and progressing through life.

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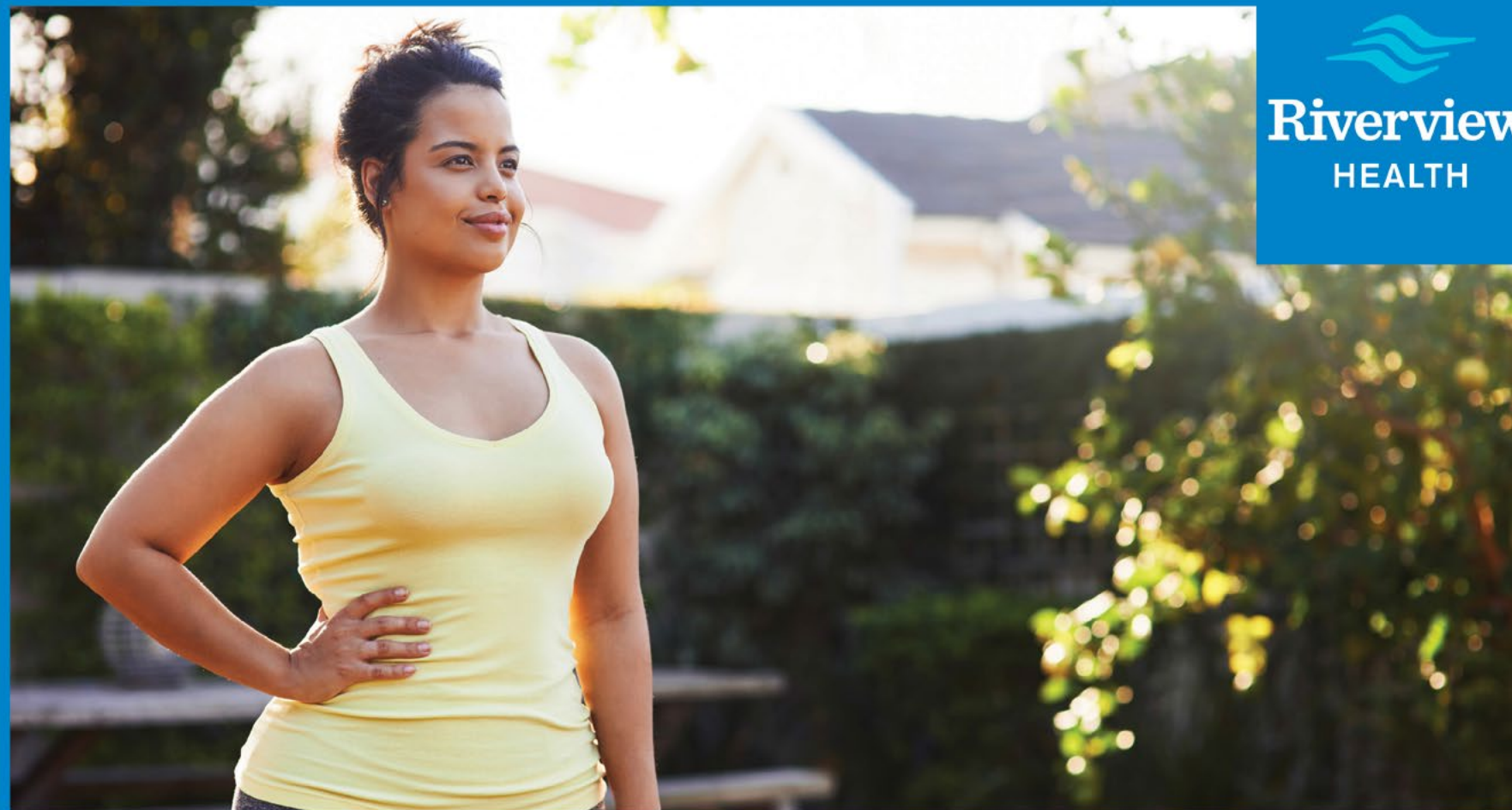
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Don't just play games, design your own in 4-H

The REPORTER

Clover Gaming Spark Club is an experience that fosters critical thinking, creativity, competition and collaboration. It inspires confidence and empowers youth to design their gaming (board, card and/or video) ideas.

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The program will cover introduction to game mechanics; communication, rules and challenges; game narrative and storytelling; strategy; careers in gaming; and game creation, showcase and celebration.

Beginning June 13, five weekly sessions will be held at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds in the Exhibition Center Conference Room. The sessions will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on June 13, 20 and 27, and July 11 and 18.

Instructions for Registration

A \$5 registration fee will be required youth currently enrolled in 4-H. For youth not currently enrolled in 4-H, there will be a \$30 registration fee. Parents and guardians can [click here](#) to register.

Please complete the SPARK Youth Enrollment Form 2018-2019 and return to the Purdue Extension Hamilton County office by June 11. Forms can be emailed to gmarsha@purdue.edu or mailed to 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

Here is what some of the youth had



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to say about their experience with Clover Gaming:

- "Learning about game mechanics and design has changed the way I think by showing strategy in games."

- "It makes me want to learn more."

Here is what some of the parents had to say about their experience with Clover

Gaming:

- "I love that it can tie learning into their love of games. My boys love to engineer things and learn how everything works. So I'm sure this will fall right into that, impacting the way they look at games."
- "Our child wants to be an entrepreneur

when he grows up, and enjoys gaming. We think this will give him exposure to these concepts."

For more information about Hamilton County 4-H, be sure to visit extension.purdue.edu/hamilton or "Like" Hamilton County 4-H - Purdue Extension on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

'Walk to End Lupus' in Indianapolis this Saturday

The REPORTER

On Saturday, June 15, The Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter, alongside 2019 community partners Eli Lilly & Co. and Rheumatology Associates, will hold the second annual Lupus Family Picnic and Walk Kickoff at Eagle Creek Park from 1 to 4 p.m. Registration for this event is only \$5.

This event is sponsored in part and catered by Payton's BBQ. Attendees will enjoy music from DJ Godzillest, amazing face painting, exhibitors, and games including euchre and corn hole. It's also a chance for people in the lupus community to learn more about the upcoming Walk to End Lupus Now, Indianapolis, this fall. [Click here](#) for more information.

About Lupus

Lupus has no known cause and no

known cure, but it affects an estimated 1.5 million Americans and 5 million people worldwide. Despite its widespread prevalence, lupus research funding and awareness of its brutal impact remain low. More than 36,000 Hoosiers are currently living with lupus.

Lupus is an unpredictable and misunderstood autoimmune disease that ravages different parts of the body. It is difficult to diagnose, hard to live with and a challenge to treat. Lupus is a cruel mystery because it is hidden from view and undefined, has a range of symptoms, and can strike without warning. Its health effects can range from a skin rash to a heart attack. Lupus is debilitating and destructive and can be fatal, yet research on lupus remains underfunded relative to diseases of similar scope and devastation.

About the Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter

The Lupus Foundation of America, Indiana Chapter is part of a national force devoted to solving the cruel mystery of lupus while providing caring support to those who suffer from its brutal impact. The Chapter works with local health professionals and volunteers to provide information

and programs to provide answers to people with lupus and their families. The Chapter rallies support for those who are affected by lupus and advocate on their behalf. In addition, the Chapter raises money to support research and education programs so those affected by lupus can have an improved quality of life. For more information, visit lupus.org/indiana or call 800-948-8806.

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Duke Energy offers solar service program tailored to businesses, schools, nonprofits

The REPORTER

The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission has approved a Duke Energy customer pilot program that makes it easier for businesses, schools and nonprofits to have solar energy at their facilities.

Under the program, these eligible customers lease a solar energy facility from Duke Energy for a period of up to 20 years, while Duke Energy installs, operates, owns and maintains the facility. Customers would receive all of the kilowatt-hour output of the solar energy equipment through a net-metering arrangement. It gives customers the advantages for solar power with minimal upfront costs and no maintenance fees.

"This program gives our business and nonprofit customers, including schools and local governments, another option to incorporate clean, renewable energy into their energy mix through a cost-effective

leasing arrangement," said Stan Pinegar, Duke Energy state president for Indiana.

Initial capacity is limited to a total of 10 megawatts for eligible customers within the Duke Energy Indiana service territory.

All costs associated with the voluntary program will be borne by participating customers only, so that non-participating customers are not impacted.

This program joins the company's other efforts to promote clean, renewable solar power, including building and operating a 17-megawatt (MW) solar plant at a southern Indiana naval base and purchasing up to 20 MW of solar power from four solar sites that generate up to 5 MW each.

In addition, Duke Energy is investing in battery storage technology in Indiana in the town of Nabb and at Camp Atterbury. The company is also funding \$1.5 million in research at the Battery Innovation

Center at the Crane Naval Surface Warfare Center to study how battery storage can maximize renewable power sources.

Other renewable programs include the company's GoGreen Indiana program, which gives customers the ability to support the development of green power sources. Customers can purchase a minimum of two 100-kilowatt-hour (kWh) blocks of green power for \$1.80 per month. The 200-kWh commitment equates to about 20 percent of an average residential customer's energy use and helps to avoid 4,800 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions each year.

And the current upgrade and modernization of the company's nearly 50-year-old Markland Hydro Station near Florence, Ind., along the Ohio River, will ensure customers can continue to reap the benefits of low-cost, carbon-free electric generation for years to come.

State Police labs' crime scene investigation earns international accreditation

The REPORTER

The Indiana State Police Laboratory Division has successfully completed an international accreditation process, which assesses the quality operations and scientific procedures, to add crime scene investigation to the scope of accreditation. The Indiana State Police Regional Laboratories, located in Evansville, Fort Wayne, Indianapolis and Lowell, have been accredited since 1991.

The four Regional Laboratories and the crime scene and field operations at the other 11 Indiana State Districts have successfully met the rigorous forensic laboratory standards of International Standardization Organization ISO 17025:2017 as recognized by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) National Accreditation Board (ANAB).

The significance of this accreditation scope extension demonstrates adherence to the exceedingly high requirements continually practiced at all state police laboratory facilities and crime scene operations. This evaluation system provides the general public, and professionals within the Indiana criminal justice system, continued assurance that State Police forensic laboratory and crime scene operations and scientific procedures are meeting the highest international standards.

The path to maintaining Regional Laboratory accreditation and adding crime scene operations to the scope of accreditation began the week of Feb. 18, 2019 with a detailed audit of the 15 State Police Labora-

tory Division facilities. As part of the surveillance visit and scope extension process, 17 trained assessors from across the nation evaluated the policies, procedures, training manuals, case files, and reports from all laboratory facilities and of each Crime Scene Investigator.

"The inspectors reviewed various aspect of our operations at each of our laboratory facilities," said Eric Lawrence, Director of Forensic Analysis for the State Police. "At each location inspectors poured through our laboratory reports and viewed onsite documentation and observed actual casework. Laboratory Division staff and scientists were interviewed and observed to verify existing procedures and to ensure compliance with ISO standards reviewed during the week long inspection. The thorough analysis included reviewing laboratory report findings, data documentation, analytical processes, training, education and qualifications of staff members."

While not mandatory, the ANAB accreditation process is a demonstration the Laboratory Division's commitment of its management, personnel, operational, and technical procedures, equipment and physical facilities to meeting established, independent third-party standards. Accreditation is one facet of the Indiana State Police Forensic Laboratory System's quality assurance program, which also includes profi-



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ciency testing, continuing education and other programs to help the Indiana State Police Laboratory Division provide better overall service to the criminal justice system.

The four laboratories, comprised of 175 employees, provide forensic services at no charge to federal, state, county and local agencies throughout the State of Indiana. Those services include tests for firearm and tool mark comparisons; identification of controlled substances; trace examinations; questioned documents; latent prints; forensic biology/DNA and maintenance of the state DNA database. The Division also provides polygraph examinations and crime scene investigations, upon request. The Laboratory Division received over 22,000 new cases for analysis in 2018. Crime Scene Investigators responded to and worked more than 1,300 crime scenes. The Polygraph Unit conducted 712 polygraph tests in 2018.

"The accreditation of crime scene and field operations under the rigorous ISO standards is an outstanding accomplishment," said Indiana State Police Superintendent Douglas G. Carter. "The acquirement of this accreditation is a testament to the excellent work of all the dedicated employees of the Indiana State Police Laboratory Division. This recognition exemplifies the professionalism and dedication that is the standard of the Indiana State Police Laboratory Division."

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When was the Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis demolished?

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This coming week in Indiana's history ...

1816 – The Indiana Constitutional Convention began in Corydon. The 43-member assembly elected Jonathan Jennings as president and William Hendricks as secretary. The delegation produced a document which, among its provisions, forbade slavery and made public education a state responsibility.

1842 – The carriage carrying former United States President Martin Van Buren was overturned on the muddy National Road in Plainfield. Legend has it that this was a joke played on Van Buren, who had vetoed a bill to improve the roadway. Observers noted that the former President's starched white shirt was



soiled and his boots were full of mud. He reportedly went to a nearby tavern to clean up.

1909 – Indiana Governor Thomas R. Marshall issued a proclamation urging Hoosiers to observe Flag Day on June 14. Many cities in the state had been celebrating the flag on this date for several years. The holiday received national endorsement by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916.

1927 – President Calvin Coolidge led a large

Flag Day parade in Hammond from the train depot to the new Wicker Memorial Park, which the President dedicated to World War I veterans. Despite his reputation as a man of few words, the President gave a lengthy speech emphasizing the sacrifices of soldiers during the War and the importance of this region of the nation.

1969 – One final gala event was held at the famed Claypool Hotel at the northwest corner of

Illinois and Washington Streets in Indianapolis. Over 1,000 people attended a black-tie ball, where they toasted the town and danced until midnight. At the stroke of midnight, a fireworks display preceded the thud of a wrecking ball as demolition of the old building began. When opened in 1903, the Claypool reportedly had the largest hotel lobby in the nation.

1988 – A huge cherry picker disguised as a giraffe greeted thousands of people who attended the grand opening of the Indianapolis Zoo at its new location in White River State Park. The \$64 million facility was the result of a fundraiser that had been kicked off by eminent zoologist Marlin Perkins.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

Luke 21:27-31 (KJV)

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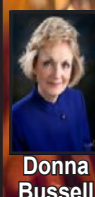


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Here are the new library items lists for the week of June 3:

New Adult Fiction Books

1. The big kahuna by Evanovich, Janet
2. The tinderbox by Lewis, Beverly
3. The huntress by Quinn, Kate
4. Wild card by Brandman, Michael
5. Sunset beach by Andrews, Mary Kay
6. The Kremlin strike by Brown, Dale
7. Resistance women: a novel by Chiaverini, Jennifer
8. The never game by Deaver, Jeffery
9. The road home by Evans, Richard Paul
10. Queen bee: a novel

by Frank, Dorothea Benton

New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. Standard catalog of world coins. 2001-date by Krause Publications, Inc.
2. Fix-it and forget-it healthy 5-ingredient cookbook: 150 easy and nutritious slow cooker recipes by Comerford, Hope
3. Love understood: the science of who, how and why we love by Mucha, Laura
4. Figuring by Popova, Maria
5. Change your genes, change your life: creating optimal health with the new science of epigenetics by Pelletier, Kenneth R.
6. Southern keto: 100+ traditional food favorites for a low-carb lifestyle by

Newton, Natasha

New DVDs

7. The 131 method: your personalized nutrition solution to boost metabolism, restore gut health, and lose weight by Johnson, Chalene
8. African samurai: the true story of Yasuke, a legendary black warrior in feudal Japan by Lockley, Thomas
9. The age of living machines: how biology will build the next technology revolution by Hockfield, Susan
1. Birds of passage
2. Blue my mind
3. Unforgotten. The complete third season
4. Adult life skills
5. Wedding march
6. Mission of honor

7. Serenity

New Music CDs

8. One piece. Collection 23
9. A place to call home. Season 6
10. Mystery science theater 3000. Killer shrews
1. The verdict by Queensryche
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3. You're the man by Gaye, Marvin
4. Grammy 2019 nominees by Monáe, Janelle
5. Assume form by Blake, James
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Baseball

Fast start against Mishawaka sends Royals to state for the first time

By RICH TORRES
PLYMOUTH – It wasn't a huge move, just a minor shift in the batting order made on Memorial Day, but one that continues to pay dividends for the Hamilton Southeastern Royals, especially on Saturday during the Plymouth semi-state.

With Cole DeWael setting the table and Anthony Eggers supplying the power, the HSE Royals got off to a fast start during the Class 4A semi-state championship at Bill Nixon Field and fended off Mishawaka 4-2 to earn the program's first trip to the state finals at Victory Field.

The key during the Royals' 10th straight victory started at the top where Eggers and DeWael formerly held opposite roles.

"Generally, in my coaching past, I've made more changes than I have in the backend of this year, but this was one that was kind of a hunch," HSE coach Jeremy Sassanella remarked on flipping Eggers and DeWael in the lineup. "I thought Anthony isn't missing by much, but I think we try Cole in the leadoff hole, and that's work pretty well. The kids have battled."

The duo used six pitches in the top of the first to give HSE a 2-0 lead, and Xavier commit Michael Dillon had plenty to work with through 6 innings of three-hit, scoreless baseball. Dillon (9-1) struck out 11 batters, walked two and retired the first eight batters he faced.

"I've been waiting for this all year. This whole week I knew I was going to start, and it was hard to sleep at night. I was just ready for this game," Dillon remarked on this shutout through six frames. "I knew I was going to go out there and give everything I had even more. I knew I wanted to go as long as I could, and I felt with as much

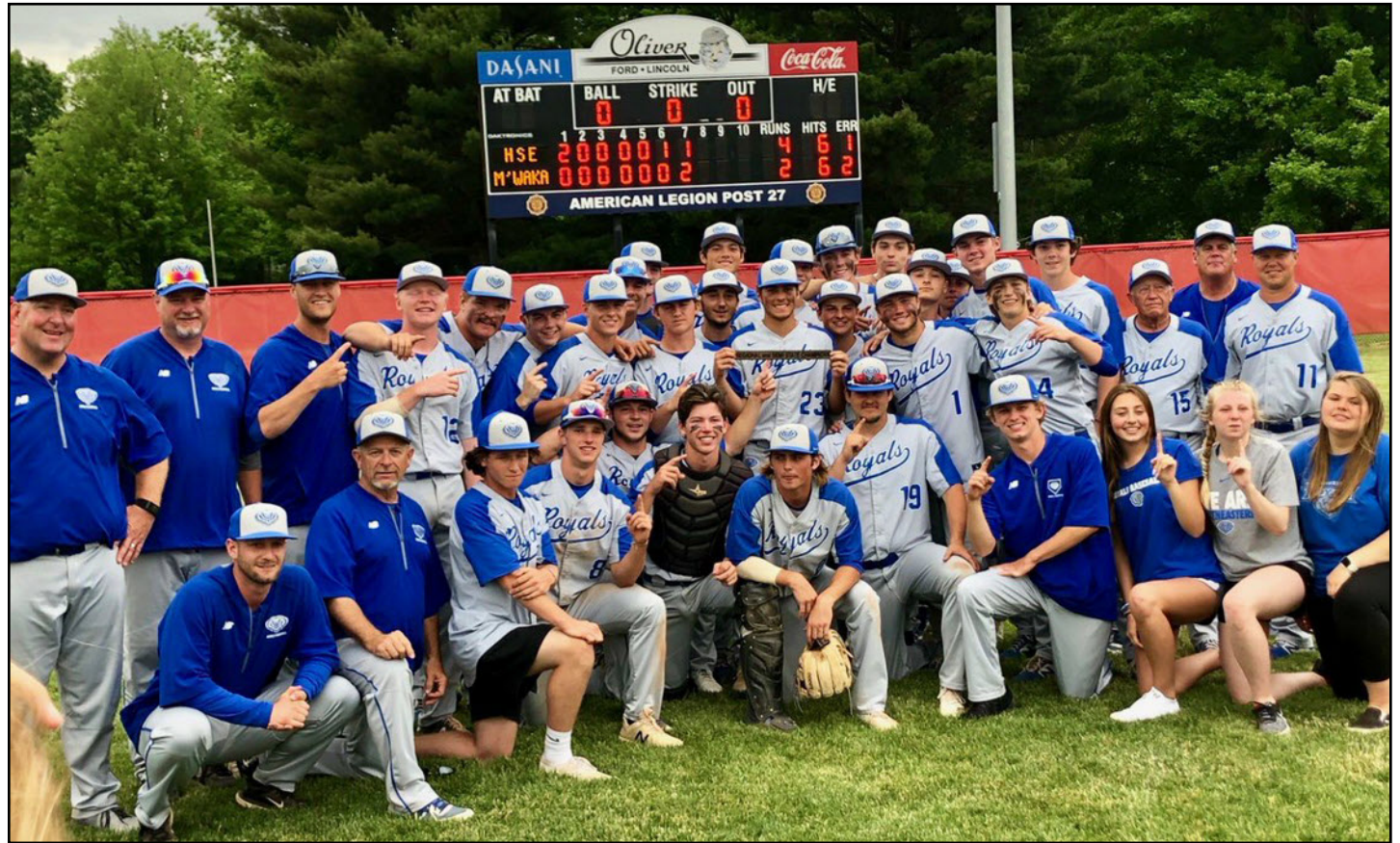


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The Hamilton Southeastern baseball team is headed to the state finals for the first time in school history on Saturday. The Royals won the Class 4A Plymouth semi-state over Mishawaka 4-2.

adrenaline and everything I had, my brothers picking me up, even in the sixth inning I felt as sharp as the first."

DeWael was locked in from the start. Taking four straight pitches to lead off the top of the first, DeWael walked to first before Eggers launched an 1-0 offering over

the opposite field wall for his first home run in his prep career.

"It felt great off the bat. I was ready to go," Eggers said. "That was my first one ever. I hit some back in seventh, eighth grade, but it was the perfect time."

The Royals' insurance runs proved crucially timed late as Greyson Droste drew a hit by pitch to give HSE a base runner in the top of the sixth. Jordan Millikan entered as a courtesy runner for Droste and later scored on a throwing error to put the Royals up 3-0.

An RBI double by DeWael in the top of the seventh made it 4-0, as the junior center fielder finished the game 2-for-3 with two doubles and a walk.

"The first inning is crucial to score runs, and Eggers doesn't hit to many home runs like that. It was just really cool to see," DeWael said. "We're both just looking to get base hits and score runners. We just want to keep it going."

Dillon rolled with 95 pitches thrown, but he was relieved by fellow ace Tyler Schweitzer in the bottom of the seventh. The Ball State recruit put the Cavemen on their heels with two quick outs, but a fielder's choice bunt and a hit batter gave Mishawaka an opening.

The Cavemen (25-7) rallied with a pair of RBI singles by AJ Rosebush and Nicholas Bodle, but Schweitzer regrouped to strikeout Derrick Dawson swinging for the game's final out.

"I told the kids early on and it was hard to understand. Of course, we didn't know we would be standing here, but I told them,

we have some tough grind out wins and losses early. I tried to explain over the course of a season and to win championships, we have to learn about ourselves through that," Sassanella said. "Not only in the X and Os, but just about each other."

The Royals will have a chance to show who they are in Indianapolis during the 4A title game against No. 3 Columbus East (25-4).

"It's the first time in HSE history that we're going to Victory Field, so my heart is pumping right now on pure adrenaline," Schweitzer said. "We get to go on the biggest stages in Indiana next Monday. I can't wait."

Hamilton Southeastern 4, Mishawaka 2

Southeastern	AB	R	H	RBI
Cole DeWael	3	1	2	1
Anthony Eggers	4	1	1	2
Brayton Harrison	4	0	0	0
Greyson Droste	2	0	1	0
Jordan Millikan	0	1	0	0
Jack DeWolf	3	0	0	0
Jake Huston	3	0	0	0
Matthew Buckingham	3	0	1	0
Jake Stout	3	1	1	0
Cam Bolling	2	0	0	0
Totals	27	4	6	3

Score by innings

Southeastern	200	001	1-4	6-0
Mishawaka	000	000	2-2	6-2

HR: Eggers, 2B: DeWael, 2. SB: Huston, Millikan. SAC: Bolling, HBP: Droste.

Southeastern pitching	IP	R	ER	H
Michael Dillon (W)	6	0	0	3
Tyler Schweitzer	1	2	2	3

Strikeouts: Dillon 11, Schweitzer 2. Walks: Dillon 2.

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Class 4A
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Tuesday, June 18

Class 3A
 Edgewood (24-3) vs. Andean (35-1), 5:30 p.m.

Class 2A
 Southridge (17-8) vs. Alexandria (28-6), 8:30 p.m.

Trailblazers beat Tecumseh, head back to state

By RICHIE HALL

JASPER - For the past couple weeks, the University baseball team has been cruising through the post-season tournament.

The Trailblazers easily won their sectional and regional, then took a trip to Jasper's Ruxer Field on Saturday for a Class 1A south semi-state re-match with Tecumseh. University encountered a little bit of resistance, but broke the game open in the third inning and rode the momentum to a 4-1 victory over the Braves.

As a result, the 'Blazers are going to the 1A state championship game for the second consecutive year. The title game takes place next Monday, June 17, at Victory Field.

"I thought we played as close to a flawless game, other than the first inning," said University coach Chris Estep. But while the 'Blazers have been sailing through each step of the tournament, coach Chris Estep wanted to point out something after his team won on Saturday: "Us going back to state was so much more difficult than us getting there for the first time, because we had such a target on our back. Everybody that we've been playing against has been looking out for us all year."

"I think the greatest thing we did all year was to make sure that we made our schedule much, much, much, much more tough," said Estep. "We faced bigger schools. We took some whippings, but at the end of the day, it's helped propel us to this point."

Tecumseh had that target in their sights in the first inning. The Braves scored their run when Jalen Oxley batted in Ethan Hall. The score would remain 1-0 until the bottom of the third inning.

Kolton Stevens led off for the Trailblazers, and he sent a base hit into left field. Ethan Johnson came in to run for Stevens, and he moved to second when Ben Ewer drew a walk.

That brought up Dawson Estep, and his right field double scored Johnson and moved Ewer to third. Reese Sharp was next, and he hit his own double, this one to left field. Ewer and Dawson scored, giving University a 3-1 lead.

But the 'Blazers weren't done just yet. Alex Washlock smacked a single into right field, and that scored Thomas Price, who was running for Sharp. University now led 4-1, and would hold that lead for the remainder of the game.

"It's an amazing thing," said Washlock. "Everyone came together this year. Everyone started working hard. We had our minds set on state from the moment we came out to practice the first day. So it's an amazing opportunity to be here and to live the dream."

Sharp and Stevens both finished the game with two hits.

Sharp also had an outstanding game on the mound, going six and two-thirds innings before reaching the pitch-count limit, and



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

The University baseball team will be making a return trip to the Class 1A state finals. The Trailblazers won the Jasper semi-state on Saturday, beating Tecumseh 4-1.

tossing eight strikeouts. Tyler Galyean came in at the end and delivered the final out, a groundout to second base.

"My adrenaline was pumping," said Sharp. "I felt great. Once I toned in my pitches, throwing strikes, it was over."

University will play Washington Township (Porter County) in next Monday's 1A state final. The Senators stunned Rossville 13-8 to win the north semi-state at Plymouth.

"We got the experience," said Dawson Estep. "We know what the goal is. We want to be holding that big trophy with the blue ribbons at the end of the game. It's really exciting."

University 4, Tecumseh 1

University	AB	R	H	RBI
Dawson Estep	3	1	1	1
Reese Sharp	4	0	2	2
Alex Washlock	2	0	1	1
Tyler Galyean	3	0	0	0
Ben Westerlamm	3	0	1	0
Adam Oxley	3	0	0	0
Matt Moore	2	0	0	0
Kolton Stevens	3	0	2	0
Ben Ewer	1	1	0	0
Thomas Price	0	1	0	0
Ethan Johnson	0	1	0	0
Totals	24	4	7	4

Score by innings				
Tecumseh	100	000	0-1	5-2
University	004	000	x-4	7-1
2B: Estep, Sharp, SAC: Washlock. HBP: Ewer.				
University pitching	IP	R	ER	H
Sharp (W)	6.2	1	0	5
Galyean (S)	0.1	0	0	0
Strikeouts: Sharp 8. Walks: Sharp 5.				



Adam Oxley gets ready at third base.

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Philadelphia 4, Cincinnati 1	N.Y. Mets 5, Colorado 3
Cleveland 8, N.Y. Yankees 4	L.A. Dodgers 7, San Francisco 2
Detroit 9, Minnesota 3	Texas 3, Oakland 1
Baltimore 4, Houston 1	L.A. Angels 12, Seattle 3
Atlanta 1, Miami 0	Washington 4, San Diego 1

American League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Yankees	39	24	.619	-
Tampa Bay	39	24	.619	-
Boston	34	31	.523	6.0
Toronto	23	41	.359	16.5
Baltimore	20	44	.313	19.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Minnesota	42	21	.667	-
Cleveland	33	31	.516	9.5
Chi. White Sox	30	33	.476	12.0
Detroit	24	37	.393	17.0
Kansas City	20	44	.313	22.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	44	22	.667	-
Texas	34	29	.540	8.5
Oakland	32	33	.492	11.5
L.A. Angels	31	34	.477	12.5
Seattle	27	41	.397	18.0

National League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Philadelphia	37	27	.578	-
Atlanta	35	29	.547	2.0
N.Y. Mets	31	33	.484	6.0
Washington	29	35	.453	8.0
Miami	23	39	.371	13.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. Cubs	36	27	.571	-
Milwaukee	37	28	.569	-
St. Louis	31	31	.500	4.5
Pittsburgh	30	33	.476	6.0
Cincinnati	28	35	.444	8.0
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Dodgers	44	21	.677	-
Colorado	33	30	.524	10.0
Arizona	33	32	.508	11.0
San Diego	33	32	.508	11.0
San Francisco	26	37	.413	17.0

Tennis

Carmel's Littell and Antony win state doubles tournament

The Carmel doubles team of freshman Lauren Littell and sophomore Leila Antony won the IHSAA state doubles tournament, which took place Saturday at Park Tudor.

After receiving a first-round bye, Littell and Antony won a tough semi-final match over Jasper's team of sophomore Josie Yarbrough and junior Suchi Bandaru, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2. The Greyhounds team then cruised through the final, beating Evansville Memorial sophomores Abby Myers and Margo Throop, 6-0, 6-2.

"I could not be more proud of these two girls," said Carmel coach Bryan Hanan. The Greyhounds team finished the season 20-0 and only lost three sets all year.

Carmel's doubles victory was the first since 2015, when Emma Love and Lauryn Padgett won the title for the Greyhounds. Carmel's doubles win is the seventh overall for the 'Hounds.



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The Carmel doubles team of Lauren Littell (left) and Leila Antony won the IHSAA state doubles tournament Saturday at Park Tudor; Carmel's first win in doubles since 2015. Also pictured is Greyhounds' tennis coach Bryan Hanan.

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Lauren Littell and Leila Antony give each other a high five after a point.

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