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TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Rainy. Wind gusting to around 30 mph in the afternoon.
Tonight: Periods of rain, diminishing after midnight. Gustly wind.
HIGH: 55 LOW: 38



Carmel OKs increase in park fee on new homes, shelves 4th of July parade change

By JENNY DREASLER
WISH-TV | wistv.com

The City Council on Monday night voted on a pair of controversial proposals. One passed and one did not.

The council voted unanimously to pass a park impact fee. It would impact people looking to build a new house in Carmel. Right now, the fee is \$2,972, but the fee will increase to \$4,882.

Supporters of the increase say as the population of Carmel grows, the new people moving to Carmel should contribute financially to the growth of the city and its parks. But, opponents of the ordinance said, the increase is just too much.



Worrell



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The increase of the one-time park impact fee will apply only to new home builds, not home additions or remodeling.

Council President Jeff Worrell, who sponsored the proposed ordinance, pulled it from the agenda after he said the land use committee put forth a negative recommendation. The proposal would've limited when people can stake out their spots ahead of the CarmelFest Parade.

Under the proposal, people could have reserved their spots for the parade at 6 a.m. the day before the event, rather than weeks

in advance as they do now. The proposal was brought up after some complained chairs and spot markers not only made for unsightly clutter but also caused damage to grass and irrigation systems around the city.

Worrell said, "Maybe I was just too close to it? But my colleagues did not feel a sense of that this is something government should get involved with. I get that! I mean, I don't want government where it

shouldn't be. But, my theory was that when something gets out of control or gets out of hand, we step in and set some guidelines, set some rules, and I think people generally appreciate that."

As for what's next, Worrell said he plans to do some more work on the ordinance, get more public feedback and perhaps make some tweaks before potentially bringing it back before the council.

Noblesville Schools Special Ed. Director disciplined for personal social media post

The REPORTER

Mark Booth, the Special Education Director for Noblesville Schools, is facing discipline after a post he shared to his personal Facebook page.

The post was a photo of Donald Trump with a caption that referred to Trump as "special needs."

After learning of Booth's post, Superintendent Beth Niedermeyer issued the following statement:

"Parents of Students in Special Education – I want to personally connect with you regarding a situation I'd like to address. Several parents reached out to me to make me aware of a post by special education director Mark Booth that was circulating online. Mr. Booth had shared a "meme" that insulted President Trump, referencing special needs in a disappointing attempt at humor. The post was unacceptable and clearly exhibited a serious lack of judgment. Like others, I'm disappointed

ed and concerned. I want to reassure you that Noblesville Schools is wholeheartedly committed to creating and maintaining a culture of respect and inclusion for all students and staff, and I'm proud of the long history we have of building strong relationships and inclusive opportunities for our students with special needs. Please be assured that I do not tolerate this behavior and have addressed it with a formal disciplinary action. I will also be closely monitoring the situation going forward. I've spoken with Mr. Booth and he understands his lack of judgment with this incident and the concern parents and staff may now have regarding his leadership. He will be reaching out to you himself on this subject. Don't hesitate to contact me personally should you have any future concerns."

The district has not indicated the terms of Booth's disciplinary action.



Reporter file photo

Leah McGrath resigns as Fishers Deputy Mayor

By LARRY LANNAN
LarryInFishers.com

Leah McGrath became a deputy mayor for the City of Fishers in July 2015, but will be leaving her city position in January 2020. She has been announced as the Vice President of Public Affairs for Knowledge Services, a firm describing itself as a technology and professional services organization with customers in the public and private sectors.

Knowledge Services plans to relocate its headquarters to Fishers by the end of 2021. It is currently located in the Castleton area.

In a social media posting, Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness describes McGrath as "an extraordinarily talented person who brought a real passion for engaging our residents. Her collective work helped organize and amplify many diverse voices in our city. Residents in the disability



McGrath

community, arts and culture advocates, and Spark Fishers volunteers to name a few. Beside her work on engagement, Leah worked hard behind the scenes to modernize a number of our internal processes for the betterment of our organization and our residents."

The job McGrath will be filling is a newly-formed position within the company.

"Knowledge Services is an impressive technology company headquartered in Indiana, who is leading the way in cyber security and transformative solutions for government services around the country," said McGrath. "They are an organization driven by a genuine passion to serve those who serve others. It is a mission that drives continuous innovation and better outcomes for the employees and citizens served, and it is a passion I share. I am excited to be joining the team at Knowledge Services."

HSE community speaks out on proposal to change school start times

By LARRY LANNAN
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Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) Schools Superintendent Allen Bourff promised a meeting to discuss the proposal to "flip" school start times, so elementary students would report for school earlier, and secondary students would start the school day later. As it now stands in HSE Schools, secondary students report earlier than those at the elementary level.

Dr. Bourff held that meeting Tuesday night, asking the public to comment on this proposal, emphasizing that no decision on this idea has been made. If a change

is made, the school board would need to make a decision no later than February 2020 in order to implement any changes for the 2020-21 school year.

More than 80 people nearly filled the HSE High School College & Career Academy cafeteria to listen to Dr. Bourff's presentation on the pluses and minuses of flipping school start times. It was then the public's turn to comment, and 24 people spoke with a two-minute time limit for each speaker.

A clear majority of those choosing to speak were against flipping the schedules and a number of reasons were cited.

Some parents want school officials to study and take into consideration the economic impact this change would have on families where both parents work and the younger children in elementary school would need extra time in day care, increasing the expense.

Some high school students would be getting up to prepare for their high school day after parents have left for work, and some are concerned their high schoolers may not get to school on time without at least one parent home to awaken them.

Other parents are concerned about the new schedule impacting family meal times, as well as impacting extracurricular activities before and after school.

One impact of the new schedule raises issues with high school students with part-time, after school jobs. They would be reporting to work later under this schedule, taking away money earning opportunities.

Dr. Bourff cited a focus group survey of 80 high school students showing a high percentage in favor of starting the school day later. Many parents expressed the view that the sample size was too small to be

representative of the student bodies of both high schools.

There were speakers supporting the proposal to flip elementary and secondary start times, citing the positive mental health impact on students when they have more time in the morning hours for sleep. One speaker cited data showing that the later start time for high school students may reduce traffic accidents.

The main takeaway from this community meeting centered on the thoughtful comments expressed by all speakers and the respect shown for the wide range of views.

Dr. Bourff told the crowd that the HSE Schools website will have all the slides presented at the community session, and will accept comments from the public as well as answer questions. Go to "Happenings," or just use [this link](#).



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Danny Boy Beer Works brings east coast influence to Carmel’s Village of West Clay

The REPORTER

Danny Boy Distilling and Beer Works introduces a change of flavors at its popular location in the Village of West Clay. Purelli Kitchens, a new restaurant that features classic East Coast Fusion with a menu that includes Prince Edward Island Mussels, Spicy “Solera” Shrimp, classic fresh-made hoagies – including “extreme sizes” – and a variety of pastas is now open.

Created as a new start-up kitchen by owner Patrick and Erica Siegel, Purelli’s is serving customers in Carmel and Notre Dame with its motto: “Larger than Life, Larger than Us.”

Siegel moved to Carmel about a year ago with no plans to open a restaurant. But after meeting Danny Boy owner Kevin Paul and new friends like bartender Anthony Zuniga at the Brockway Pub (also owned by Paul), he began to discover a new purpose in life, causing him to rethink his priorities that had not yielded true happiness or joy.

“The staff at Brockway, Anthony in particular, encouraged me to think less about my own desires and more of others. Especially Anthony’s focus on serving, one of the reasons he wants to be a firefighter,” said Siegel, who was raised on the East Coast in a large Italian family, where everyone gathered for huge family dinners. “I want to give others a ‘wow moment’ at our restaurant. Give them memories and enjoyment, and if we can, give money to those in need.”

With that in mind, Purelli’s has already made Mondays special at Danny Boy. “Community Mondays” are designed to invite people to come together to help those in need. Customers will be invited to write the names of someone in need on a card at the table ... each week, one of those names will be chosen and on the following Monday, 50 percent of all hoagie sales will go directly to that person in the form of a check.

“We want to change lives, one hoagie at a time,” said Siegel.

With the help of his wife and kids, Siegel is running the kitchen at Danny Boy and the Brewery & Distillery’s location in South Bend.

“Parick’s flavors are the perfect complement to our awesome craft beers and our new line of spirits we are producing in Carmel,” said Kevin Paul, owner. “We wanted to bring to Carmel some unique tastes that they cannot get anywhere else.”

The diverse menu features appetizers such as “green bean fries” and a pound of giant wings, entrees like buttermilk fried chicken, linguine pesto, craft sandwiches like Shrimp Po Boy and Crush Burgers, a “#1 Pittsburgh steak salad” and desserts such as chocolate ganache cupcakes and an Italian crème cake. Frequent creative specials such as grilled salmon over Farro “fried rice” keep the menu fresh.


Check out more information on the menu by visiting PurelliKitchens.com. Check them out on DoorDash and Uber Eats as well.

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

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Carmel police ticket black drivers at higher rate, data show

By **STEPHANIE ZEPELIN**
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Court data obtained by I-Team 8 revealed the color of your skin may increase the probability that several Central Indiana police departments will give you a traffic ticket.

I-Team 8 obtained data on all the traffic tickets issued last year where the officer noted the driver's race. We got the data from the state court system. We shared the data from the 11 different departments with a statistician to make sure all data points were statistically significant. I-Team 8 analyzed the data and found the largest disparities between tickets issued to black people and to white people was in Carmel.

Tamise Cross got a ticket from Carmel police last January. She was driving on a suspended license, but that is not why she said she was pulled over.

"I just pretty much was flowing with the traffic and then he just came up behind me, pulled me over, asked me if I realized I was speeding, and I told him I didn't realize it," said Cross. "I didn't get a speeding ticket, so it ended up not being anything having to do with speeding."

Cross said she felt uncomfortable and like she was being targeted.

"You just never really as an African American, you don't want to feel like you're going to get pulled over," Cross said. "You don't know if you'll be the next story or anything like that."

Micah Hillsman found himself in a similar position. Last December, Carmel police ticketed him for driving on a suspended license.

"It could have been be-

cause I was African American," Hillsman said when we asked why he was pulled over. "When I went to go to court, there were nothing but blacks there, like 97 percent blacks. Like I told you before, it was nothing but blacks."

Hillsman is scared to go to Carmel because of the experiences he and his friends have had there.

Most people who live in the Indianapolis bedroom community of Carmel are white – 84 percent of the population. Black people make up only 2.5 percent of Carmel's population, but account for more than 33 percent of the traffic tickets.

We took these numbers to Carmel Chief of Police Jim Barlow.

"I think our officers are trained to look at violations, not individuals, and I truly believe that's what occurs," said Barlow.

Alleged racial bias by Carmel police is not new. In 1996, a black Indiana State Police sergeant was pulled over while driving to his house in Carmel. Sgt. Smith sued the city of Carmel, along with the American Civil Liberties Union and other advocacy organizations.

In 2016, the city of Carmel settled with a black man who also alleged racial profiling when he was stopped by Carmel police.

Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard acknowledged that history but believes the negative perception of police in Carmel is outdated.

"I think we went a long way, 24 years ago, to changing that perception that Carmel has," said Brainard.

The first of those incidents happened just before he was elected mayor for the first time. He said the city of Carmel sided with the offi-



Photo provided

Carmel Police Chief Jim Barlow responded to WISH-TV's report by stating, "In 20,000-30,000 traffic stops last year, the department only received one official complaint about being stopped because of race. I think our officers are trained to look at violations, not individuals, and I truly believe that's what occurs."

cer but reached a settlement and did several things the ACLU and NAACP asked them to do.

"I think it's people who aren't familiar with Carmel and what's happening in Carmel today. You know, they have a perception from 20, 30 years ago that has stayed and we fight that," Brainard said. "I think we've been fighting it for a long period of time, but I think that perception is ending."

That perception certainly remains among black people we contacted. I-Team 8, using its dataset, reached out to black people ticketed by Carmel police.

Here are some of the responses we heard:

"It's known to 'be careful' in Carmel if you're black."

"I feel like I'm being targeted because of my ethnicity."

"They are known to ra-

cial profile."

"I get profiled every time I'm there."

Brainard refuted our data. He took issue with our use of the "night-time" census population and demographics. If you look up census data, you are most likely looking at night-time figures – which refers to the people who live in that city. The "day-time" population factors in people who come to the city during the day, likely for work.

We worked with staff at the Census Bureau who helped us calculate Carmel's day-time black population. The black population in Carmel doubles during the day – from 3 percent to about 6 percent – still nowhere near their 34 percent share of Carmel's traffic tickets. We requested another interview with the mayor to discuss the new statistics, but he refused.

Brainard also had other

explanations for the racial disparities in Carmel's traffic citations. Brainard said officers cannot tell the race of a driver, especially at night. While that might be true, officers probably know the race of the driver by the time they decide to write the ticket.

He also used Carmel's Indian population as a litmus test for racial bias in policing.

"A large portion of our Asian population are Indians, which, through a car window would appear to be ... a dark skin color," explained Brainard. "We talk with those folks all the time and they – I've never gotten a complaint they're pulled over at any greater rate than anyone else."

Carmel's traffic citation statistics are unique in central Indiana, and according to an expert, more disparate than many cities around the country. In Indianapolis, black people make up almost 30 percent of the population and receive about 40 percent of tickets. In Fishers, they're about 5 percent of the population and make up more than 20 percent of tickets.

I-Team 8 shared its data with an expert on racial discrimination. Charles Epp, a professor at the University of Kansas, wrote a book about race and policing.

"Some of those disparities were really quite dramatic," said Epp. "In Carmel, Indiana, blacks are being ticketed at 18 times their rate in the local population, and that's really a dramatic disparity. That's greater than what we typically see."

Epp said Carmel's day-time population figures do not account for the ticketing differences. He also says the high number of tickets for secondary offenses (things

you likely would not notice while the car was moving) could be an indicator of "investigatory stops" or "pre-textual stops."

"In an investigatory stop, the officer decides to check out a driver or vehicle to see whether the driver is carrying contraband or simply to see what the driver is up to. The officer then identifies a legal justification for making the stop," Epp said.

"Virtually every driver does something that violates either the vehicle or moving code within a relatively short period of time. This may be failure to signal a turn or lane change (very common), failure to stay within a lane, driving any amount over the speed limit. In a pinch, the officer can often use a malfunctioning license plate light (very common)," Epp said by email.

Once the driver is pulled over, the officer would look around the car and ask questions, or even ask to search the vehicle. In these stops, the officer would ticket the driver for something unrelated to the violation for which they were pulled over – oftentimes it's something like driving while suspended. That infraction made up a large proportion of the tickets Carmel police issued to black people.

"The one thing I would say is that good policing practice works very hard to not generate racial disparities like we see here, and many departments are succeeding at that very well," said Epp. "What we're seeing here is not inevitable, and it could be addressed."

Carmel's police chief said in 20,000 to 30,000 traffic stops last year, the department only received one official complaint about being stopped because of race.

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Canadian band Walk Off The Earth coming to Carmel next spring

The REPORTER

Canadian indie-pop band Walk Off The Earth will perform on April 17, 2020 at the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts.

The group is known for unconventional arrangements, catchy original tunes and innovative covers that have become a YouTube sensation. Their brilliant five-people-playing-one-guitar interpretation of Gotye's "Somebody That I Used to Know" has attracted more than 187 million

views, and their video of Lorde's "Royals" was featured in the 2014 Grammy Awards telecast.

More recently, the multi-platinum selling band has scored hits with "Red Hands," "Fire in My Soul" and "Rule the World" and has collaborated with artists including Keith Urban, Snoop Dogg and Steve Aoki. The current world tour supporting their new album *Here We Go!* is promised to be "an intimate and interactive experience."

The performance is set for 8 p.m. Friday, April 17, at the Palladium, 1 Center Green, Carmel. Tickets starting at \$30 will be available beginning 10 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 22 at TheCenterPresents.org and through the Box Office at (317) 843-3800 or toll-free at (877) 909-ARTS (2787).

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John 15:17-23 (KJV)

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Reader questions “progress” of Treasurer’s Office investigation

Dear Editor:

After 11 months, the investigation into allegations against the Treasurer’s Office moved another inch today.

An Indiana State Police investigator requested from the county auditor a copy of the county ordinance pertaining to NSF (non-sufficient funds) property tax payments. It is unknown to me if the investigator received the county ordinance in effect at the time under question or the current one. They are not the same.

At question is whether or not a county employee should have had their penalty released for an NSF tax payment. At the time of the payment, which was ultimately late due to NSF, both the Indiana State Board of Accounts and county ordinances allowed penalty releases for NSF payments. That is not the case now as NSF payments are penalized if not made good by the deadline.

Again, this is another nothing-burger presented by disgruntled clerks, who are either ignorant of the

previous ordinance or purposefully misleading investigators and the public. The former seems unlikely since those clerks were or are all long-term employees.

I’m sure the papers wouldn’t leave out of any article pertaining to this matter the existence of contradictory relevant ordinances and guidelines at the time of the alleged malfeasance.

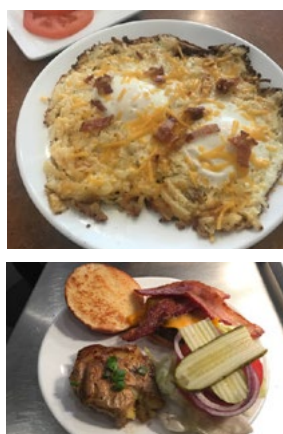
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Bryan Goode
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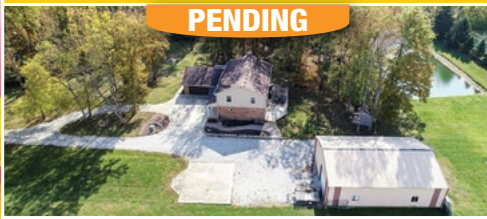


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Carmel football takes on near-perfect Pirates...

'Hounds host Merrillville for semi-state

By RICHIE HALL

The last football team standing between Carmel and the state finals is a group of nearly-perfect Pirates.

Merrillville will travel to Carmel Stadium on Friday for the Class 6A north semi-state game, which kicks off at 7:30 p.m. This will mark the seventh straight year that the Greyhounds will play in the semi-state championship contest, while the Pirates are making their first appearance at this level since 2012.

The two teams have not played each other very often, only twice in the past 25 years. The last meeting between Carmel and Merrillville was in the 2009 semi-state, where the Greyhounds traveled up to Northwest Indiana and came home with a 42-0 victory. In 2007, Carmel hosted the Pirates again in the semi-state, winning 35-13.

Merrillville is a team that has made a quick turnaround over the past couple years. In 2017, the Pirates finished 1-9, but improved the next year to 7-4, and nearly won a sectional title before falling to Crown Point 17-13 in the championship game.

This year's Merrillville team is 11-1. The Pirates began their season with six straight wins, first over non-conference opponents Andean 48-20 and Hobart 21-0. Merrillville entered Duneland Conference play in Week 3, and won its first four games, defeating Crown Point 27-24 in overtime, Portage 46-7, Michigan City 46-7 and La Porte 21-0.

The Pirates played at Valparaiso in Week 7, and the Vikings handed Merrillville its only loss of the season, 29-28 – but for one point, the Pirates would be perfect. Merrillville won its final two Duneland games over Lake Central 41-21 and Chesterton 27-20, placing second in the conference to unbeaten Valpo. (The Vikings are 12-0 and play Bishop Dwenger in the 5A north semi-state game on Friday.)

Moving into the post-season, the Pirates won Sectional 1, first by stunning No. 2-ranked Lafayette Jefferson 27-20 in the semi-finals, then edging out Crown Point 10-9 in the championship. Merrillville beat Warsaw 42-28 for the regional title.



Carmel's Ty Wise (37) and Dominic Padjen (54) have been two of the Greyhounds' defensive leaders this season. Carmel hosts Merrillville on Friday for the Class 6A north semi-state championship.

“Merrillville is a very solid football team across the board,” said Carmel coach John Hebert. “Coach Brad Seiss has done a great job building his program and preparing his team on a weekly basis. What I see on film is a strong, fast, and aggressive team that knows how to win games. Had it not been for a late penalty as Merrillville was scoring to take the lead against Valparaiso in week 7, the Pirates would be 12-0 right now. It looks like we are in for a heck of a game Friday night!”

In Merrillville’s regional win over Warsaw, senior Peter Rodriguez scored four touchdowns, carrying the ball 18 times for 165 yards. Other top ball rushers include seniors Damian Dixon and Darius Schultz, both of whom scored for

the Pirates in the regional. Schultz also scored a touchdown for Merrillville in the sectional championship, and junior Austin Pupek’s field goal turned out to be the difference.

Carmel will come into the semi-state with a 9-3 record. The Greyhounds have won their last five games, including a 31-7 win at Homestead for their seventh consecutive regional championship.

Quarterback Christian Williams has thrown for 827 yards and seven touchdowns this season, with Colton Parker his top receiver, Parker has made 23 catches, including five scores. Dylan Downing is Carmel’s top runner, gaining 948 yards and scoring 11 touchdowns.

Hebert also had plenty of praise for

his defense, which has only allowed 9.3 points per game during the tournament.

“We are very proud of our defense and the way they have really come together as a unit,” said Hebert. “We have tremendous leaders at every position group; namely Garrett Sharp, Sam Saliba, Jake Paris, Ty Wise, Cole Brevard, Dominic Padjen, and Kyle Lozen.”

The Greyhounds moved tight end Haakon Van Beynen to the defensive line, and Hebert the team has benefitted from the move, saying that Van Beynen is “really hitting his stride.”

“Aidan Palmer, Tamarris Springfield, Andrew Turvy, and Owen Schafer are four others that are playing outstanding football right now,” said Hebert.

Heights announces Hoosier Conference honors



Before winning a sectional title, the Hamilton Heights girls soccer team finished third in the Hoosier Conference. Those points helped the Huskies to a tie for first place in the conference's All Sports girls standings.

Hamilton Heights conducted its Fall Sports banquet on Wednesday, during which time the Huskies announced the various Hoosier Conference honors that were given to Heights student-athletes.

Here is a recap of conference results, in addition to a list of individual honors and current conference All Sports standings.

- BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Team standings: 1. West Lafayette 15, 2. Western 74, 3. Hamilton Heights, 4. Rensselaer Central 117, 5. Benton Central 158, 6. Northwestern 177, 7. Lewis Cass 189, 8. Twin Lakes 190, 9. Tipton 191, 10. Lafayette Central Catholic 229.
- Heights Honorable Mention: 17. Clay Forrer 18:03, 20. Preston Miller 18:09.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Team standings: 1. West Lafayette 27, 2. Benton Central 64, 3. Rensselaer Central 78, 4. Hamilton Heights 119, 5. Western 141, 6. Twin Lakes 165, 7. Lewis Cass 174, 8. Central Catholic 201, 9. Northwestern 216, 10. Tipton 264.

Heights Medalist: 1. Maria Mitchell 18:57.

FOOTBALL

Standings: 1. Lewis Cass, 2. West Lafayette, 3. Central Catholic, 4. Western, 5. Rensselaer Central, 6. Tipton, 7. Twin Lakes, 8. Hamilton Heights, 9. Benton Central, 10. Northwestern.

Heights Medalists (4): DeShawn King, Camron Knott, Ethan Knoll, Blake Webel.

Heights Honorable Mention (2): Isaac Tuma, Cole Webel.

GIRLS GOLF

Team standings: 1. Tipton 356, 2. Western 362, 3. Northwestern 375, 4. Hamilton Heights 391, 5. West Lafayette 393, 6. Twin Lakes 408, 7. Lewis Cass 431, 8. Benton Central 434, 9. Rensselaer Central 477.

Heights Medalist: Sydni Zebraskas 91.

Heights Honorable Mention: Ellie Arrowood 98.

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BOYS SOCCER
Team standings: 1. Western, 2. Central Catholic, 3. West Lafayette, 4. Twin Lakes, 5. Rensselaer Central, 6. Northwestern, 7. Hamilton Heights, 8. Tipton, 9. Benton Central.
Heights Medalists (3): Luke Vanderwall, Ethan Aspy, Lance Jones.
Heights Honorable Mention (1): Tyler Grabarz.

GIRLS SOCCER
Team standings: 1. Central Catholic, 2. Western, 3. Hamilton Heights, 4. West Lafayette, 5. Tipton, 6. Benton Central, 7. Northwestern, 8. Rensselaer Central, 9. Twin Lakes.
Heights Medalists (4): Emily Stirn, Shanna Moffatt, Jayla Logan, Tessa Harr.
Heights Honorable Mention (2): Maria Mitchell, Keri Townsend.

BOYS TENNIS
Team standings: 1. West Lafayette 50, 2. Twin Lakes 24, 3. Western 20, 4. Central Catholic 10, 5. Northwestern 9, 6. Benton Central 7, 7. Hamilton Heights 6, T8. Lewis Cass 4; Tipton 4, 10. Rensselaer

Central 1.

VOLLEYBALL
Team standings: 1. Northwestern, 2. Central Catholic, 3. Benton Central, 4. Hamilton Heights, 5. West Lafayette, 6. Western, 7. Tipton, 8. Lewis Cass, 9. Rensselaer Central, 10. Twin Lakes.
Heights Medalists (3): Carlie Ward, Kelsey Smith, Lexi Hayden.
Heights Honorable Mention (2): Jordan Fryman, Jillian Osswald.

ALL SPORTS BOYS STANDINGS
1. West Lafayette 37, 2. Western 34, 3. Central Catholic 25, 4. Twin Lakes 23, 5. Rensselaer Central 20, 6. Hamilton Heights 19, T7. Lewis Cass 17; Northwestern 17, 9. Benton Central 15, 10. Tipton 13.

ALL SPORTS GIRLS STANDINGS
T1. Hamilton Heights 29; West Lafayette 29; Western 29, 4. Benton Central 25, 5. Northwestern 24, 6. Central Catholic 22, 7. Tipton 19, 8. Rensselaer Central 17, 9. Twin Lakes 13, 10. Lewis Cass 11.



Kent Graham/File photo
Hamilton Heights' Maria Mitchell finished first in the Hoosier Conference girls cross country meet.

Fishers' Abby Jahns signs with Purdue University

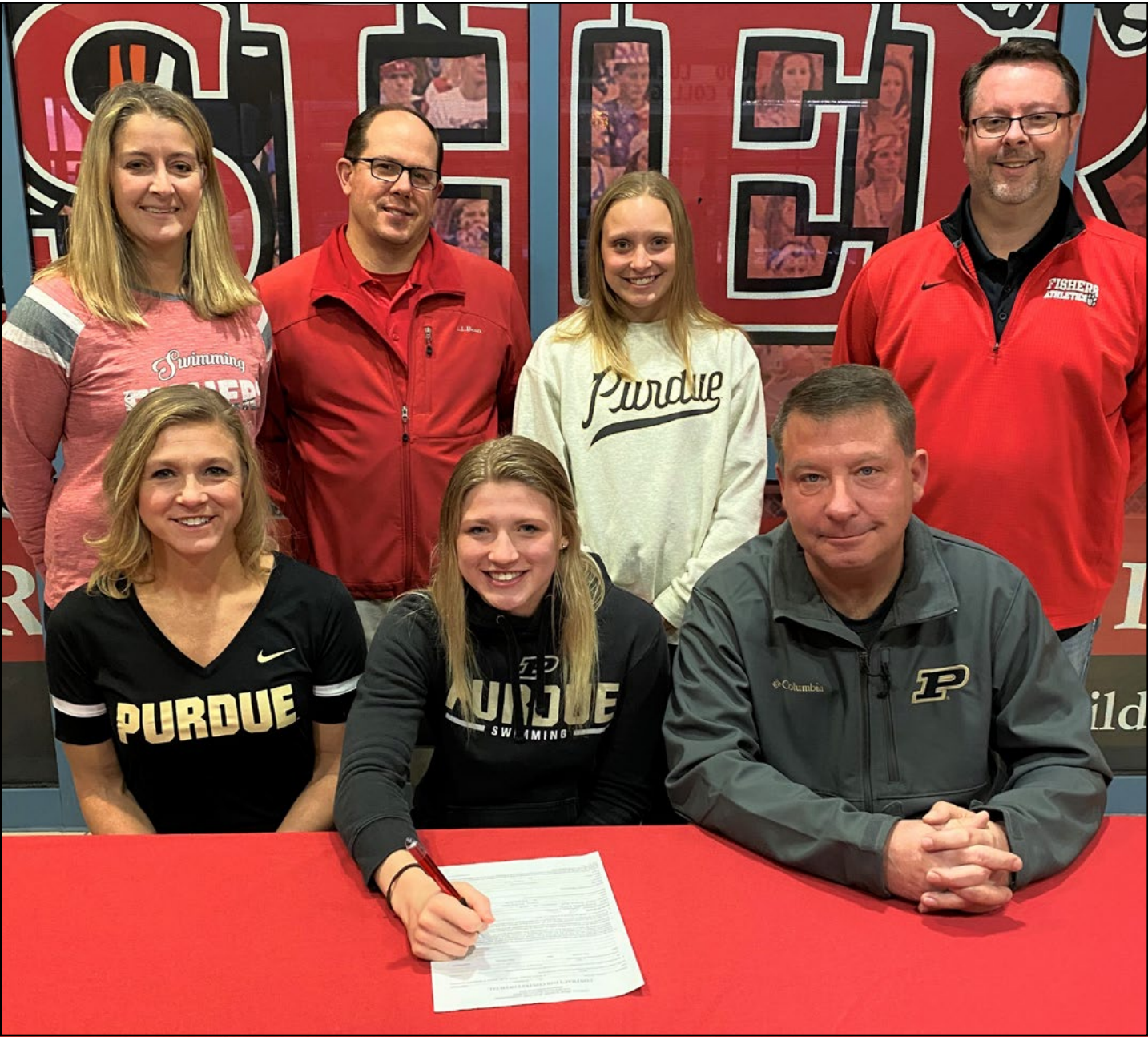


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Fishers' Abby Jahns signed a letter of intent to continue her swimming career at Purdue University.

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Milwaukee 135, Atlanta 127		Utah 103, Minnesota 95
Brooklyn 101, Charlotte 91		Denver 105, Houston 95
Miami 124, Cleveland 100		L.A. Clippers 107, Boston 104, OT

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	11	3	.786	-
Toronto	10	4	.714	1.0
Philadelphia	9	5	.643	2.0
Brooklyn	6	8	.429	5.0
New York	4	11	.267	7.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	11	3	.786	-
Indiana	8	6	.571	3.0
Chicago	5	10	.333	6.5
Cleveland	4	10	.286	7.0
Detroit	4	10	.286	7.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	10	3	.769	-
Orlando	6	8	.429	4.5
Charlotte	6	9	.400	5.0
Washington	4	8	.333	5.5
Atlanta	4	10	.286	6.5

Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Denver	10	3	.769	-
Utah	9	5	.643	1.5
Minnesota	8	7	.533	3.0
Oklahoma City	5	9	.357	5.5
Portland	5	10	.333	6.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Lakers	12	2	.857	-
L.A. Clippers	10	5	.667	2.5
Phoenix	7	6	.538	4.5
Sacramento	6	7	.462	5.5
Golden State	3	13	.188	10.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	11	4	.733	-
Dallas	9	5	.643	1.5
Memphis	5	9	.357	5.5
San Antonio	5	9	.357	5.5
New Orleans	5	10	.333	6.0

Fishers' Abby Jahns signs with Purdue University

IMS salutes Johnson upon retirement announcement



Photo courtesy Fishers High School

Fishers' Brooke Benson signed a letter of intent to play softball at Indiana University.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway President J. Douglas Boles released the following statement Wednesday about Jimmie Johnson, a four-time Big Machine Vodka 400 at the Brickyard winner and seven-time NASCAR Cup Series champion, who announced Wednesday, Nov. 20 that 2020 will be his final season as a full-time driver in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series:

"Jimmie Johnson has set a standard for excellence on track that few will ever match in NASCAR history. His legend is secure with a record-tying seven Cup Series titles and four victories in the Big Machine Vodka 400 at the Brickyard among his 83 career Cup wins. But there's far more to Jimmie than those impressive statistics. He is one of the classiest, most genuine people to cross the Yard of Bricks in a race car and is a terrific ambassador for the great sport of auto racing that we all love. I'm sure I will be joined by many in wishing Jimmie the best of luck as he tries to win an eighth title and drive to a fifth Brickyard victory to end a storybook career."

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