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TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Rainy. Rain could begin as a snow/rain mix.
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(From left) Amanda Roush, Matt Roush, Sadie Hunter, Nancy Hebel, Betsy Reason, Evelyn Lees, Emily Compton and Jason Compton.

Noblesville Preservation Alliance announces 2020 award winners

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Preservation Alliance (NPA) presented its 2020 Josiah Durfee Awards at its annual meeting on Sunday. The ceremony took place at the newly-established Preservation Hall, 1274 Logan St.

In attendance were NPA board and membership, community residents and government officials including Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen and Common Council Members Greg O'Connor, Darren Peterson and Aaron Smith.

Jensen was the keynote speaker for the meeting, giving his administration's vision for Noblesville and

how local preservation efforts play a key role in maintaining the historic and authentic identity of Noblesville.

"We were very thrilled to have Mayor Jensen and members of council attend the annual meeting this year," said NPA President Nancy Hebel. "NPA is excited to continue to pursue partnerships with the city that will help our community grow responsibly while maintaining our historic character."

About the Josiah Durfee Awards

Awards are presented to local citizens or organizations that have made the

2020 Award Winners

- **Interior Renovation:** Jason and Emily Compton
- **Exterior Renovation:** Matt and Amanda Roush
- **Advocacy:** Betsy Reason
- **Advocacy:** Sadie Hunter
- **Community Spirit:** Martin & Martin Insurance
- **Stewardship:** Evelyn Lees
- **Golden Fuel Pump for Most Outstanding Volunteer:** Nancy Hebel

most significant, positive contribution to NPA's mission of "enriching the present by honoring the past through preservation of Noblesville's historic architecture and authentic character." Josiah K. Durfee, more than any other architect, impacted Noblesville's rich architectural heritage before and during the gas boom growth. His work

includes Potter's Bridge, the Model Mill and the Sheriff's Residence and Jail, all of which are on the National Register of Historic Places. These awards honor his lasting contribution to the Noblesville community.

For more information on the Noblesville Preservation Alliance, please visit noblesvillepreservation.com.

Fishers student LEADs the way to Washington

The REPORTER

Indiana Connections Academy recently marked a milestone for the school, taking five students to Washington, D.C. to participate in the 2020 LEAD (leadership experience and development) Conference.

Among those students was Humza Akhtar of Fishers, a ninth grader and National Junior Honor Society vice president of the Indiana Connections Academy chapter. The annual conference is a time for students participating in the National Honor Society to meet students from across the country, attend workshops and brainstorm student leadership ideas.

This is the only annual National Junior Honor Society (NJHS), National Honor Society (NHS) and Student Council conference in the country. While in Washington, D.C., students were also able to visit the National Mall, historical museums and the nation's monuments. The trip was funded by a grant from the Department of Education.

The NJHS and NHS recognizes students who have demonstrated the four

pillars of NHS: Character, service, leadership and scholarship. Qualifications for membership include:

Scholarship

Per national guidelines, at a minimum, students must have a cumulative GPA of 85, B, 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent standard of excellence.

Service

This involves voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation.

Leadership

Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers and idea contributors. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others.

Character

The student of good character is cooperative; demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability; shows courtesy, concern and respect for others; and generally maintains a clean disciplinary record.

For more information about Indiana Connections Academy, visit IndianaConnectionsAcademy.com.

Westfield Council OKs entertainment center March public hearing set for new Portillo's restaurant

On Monday, the Westfield City Council reviewed updates on a couple of big projects, which include an entertainment center and a Portillo's restaurant. The council also passed a resolution supporting Indiana's legislative action (House Bill 1070) on distracted driving.

Links PUD

Passed unanimously, Westfield is getting an entertainment center. The entertainment center will encompass the relocation of Laser Flash from Carmel, an electronic go-kart track and other fun activities that will be the first phase of the project.

Once fully funded, the second phase will be the Observatory, but will have to come back for approval. A huge project for our community.

Portillo's

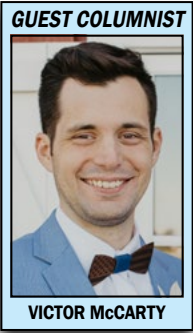
Not much discussion tonight being that it was an introduction, but got my



The first phase of the entertainment center project will encompass the relocation of Laser Flash from Carmel and an electronic go-kart track.

mouth watering nonetheless. We are lucky for Portillo's to choose us as their second location in Hamilton County as it is an attraction unto itself. It would be located on the northwest corner of State Road 32 and Wheeler Road I look forward to being part of this

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project in APC.

- Public Hearing: March 2
- APC Recommendation: April 6
- City Council Adoption: April 13

Distracted Driving Resolution

Passed unanimously. I can also personally relate to this potential

new law as last year I was in a distracted driving accident. A kid on his phone totaled my SUV. It could have been much worse for me, but for others that is reality and loved ones are lost. Heck, driving home tonight someone blew through a stop sign right in front of me. STAY. OFF. YOUR. PHONES.

Plans, designs and more from Monday's meeting can be found at this link.

The REPORTER

Editor's note: Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard released the following statement about the development of the Hotel Carmichael and what it means for the city of Carmel.

I am very proud of this unique property we are developing as the Hotel Carmichael in

the heart of City Center. For two decades, we have been creating a walkable, vibrant downtown for Carmel that includes entertainment and cultural opportunities along with restaurants, shops, businesses and residential options. This landmark hotel is a long-awaited component of this development, which has been promised from the beginning to area companies to help them host visitors, guests and business associates who are looking for a convenient, upscale downtown location.

When we began the public-private partnership hotel project in 2017, we used

industry leaders to help us estimate a budget for a luxury hotel. There was no indication at the time that the construction market would see major increases. The Council members approved a portion of the funding with the understanding that no more funding would be provided by them.

As the project moved forward and it became apparent that construction and labor costs were increasing across the market, the executive director of the Carmel Redevelopment Commission (CRC) and his staff continued to value engineer the project looking for cost cutting solutions that would not sacrifice the luxury brand we had promised the community.

In addition, I instructed them to look for alternative funding solutions that would not depend on new taxpayer dollars, including working with our non-profit

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Brainard

Major projects reviewed at Fishers City Council retreat

By LARRY LANNAN
LarryInFishers.com



reviewing the many projects underway throughout the city. Road work, down-

town development, the Nickel Plate Trail, Geist Waterfront Park and engaging the local community were all topics covered in the lengthy confab.

On streets and roads, the State Road 37 construction at 126th Street is scheduled to begin in earnest March 1, with construction beginning by closing off the west side of 126th until about July. Then, the east side of the road will be under construction until roughly October. The north and south lanes of SR 37 are to be open to traffic, two lanes in each direction, during the construction.

An overpass with a roundabout at 126th Street will be built during this 2020 construction period. Mayor Fadness says his staff will be monitoring the traffic flow in the area and make adjustments where needed. 146th Street will be the next State Road 37 construction project next year and expected top stretch into 2022.

City Director of Engineering Jason Taylor said a big project is coming this summer that will close 96th Street from just east of Lantern Road to Cumberland Road. The closure will begin in the spring and likely last through October.

The Lantern Road closures continue south of downtown. Taylor said that roadway should be open by May.

The railroad stop signs along 126th Street west of State Road 37 will be removed soon, according to Taylor, but the railroad stop signs on 131st Street will remain, due to the steep grading at that location.

A tunnel will be constructed under 116th Street for the Nickel Plate Trail, resulting in a road closure at the old

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community development corporation (CDC) partners. As the mayor, I have the full authority to direct the CRC to do so.

In Indiana, the state legislature specifically set up redevelopment commissions as independent legal entities in order to help municipalities redevelop underused areas of their cities and towns.

Instead of being criticized, Henry Mestestky and the CRC should be applauded for finding innovative ways of funding these cost increases without any additional risk to taxpayers. Construction and labor costs are increasing across the industry. These increases are not due to any type of mismanagement or oversight, but market forces beyond our control.

While the private sector can get funding up front for a project, the public sector must first submit budget estimates and preliminary design ideas without the benefit of detailed architectural and engineering plans based on those conceptual designs. It is after the public bidding process that the true costs can be evaluated.

When unanticipated market fluctuations occur, we must be ready to find ways to cover those costs and continue the project through to completion. As we completed the public bidding in 2019, we were able to get a clear picture of the actual costs for the hotel and, armed with solutions for funding, were able to update the project budget to reflect the new costs.

Carmel has been very successful in building many quality projects that have had a tremendously positive impact on our city's economic development and this hotel will have the same positive impact.

The Marriott Autograph brand is very excited to be adding the Hotel Carmichael to its collection and the hotel has already secured several weddings and corporate groups for 2020 and 2021.

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railroad tracks on 116th for 45 days this summer, beginning on May 26. This will impact the Spark!Fishers Festival, 5K running events and other summer events such as the Amphitheater concerts.

Council members received details on plans for the first phase of the Nickel Plate Trail. Mayor Fadness says the city will communicate to the public that the trail is a construction zone and people using it to walk, run, bike or walk a dog are trespassing until the trail opens, when the first phase is complete.

Tom Dickey, former Fishers Director of Community Development, now a contractor for the city, provided a detailed presentation on plans for the downtown Fishers development, including a new headquarters building for First Internet Bank, a new boutique hotel, parking garages and residential units.

Mayor Fadness, in answer to a council question, says the city is completing a review of downtown parking rules and may establish a number of two-hour restrictions on many parking spaces.

Parks and Recreation Director Sarah Sandquist provided a detailed look at the plans for Geist Wa-

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terfront Park. Mayor Fadness told councilors that he expects a year of permitting and work with design during the park's first phase. He also said there would be no need for a tax rate increase to pay for the park. It is expected there will be a park admission fee, with Fishers residents receiving either discounted fees or free admission.

The city is planning an extensive community survey soon. It will be measuring how city residents are doing in terms of their emotional, mental and financial well-being. Results of the survey are expected by May.



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I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault – it wasn't something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don't often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we're breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.
– Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:

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Noblesville Elks welcomes six new members to the fold



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The Noblesville Elks Lodge, 35 S. 9th St. (next to the future Levinson Building), held its monthly initiation ceremony last weekend. As membership has grown to nearly 500, pictured are the most recent gaining admission into the order. **(Front row, from left)** Sarah Reed, Chad Knecht and Kevin Sears. **(Back row, from left)** Exalted Ruler Pete Smith, Jim Utter, David Moulder and Ford Hebner.

Spartz's bill enhancing private property rights passes Senate

The REPORTER

State Sen. Victoria Spartz (R-Noblesville) authored Senate Bill 340, which would ensure that Hoosier property owners are afforded due process and given ample opportunities to object in cases where authorities attempt to condemn private property.

"Owning private property is the foundation of freedom itself," Spartz said. "We must protect that freedom from all powers – especially any government attempt to seize a citizen's property. It is incumbent upon us to provide due process and ensure transparency and ample time for a

property owner to make a case. SB 340 does just that."

SB 340 would require more transparent and easier to understand notice of eminent domain to property owners. Most property owners are probably not aware that they only have 30 days to object to the validity of eminent domain procedures. After 30 days, property owners can only challenge the payment amount.

Also, this bill provides that if an eminent domain objection is approved by



Spartz

the court, the owner can recover attorney's fees.

This bill also adds a requirement to mail notice to an owner who is not a resident of a municipality instead of just publishing a

notice in a local newspaper. Additionally, it would also afford longer appeal timeframes for property owners (30 days instead of 10 days) and allow property owners to appeal a decision of the court.

"Protecting private property rights was a core founding principle of our

republic to secure liberties," said Spartz. "In the words of one of our Founding Fathers, John Adams, 'The moment the idea is admitted into society that property is not as sacred as the law of God, and that there is not a force of law and public justice to protect it, anarchy and tyranny commence.' What Adams said two centuries ago is just as important now as it was then."

SB 340 recently passed the Senate by a vote of 43-7 and will now be considered by the House of Representatives.

[Click here](#) for more information on SB 340.

Osborne makes jump into local politics

Submitted

Meg Gates Osborne, whose grandfather Ralph F. Gates served as Governor of the great state of Indiana, has decided the time is right to enter into local politics in the community that she has loved and worked in for the past 30-plus years.

Osborne has filed for the first time to represent her neighbors and friends in the Briar Creek area as a Precinct Committeeman, charged with the responsibility and honor to ensure a fair and accurate vote on Election Day and to cast a vote, if necessary, to fill an open position on the Carmel City Council or the Mayor's seat.

"I grew up in politics ... my grandfather was obviously the Governor of the State of Indiana. But my father, also, was both Whitley County and 4th District Republican Chairman in northern Indiana, and I recall playing with my Barbies on the floor of the Whitley County Republican Party Office as a young child," said Osborne.

You might think Meg was a natural for politics, but she valued family and work more than the perks of political connections.

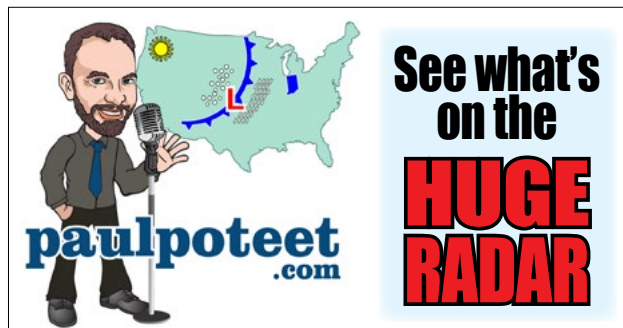
"When Brad and I were first married, my dad encouraged me to get involved in Marion County, but we

were just married and I started having babies, was a wife and began to coach swimming at a local high school and USA Swimming Club," she said.

With her children grown and her professional life intertwined with the City of Carmel – as well as other local companies and not-for-profit initiatives – She has decided to answer the call of many of her friends and professional partners to officially file for a position that is vitally important to the future of Carmel.

"We have lived in Carmel for more than 30 years in what is now Briar Creek precinct. My kids are now grown, graduated from college and living their lives," said Osborne. "Brad and I decided it was time to give back to Carmel."

She continued, "My dad greatly appreciated his precinct committeemen and said they were the 'backbone of the Republican Party' ... so I figured this is a great way to sustain all of the good things about Carmel, Indiana and be a positive force in keeping the momentum growing for a community that has achieved a reputation for having low taxes, plenty of high-paying jobs and a quality of life that is top of the line no matter to whom you compare."



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Noblesville Fire Department holds graduation ceremony for 12 firefighters

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Fire Department welcomed 12 new firefighters during a graduation ceremony last Friday at City Hall. The graduating class included John Sage, Tim LaFever, Erik Scheub, Zach Griffey, Alex Casselman, Patrick Perry, Connor Kohl, Bradley Nelson, Brian Carter, Lars Werner, Christopher Poynter and Stephanie Yoder.

Fire Chief Matt Mitchell gave the following charge to the graduates:

“For nearly 150 years the people of Noblesville have been able to call us in their time of need. Honor that tradition. You are automatically given trust based on the badges you have earned and now wear. But that doesn’t end today. You have to earn that trust every day. Children will look at you like you are a superhero and parents will treat you like trusted family because of your integrity. When NFD knocks, people open the doors to their homes. They do this with total confidence because they know the professionals are here to help.”



Noblesville Fire Chief Matt Mitchell (left) Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen (right) with the NFD graduating class of John Sage, Tim LaFever, Erik Scheub, Zach Griffey, Alex Casselman, Patrick Perry, Connor Kohl, Bradley Nelson, Brian Carter, Lars Werner, Christopher Poynter and Stephanie Yoder.

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The ceremony included the badge pinning by the graduates’ family members and

loved ones; prayers by NFD Pastor Stephen Schultze; remarks from Mitchell and class representative Alex Casselman; and the oath of office given by Mayor Chris Jensen.

Hamilton County Firefighters Local 4416 President Tony Murray served as emcee of the ceremony to his fellow Noblesville firefighters. Division Chiefs John O’Neal and James Macky oversaw the recruitment class.

“Public safety is a top priority for the City of Noblesville and one of the four pillars of my administration. Continuing to grow our outstanding fire and police departments is imperative to ensure our residents and busi-

nesses are as safe as possible,” said Jensen. “We are excited to have these new firefighters as part of our Noblesville community and wish them long and successful careers.”

The recruit academy lasts approximately 22 weeks. The first 15 weeks are devoted to gaining certification at Firefighter level I, II, hazardous materials and technical rescue – swift water, extrication, emergency vehicle operations, and prevention. The remaining seven weeks involved training as an emergency medical technician at the basic level.

The new firefighters will complete a probationary year before being promoted to pipemen.

Park Superintendent Now Hiring

The **Cicero Parks Department** is currently accepting applications for the position of full-time Park Superintendent. Applications will be accepted until February 18, 2020. For a full job description, list of duties and benefits please see Town of Cicero website at www.cicero.org or Town of Cicero Facebook page.

Applications can be downloaded from the Town of Cicero web site or picked up at the Utility Office, 331 E Jackson St., Cicero 46034.

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Notice is hereby given that the City of Noblesville Common Council will hold a public hearing during its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on February 25, 2020, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana.

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider additional appropriation authority in the Parks and Recreation Fund to fund a public purpose grant to the Friends of Central Pool for deferred maintenance necessary for continued operation of the Forest Park Aquatic Center. This grant is in addition to the annual public purpose grant for regular pool maintenance and upkeep.

The foregoing appropriations are in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy.

Taxpayers of the City of Noblesville appearing at the hearing shall have a right to be heard in respect to this additional appropriation.

Dated this 12th day of February, 2020.

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/s/ Evelyn L. Lees, Clerk
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Late run seals victory for 'Rocks

By **RICHIE HALL**
WESTFIELD - Westfield coach Shane Sumpter summed up his team's game with Harrison Tuesday in one sentence.

"It really was a game of runs," he said. The Shamrocks and the Raiders went back and forth at The Rock, but it was Westfield that got the final run that secured a 67-57 victory. Balance and good free-throw shooting were the keys to the Shamrocks' win.

"I'm really proud of our guys," said Sumpter. "We knew it was going to be a gutsy effort."

The two teams spent the first quarter mostly trading baskets. Harrison led 15-11 after a 7-0 run, but the 'Rocks answered that with 10 unanswered points, a run that bridged the first and second periods. Cam Haffner started it with a 3-pointer, then Matthew Penley scored the next seven points, including a 3.

"Matthew Penley was spectacular off the bench tonight," said Sumpter. "I was very proud of him and his effort that he gave us tonight."

Westfield led 16-15 at the end of the first, while in the midst of its run, and soon led 21-15. The Raiders tied the game late on a 3 from Jordan Walters, but Haffner drained another 3, then Braden Smith's layin finished the half and gave the Shamrocks a 29-24 lead.

Smith opened the third quarter with a triple, finishing an 8-0 run and putting Westfield up 32-24. Another 3 from Smith gave the 'Rocks a 38-32 lead.

At that point, the Raiders went on a 16-2 run that took up the remainder of the third quarter and stretched into the start of the fourth. Nic DePasquale's layin was the only score for Westfield during the run, which gave Harrison a 48-40 lead with 6:56 left in the game.

"Harrison's a very good basketball team," said Sumpter. "They're well-coached, they run their stuff. They make really everything challenging for you."

But after that, it was all Shamrocks. Westfield went on a 15-0 run, which began with a basket off a steal by Smith. Eli Patchett then made a 3-pointer, Penley



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Westfield's Matthew Penley scored 16 points for the Shamrocks during their 67-57 win over Harrison Tuesday at The Rock. Penley was one of four Westfield players that scored in double figures.

scored off a Camden Simons rebound, and Smith hit his fourth 3 of the night to get the 'Rocks up 50-48.

Westfield wasn't done yet: Penley converted a three-point play, then hit two free throws in a 1-and-1 situation to put his team up 55-48 with 1:19 left. The Shamrocks finished things out from the free-throw line, with Penley, Smith and DePasquale all going 4-of-4 during the final 1:19.

"We got a lot of contributions from a lot of guys and that's what we're going to need," said Sumpter.

Four Westfield players reached dou-

ble figures: Smith scored 19 points, Penley had 16, Haffner scored 14 and DePasquale added 10. The Shamrocks made 10 3-pointers, with Haffner draining four and Smith making three. Benji Welch had a first-quarter triple, along with the aforementioned 3s from Patchett and Penley. Smith handed out six assists and collected five rebounds.

Westfield is 11-6 and hosts Hamilton Heights on Friday.

WESTFIELD 67, HARRISON 57				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Braden Smith	6-15	4-4	19	2

Cam Haffner	5-8	0-1	14	0
Benji Welch	1-4	0-0	3	1
Nic DePasquale	3-6	4-4	10	0
Camden Simons	1-2	0-1	2	2
Matthew Penley	5-6	5-5	16	2
Zach Byrer	0-1	0-0	0	0
Eli Patchett	1-2	0-0	3	1
Totals	22-44	13-15	67	8

Score by Quarters				
Harrison	15	9	22	11 - 57
Westfield	16	13	11	27 - 67
Westfield 3-point shooting (10-16) Haffner 4-5, Smith 3-5, Welch 1-2, Patchett 1-2, Penley 1-1, DePasquale 0-1.				
Westfield rebounds (17) Smith 5, Simons 4, Penley 2, Haffner 2, Welch 1, DePasquale 1, Patchett 1, Byrer 1.				

10th straight win . . . Royals beat New Castle

Hamilton Southeastern kept its win streak going on Tuesday, taking care of New Castle 67-43 at the Trojans' gym.

The Royals trailed 15-11 after the first quarter, then fell behind 18-11 early in the second. But Southeastern took control after that, going on a 23-6 run. The Royals were up 34-26 at halftime, then outscored New Castle 18-6 in the fourth quarter to get their 10th consecutive victory.

Four Southeastern players reached double figures. DeAndre Rhodes and Vinny Buccilla both scored 17 points, with Buccilla dishing out eight assists and Rhodes collecting five rebounds.

Kole Hornbuckle had a solid all-around game with 12 points, four rebounds, four assists and two blocked shots. Mabor Majak added 11 points and seven rebounds, while John McCall

pulled six rebounds. The Royals are 14-5 and host Carmel on Friday.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 67, NEW CASTLE 43

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
DeAndre Rhodes	8-11	0-1	17	3
Kole Hornbuckle	4-9	3-4	12	2
Vinny Buccilla	6-9	2-2	17	2
Sam Jacobs	1-4	1-2	3	2
Mabor Majak	3-6	5-9	11	1
John McCall	1-3	2-2	4	0
Dalton Retzner	1-2	0-0	2	1
Elliot Robinson	0-2	1-2	1	0
Jason Stutz	0-1	0-0	0	1
Alex Totton	0-0	0-0	0	0
Michael Viele	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	24-47	14-22	67	12

Score by Quarters				
Southeastern	11	23	15	18 - 67
New Castle	15	11	11	6 - 43
Southeastern 3-point shooting (5-18) Buccilla 3-6, Hornbuckle 1-5, Rhodes 1-2, Robinson 0-2, Jacobs 0-2, McCall 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (34) Majak 7, McCall 6, Rhodes 5, Hornbuckle 4, Buccilla 4, Retzner 3, Stutz 1, team 4.				

Fort Wayne South diving regional... Carmel's Heyde wins, six county divers qualify for state

Six Hamilton County divers qualified for this weekend's state meet after finishing in the top eight at the Fort Wayne South Side diving regional on Tuesday.

Carmel's Alaina Heyde won the regional with a score of 490.40 points, leading a county sweep of the top four. Hamilton Southeastern's Sarah Ballard was the runner-up with 480.15 points. Next in line were third-place Morgan Casey of Fishers (466.80 points) and fourth-place Darci Commons of Carmel (450.90 points).

The Tigers' Grace Mossing placed sixth with 423.85 points, while Hamilton Heights' Alexa Williams took the eighth spot with 399.45 points.

Guerin Catholic's Emma Abdalla finished ninth, scoring 390.90 points.

The qualifying divers will compete Saturday morning in the first round, which takes place at 9 a.m. at the IU Natatorium in downtown Indianapolis. The semi-finals follow the first round, with

the finals taking place that afternoon during the swimming finals.

COUNTY SWIM CALLBACKS

A handful of Hamilton County swimmers received callbacks to the state meet.

Fishers had five callbacks: Abby Jahns in the 200 freestyle, Alexandra Stein in the butterfly, Hannah Pratt in the 100 free, Kalli Agaprios in the backstroke and Mackenzie Pierce in the breaststroke.

Hamilton Southeastern received four callbacks: Abigail Harter in the individual medley, Kennedy Fisher and Grace Newton in the 50 free and Olivia Harter in the backstroke.

Noblesville got three callbacks: Caitlin Marshall in the butterfly and 500 free, and the Millers' 200 free relay team of Sophie Resner, Claire Yeakey, Caroline Santerre and Abby Harvey.

Carmel had two callbacks: Vivian Wilson in the 500 free and Vivian Kraabel in the breaststroke.

Guerin Catholic's Erica Hunckler received a callback in the 100 free.

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NBA standings

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	40	14	.741	-
Boston	37	16	.698	2.5
Philadelphia	34	21	.618	6.5
Brooklyn	24	28	.462	15.0
New York	17	37	.315	23.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	46	7	.868	-
Indiana	31	23	.574	15.5
Chicago	19	36	.345	28.0
Detroit	19	37	.339	28.5
Cleveland	13	40	.245	33.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	35	18	.660	-
Orlando	23	31	.426	12.5
Washington	19	33	.365	15.5
Charlotte	17	36	.321	18.0
Atlanta	15	40	.273	21.0

Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Denver	38	16	.704	-
Utah	35	18	.660	2.5
Oklahoma City	32	22	.593	6.0
Portland	25	30	.455	13.5
Minnesota	16	36	.308	21.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Lakers	40	12	.769	-
L.A. Clippers	37	17	.685	4.0
Sacramento	21	32	.396	19.5
Phoenix	21	33	.389	20.0
Golden State	12	42	.222	29.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	34	20	.630	-
Dallas	32	22	.593	2.0
Memphis	27	26	.509	6.5
San Antonio	23	31	.426	11.0
New Orleans	23	31	.426	11.0

Golden Eagles win big at Shortridge

Tigers overwhelm Anderson

Guerin Catholic traveled to Shortridge on Tuesday and came home with an 81-48 victory.

The Golden Eagles, who will play at the Blue Devils' gym in three weeks in Sectional 27, outscored Shortridge in each quarter. Guerin led 19-10 after the first period and 32-22 at halftime, then poured in 30 points in the third quarter to hold a 62-32 advantage by the end of the quarter.

Bernie McGuinness came close to a triple-double, as he scored 21 points, collected nine rebounds and handed out eight assists. Joseph Bobilya added 16 points and dished out six assists; the Golden Eagles totaled 24 assists as a team.

Kaleb Edwards had 14 points and five steals. Guerin Catholic outrebounded the Blue Devils 38-21, with Spencer Wilt pulling seven and Elijah Edwards getting five.

The Golden Eagles are 13-6 and will take on Indianapolis Washington Thurs-

day in a game at the historic Hoosier Gym in Knightstown.

GUERIN CATHOLIC 81, SHORTRIDGE 48

Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Kaleb Edwards	5-7	4-9	14	4
Joseph Bobilya	7-10	0-0	16	0
Bernie McGuinness	8-15	5-5	21	2
Cameron Weitzel	4-9	0-0	9	0
Matthew Gillis	0-4	1-4	1	1
Elijah Edwards	2-2	2-2	6	2
Kameron Osswald	0-1	2-2	2	0
Spencer Wilt	2-5	0-0	5	0
Will Grissom	2-3	0-0	5	0
Dominic Ferrucci	0-2	2-2	2	2
Totals	30-58	16-24	81	11

Score by Quarters
Guerin Catholic 19 13 30 19 - 81
Shortridge 10 12 10 16 - 48
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (5-14)
Bobilya 2-4, Wilt 1-4, Weitzel 1-3, Grissom 1-2, McGuinness 0-1.
Guerin Catholic rebounds (38) McGuinness 9, Wilt 7, E. Edwards 5, K. Edwards 4, Ferrucci 3, Gillis 3, Grissom 2, Osswald 2, Weitzel 1, team 2.

Fishers won its second consecutive game on Tuesday, overwhelming Anderson 94-58 in an away contest.

The Tigers trailed 12-10 after the first quarter, but dominated after that. Fishers poured in 29 points in the second period to take a 39-25 lead; that included 10 points from Charlie Smith. The Tigers kept their offense rolling in the third quarter, going up 62-42 by the end of that period. Fishers finished the game with 32 points in the fourth quarter; Alex Szilagyi made three 3-pointers.

Smith finished as the leading scorer, adding 20 points. He was the first of five Tigers in double figures: Jeffrey Simmons scored 17, Szilagyi and Isaac Farah both contributed 13 and Bryce Williams scored 11.

Fishers is 15-5 and continues its road trip Friday with a game at Pendleton

Heights.

FISHERS 94, ANDERSON 58

Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Dominic Castellani	1	0-0	3	5
Justin Long	2	0-2	5	1
Alex Szilagyi	4	2-2	13	0
Charlie Smith	6	7-8	20	1
Jeffrey Simmons	6	5-6	17	2
Bryce Williams	4	2-2	11	0
Geoffrey Brown	2	5-7	9	3
Isaac Farah	4	4-6	13	2
Josh Forbes	0	0-0	0	1
Lucas Prewitt	1	0-0	3	0
John Entezari	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	30	25-33	94	15

Score by Quarters
Fishers 10 29 23 32 - 94
Anderson 12 13 17 16 - 58
Fishers 3-pointers (9) Szilagyi 3, Castellani 1, Long 1, Williams 1, Smith 1, Prewitt 1, Farah 1.

Starr sets new Huskies breaststroke record



Photo provided

Hamilton Heights junior Cylie Starr broke a 20-year old school record in the breaststroke during the Hamilton Southeastern sectional on Saturday. Starr's new school record time is 1:10.74.

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