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### TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Partly, then mostly cloudy.  
 Tonight: Cloudy, with an isolated shower possible.

HIGH: 61 LOW: 41



## Ride the rails to Hamilton Heights FFA pumpkin patch

By **STU CLAMPITT**  
[ReadTheReporter.com](http://ReadTheReporter.com)

Four-year FFA member and Hamilton Heights FFA President Kylie Schakel is a Nickel Plate Express employee who has stepped up to ensure this year's Pumpkin Express is bigger and better than ever.

"Last weekend the train brought some 600 visitors to the pumpkin patch," said Nickel Plate Express Executive Director Dagny Zupin. "Hamilton Heights FFA has done an outstanding job in planning and hosting this special family-friendly event."

According to Zupin, one of Nickel Plate Express' first – and best – employees is Kylie Schakel, a Heights senior. This year, she is running point on the pumpkin patch and making it her mission to improve the event.

Schakel told The Re-



Photo provided

The Nickel Plate Pumpkin Express will make six roundtrip excursions this weekend. In addition to a breathtaking ride along the Monon Railway, passengers will enjoy a variety of fun activities with stops at the Hamilton Heights FFA's pumpkin patch and fall festival.

porter there are a variety of differences between this year's ride to the pumpkin patch.

"Last year the train took the guests to the patch

and people got off and they just went through the patch," Schakel explained. "For example, there were no pre-picked pumpkins. This year we added some

changes. We have a roll-up bounce house, an obstacle course and a kiddy's land where everything is

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## HAND appoints new interim leadership team

### The REPORTER

HAND, Inc. (HAND) has named its interim leadership team.

Andrea Murrigui Davis will serve as the Interim Executive Director, and Rebekah Metzger as the Interim Deputy Director. Keith Broadnax, current Vice President for HAND, will take a more active role in the day-to-day activities of the organization. Davis and Metzger are already transitioning into their new roles and will take over for outgoing Executive Director Jennifer Miller on Nov. 4.

Davis has been with HAND since October 2017 and currently serves as the Outreach and Fundraising Manager handling communications and philanthropic fundraising. Prior to joining

HAND, Ms. Davis worked for Web Guys in Carmel, the *Indianapolis Business Journal* and *The Florida Times-Union*. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Hamilton County Leadership Academy and is a member of the Public Relations Society of America.



Davis



Metzger

Metzger joined HAND in 2017 as the Program Manager overseeing construction projects and development grants. Prior to joining HAND, she worked for the John Boner Neighborhood Center, AYS, Inc. and Wonderlab in Bloomington. She is a certified Housing Development Finance Professional.

Broadnax has been a volunteer with HAND since

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## Mel Featherston: No nonsense with humor

Mel Featherston was the kind of guy who helps make a community wholesome and stable. He passed away last week at the age of 94, one of the last of what has been called the Greatest Generation.

Mel liked to be considered a farmer, but he was more than that. He was above all a family man, a supporter of his church, shrewd businessman, public servant and military veteran. And, he approached it all with a keen sense of humor.

I first met Mel in the 1960s when he was a candidate for County Auditor. As a newspaper reporter, I got to know him well. It was a time of hardball politics in Hamilton County. I didn't think Mel was interested in playing in that game, but he was



FRED SWIFT  
 The County Line

not one to cave-in if pressured.

Eventually there was a showdown between Mel and Judge Ed New. As in other cases, New issued orders that his wishes be obeyed and the auditor's office would provide a license plate for a former sheriff's patrol car which would be used by a court probation officer. Mel got the plate, but reminded the judge that according to law, the car should not go on the road with sheriff's colors and needed to be repainted.

The judge did not care to wait, and told Mel he wanted the plate or a contempt citation would be issued. Mel hid the plate behind a radiator and said no deal. He was jailed.

That brought wide attention from the news media. Mel conducted an impromptu

press conference at the jail's kitchen window which he approached with his usual sense of humor. He said he was a political prisoner and only hoped he could get out in time to teach his Sunday school class. He was soon released.

Unlike some today, Mel knew how to deal the news media. His opinions and office records were an open book. As a reporter, I appreciated that, and we had great relations. It was a time of informality, and as I look back, it is hard to imagine a public official's wife now serving a birthday cake to a reporter as Nancy Featherston did on my 30th birthday.

After leaving the public arena, Mel went on to other business and civic endeavors almost too numerous to list, but he remained active until he was 90 or more. I can only say, Melvin Featherston was my kind of guy.

## Early voting very light; Follow North Star suspended

By **FRED SWIFT**  
[ReadTheReporter.com](http://ReadTheReporter.com)

Early voting at the Hamilton County Judicial Center brought out only 586 people voting in person, and 485 mail-in ballots were received as of Monday. This would indicate a very light vote in the upcoming Nov. 5 municipal elections. The pace may pick up as satellite voting stations in Carmel, Fishers and Westfield opened Tuesday. Early voter

ballots will be part of a pilot project in which a paper trail will be kept as a further effort to ensure accurate election results. State law provides voting machines in all counties will provide a paper trail by the year 2030.

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Conner Prairie Pioneer Settlement has eliminated its popular Follow the North Star interactive program for this season. The program, which started several years ago, tells the story of the

pre-Civil War Underground Railroad, a branch of which ran through Hamilton County. Suspension of the program has been disappointing to some. An organization known as the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience has made suggestions on changes to the presentation. Conner Prairie says it is working with the coalition, and will resume Follow the North

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## Carmel offers new way for Colts fans to enjoy upcoming road game

### The REPORTER

The City of Carmel will host a special road game watch at the city's Midtown Plaza when the Indianapolis Colts visit the Pittsburgh Steelers on Sunday, Nov. 3.

Tailgating areas will open at 9 a.m., and the Colts in Motion traveling museum will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Colts Cheerleaders will be available for photos and autographs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with the game kicking off at 1 p.m.

The party is free and open to the public and will include appearances by Colts Cheerleaders, the Colts Play 60 Zone, the Colts in Motion traveling museum, free giveaways and much more. Food and beverages from several Carmel area restaurants and food trucks, including special tailgating breakfast items, also will be available for purchase. Ample free parking is available in the area.

Please note that while fans are permitted to bring in their own food and beverages, grilling will not be allowed. Fans may also bring their own chairs and blankets, but all bags and other items brought into Midtown Plaza for this event will be subject to search.



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## Fishers City Council committee recommends \$255K in nonprofit support

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



The City of Fishers plans to spend \$255,000 of the 2020 municipal budget supporting

local nonprofit organizations.

The three-member Fishers City Council Nonprofit Committee, consisting of council members Pete Peterson, Cecilia Coble and the Chairman Todd Zimmerman, held a discussion Monday evening on how to support specific local organizations next year, based on funding requests submitted by local nonprofits.

Here are the committee's recommendations for 2020 funding:

- \$65,250 for the Hamilton County Youth Assistance Program
- \$64,707 for Youth Mentoring Initiative (YMI)



Peterson



Coble



Zimmerman

- \$15,043 for Janus
- \$100,000 for Conner Prairie
- \$10,000 for the HSE Schools Foundation

The committee had a lengthy discussion about the proposal from the HSE Schools Foundation, concerned the money requested was for alumni outreach and not programs impacting current students. As a result, the committee provided less than the foundation requested.

The spending proposal next goes to the City Council Finance Committee, and if approved there, will go to the full council for a final vote.

## Go Purple with Prevail!



**The Bystander Effect can change with us. Below are some tips to speak up in a way that will not put you in danger as well:**

- 1) Disrupt the situation.
- 2) Don't act alone.
- 3) Confront the harasser.

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## PUMPKIN

free. We have a playhouse there for the children. In concessions we have added a bake sale. We have pre-picked pumpkins as well as the hayride. We have also added gourds for sale as well.”

The partnership between Heights FFA and the Nickel Plate Express not only teaches FFA members time management, it teaches them about finances and it also allows them to get out to community members.

“That is part of what our organization is about,” Schakel said. “We are extremely community-based. On top of that we have the opportunity to work hands-on with the public who come to the patch. It is a hands-on experience for our members which allows them to grow into their future careers and anything they want to pursue past high school.”

That focus on the lessons FFA teaches for life after high school is important to Schakel, who plans to run for Indiana FFA state office, taking a gap year before she starts college.

If she is elected to state office, her responsibilities will include traveling the state advocating for agriculture and FFA, facilitating classroom discussion as well as organizing camps and leadership conferences to build members leadership skills and future career success.

“If I do get the state office, I will have to take a year off, but my plan is to come back every summer to work for Nickel Plate,” Schakel said. “At Nickel Plate Express, we value our customer service. It



**Schakel**

is all about the experience for our guests. We really want them to enjoy the ride. We interact with kids on the ride and give them an activity to go along with the 25-minute trip to the patch.”

Passengers can enjoy a variety of free activities at the pumpkin patch. However, FFA pumpkins, gourds and concession stands are not included in the ticket cost. The bounce house will cost \$2 per child. All the money from pumpkins, gourds, the bounce house and concessions will go to Heights FFA projects and contests.

Pumpkin Express rides will take place this Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 25 and 26. Tickets are available at [NickelPlateExpress.com](http://NickelPlateExpress.com).

## HAND

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2017. He has worked in the community economic development industry for over 20 years and has considerable experience working with Community Development Corporations. Mr. Broadnax has an undergraduate degree in Business and Sociology from Northern Kentucky University and a graduate degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Ball State University.

The new leadership team looks forward to working with the board and the community to strengthen HAND’s mission and to continue to provide high-quality housing for the 120 people currently living in HAND developments.

HAND’s annual fundraiser, Stay Home for HAND, is Nov. 9. Proceeds from Stay Home for HAND support the organization’s housing development, home repair and community building programs. HAND works to ensure that the suburbs remain livable, with homes that are affordable for all residents. [Click here](#) for ticket pricing and event information.

**About HAND**

Founded in 2003 as Hamilton County Area Neighborhood Development Inc., HAND’s mission is to be a leader in promoting prosperity and diversity in its communities by providing quality housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income individuals and families. Learn more at [handincorporated.org](http://handincorporated.org).

## STAR

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Star next year.

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A public open house is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 26, at the Carmel Fire Buffs Museum, 210 Veterans Way (formerly First Ave., S.W.). It will allow folks to tour the building which was the original Carmel Fire Station, for a last time before it is torn down to make way for a new fire administration and museum building. The open house runs from noon through 3 p.m.

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Property taxpayers will have until Nov. 12 this year to pay their 2019 fall taxes. Statements were mailed out in April. If a property owner did not receive a statement, it is his or her responsibility to contact the treasurer’s office to learn an amount due. Usually the semi-annual taxes are due on May 10 and Nov. 10, but due to Veterans Day, the deadline is the 12th this year.



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

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# Jeanne & Ryan White’s impact immortalized in documentary



Photo provided by Peggy Georgi

Ryan Gielen, director of the new documentary *My Beautiful Stutter*, recently spent a morning at Hamilton Heights Middle School filming student’s comments to questions related to the impact and legacy of Ryan White. Gielen and his team are creating a documentary on Jeanne and Ryan White, which examines both Ryan and Jeanne White’s impact on the world, not just for those impacted by HIV/AIDS, but how their work has paved the way for young leaders of today. The film is set to be released to film festivals in 2020 to coincide with the 30th anniversary of Ryan White’s passing.

## Letter to the Editor

### Morris: The truth hurts, government costs money

Dear Editor:

I saw in an article in another paper that Jeffrey McDermott of The Center for the Performing Arts stated: "We've been in the black for multiple years."

I wish the leadership of this city was fully truthful and didn't feel the needed to stretch that. He knows his entity gets over \$4 million in free rent from the City, plus the entities that operate in the facilities get subsidies from the City each year.

However, this is par for the course: Mayor Brainard's re-election campaign has gotten free rent from developers the last two election cycles, and he has failed to report that to the do-nothing Republican Party-controlled County Election Board.

Speaking of truth, though I disagree wholeheartedly with the efficacy of armed police officers in elementary schools and Obamacare-esque government provided mental health services at the schools, two Democratic city council candidates are honest to their party's ideals of higher taxes and more government action by publicly supporting the referendum.

I see Mayor Brainard also supports the referendum, yet this is another time he stretches the truth regarding Carmel's low taxes: He loves giving TIF-candy and tax abatements to favored developers like PEDCOR, whose CEO Bruce Cordingley sits on McDermott's board, subsidized by the spending, debt and taxes of other government entities like Clay Township and the schools to cover his artistic dreams. It so happens the \$5 million from the referendum roughly matches the amount of free rent and subsidies Carmel gives to keep Carter's Green's temples "in the black."

Good thing those low-tax Republicans also supported the 911 income tax increase to make the safest city safer. At least the local Democrats are honest in their accounting: Government action costs money, and lots of it.

In black and white, the truth hurts.

Sincerely,  
**Eric Morris**  
*Carmel*  
*Formerly Home Place*

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### Meeting Notice

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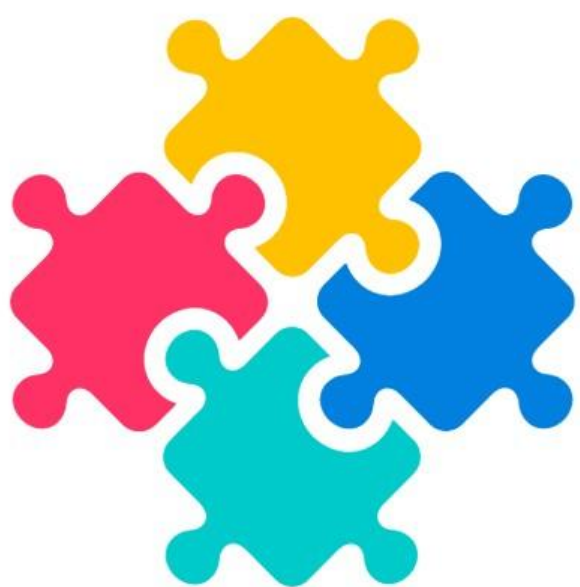
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# Cherish, chocolate help keep kids safe

## Submitted

Cherish, the Nationally Accredited Child Advocacy Center for Hamilton County, is proud to present Death by Chocolate once again from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 21 at the beautiful Meeting House at West Clay, 2000 E. New Market St., Carmel. Death by Chocolate is a delicious fundraiser that supports Cherish in its efforts to address and prevent child abuse in the community.

Patrons will enjoy a variety of chocolate tastings from local restaurants and businesses, including Eddie Merlots, Texas Roadhouse, Woody's Library, Divvy, Basket Pizzazz, Sun King Brewery, Cooper's Hawk,

Krenolies Donuts, Greek's Pizzeria-West Clay, The Pint Room and more.

Last year's winner of "Favorite Chocolatier," Cretia Cakes, will also return to defend her title. If sampling chocolate all night isn't alluring enough, Death by Chocolate will also feature a VIP area, live entertainment, a wine pull, and amazing raffle prizes, including a stay at French Lick Resort with a round of



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Just like last year, patrons of Cherish's Death by Chocolate fundraiser will enjoy sweet treats and samplings.

golf for two.

Individual tickets for general admission to Death

by Chocolate are \$45. However, grab a few friends and make a night of it, as tickets are \$25 each if you buy a group of four. VIP tickets are \$100 and include early entry into the event and access to the VIP area at 6:30 p.m., which includes a gift bag and complimentary drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

Tickets are limited, and all tickets must be purchased in advance.

Click here for more information about Death by Chocolate.

### About Cherish

Cherish, a non-profit founded in 2009, is the child advocacy center for Hamilton County. It provides

intervention and prevention services for child victims of abuse and neglect. Cherish's services include child forensic interviews, advocacy, community education, trauma therapy intervention and psychoeducational groups that focus on healthy relationships and safe dates.

## Boys & Girls Club will once again host Topgolf tournament

### The REPORTER

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville (BGCN) will host its second Topgolf Tournament, title sponsored by Sysco Indianapolis, on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at Topgolf Fishers. The afternoon will feature food, drinks, swag bags, a silent auction, and Topgolf's TopContender gameplay, all while supporting affordable, after-school programming for over 2,400 local youth and teens.

"Last year's Topgolf Tournament was a huge success with over 100 in attendance to support our Club Kids," said BGCN Board Member and Committee Chairman, Paul Cahlamer, of Sysco Indianapolis. "The event will help ensure that the Club's memberships remain affordable to local youth. Each day after school, over

350 members are coming to the Club at a cost of only \$55 for the year, while the true cost of a membership is \$555 per year. This outing is a great opportunity for businesses and citizens of Hamilton County to give back and support local youth."

The event will kick-off at noon with registration followed by lunch buffet and open play, and two TopContender team games will follow beginning at 1:15 p.m. During the event, participants will have the chance to network and participate in contests such as closest-to-the-pin and longest drive in addition to a unique putting contest. The event will wrap-up with an awards ceremony at 4 p.m.

To inquire about team and individual registrations and sponsorship opportunities,

please reach out to BGCN Director of Development Nathan Helm at (317) 773-4372 or [nhelm@bgcni.org](mailto:nhelm@bgcni.org), or register online at [bgcni.org](http://bgcni.org).

### About BGCN

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville provides high-quality, low-cost programs for youth members with the help of donors and sponsors. Between the Club, the Community Center and Camp Crosser, BGCN provides opportunities for members to enjoy activities and experiences that help shape character and offer new perspectives. BGCN is dedicated to inspiring and enabling all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens by promoting leadership, character, health and physical development.

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# WGU Indiana celebrates night shift nurses, offers scholarships

## The REPORTER

Working at 2 a.m. is hard enough; working it twice is even harder.

WGU Indiana, an online, competency-based university, is kicking off its seventh annual Night Shift Nurse campaign to celebrate nurses who add an extra hour to their normal shift due to Daylight Saving Time changes at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 3. As part of the campaign, WGU Indiana staff and leaders will deliver Night Shift Nurse Appreciation Kits to 125 hospitals and healthcare facilities throughout the state.

"This campaign has become near and dear to WGU Indiana, as it honors the important and often unrecognized contributions of night shift nurses," said

WGU Indiana Chancellor Alison Bell. "Many of our nursing students are also night shift nurses, and our online, flexible coursework allows them to pursue higher degrees in healthcare while still providing quality care to patients."

WGU Indiana started the night shift nurse deliveries in 2013. This year, appreciation kits will reach nearly 2,714 night shift nurses at 125 hospitals and health care units across the state. More than 150 WGU Indiana students and graduates volunteered to put together kits and assist in deliveries. Each box contains candy, WGU branded sleep masks, pens, notepads that read "I work night shift. What's your superpower?" and information about

WGU Indiana's nursing program. The deliveries will also serve as an opportunity to learn more about **WGU Indiana's \$2,000 Night Shift Nurses Scholarship**.

"Night shift work has a significant impact on the physical, psychosocial and professional lives of nurses," said WGU Indiana State Director of Nursing Mary Lawson Carney, DNP, RN-BC, CCRN, CNE. "The WGU Indiana Night Shift Nurses Scholarship recognizes the unique challenges these nurses face and the work they do in the middle of the night so that patients can continue to receive quality care at all hours."

To encourage night shift nurses to pursue their

dreams of going back to school, WGU Indiana is offering five Night Shift Nurse Scholarships – each worth \$2,000. Applications are due Dec. 31. For more information and to apply, [click here](#).

## About WGU Indiana

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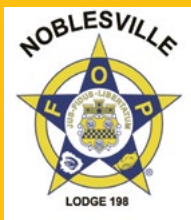
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## Linda Sue Bell-Bradfield

March 3, 1950 – October 23, 2019

Linda Sue Bell-Bradfield, 69, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on March 3, 1950 to Porter and Vertie (Helm) Guffey in Jamestown, Ky.

Linda worked as a nurse for Riverview Hospital for 17 years. She was a faithful member of Victory Baptist Church and enjoyed singing at nursing homes.

Linda is survived by her husband, Walter Bradfield; son, Darryl (Susie) Bell; daughter, Meagan (Karl) Galambak; five grandchildren, Caleb Bell, Clayton (Samantha) Bell, Madie Lucas, Nicholas Galambak and Vara Galambak; brothers, Doug Guffey and David Guffey; and sisters, Lea Wright and Mary Settle.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, James E. Bell Jr., in 2016; daughter, Michelle Renee Lucas, in 2015; and her grandson, Jacob Lucas, in January.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, October 25, 2019 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at the funeral home, with Pastor Darrell Jones officiating. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Victory Baptist Church, 2021 Cicero Road, Noblesville, IN 46062.

### Arrangements

Calling: 5 to 8 p.m., Oct. 25  
Service: 10:30 a.m., Oct. 26  
Location: Randall & Roberts Funeral Home  
Condolences: randallroberts.com

## Pamela Sue “Gabby” Fletcher

September 6, 1953 – October 21, 2019

Pamela Sue “Gabby” Fletcher, 66, Tipton died at 12:15 p.m. on Monday, October 21, 2019 at IU Health Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. She was born in Lebanon on September 6, 1953. Her parents were Roy R. and Clara (Illges) Stout.

Gabby was an associate at the Walmart in Westfield from opening day, retiring in 2007. She was a Sheridan High School graduate in the Class of 1971 and was a member of the East Union Christian Church. Gabby dearly loved her dogs, reading books and especially spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her children, April Schinlaub and husband Michael, Alexandria, Jason Hammack, Westfield, and Chris Hammack and wife Luiza, Westfield. Grandchildren are Mathew, Landon, Zayden and Jase Hammack, Makayla, Bailey and Ellie Schinlaub, and Keaton Hammack, Sophia and Henry Faro-Hammack. Gabby also has two sisters, Kay Henry and husband Donnie, Frankfort, and Wanda Hunter and husband Larry, Shreveport, La.

Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 25, at Young-Nichols Funeral Home, with Rev. Mark Knapp presiding. Visitation will also be on Friday from 4 until the time of service at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hamilton County Humane Society, 1721 Pleasant St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

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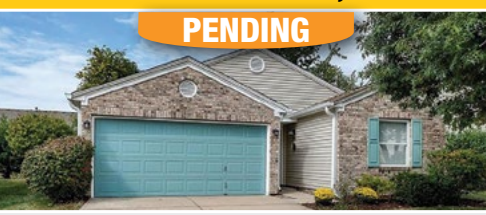
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## Football preview

# Huskies, Golden Eagles play in tough Sectional 28

With the big schools taking the first round of football sectionals as a bye week, the smaller schools will get some time in the spotlight Friday.

A good amount of the light will shine on Class 3A Sectional 28. This one is arguably the toughest sectional in that division, with four teams ranked in the IFCA coaches poll's top 10. The highest-ranked teams play each other: No. 1 Bishop Chatard (8-1) will travel to No. 3 Brebeuf Jesuit (7-2) for what is sure to be a great game.

Hamilton Heights will take on another one of the ranked teams, hosting No. 4 West Lafayette. This game starts at 7:30 p.m. due to travel constraints and the distance between the schools. Meanwhile, Guerin Catholic is ranked No. 10, and it travels to Yorktown for a 7 p.m. game. The winners of these games will play each other in next Friday's semi-finals. The Chatard-Brebeuf winner takes on the winner of North Montgomery at Crawfordsville.

West Lafayette will enter the Huskies' stadium with a 7-2 record. The two teams played each other during Week 3, with the Red Devils winning 56-7. Both teams are in the Hoosier Conference, but play in different divisions, so it was not a conference game.

West Lafayette's only losses were in the first and last weeks of the regular season. In Week 1, it fell to Lafayette Jefferson by the score of 74-66. The Red Devils' fell to Lewis Cass last week in the Hoosier Conference championship game, 49-42; those teams also played each other during Week 7, with West Lafayette winning 58-21.

The Red Devils' other wins have been over McCutcheon 46-16, Lafayette Central Catholic 50-0, Rensselaer Central 44-6, Benton Central 73-7 and Twin Lakes 48-7.

"West Lafayette is very well coached," said Heights coach Jon Kirschner. "They are effective at what they do and their kids have confidence in their abilities to execute at a high level."

All of those Red Devils points trans-

late into big numbers for their senior quarterback Kyle Adams. He has completed 235 out of 318 passes for 3,105 yards and 45 touchdowns, while also scoring six touchdowns on the ground. Adams' top receivers are sophomore Cannon Melchi, who has 79 receptions, including 11 TDs, and senior Harrison Truitt, who has 58 catches, including 14 scores.

Senior Spencer Blankman is West Lafayette's top runner, with 715 yards and 11 touchdowns. On defense, senior Lamont Johnson leads in tackles with 84. Both Johnson and sophomore Mariere Omonode have 13 tackles for a loss, with senior Hojun Yun making 10 tackles for a loss.

Hamilton Heights is 2-7 for the season, dropping its regular-season finale to Twin Lakes 28-21 last Friday. The Huskies have been using two quarterbacks this season: Junior Isaac Wilson has completed 57 of 113 throws for 775 yards, while sophomore Guy Griffey has made 66 of 125 passes for 838 yards. Both have thrown for seven touchdowns; Wilson also has a rushing touchdown.

Senior Camron Knott is the top receiver, with 27 catches, including six scores. Senior DeShawn King has rushed for 367 yards and four touchdowns. King has also been dominant on defense with 142 tackles for the season.

### GUERIN CATHOLIC-YORKTOWN

While Heights will be at home, Guerin Catholic is making a trip to Yorktown to take on a 6-3 Tigers team. This will be the first-ever meeting between the two squads.

Yorktown defeated Anderson 18-0, Muncie Central 33-14, New Castle 32-13, Shelbyville 42-0, Greenfield-Central 42-6 and Pendleton Heights 15-6 this season, with losses to New Palestine 55-19, Delta 38-6 and Mount Vernon 19-8. The Tigers finished Hoosier Heritage Conference play tied for fourth with a 4-3 record.

"Yorktown is a very good team," said Golden Eagles coach Tom Dilley. "They are dynamic on offense with talent at all skilled positions and a physical offensive



Richie Hall/File photo

Guerin Catholic senior Bernie McGuinness has 35 catches, including five touchdowns, for the Golden Eagles this season. Guerin Catholic will travel to Yorktown on Friday in first-round play of Class 3A Sectional 28.

line. Their quarterback is very talented. Defensively, they pursue very well. They are aggressive and have good team speed. They are opportunistic, scoring a couple of defensive touchdowns in the last few weeks. They are also very good defensively in the red zone."

Senior Reid Neal is the Tigers' quarterback. He has made 108 of 190 attempts for 1,377 yards and 15 touchdowns. Two seniors have over 30 catches for Yorktown: Austin Hill totals 34 receptions (four TDs) and Milon McCowan has 32 (three TDs).

Junior Jamarius Evans leads the Tigers running game with 384 yards and three touchdowns, with Neal right behind him at 377 yards and six scores. Senior Gehrig Smalstig is on top of the defense with 65 tackles.

Guerin Catholic finished the regular season 5-4, falling at Roncalli 42-14 in its Week 9 contest. The Golden Eagles have the second-toughest schedule in 3A according to the Sagarin ratings, and the 28th toughest overall. Only Chatard is higher, ranking first in 3A and 20th overall.

"Our regular season schedule has given us some great experience and helped us improve throughout the season," said Dilley. "We are looking forward to playing our best game this Friday."

Senior Christian Gelov has completed 88 of 141 attempts as GC's quarterback, totaling 1,072 yards and 10 touchdowns, also rushing for three scores. Senior Bernie McGuinness leads the receptions with 35, five of them TDs.

Senior Gus Baumgartner is on top of the rushing game with 1,172 yards and 12 touchdowns. Senior Tom Hokanson leads the defense with 84 tackles, followed by junior Jagger Albert with 81.

### SHERIDAN-LUTHERAN

After a big win at Bud Wright Stadium last week, the Blackhawks will have another big game Friday in the first round of Class 1A Sectional 46: Sheridan hosts Indianapolis Lutheran in a 7 p.m. kickoff.

The Saints are the No. 1-ranked team in 1A, and unbeaten at 8-0. After a close

win over Beech Grove, 27-22 in its opener, Lutheran has won its other games fairly easily, beating Cardinal Ritter 35-14, Triton Central 28-14, Cascade 46-28, Secenia 42-21, Monrovia 49-7, Speedway 42-13 and Traders Point Christian 63-27. The Saints did not play a game during Week 4.

"They're a good, solid football team," said Wright. "They got all the ingredients."

That includes a good running back (senior Marcus McFadden, 1,009 yards and 15 touchdowns), a good quarterback (junior Blake White, 90-of-163 passing, 1,121 yards and 14 touchdowns) and good linemen. White also has a rushing touchdown.

In addition, Lutheran has three receivers close to each other in total catches: Junior Luke Snow with 18, including one TD, junior Joseph Faubion with 17, four of them touchdowns and senior Logan Beard with 16, three of them TDs. Junior Hayden Filipovich has 51 tackles to lead the defense.

Sheridan finished the season 6-3, getting an exciting regular-season finale victory over Carroll 64-56 last week.

"We needed that win bad," said Wright. "6-3's a heck of a lot better than 5-4," he said, noting that the win will give the Blackhawks "a little bit of confidence" as this week's sectional game approaches.

"That was the first win we had without Hovey," said Wright. "They just go to realize they can play and get the job done."

Junior Cameron Hovey is Sheridan's star running back, but he has missed the last several weeks due to a broken collarbone. He won't be playing on Friday.

"He's doing good, he's just not ready to come back yet," said Wright.

The 'Hawks could have two players back. Keenan Warren missed last week's game, but he practiced earlier in the week without contact, and Wright hopes he will be back for Friday's game. Peyton Cross also returns after missing last week.

Sophomore Silas DeVaney is the quarterback, and he has made 28 of 67 attempts for 759 yards and five touchdowns. On the ground, DeVaney has 493 rushing yards and 10 TDs, with another sophomore, Evan Bourdon, at 487 yards and six scores. (Hovey had rushed for 1,225 yards and 16 touchdowns before his injury.)

Warren leads the receptions with eight catches, two of them for touchdowns. Senior Chris Starks is on top of the defense with 75 tackles, including 17 for a loss. Bourdon and senior Charlie Cronin both have 11 tackles for a loss.

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Reloaded Pacers drop opener to Detroit

By WHEAT HOTCHKISS  
Courtesy nba.com/pacers  
Bankers Life Fieldhouse was brimming with excitement on Wednesday night, as the reloaded Pacers roster took to the court for the first time in the regular season.  
For stretches on Wednesday, the Pacers looked like a team capable of making a deep playoff run. But for other stretches, they looked like a team with nine new players and four new starters still learning how to play together.  
In the end, Indiana (0-1) fell to the De-

troit Pistons (1-0) on Opening Night presented by Kroger, 119-110.  
Domantas Sabonis, Myles Turner, and Malcolm Brogdon all topped 20 points for the Pacers, but it wasn't enough to beat their Central Division rivals.  
Detroit — playing without All-Star forward Blake Griffin — got monster performances from starters like Andre Drummond (32 points, 23 rebounds, four blocks, and three steals) and reserves like Luke Kennard (30 points on 6-of-9 shooting from 3-point range).

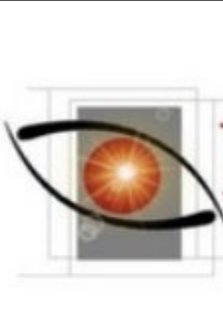
The Pacers might have had a little too much adrenaline at the start of Wednesday's contest based on their sluggish start. The Blue & Gold went scoreless on their first eight possessions with five missed shots and three turnovers before Nate McMillan took an early timeout trailing 6-0 with 8:04 left in the first quarter.  
That seemed to right the ship, as Sabonis used his spin move to score the first Pacers points of the season with 7:56 left in the opening frame.  
Indiana got a nice boost off the bench from third-year guard Edmond Sumner, who tallied six points on 3-of-3 shooting and three steals — two on consecutive possessions shortly after checking in — but Detroit still led the entire opening frame and took a 27-24 advantage into the second quarter.  
The Pistons remained in front for most of the second quarter until Turner's put-back dunk off a T.J. McConnell miss gave Indiana its first lead of the night with 42.9 seconds remaining in the first half. Tony Snell's baseline jumper briefly put the Pistons back in front, but two free throws by Brogdon with 3.7 seconds left in the second quarter gave the Blue & Gold a 55-54 lead at the intermission.  
The Pacers' defense allowed them to open up a larger lead in the third quarter. Indiana held Detroit without a point for a

4:49 stretch, reeling off 13 unanswered points over that stretch to turn a four-point deficit into a nine-point advantage.  
The Blue & Gold led by as many as nine points in the frame, but a late 3-pointer by Kennard trimmed Detroit's deficit to 86-83 entering the fourth quarter.  
The Pistons retook the lead on Kennard's step-back jumper with 7:41 remaining in the contest. Indiana moved back in front after back-to-back three-point plays by Sabonis and Jeremy Lamb, but Kennard took over again.  
Drummond's tip-in trimmed Indiana's lead to 101-99 and then Kennard drained threes on the next two Pistons possessions to put the visitors back in front.  
The Pacers trailed 105-103 when T.J. Warren drove down the lane and rose up for a potential tying layup with 3:46 to play. Warren collided with Thon Maker and took a hard fall. He remained down for a significant stretch before being helped off the floor by the training staff.  
To add insult to injury, Warren was whistled for a charge. That seemingly deflated the Pacers, as Detroit reeled off the next eight points. Snell hit a 3-pointer, Drummond added a seven-footer, and then Kennard hit the dagger — his third three of the quarter — to extend Detroit's lead to 10 with 1:24 remaining.



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