

Carmel, Noblesville first fire departments in Indiana to require dementia training

The REPORTER

First responders around the state, including firefighters, emergency medical technicians and police officers, are learning how to identify someone who may have dementia. They're learning how body language, maintaining eye contact and even the tone of their voice can help calm someone with dementia, especially in an emergency.

The first-of-its-kind training in the state is thanks to a partnership between the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS), Dementia Friends Indiana and CICOA Aging & In-Home Solutions.

"As more and more seniors are living with dementia and more are aging in place, we find we're interacting more frequently with people who have dementia," said Dr. Michael Kaufmann, State EMS Medical Director for Indiana.

People with dementia can become easily agitated or even combative, especially during a crisis. They can appear confused and not be able to answer questions. However, understanding dementia signs, such as it may take someone with dementia 20 seconds to be able to process a question, helps first responders better communicate and care for those with dementia.

"With awareness they (first responders) may be able to recognize the symptoms and take a different tactic," Kaufmann said.

The Carmel Fire Department – where Kaufmann is also the local EMS medical director – was the first in the state to make Dementia Friends training mandatory. No-



The Noblesville Fire Department completed Dementia Friends training on Nov. 1. Noblesville recently also mandated its department take the online course and also has become partners with Dementia Friends Indiana.

Kaufmann tweaked the local programs and, working with Dementia Friends Indiana, developed online training that's now available to first responders statewide.

Kaufmann would like fire and police departments to take the training one step further and begin talking about dementia at safety fairs and other community events. When communities better understand de-

mentia, it creates a higher quality of life for those living with the disease.

"The goal is to be able to reach people in their community, so we can help people age in place in their communities, so they can lead happier, healthier, more productive lives," Kaufmann said.

Noblesville Fire Department has been working the last couple of years with the Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County to improve care among the elderly population. When the Shepherd's Center suggested the Dementia Friends Indiana training, Fire Chief Greg Wyant jumped at the chance to bring the program to his department of about 135 firefighters and EMTs. They completed the training Nov. 1.

One of the most challenging things for a first responder is to identify what's going on, Wyant said.

"There are so many things that can affect a person's cognitive ability. For example, have they taken the wrong medication? But if the person says they have dementia, then it helps us help them," he said.

Kaufmann and Wyant both praise the work CICOA is doing to collaborate with first responders and community organizations to increase the understanding of dementia through the Dementia Friends Indiana program.

CICOA Aging & In-Home Solutions launched Dementia Friends Indiana – part of Dementia Friends America – in 2017 with a pilot program in Hamilton County. Because of the success, CICOA expanded efforts to educate communities statewide.

There's no one better than first responders to help promote the Dementia Friends movement, said Dustin Ziegler, who heads up the initiative for CICOA.

"When they understand the signs and symptoms of people with dementia, they are able to minimize safety risks that otherwise are more likely to occur if they don't have this training," Ziegler said. "Plus, it makes first responders' jobs a little bit easier by reducing some of the challenges they

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See the Werners showcase their woodworking magic



Photo provided

Since 2017, Christian Werner and his son, Andreas Werner, have been demonstrating their woodworking skills at the Carmel Christkindlmarkt. This year, the Werners can be found in the Kinderecke (Hut No. 46) doing demonstrations Friday, Saturday and Sunday before they return to their home in Seiffen, Germany. [Click here](#) to view a map of this year's Christkindlmarkt.

Give to Janus, support programs to enrich lives of special needs students

Submitted

Giving Tuesday is a big day for Janus Developmental Services, Inc. Donations made on Tuesday, Dec. 3 will play an important role in creating more stories like this one:

For the last four years, Janus has provided a Summer Program specifically for students with disabilities preparing to transition out of local high schools. This past summer, Janus had 15 students come three days a week to experience a condensed version of the Doorways program.

Each week the students did new and exciting activities from art to cooking, and each Friday they were able to go out in the community on various outings. The groups experienced bowling, nature hikes, yoga in the park, a tour of IMMI and many other exciting experiences. Janus finished out the summer with students by having them experience a Janus Summerfest, a long-awaited day which celebrates summertime with dancing, water games and many other festivities.

The Summer Program gives students the opportunity to see what life after school can look like. Students make connections with staff and peers and get comfortable with moving on from high school. Janus' Summer Program strives to give students independence and confidence as they move to the next chapter in their lives.

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Expect increased traffic patrol, law enforcement through Thanksgiving

The REPORTER

Millions of Americans will travel our nation's highways this Thanksgiving holiday to visit family and friends. With more vehicles on the road, the chances of being involved in a crash increase greatly.

The Hamilton County Traffic Safety Partnership, a consortium of local law enforcement agencies, is joining law enforcement agencies across the state to spot violations to Indiana's seat belt and impaired driving laws. Through Dec. 1, expect to see an increase in random patrols, saturation patrols and checkpoints as officers work diligently to help motorists arrive safely at their destinations. This overtime enforcement is supported with National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) funds administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI).

Public safety officials announce traffic enforcement and sobriety checkpoint to give drivers and their passengers fair warning and to make roads as safe as possible. Officers live in the communities they serve and will be thankful this holiday if impaired-driving and unbuckled deaths never strike again.

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Carmel growing in population, but not in crime

There are many reasons that people move to the City of Carmel, but one of the main ones is that it's a very safe community. Crime rates are low in Carmel, and the amazing thing is as the city's population grows, the number of crimes isn't increasing at the same rate.

I recently attended a training session put on by the Carmel Police Department for the Carmel City Council and I was impressed by the numbers they shared.

Carmel's population increased from more than 86,000 in 2014 to more than 96,000 in 2018. The incident rate for crimes remained fairly the same during that time though, with 85,948 incidents in 2014, 83,904 in 2015, 83,955 in 2016, 85,537 in 2017 and 83,708 in 2018.

You would expect that with population growing that we'd have more crime, but it's generally stayed about the same.

So when you consider crime per capita – which is the number of incidents per person – we are actually seeing crime decrease in Carmel.

And this is just considering residential population growing. We are seeing an influx of people coming into Carmel to work at the new businesses locating to the city and to frequent our stores and restaurants.


When you break down the numbers, there was one homicide in 2014 and zero in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

Year-by-year robberies were six in 2014, six in 2015, seven in 2016, six in 2017 and 10 in 2018, so generally about the same. Most impressively, nearly all of the robberies in Carmel are cleared. The message is clear: If you rob a bank or retail store in Carmel, it's very likely you'll get caught.

Rapes, burglary, larceny and motor vehicle thefts fluctuated from year to year, but no major increases were seen and in most cases the numbers were the same or lower than they were five years later. So, despite our growth, the number of crimes is staying the same and our rate is going down.

Adam Aasen is a co-owner of Donatello's Italian Restaurant and a former journalist who lives in Carmel. His column "Carmel Convo" appears periodically in The Reporter.

COLUMNIST



ADAM AASEN
Carmel Convo

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face and may not have fully understood before the training.”

About Dementia Friends Indiana

The Dementia Friends Indiana initiative is part of the Dementia Friendly America campaign to make communities more informed, safe and respectful for those living with Alzheimer’s disease and other forms of dementia and to reduce the social isolation it can cause. Part of a global movement that began in 2012 in the United Kingdom, the U.S. campaign is led by the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a), of which CICOA is a member. The focus of the campaign is to foster dementia friendly communities and register dementia friends nationwide. To learn more or to become a dementia friend, visit [dementia-friendsindiana.org](#).

About CICOA Aging & In-Home Solutions

CICOA Aging & In-Home Solutions is a nonprofit organization providing the innovative answers, services and support you need to help you or a loved one remain at home in better health, with better care, at a lower cost. As a state-designated Area Agency on Aging serving Central Indiana, CICOA links people with information, support and services for older adults, people with disabilities and family caregivers, including care management, home health care, home-delivered and neighborhood meals, transportation, home accessibility modifications, respite care and caregiver assistance. To learn more, visit [cicoa.org](#).

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It’s the law

In every state, it is illegal to drive with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 percent or higher. In Indiana, drivers under 21 with a BAC of 0.02 percent or higher are subject to fines and a license suspension for up to one year.

Indiana has a primary seat-belt law, meaning that police officers may ticket unrestrained drivers or passengers, even if no other traffic violation has taken place. In addition, all passengers under age 8 must be in an approved car seat or booster seat.

For more information about impaired driving visit [on.IN.gov/drivesober](#) and for more information about seat belts visit [on.IN.gov/buckleup](#).

Seat belt tips

The ICJI and Purdue University Center for Road Safety estimate that about 93 percent of Hoosiers buckle up. The small number of drivers and passengers not wearing seat belts made up more than half of Indiana’s fatal crashes in 2016. Below are tips for proper seat-belt use:

- Secure the lap belt across your hips and pelvis, below your stomach.
- Place the shoulder belt across the middle of your chest and rib cage, away from your neck.
- Never put the shoulder belt behind your back or under an arm.

• If your seat belt doesn’t fit you, or you have an older car with lap belts only, ask your dealer or vehicle manufacturer about seat-belt adjusters, extenders or retrofits.

Motor vehicle crashes are a leading and increasing cause of death for children ages 1 to 13. Below are tips for properly selecting, installing and using child safety seats:

- Choose the right car seat for a child’s height and weight at [safercar.gov/therightseat](#).
- Use a rear-facing infant or convertible seat until a child reaches the seat’s upper height or weight limit. Rear-facing harness straps should originate at or below the child’s shoulders. And never install a rear-facing seat in front of an active air bag.
- Once a child outgrows a rear-facing car seat, he or she is ready for a forward-facing car seat with harness. Always use the tether strap when installing a front-facing car seat. Front-facing harness straps should originate at or above the child’s shoulders.
- Tightly secure car seats using either the seat belt or the lower anchors, but not both, and that they are threaded through the correct path. Make sure the straps are snug and free of twists, and that the car seat doesn’t move more than one inch.
- Buckling your child correctly is just as important as installing the seat correctly. Seat belts and harness straps should be snug and free of twists. If you can pinch harness

straps between your fingers, the harness is not tight enough.

• To receive timely recall information, register your car seat with the manufacturer or using the form at [this link](#).

Sober driving tips

Crashes involving at least one alcohol-impaired driver resulted in 211 Hoosier deaths and nearly 2,100 injuries during 2016. And the Thanksgiving holiday is one of the deadliest times of year. With all of today’s options for getting home safely, there’s no excuse for getting behind the wheel impaired as it endangers you and everyone else around you. Law enforcement recommends these safe alternatives to impaired driving:

- Designate, or be, a sober driver.
- Use public transportation.
- Call a cab or a ridesharing service.
- Download the SaferRide mobile app on the Android Play Store or the Apple iTunes Store. This simple app only has three options: Call a taxi, call a friend, and identify your location for pickup.
- Celebrate at home or a place where you can stay until sober.
- Throwing a party? Offer non-alcoholic beverages and plenty of food.
- Never provide alcohol to minors.
- Ask young drivers about their plans.
- Friend or family member about to drive? Take the keys and make alternate arrangements.

Impaired driving is three times more common at night than during the day. If you see an impaired driver, turn off the road away from the vehicle and call 911. Signs of impaired driving include:

- Weaving, swerving, drifting, or straddling the center line
- Driving at a very slow speed
- Braking erratically
- Making wide turns
- Stopping without cause
- Responding slowly to traffic signals
- Driving after dark with headlights off
- Almost striking an object or vehicle
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– 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:

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NEMS serves Noblesville Fire early Thanksgiving



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Noblesville East Middle School staff and the Good Men's club hosted the Noblesville Fire Department on Friday for an early Thanksgiving feast to show appreciation for the community's first responders.

Youth psychiatrist joins Aspire

The REPORTER

Aspire Indiana Health is pleased to announce the addition of Dr. Huma Hosain, an experienced child/adolescent psychiatrist, to its staff of medical and behavioral health experts.

Dr. Hosain will practice at the nonprofit health organization's clinics in Carmel and Lebanon.

Her role will involve treating the pediatric population with their mental health needs, including medication assistance and psychoeducation in conjunction with a therapist. She has a great deal of experience working at community mental health

centers (CMHC) like Aspire. Dr. Hosain has a special interest in ADHD and anxiety-based disorders.

"I wanted to come back to working for a nonprofit Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and strive to help the underserved population," she said.

Dr. Hosain previously was Child Psychiatry Chief Resident at Riley Hospital for Children. She earned her bachelor's degree at the Georgia Institute of Technology and her D.O. from



Hosain

the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

She received a Certification in Population Health and Health Equity from the University of Michigan and served her medical residency in general psychiatry at the Detroit Wayne County Health Authority/Michigan State University. She also served as a clinic instructor of psychopathology at MSU.

Dr. Hosain is a member of the American Psychiatric Association and the American Association of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

Letter to the Editor

Reader troubled by pay disparity between teachers, police officers in Noblesville

Dear Editor:

I am a product of Noblesville Schools. Thanks to the education and inspiration I received from my Noblesville teachers in grades K-12, I received a college degree and went on to retire from Eli Lilly and Company. I currently do not live in Noblesville but do keep track of what is happening there, and hope to return there.

From my understanding, Noblesville residents passed a referendum with the promise that one of the school improvements would include more competitive teacher pay. I remember at least one teacher leaving Noblesville High School for a better paying job at another school system in the 1970s and understand that continues to happen. How disappointing. While it appears the 2019-2021 contract increased pay for Noblesville teachers, their pay still appears to be a couple thousand less than some of the surrounding school systems.

However, what is even more disturbing to me is how our public school teachers' pay lags severely behind public safety officers in Noblesville and Hamilton County. Yes, we use to have the argument that police officers are risking their lives ... but we have seen repeatedly how teachers also are risking their lives when they step into their classrooms daily. As all well know, Noblesville made national news for this very reason ... and a teacher's heroic actions thwarted a much worse outcome.

With the new contract, Noblesville teachers with a required bachelor's degree start at \$39,000 during the 2019-2020 school year and \$40,000 the next year.

Under the current Noblesville Police contract, a probationary patrolman (new officer) earns \$52,956.80 with a minimum hiring requirement of a high school diploma or a GED equivalent. Plus, local police officers receive additional pay when they

do receive college degrees: Associate's degree, \$750; Bachelor's, \$1,500; Masters, \$2,000; and Doctorate, \$3,000. Noblesville police also receive compensation annually for completing non-college, job-related continuing education:

- 120 hours of continuing education within 36 months = \$250
- 240 hours of continuing education within 60 months = \$500
- 400 hours of continuing education within 72 months = \$750

And a merit deputy at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department earns \$50,400. Hiring requirements include a high school diploma or equivalent plus either 60 college credit hours OR two years of law enforcement experience and/or 2 years of military experience. (Source: local.nixle.com/alert/7284008)

So, not only do we expect our teachers to have at least a Bachelor's degree, we expect them to protect our children, pay for continuing education (while paying off student loans), meet test result requirements, complete 20 hours of community service in order to renew their certification (on top of teaching, lesson planning and grading tests/assignments) and oversee a variety of extracurricular activities, and all for \$10,000 to \$12,000 less than other (aforementioned) local public employees. No wonder we are facing a teacher shortage ... and continual turnover at Noblesville Schools. God bless those teachers who taught me and continue to do so for others!

I urge folks to contact their school board members and school officials, state legislators and officials, and other entities involved in making decisions impacting the future of our schools, teachers ... and most importantly, our children.

Sincerely,

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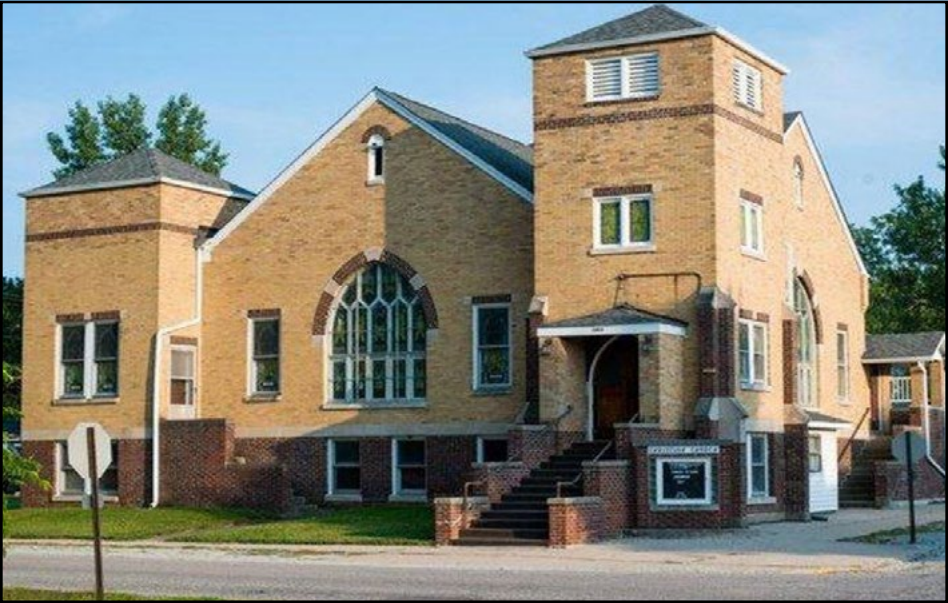


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Atlanta Christian Church invites community to enjoy two special events

The REPORTER

The Atlanta Christian Church will hold its annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner at noon this Sunday, Nov. 24. Members of the church invite the public to give thanks, share in faith and fellowship and enjoy a meal together. Dinner, which begins at noon, is being hosted by members of the Atlanta Christian Church.

The Church is also pleased to announce it is

bringing back by popular demand a special evening with Woody and Vonnie Wright. This duet, through their faith and music, bring words of inspiration, hope, encouragement and entertainment. The concert begins at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7.

Pastor Jody Brown says the doors are open and the church, which was founded in 1842, welcomes all.

“We invite anyone look-

ing for a welcoming, encouraging and supportive faith-based environment to join us for these special events or attend one of our weekly Sunday Worship Service at 9:45 a.m. and/or Adult Sunday School Class beginning at 10:45 a.m.,” said Brown.

Both events are free, open to the public and take place at Atlanta Christian Church, 200 E. Main St., Atlanta.

New items this week at Hamilton East Public Library

The REPORTER

Here are the new library items lists for the week of Nov. 18:

New Adult Fiction Books

1. A Texas kind of Christmas
2. 36 righteous men by Steven Pressfield
3. What Rose forgot by Nevada Barr
4. A cruel deception by Charles Todd
5. Let justice descend by Lisa Black
6. A bitter feast: a novel by Deborah Crombie
7. Agent running in the field by John Le Carre
8. To the land of long lost friends by Alexander McCall Smith
9. The night fire by Michael Connelly
10. The deserter: a novel by Nelson DeMille

New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. Fodor’s California by Sara Amandolare
2. Exonerated: the failed takedown of President

Donal Trump by the Swamp by Dan Bongino

3. The beautiful ones by Prince
4. Binging with Babish: 100 recipes recreated from your favorite movies and TV show by Andrew Rea
5. Inside out: a memoir by Demi Moore
6. The unique states of America by Amy Balfour
7. Let the children play: how more play will save our schools and help children thrive by Pasi Sahlberg
8. Own your weird: an oddly effective way for finding happiness in work, life, and love by Jason Zook
9. Silence: a social history of one of the least understood elements of our lives by Jane Brox
10. 5-ingredient vegan: 175 simple, plant-base recipes for delicious, healthy meals in minutes by Nava Atlas

New DVDs

1. When calls the heart. The queen of hearts
2. When calls the heart. Heart of a Mountie

3. Yellowstone. Season 2
4. When calls the heart. Disputing hearts
5. The wild pear tree
6. American woman
7. Anna and the Apocalypse
8. Driven
9. Gentleman Jack. The complete first season
10. Home for Christmas day

New Music CDs

1. Happiness begins, by Jonas Brothers
2. Indigo, by Chris Brown
3. The lion king: original motion picture soundtrack, by Hans Zimmer
4. Madame X, by Madonna
5. Orion, by X Ambassadors
6. Solutions, by K.Flay
7. Testimony, by Gloria Gaynor
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Brooks honors St. Maria Goretti School with Congressional Record

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On Friday, Congresswoman Susan Brooks presented a Congressional Record to Saint Maria Goretti School in Westfield for being recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School.

The Congressional Record is the official record of Congress – including all proceedings, debates, votes and remarks made on the House floor.

The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program recognizes public and private elementary, middle and high schools based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups.

Every year, the U.S. Department of Education seeks out and celebrates great American schools – schools demonstrating that all students can achieve to high levels. This year, 362 schools in the country were awarded this honor.



Photo provided by City of Westfield

Congresswoman Susan Brooks (right) was joined at the presentation by Westfield Mayor Andy Cook (second from left), Bill Clifford (back center), Indiana State Senator Victoria Spartz (third from right) and Indiana State Representative Donna Schaibley (second from right).

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father; even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.
John 15:26-27 (KJV)

Meeting Notice

The Hamilton County Plan Commission will hold a special meeting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2019, in the County Council / Commissioners' Courtroom on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

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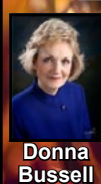


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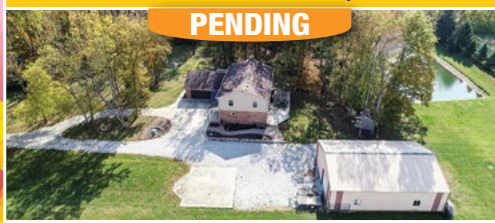
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Semi-state football

'Hounds beat Pirates to make state

By RICHIE HALL

CARMEL - Carmel football players know to be ready, because every Greyhound will eventually have his day.

And usually, more than one Greyhound has his day at the same time.

Dylan Downing got the Greyhounds on the board Friday as Carmel hosted Merrillville in the Class 6A north semi-state. Gabe Quigley came in again as quarterback to throw a great game. The defense came through. Add it all up and Carmel was a winner over the Pirates, 38-17, giving the 'Hounds another semi-state championship and another trip to the state finals.

Carmel will play Center Grove next Saturday (Nov. 30) in the 6A title game. This will be the Greyhounds' 16th appearance at state, a new record for most trips to the big game. Carmel also won it's 13th semi-state championship and it's 10th in the last 14 years.

The Greyhounds make it look easy, but coach John Hebert knows the truth.

"It's hard," said Hebert. "You just can't count on it happening. And this is the round right here that's tough, too. It's the semi-state, because every team in it is riding momentum and playing great. Merrillville, I mean, 11-1, they lost by one point to Valpo. That was a tough team to beat. We got some scores and that helped us bust it open a little bit. They're a better team than that score shows."

The game was scoreless for most of the first quarter. Carmel broke through with just under two minutes to go when Dylan Downing found an opening and rushed 51 yards into the end zone. Spencer Hanna made the extra point kick.

"I was concerned about how points were going to be achieved, because we had the disruption to our lineup," said Hebert. "We've got to go through these things, it's late in the season to be going through that. But Dylan carried us there with that run. He made several guys miss and then he outran the guys that had the line on him. Big-time players make big-time plays and that's what he did."

The Pirates kicked a field goal early in the second quarter to get on the scoreboard. Carmel's lead stayed 7-3 for most of that period, but the 'Hounds added a quick 10 points in the last two minutes of the half.

Quigley found Colton Parker for a 33-yard touchdown pass with 1:57 remaining. Hanna made the extra point, then a few minutes later kicked a 43-yard field goal. Carmel now had a 17-3 halftime lead.

That lead ballooned to 38-3 after three quarters. Zach White punched the ball in



Carmel's offense prepares for a play during the first quarter of the Greyhounds' semi-state championship game with Merrillville at Carmel Stadium. The Greyhounds won 38-17, earning another trip to the state finals.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

from the one-yard line, Ty Wise took a fumble recovery 67 yards into the end zone, and Parker caught a second touchdown pass from Quigley, this one for 48 yards.

Quigley finished the game 8-of-11 for 123 yards. He has been filling in for injured Zach Osborne since the regional game, and has stepped up big time.

"We're really fortunate to have two quarterbacks like that," said Hebert. "He's been great for us."

"And I kept telling him, 'Your time is going to come,'" said Hebert. "'We're going to need you. You're going to be somebody we're going to ride when we need you.' And he's done that. He got us through last week. He scored 14 points for us, led us through regional. And now a semi-state championship, so one more game to go."

Carmel's defense also had another strong performance, holding Merrillville to three points for most of the game. The Pirates scored two touchdowns in the fourth quarter, but the game had been decided by then.

CARMEL 38, MERRILLVILLE 17

Score by Quarters

Merrillville	0	3	0	14 - 17
Carmel	7	10	21	0 - 38

Team Stats

MHS	CHS
First Downs	16 14
By Rush	8 11
By Pass	8 3
By Penalty	0 0
Rushes-Yards	35-122 39-216
Yards Passing	128 123
Comp-Att-Int-TD	11-30-2-0 8-12-1-2
Fumbles-Lost	2-1 1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-48 3-56
Punts-Average	4-42.8 3-38.3

Carmel Scoring

First Quarter

1:51 - Dylan Downing 51-yard run

(Spencer Hanna kick)

Second Quarter

1:57 - Colton Parker 33-yard pass from Gabe Quigley (Hanna kick)

0:29 - Hanna 43-yard field goal

Third Quarter

8:17 - Zach White 1-yard run (Hanna kick)

5:45 - Ty Wise 67-yard fumble recovery (Hanna kick)

2:31 - Parker 48-yard pass from Quigley (Hanna kick)

Carmel individual stats

Rushing: Quigley 8-79, Downing 7-79, John Rogers 7-37, White 6-29, Zyavonta Blackburn 5-0, Erik Allen 2-minus 2, Zach Osborne 4-minus 6.

Passing: Quigley 8-11-123, Osborne 0-1-0.

Receiving: Parker 6-114, Downing 1-5, Baron Smith 1-4.

"I can't say enough about how great our defense has been this year," said Hebert. "Just took to fight and not give in and not give anything easy to our opponents. We've leaned on it all year and hopefully it'll carry us all the year."

Quigley and Downing finished as Carmel's rushing co-leaders, each gaining 79 yards. Parker totaled six catches for 114 yards.

The Greyhounds are 10-3 for the season.

Friday's semi-state football scores

Courtesy John Harrell's website
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CLASS 6A

Carmel 38, Merrillville 17

Center Grove 17, Ben Davis 10

CLASS 5A

Valparaiso 10, Bishop Dwenger 7

New Palestine 45, Bloomington South 0

CLASS 4A

East Noble 29, Hobart 24

Evansville Memorial 28, Mount Vernon (Fortville) 3

CLASS 3A

Bishop Chatard 45, Mishawaka Marian 0

Heritage Hills 33, Danville 17

CLASS 2A

Eastbrook 26, Andrean 14

Western Boone 35, Triton Central 13

CLASS 1A

Lafayette Central Catholic 24, Adams Central 14

Indianapolis Lutheran 49, West Washington 0

STATE FINALS SCHEDULE

Friday, Nov. 29

1A: Lafayette Central Catholic vs. Indianapolis Lutheran, noon

3A: Bishop Chatard vs. Heritage Hills, 3:30 p.m.

5A: Valparaiso vs. New Palestine, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 30

2A: Eastbrook vs. Western Boone, noon

4A: East Noble vs. Evansville Memorial, 3:30 p.m.

6A: Carmel vs. Center Grove, 7 p.m.

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Girls basketball

Tigers open HCC with win over 'Rocks

Fishers got an early jump on the Hoosier Crossroads Conference race, as the Tigers beat county opponent Westfield 59-42 Friday night at The Rock.

The game was close through the first half. The Shamrocks were ahead by one point, 10-9 after the first quarter, with Fishers edging ahead 20-19 by halftime. But the Class 4A No. 6 Tigers took control in the third period, pouring in 26 points while allowing Westfield just nine.

“We just kept telling our kids to keep doing what they were doing defensively,” said Fishers coach Lauren Votaw. “We’re very deep and we have a lot of players that we can run in and out. We kept defending. And then when you hit shots, it loosens everything up a little bit, too.”

Burton scored 11 points in the third quarter, while Kaitlynn Feagan nailed three 3-pointers in that period. Feagan added another 3 in the fourth quarter, giving her four for the game.

Burton finished with 15 points, while Feagan scored 13. Freshman Hailey Smith contributed 12 points.

“We’re very deep, we’re well-balanced and these guys are playing unselfish basketball right now, and that’s about all I can ask for,” said Votaw.

Lydia Stullken led the Fishers rebounding with eight, while Tamia Perryman blocked two shots.

Ashtin DeCraene scored 12 points for the Shamrocks, including three 3-pointers. Alyssa Crockett and Ava Henson both collected four rebounds, with Crockett blocking two shots.

“They came out with a lot of energy,” said Westfield coach Ginny Smith. “We just got lost on defense a few times, momentum shifted and they capitalized on it.”

The win keeps Fishers unbeaten at 7-0, and the Tigers return home Tuesday for another HCC game against Zionsville. Westfield is 3-2 and is also back in action on Tuesday, traveling to McCutcheon.



Fishers' Katie Burton (33) scored 15 points for the Tigers in their win over Westfield Friday at The Rock. Pictured for the Shamrocks is Ava Henson (21), who scored nine points.

FISHERS 59, WESTFIELD 42				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Audra Emmerson	3-8	0-0	8	0
Kaitlynn Feagan	4-8	1-2	13	0
Tamia Perryman	2-6	0-0	5	3
Hailey Smith	4-9	4-4	12	2
Olivia Smith	0-0	0-0	0	3

Lydia Stullken	2-6	1-2	5	2
Katie Burton	4-11	6-6	15	2
Shae Shaffer	0-0	0-0	0	0
Charlotte Gaffin	0-1	0-0	0	0
Jordan Imes	0-0	1-2	1	0
Kaiya Walker	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	19-49	13-16	59	12
Fishers 3-point shooting (8-19)	Feagan			
4-6, Emmerson 2-6, Perryman 1-2, Burton	1-2, H. Smith 0-3.			
Team rebounds (25)	Stullken 8, Perryman			
4, H. Smith 4, Emmerson 3, Burton 3, Fea-				

gan 2, O. Smith 1.				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Emily Robinson	1-1	0-0	3	1
Olivia Robey	2-2	0-0	6	2
Chesney Tebbe	1-1	2-2	4	2
Alyssa Crockett	2-8	2-2	6	2
Ava Henson	4-8	0-2	9	2
Jessica Castor	0-1	0-0	0	3
Ashtin DeCraene	4-11	1-3	12	1
Madi Kerrigan	0-1	2-2	2	0
Ashley Black	0-0	0-0	0	0
Jadeyn Hammes	0-0	0-0	0	1

Alli McEvoy	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	14-33	7-11	42	14
Westfield 3-point shooting (7-17)	DeCraene			
3-8, Robey 2-2, Henson 1-2, Robinson 1-1,	Crockett 0-3, Castor 0-1.			
Westfield rebounds (24)	Crockett 4,			
Henson 4, Tebbe 3, Kerrigan 3, Robey 2,	Robinson 1, DeCraene 1, team 6.			
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	9	11	26	13 - 59
Westfield	10	9	9	14 - 42

'Blazers beat Traders Point, still undefeated

University picked up another big win on Friday, beating Traders Point Christian 81-25 in an away contest to improve to 6-0 for the season.

The Class 2A No. 8 Trailblazers had the game put away early, leading 36-2 after the first quarter. Sierra Hinds scored 10 points in that period. University then led 50-7 at halftime.

Lindsey Syrek scored 15 points for the 'Blazers, followed by Hinds with 14. Maddi Sears added 12 points, scoring nine in the first quarter. Kelsey DuBois added 10 points. Ten different UHS players scored.

The Trailblazers return to the U Cen-

UNIVERSITY 81, TRADERS POINT CHRISTIAN 25				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Kelsey DuBois	4	2-2	10	1
Sierra Hinds	7	0-1	14	1
Lindsey Syrek	6	3-3	15	0
Payton Seay	4	0-0	8	0
Maddi Sears	5	1-1	12	0
Anne Gibboney	2	0-0	5	1
Arrion Sherrod	3	0-0	8	2
Elise Nachlis	2	1-2	5	1
Abby Hannon	1	0-0	2	4
Ella Longoria	0	0-0	0	1
Reese Dery	0	0-0	0	0
Ria Narayanan	1	0-0	2	0
Reva Allam	0	0-0	0	1
Totals	35	7-9	81	12
Score by Quarters				
University	36	14	23	8 - 81
Traders Point	2	5	0	18 - 25
University 3-pointers (4)	Sherrod 2, Hinds 1, Sears 1.			

Huskies pull away from Lebanon

Hamilton Heights slowly pulled away from Lebanon in the first three quarters, then finished strong on its way to a 54-33 win over the Tigers.

The Huskies led 12-10 after the first quarter and 24-14 at halftime. Heights outscored Lebanon in each period, finishing the game with a 20-point fourth quarter.

Bayleigh Runner had an outstanding game, scoring 25 points on 9-of-10 shooting from the field. Jillian Osswald added 15 points. Huskies coach Keegan Cherry said “Bayleigh was a monster” and “Jillian was also really good.”

Runner, Payton Dissett and Chloe Henderson each collected four rebounds. Heights had 19 team steals, with Dissett making six, and Osswald and Runner both getting five. MyKayla Moran

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 54, LEBANON 33				
Team	FG	FT	TP	PF
Shanna Moffatt	0-1	0-0	0	0
Jillian Osswald	6-15	3-3	15	0
Bayleigh Runner	9-10	5-6	25	3
Payton Dissett	3-8	0-0	7	1
Lexi Hayden	0-1	0-0	0	0
Chloe Henderson	0-2	1-2	1	1
Sydney Runyan	1-3	0-0	2	1
Hailey Champion	0-0	0-0	0	3
MyKayla Moran	2-4	0-0	4	3
Totals	21-44	9-11	54	12
Score by Quarters				
Lebanon	10	4	8	11 - 33
Heights	12	12	10	20 - 54
Heights 3-point shooting (3-10)	Runner 2-2, Dissett 1-3, Osswald 0-3, Moffatt 0-1, Henderson 0-1.			
Heights rebounds (19)	Runner 4, Dissett 4, Henderson 4, Runyan 3, Moran 2, Osswald 1, Hayden 1.			

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Reporter photo by Kirk Green
Hamilton Southeastern's Sydney Parrish receives a standing ovation from her teammates, coaches and everyone in the Royals gym Friday after she was presented with the game ball in honor of breaking the Southeastern school scoring record. Parrish added to her record on Friday, scoring 32 points in HSE's victory over Franklin Central.

Royals start HCC play with victory

Hamilton Southeastern entered Hoosier Crossroads Conference play with a win, beating Franklin Central 57-46 Friday at the Royals' gym.

Class 4A No. 7 Southeastern led 12-8 after the first quarter, then extended its advantage in the second period, taking a 30-17 lead into halftime. Sydney Parrish had another incredible game, scoring 32 points.

Parrish wound up with a double-double, as she pulled 10 rebounds, and also had four steals, four assists and two blocked shots. Jackie Maulucci came close to a double-double, with nine assists to go along with her 14 points.

The Royals are 4-1 and play another home game this afternoon, welcoming Fort Wayne Carroll in a 2:30 p.m. varsity tipoff.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 57, FRANKLIN CENTRAL 46				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jackie Maulucci	6-13	1-1	14	1
Sydney Parrish	10-18	12-15	32	3
Makayla Hinshaw	1-4	0-0	2	4
Bailee Poore	0-1	0-0	0	1
Ryan Viele	1-1	0-0	3	3
Riley Makalusky	0-3	0-0	0	3
Lauren Morris	0-0	0-0	0	0
Bri Baker	1-1	0-0	3	1
Lauren Stewart	1-3	0-0	3	0
Olivia Brown	0-0	0-0	0	0
Brin Bair	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	20-44	13-16	57	16
Score by Quarters				
Franklin Central	8	9	15	14 - 46
Southeastern	12	18	16	11 - 57
Southeastern 3-point shooting (4-15) Maulucci 1-4, Stewart 1-3, Baker 1-1, Viele 1-1, Parrish 0-5, Makalusky 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (22) Parrish 10, Maulucci 4, Poore 4, Viele 2, Hinshaw 1, Baker 1.				



Reporter photo by Kent Graham
Noblesville's Makenna Mundy holds her ground against a Brownsburg defender during the Millers-Bulldogs basketball game on Friday.

Bulldogs stun Millers with fourth-quarter run

Noblesville was stunned by a fourth-quarter burst from Brownsburg, as the Class 4A No. 9 Bulldogs ran away from the Millers 52-36 in their Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener Friday at The Mill.

Brownsburg led 13-7 after the first quarter, but Noblesville had cut that advantage to 24-22 by halftime. The Millers then took a 30-29 lead at the end of a defensive third period, but the Bulldogs took over in the final quarter, outscoring Noblesville 23-6.

Ashlynn Shade scored 16 points for the Millers, including three 3-pointers, and also led the Noblesville rebounds with six. Abby Haley collected four rebounds.

Noblesville is 3-3 overall and plays at 4A No. 2 Homestead tonight, with a 6:30 p.m. varsity tipoff.

BROWNSBURG 52, NOBLESVILLE 36				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Brooklyn Ely	1-2	0-0	2	1
Ashlynn Shade	3-12	7-8	16	1
Abby Haley	1-7	1-2	3	1
Makenna Mundy	1-2	0-0	2	1
Mallory Miller	0-5	3-4	3	2
Anna Kiser	1-3	2-4	4	2
Dani Mendez	2-4	0-0	4	2
Kailyn Ely	0-0	0-0	0	0
Emily Wood	1-2	0-0	2	2
Totals	10-37	13-18	36	12
Score by Quarters				
Brownsburg	13	11	5	23 - 52
Noblesville	7	15	8	6 - 36
Noblesville 3-point shooting (3-13) Shade 3-6, Haley 0-3, Miller 0-3, B. Ely 0-1.				
Noblesville rebounds (25) Shade 6, Haley 4, Miller 3, Mundy 2, Kiser 2, Mendez 2, Wood 2, K. Ely 1, team 3.				

Heights girls swimming wins opener

The Hamilton Heights girls swim team won its season opener 96-87 Thursday at Lebanon.

The Huskies won seven of the 12 events. Junior Tara Holder was a two-time individual winner, taking the 200 and 500 freestyles. Teammate Cylie Starr was also a double winner in the 200 individual medley and the breaststroke. Holder and Starr were both members of the winning 400 free relay team, joining Ryleigh Poe and Carlie Flintoff. Sophomore Mady Hutcherson placed first in the 100 free and Alexa Williams won the diving event.

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Detroit 128, Atlanta 103		Dallas 143, Cleveland 101
Washington 125, Charlotte 118		Denver 96, Boston 92
Brooklyn 116, Sacramento 97		Utah 113, Golden State 109
Philadelphia 115, San Antonio 104		L.A. Clippers 122, Houston 119
Miami 116, Chicago 108		

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	11	4	.733	-
Toronto	10	4	.714	0.5
Philadelphia	10	5	.667	1.0
Brooklyn	7	8	.467	4.0
New York	4	11	.267	7.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	12	3	.800	-
Indiana	8	6	.571	3.5
Detroit	5	10	.333	7.0
Chicago	5	11	.313	7.5
Cleveland	4	11	.267	8.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	11	3	.786	-
Orlando	6	8	.429	5.0
Washington	5	8	.385	5.5
Charlotte	6	10	.375	6.0
Atlanta	4	11	.267	7.5

Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Denver	11	3	.786	-
Utah	10	5	.667	1.5
Minnesota	8	7	.533	3.5
Oklahoma City	5	10	.333	6.5
Portland	5	11	.313	7.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Lakers	13	2	.867	-
L.A. Clippers	11	5	.688	2.5
Phoenix	7	7	.500	5.5
Sacramento	6	8	.429	6.5
Golden State	3	14	.176	11.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	11	5	.688	-
Dallas	10	5	.667	0.5
New Orleans	6	9	.400	4.5
Memphis	5	9	.357	5.0
San Antonio	5	11	.313	6.0

Sheridan's Becca Merritt signs with Marshall University



Reporter photo by Kirk Green

Sheridan's Becca Merritt has signed a letter of intent to continue her track and field career at Marshall University. Merritt was a state qualifier in both the discus and the shot put at last summer's IHSAA state track and field meet.

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