

Couples serve others for Valentine's Day



Two Nickel Plate Express couples spent their Valentine's Day spreading the holiday love on the Uncorked Express Friday evening. **(Top)** Jeff and Kathy Cox celebrated 30 years of marriage last summer by renewing their wedding vows on the Nickel Plate Express with family and friends. Jeff and Kathy work as coach attendants together and make a great customer service team on the train. **(Bottom)** Jay and Jennifer Harmon met while working on the railroad for the former operator in Noblesville, the Indiana Transportation Museum. They are the only married engineer couple on the line! The couple can frequently be seen operating Nickel Plate Express excursions. Jay operates and trains new engineers on the organization's lead diesel locomotive, while Jennifer handles the smaller 50-tonner, affectionately dubbed "the little engine that could." Visit NickelPlateExpress.com for tickets and information on themed excursions.

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Sheridan Youth Program gets \$20,000 grant

The REPORTER

The Sheridan Youth Assistance Program (SYAP) is the recipient a \$20,000 Crosser Family Foundation Grant, which will support SYAP's Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP).

In Phase I of this 10-day summer program, 10 to 12 Sheridan High School students will have the opportunity to visit businesses to learn more about career opportunities in various sectors and engage in community service to serve Sheridan and/or Hamilton County non-profit businesses. Upon successful completion of the program, students will receive an hourly wage for their work and personal satisfaction for a job well done.

Companies already scheduled to participate in July 2020 include: Gaylor Electric, SMC Corporation, LIFT Academy, Gleaners Food Bank, Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank and Grace Care Center.

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Grant management system helps county stay in compliance

The REPORTER

According to Hamilton County Auditor Robin Mills, the county's new Electronic Grants Management System will help ensure the more than 330,000 Hamilton County residents continue to enjoy all the benefits associated with federal and state grants well into the future.

"Hamilton County manages up to 100 active grants at any given time, representing hundreds of millions of dollars," explained Mills. "For decades the county relied on legal pads and Excel spreadsheets to organize, track and manage grants. The federal government is pushing to mandate transparency in all grants, and with our paper process, that mandate would be difficult. Grantees, like the county, run the risk of losing funding because of lost documents, inappropriate payments or reporting non-compliance – in other words, a lack of transparency."

While the county has done a great job managing its grant program, the prospect of losing all federal and state funding prompted Mills to investigate systems to reduce the heavy paper-laden workload associated with the grants process.



Mills

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Arcadia applies for HGTV's "Hometown Takeover"

By **STU CLAMPITT**
ReadTheReporter.com

In January, HGTV announced its latest and largest renovation show, "Hometown Takeover," in which Ben and Erin Napier, the hosts of "Hometown," will take over and restore an entire town. Arcadia has applied and is hoping to be the next town HGTV visits.

Arcadia's Heather Souder told The Reporter that HGTV is having a competition to see which small town will be the next one to get their attention.

"We had heard through word of mouth from several people in town that HGTV was going to have this competition," Souder said. "People thought it was a good idea and that we should do this."

The requirement for restoration were threefold: The town must have fewer than 40,000 res-

idents, have homes and buildings that are architecturally interesting, and have a downtown area in need of restoration.

The submission deadline was Friday, Feb. 7, and in addition to the required photographs and essay, Arcadia had a video produced, which is at over 31,000 views in just four days. You can watch the video at [this link](#).

"We are very happy and surprised about the exposure our video has already gotten on Facebook," Souder told The Reporter.

According to Souder, Arcadia is going to be revitalized with or without HGTV's help.

"We are still moving forward," Souder said. "If Arcadia does not get chosen, we are applying for grants to put in a splashpad at the park."

Souder said the town does not qualify for the kind of façade grant Cicero recently received,



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This historic look at downtown Arcadia was part of the information package the town used to apply for HGTV's Hometown Takeover.

but there are other grant and funding options available.

"We are going to be grant-heavy," Souder said. "We are going to apply for anything that we can that will beautify Arcadia, get our building back in shape where they can harbor businesses. We don't want to tear anything down. We just want love brought in here so we can build it back to its former glory."



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Students who successfully completed this program in July 2019 are now eligible for the Advanced/Phase II of SYEP. Students will tour a business on a monthly basis during the school year to learn more about the jobs available at each specific business,

the training/education required for specific careers, the soft skills required for success in the job, and learn what employers are looking for in prospective candidates. A variety of business sectors and career pathways will be represented.

Students will then be able to apply for a 60-hour paid, trial internship to work within the chosen business. Students would receive an hourly wage from SYAP/SYEP during the trial internship. At the end of the trial internship the participating business could choose to hire the student on a permanent basis.

About the Crosser Family Foundation

The Crosser Family Foundation was established by Janet R. Crosser and the late Richard H. Crosser in 2001. The Crosser Family Foundation, a fund of the Hamilton County Community Foundation, is dedicated to improving the lives of youth and their families in our communities by providing them with everyday needs and opportunity – setting them up for success, so they will grow to be healthy, responsible, active citizens in the local community.

About the Sheridan Youth Assistance Program

The Sheridan Youth Assistance Program serves as an early intervention advocate for youth ages 3 to 17 who are facing challenging life circumstances. SYAP take a holistic approach to coordinate the Sheridan community’s vast array of talents, services and resources to help youth and empower parents and caregivers.

“The biggest challenge was finding a truly configurable system that was affordable and would work with all the grant programs within the county,” said Todd Clevenger, Hamilton County Grant Administrator. “After extensive research it was determined the existing systems were insufficient or too expensive. So, I approached the county’s ISS Department and was told that they could create a system that met 98 percent of our grant management and administrative needs.”

The result was an end-to-end grants administration and management tool that supports all the functional areas of the entire grant lifecycle, ensuring the county provides the required transparency, management and is compliant. This will allow the citizens of Hamilton County to enjoy all the benefits supported by the county’s grant program, including public safety, parks and recreation, healthcare, housing, transportation, social services, education as well as making Hamilton County government more efficient and effective.

“Since deploying the Grants Management System, the grant claims process has been reduced by as much as 40 percent,” said Mills. “Because of built-in alerts, reporting compliance is nearly 100 percent. Data analysis is in real time versus manually reviewing and searching through paper files and the State Board of Accounts (the agency charged with auditing the county) now has online access to grant files from their laptops for real time review. And if that wasn’t enough, the county’s Grant Management System was awarded Best of Indiana.”

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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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Logan Street Bridge brings award for Commissioners



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The Hamilton County Commissioners were recognized for their work in the recent Noblesville Logan Street Bridge project. Michael Waldron (center) with Butler, Fairman & Seufert presented Commissioners Mark Heirbrandt (left) and Christine Altman (right) with a plaque commemorating the expansion of the Logan Street bridge. BF&S was the civil engineering firm behind the project.

Letter to the Editor

Shaffer laments Carmel's "inadequate" actions on three recent scandals

Dear Editor:

Three Carmel scandals in recent months earned the same response each time.

The first, as reported in this paper last March, involved "guarantees" a developer made to build 10 structures including two hotels in the City Center redevelopment zone by 2019. Five were built. The president of the city council answered not with actions taken to enforce the guarantees but with an admission the buildings weren't built but that some taxes were being paid. Inadequate. No corrective action.

The second came in November when WISH-TV reported one-third of Carmel police traffic citations went to black drivers who constitute less than 2 percent of the population – blatant discrimination. The city's response? The mayor said more black drivers enter Carmel in daylight hours. The police chief said some variables weren't included in the numbers (not noting the same variable applied to the other cities when, instead of 33 percent of tickets a mere 10 percent or less were issued to black drivers). Inadequate. No corrective action.

Now, this newspaper reports a 46 percent cost overrun (and counting) at the Hotel Carmichael public-private partnership. This absurdity is met with a 575-word statement by the mayor exonerating himself and the Carmel Redevelopment Commission. Inadequate. No corrective action.

The City Council now is mulling a proposal to audit both the hotel project and the redevelopment commission project management system.

That sounds adequate and corrective as starters.

Bill Shaffer

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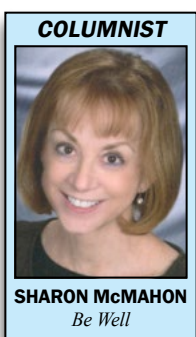
Striving for the gold standard in heart health

"I want to live, I want to give. I've been a miner for a heart of gold."
— Neil Young, 1972

Most of you are very aware that February is "National Heart Health Month" as well as the "Go Red for Women" month. Fortunately, there is much information available now about heart health, particularly as it relates to women.

Some people may be surprised that heart disease is the *number one killer* of both men and women, surpassing all types of cancer and other diseases.¹ The most recent estimated annual incidence of heart attacks annually in the U.S. is 720,000+ new attacks and at least 335,000 recurrent attacks.² Direct and indirect costs of heart disease total more than \$320.1 billion. That includes health expenditures and lost productivity.

While heart disease statistics have been available and research conducted for many years regarding heart disease and men, both research and information-gathering for women's heart issues are relatively recent. While only 1 in 5 American women believe that heart disease is her greatest health threat, heart disease causes 1 in 3 women's deaths each year,



and are often misunderstood. Please talk with your physician to learn more about the symptoms. The symptoms of heart disease can be different in women and men, and are often misunderstood. Please talk with your physician to learn more about the symptoms.

Thankfully, the information noted above, and much more, is readily available. I encourage everyone to talk frankly with their health provider about their risk factors, review their dietary habits, and make this a priority. My own viewpoint on the subject also incorporates getting adequate sleep, removing stress, "getting up from sofas and chairs" and making the necessary life changes which can alter those statistics.

Additionally, the effects of isolation and loneliness have been widely studied as it relates to heart disease. Interestingly, the "Rose-to" effect is one in which a close-knit community experiences a reduced rate of heart disease. A recent PBS special documentary revealed attributes of positive relationships which reflect on our heart health. Information is also available online for those who

killing approximately one woman every minute. Ninety percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease.

wish to search for more information. The effect is named for Roseto, Pa., and describes family and community interaction there and the healthy effect on the inhabitants.

My quote this week may seem a little odd, but I hope that as we close up the month of February you do take responsibility and become a "miner for a (healthy) heart of gold." Let's strive for the "gold standard" in heart health by consuming fewer trans fats, packaged foods high in sodium, refined carbs, fried foods and whole milk products. Working on establishing better family and working relationships in 2020, getting in those 10,000 steps each day, and adequate rest will do your heart good!

Sources:

1. CDC.gov – Heart Disease Facts
2. American Heart Association – 2015 Heart Disease and Stroke Update, compiled by AHA, CDC, NIH and other governmental sources

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Thanks for reading!

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Here are the new library items lists for the week of Feb. 10:

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2. Thief River Falls, by Brian Freeman
3. When you see me, by Lisa Gardner
4. Heart of black ice, by Terry Goodkind
5. A longer fall, by Charlaine Harris
6. Forever hidden, by Tracie Peterson
7. Many rivers to cross, by Peter Robison
8. Song of the risen god, by R.A. Salvatore
9. All the ways we said goodbye, by Beatriz Williams
10. Big lies in a small town, by Diane Chamberlain

New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. Raspberry Pi projects for kids: create an MP3 player, mod Minecraft, hack radio waves, and more!, by Dan Aldred
2. 999: the extraordinary young women of the first official transport to Auschwitz, by Heather Dune Macadam
3. eBay for dummies, by Marsha Collier
4. How to stay in love, by James Sexton
5. Tiny habits: + the small changes that change everything, by B.J. Fogg
6. Fodor's essential Costa Rica 2020, by Jeffrey Van Fleet
7. Wilmington's lie: the murderous coup of 1898 and the rise of white suprem-

acy, by David Zucchino

8. Maximize your Medicare: qualify for benefits, protect your health and minimize your costs, by Jae W. Oh
9. Ultimate very, by Jamie Oliver
10. Boys & sex: young men on hook-ups, love, porn, consent, and navigating the new masculinity, by Peggy Orenstein

New DVDs

1. Keeping Faith. Series 2
2. Countdown
3. Terminator. Dark fate
4. Gemini man
5. Harriet
6. Zombieland. Double tap
7. Game of thrones. The complete eighth season
8. War
9. The wedding march
10. Drunk parents

New Music CDs

1. Late nights and longnecks – Justin Moore
2. Let's rock – Black Keys
3. World peace – Keb' Mo'
4. The traveler – Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band
5. How it feels to be lost – Sleeping with Sirens
6. Let it roll – Midland
7. Let love – Common
8. My music, my world: the very best of – Andre Rieu
9. The nothing – Korn
10. Okie – Vince Gill

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour. And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.

Acts 3:1-3 (KJV)



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Buccilla's "and-1" gets HSE in front...

Royals beat Carmel for 11th straight win

By **RICHIE HALL**

FISHERS - It took Hamilton Southeastern just a few seconds shy of an entire game to get ahead of Carmel, but it was worth the wait.

A three-point play by Vinny Buccilla with 9.7 seconds left in the fourth quarter was the clinching basket for the Royals in their 62-61 victory over the Class 4A No. 8 Greyhounds on Friday. Not only was it a big win for Southeastern on its home floor, but it also kept the Royals' win streak going. Southeastern has now won 11 games in a row.

"We emphasize the things that we've done to make it happen," HSE coach Brian Satterfield said about the streak. "That's always the case."

"The next game as you walk out there, it doesn't matter unless you're going to continue to do those things," said Satterfield. "Tonight, when we started the game, we didn't do the things that allowed us to have that streak. But fortunately, we were able to claw our way back."

The Royals had to claw their way back after being down in the first half. After a few minutes of back and forth in the first quarter, Carmel's Brian Waddell hit a 3-pointer to put his team up 7-4, and the Greyhounds would hold the lead until the last few seconds of the fourth.

That 3-pointer started a 22-7 run for Carmel, and Waddell scored 10 of those points, including a tipback at the first-quarter buzzer to give the 'Hounds a 16-8 lead. Waddell then opened the second with three free throws after getting fouled on a 3-point attempt. Jackson Jannsen hit a 3-pointer as well.

Carmel led 34-22 with 1:13 left in the second quarter, but the Royals finished the half on a 7-0 run. DeAndre Rhodes made two free throws, John McCall scored on a layin and Sam Jacobs hit a buzzer-beating 3, getting Southeastern within 34-29.

The Greyhounds opened the second half with five quick points; Charlie Williams made a layin and Jannsen nailed another triple. Jannsen hit a 3 late in the quarter to give Carmel a 47-34 lead, but the Royals again responded with a 7-0 run. McCall's three-point play and two baskets by Mabor Majak, the latter one a dunk, kept Southeastern close, 47-41 at the end of three.

An and-1 by Kole Hornbuckle with 4:34 left got the Royals within 51-50, but the Greyhounds answered with a 6-0 run. Waddell hit his third 3 of the night, then Charlie Williams converted a three-point play.

Two free throws from Connor Gioia put Carmel up 59-52 with 1:47 left, but Southeastern finished the game on a 10-2 run, starting with a 3-pointer from Rhodes. The Royals trailed 61-59 with the clock running down, but Buccilla tied the game with a jumper while being fouled, then made the free throw to put HSE in front. Southeastern's defense then stopped Carmel in the final seconds.

"To give our guys credit, we didn't give up, we kept fighting and somehow we found a way," said Satterfield.

Majak led the Royals with 14 points, one of four Southeastern players in double figures. McCall added 12 points, with Rhodes and Buccilla both scoring 11.

"That's the one thing that's been nice about the group this year, especially here lately, is the balance that we've had scoring-wise," said Satterfield.

McCall and Hornbuckle both collected six rebounds, Buccilla handed out six assists and Rhodes blocked two shots.

Waddell led Carmel with 20 points, including three 3-pointers. Jannsen hit four 3s on his way to 13 points, while Suder scored 11. Waddell collected five rebounds and Gioia dished out six assists.

The Royals are 15-5 and host Brownsburg next Friday in their final Hoosier Crossroads Conference game of the season. The Bulldogs lead the HCC with a 5-1 record, while Southeastern is 4-2 in the conference.

The Greyhounds are 12-6 and return to the Eric Clark Activity Center tonight to play Fort Wayne Carroll. Varsity tip off is at 5:30 p.m.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 62, CARMEL 61

Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jackson Jannsen	4-7	1-3	13	4
Connor Gioia	1-5	3-4	5	2
Peter Suder	3-6	5-6	11	3
Brian Waddell	6-10	5-5	20	5
Charlie Williams	3-5	1-1	7	4
Nick Frische	0-0	2-2	2	3
Wil Leary	1-5	1-1	3	2
Bryce Beery	0-0	0-0	0	4
Josh Whack	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	18-38	18-22	61	27
Carmel 3-point shooting (7-15) Jannsen 4-6, Waddell 3-4, Leary 0-3, Gioia 0-1, Suder 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (19) Waddell 6, Suder 4, Beery 3, Williams 3, Gioia 2, Jannsen 1				

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
DeAndre Rhodes	2-3	6-6	11	3
Kole Hornbuckle	2-5	5-6	9	3
Vinny Buccilla	4-13	1-2	11	2
Sam Jacobs	0-1	0-0	0	3
Mabor Majak	5-8	4-6	14	5
John McCall	3-4	6-8	12	3
Elliott Robinson	0-1	0-0	0	2
Dalton Retzner	0-0	0-0	0	2
Alex Totton	1-1	2-2	5	0
Totals	17-36	24-30	62	23
Southeastern 3-point shooting (4-12) Buccilla 2-7, Rhodes 1-1, Totton 1-1, Robinson 0-1, Jacobs 0-1, McCall 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (27) Hornbuckle 6, McCall 6, Buccilla 5, Rhodes 2, Majak 2, Totton 1, Robinson 1, team 4.				

Score by Quarters

Carmel	16	18	13	14	- 61
Southeastern	8	21	12	21	- 62



Reporter photos by Kirk Green

ABOVE: Hamilton Southeastern's Vinny Buccilla made a three-point play with 9.7 seconds left in the fourth quarter, and that would be the winning points in the Royals' 62-61 win over Carmel Friday night.

BELOW: The Southeastern bench was pumped after Buccilla's basket. The Royals have now won 11 straight games.



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Parrish receives McDonald's All-American jersey

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Hamilton

Southeastern's Sydney Parrish was honored during halftime of the Royals' boys basketball team by receiving her jersey for the McDonald's All-American game, which she will participate in April 1 at Houston's Toyota Center. Parrish was presented her jersey by Southeastern's own James and Pamela Poore, who represented McDonald's.



Reporter photos by Kirk Green

LEFT: Brian Waddell scored 20 points for Carmel. Pictured for Hamilton Southeastern is Mabor Majak, who led the Royals with 14 points.

RIGHT: DeAndre Rhodes scored 11 points for Southeastern, including a 6-of-6 effort from the free-throw line.

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Shamrocks edge out Huskies

Westfield won a hard-fought game with county rival Hamilton Heights Friday at The Rock, by the score of 57-56.

The Shamrocks clinched the game with 0.3 seconds left in the fourth quarter when Nic DePasquale made two free throws. That moved Westfield ahead by one and gave the ‘Rocks a second consecutive win.

It was a back-and-forth contest. The Huskies led 18-13 after the first quarter, with Issiac Hickok pouring in 13 points for Heights, including three 3-pointers. Westfield came back to tie the game at 35-35 by halftime; Cam Haffner hit two 3s and Benji Welch also had six points. Camron Knott, meanwhile, threw in three triples for the Huskies.

Heights jumped ahead 50-45 after three periods, with Gus Etchison scoring eight points, including a pair of 3s. But the Shamrocks’ defense held the Huskies to six points in the fourth. DePasquale scored eight points in that quarter, going 6-of-6 from the line, including those important final two free throws.

DePasquale finished with 18 points and was 8-of-8 from the line. Westfield, in fact, was 12-of-12 in free-throw shooting as a team, with Braden Smith and Welch both going 2-for-2. Smith finished with 13 points, while Haffner scored 10.

Smith collected eight rebounds, followed by DePasquale with seven and Haffner with five. Smith also handed out six assists.

Etchison led Heights with 19 points, while Hickok scored 15. Heights had 13 3-pointers as a team; Etchison made four triples, with Knott and Hickok both draining three. Hickok, Brent Pennington and Luke Carroll all collected six rebounds, with Etchison pulling five. Hudson Hochstedler dished out five assists.

The Shamrocks are 12-6 and play at Western Boone on Tuesday. The Huskies are also 12-6 and go back on the road to-



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Westfield's Nic DePasquale (23) scored 18 points, including the game-winning free throws, for the Shamrocks in their Friday win over Hamilton Heights. Pictured for the Huskies is Brent Pennington (14).

night to play at Frankfort.

WESTFIELD 57, HAMILTON HEIGHTS 56				
Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Gus Etchison	6-15	3-4	19	0
Issiac Hickok	6-8	0-0	15	1
Brent Pennington	0-4	0-0	0	2
Luke Carroll	1-6	2-2	4	3
Hudson Hochstedler	2-6	0-0	6	2
Camron Knott	3-11	0-0	9	2
Lucas Letsinger	1-5	0-0	3	0
Jonny Cambron	0-0	0-0	0	0

Totals				
Heights 3-point shooting (13-33)	Etchison 4-9, Knott 3-9, Hickok 3-4, Hochstedler 2-3, Letsinger 1-5, Pennington 0-3.			
Heights rebounds (29)	Hickok 6, Pennington 6, Carroll 6, Etchison 5, Hochstedler 3, Knott 2, Letsinger 1.			
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Braden Smith	5-14	2-2	13	2
Cam Haffner	4-12	0-0	10	1
Benji Welch	2-4	2-2	6	2
Nic DePasquale	5-14	8-8	18	2
Camden Simons	1-2	0-0	2	1
Eli Patchett	1-3	0-0	3	0

Matthew Penley	2-4	0-0	5	1
Zach Byrer	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	20-53	12-12	57	9
Westfield 3-point shooting (5-19)	Haffner 2-8, Smith 1-6, Patchett 1-3, Penley 1-1, Welch 0-1.			
Westfield rebounds (34)	Smith 8, DePasquale 7, Haffner 5, Welch 4, Patchett 4, Penley 3, Simons 2, Byrer 1.			
Score by Quarters				
Heights	18	17	15	6 - 56
Westfield	13	22	10	12 - 57

Smith scores 18, Hunt adds 16... Millers fall to Brownsburg

Noblesville gave a strong challenge to Brownsburg on Friday before the host Bulldogs came back in the middle quarters, and eventually won 50-46 in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.

The Millers led 16-10 after the first period, with EJ Smith and Alex Hunt both scoring eight points. Brownsburg came back to cut Noblesville’s lead to 24-23 by halftime, then went ahead 37-33 after three quarters. The Millers played even with the Bulldogs in the fourth quarter, with Smith and Hunt both going 4-for-4 from the free-throw line, but Brownsburg held on for the win.

Smith finished with 18 points, including three 3-pointers, while Hunt scored 16. Jordan Gadis led the rebounds with four.

Noblesville is 1-5 in conference play and 10-10 overall. The Millers will return home tonight to host Fort Wayne Wayne,

with a 7:30 p.m. varsity tipoff.

BROWNSBURG 50, NOBLESVILLE 46				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jordan Gadis	0-5	1-2	1	3
Brendon Fisher	0-1	1-2	1	4
EJ Smith	5-11	5-6	18	1
Noah Harris	3-6	0-0	6	2
Alex Hunt	5-9	6-7	16	4
Evan Wilson	0-0	0-0	0	1
Preston Roberts	0-1	0-0	0	2
Trenton Reed	2-2	0-0	4	1
David Lloyd	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	15-35	13-17	46	18
Score by Quarters				
Noblesville	16	8	9	13 - 46
Brownsburg	10	13	14	13 - 50
Noblesville 3-point shooting (3-12)	Smith 3-7, Gadis 0-2, Fisher 0-1, Harris 0-1, Hunt 0-1.			
Noblesville rebounds (23)	Gadis 4, Smith 3, Roberts 3, Harris 2, Wilson 2, Hunt 2, Fisher 1, Lloyd 1, team 5.			

Third straight win for Fishers... Tigers take care of Arabians

Fishers picked up its third straight win on Friday, beating Pendleton Heights 66-47 in an away game.

The Tigers outscored the Arabians in each quarter, leading 14-10 after the first. Fishers then poured in 21 points in the second quarter to lead 35-24 at halftime; Alex Szilagyi helped out with seven points in that period. The Tigers steadily increased their lead in the second half, outscoring Pendleton 31-23.

Szilagyi led the Fishers scoring with 19 points. Jeffrey Simmons added 14 and Issac Farah contributed 13 points.

The Tigers are 16-5 for the season and play their sixth consecutive road game on Tuesday at Lawrence Central.

FISHERS 66, PENDLETON HEIGHTS 47				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Dominic Castellani	0	1-2	1	2
Alex Szilagyi	6	5-6	19	0
Drew Turner	0	0-0	0	3
Charlie Smith	3	1-2	8	3
Jeffrey Simmons	6	2-5	14	2
Bryce Williams	2	2-2	6	3
Geoffrey Brown	2	1-3	5	2
Isaac Farah	4	4-6	13	4
Josh Forbes	0	0-0	0	0
Lucas Prewitt	0	0-0	0	0
Matt Brewer	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	23	16-26	66	19
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	14	21	15	16 - 66
Pendleton	10	14	14	9 - 47
Fishers 3-pointers (4)	Szilagyi 2, Smith 1, Farah 1.			

'Hawks drop HHC finale

Sheridan dropped its last Hoosier Heartland Conference game of the season on Friday, falling to Carroll 48-37 at Hobbs Memorial Gymnasium.

The Cougars led 13-5 after the first quarter, but the Blackhawks made a run in the middle periods. Sheridan cut Carroll’s lead to 21-17 by halftime, then led 28-25 after three quarters. The Cougars then took over in the fourth period, outscoring the ‘Hawks 23-9.

Nolan Buckner made four 3-pointers on his way to 13 points. Nick Roberts led the rebounds with five.

Sheridan finished conference play 2-6 and is 5-14 overall. The Blackhawks host Lapel on Tuesday.

CARROLL 48, SHERIDAN 37				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Corbin Murray	1-3	0-1	2	0
Kyle Eden	1-8	0-0	3	4
Tyler Lowder	1-6	0-0	2	4
Will Zachery	1-4	0-0	3	3
Silas DeVaney	1-2	1-4	3	4
Nolan Buckner	4-6	1-2	13	1
Nick Roberts	3-4	2-2	8	3
Ethan Moistner	1-4	1-2	3	1
Totals	13-37	5-11	37	20
Score by Quarters				
Carroll	13	8	4	23 - 48
Sheridan	5	12	11	5 - 37
Sheridan 3-point shooting (6-18)	Buckner 4-6, Zachery 1-4, Eden 1-3, Lowder 0-4, Moistner 0-1.			
Sheridan rebounds (15)	Roberts 5, Moistner 4, Murray 2, Eden 2, Buckner 2.			

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NBA standings

The NBA is on its All-Star break.
Games will resume on Thursday, Feb. 20.

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	40	15	.727	-
Boston	38	16	.704	1.5
Philadelphia	34	21	.618	6.5
Brooklyn	25	28	.472	14.0
New York	17	38	.309	23.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	46	8	.852	-
Indiana	32	23	.582	14.5
Chicago	19	36	.345	28.0
Detroit	19	38	.333	28.5
Cleveland	14	40	.259	32.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	35	19	.648	-
Orlando	24	31	.436	11.5
Washington	20	33	.377	14.5
Charlotte	18	36	.333	17.0
Atlanta	15	41	.268	21.0

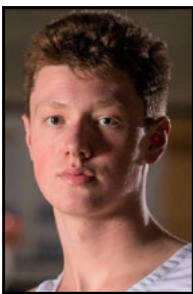
Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Denver	38	17	.691	-
Utah	36	18	.667	1.5
Oklahoma City	33	22	.600	5.0
Portland	25	31	.446	13.5
Minnesota	16	37	.302	21.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Lakers	41	12	.774	-
L.A. Clippers	37	18	.673	5.0
Phoenix	22	33	.400	20.0
Sacramento	21	33	.389	20.5
Golden State	12	43	.218	30.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	34	20	.630	-
Dallas	33	22	.600	1.5
Memphis	28	26	.519	6.0
San Antonio	23	31	.426	11.0
New Orleans	23	32	.418	11.5

Martin's three-point play seals the victory...

'Blazers hold off sectional rival Warriors

Joe Martin's three-point play with 27.6 seconds remaining proved to be the winning points as University scored a hard-fought 64-62 overtime win over Sectional 42 rival Covenant Christian at The U Center Friday night.



Martin

Martin, who had a game-high 20 points, drove the lane and scored as he was fouled to put University on top 62-61. The ensuing free throw gave the Trailblazers a 63-61 advantage. The Warriors' Trey Flatt split a pair of foul shots with 14.2 seconds remaining before University's Sam Mervis did the same with 11.3 seconds left, giving Covenant Christian one last chance to extend or win the game. Mervis deflected a pass out of bounds, leaving the Warriors with just 1.6 seconds to inbound and get off a shot. The inbound pass was made to the right corner, where University's Jacob Sager blocked a potential game winning three-point shot.

The first half was a back and forth affair, with neither team leading by more

than five points. University led 28-26 at the break, setting the stage for an unusual third quarter punctuated by large runs by each team.

Camden Brown made a foul shot and Max Greenamoyer hit one of this four three pointers on the night to give the Trailblazers a 32-26 lead just 50 seconds in to the half. After a Covenant Christian basket, University ran off the next nine points and held the Warriors scoreless for more than three minutes.

Brown made a pair of foul shots after an offensive rebound, Mervis found Jacob Sager alone for a layin before Corey Ash-Simpson gathered an offensive rebound and found Martin for a three pointer from the top of the key. Another Martin basket gave the Blazers a 41-28 lead with 3:41 left, capping a 13-2 start to the half. University still led 43-30 with 3:20 left after another Martin field goal, before the Warriors went on a 14-3 run to pull within 46-44 after three.

The teams traded baskets throughout the fourth quarter with Covenant Christian tying the contest at 55 with 1:46 left. University held for the last shot and Mervis missed at the buzzer to send the contest to overtime.

Flatt scored to put the Warriors up 57-55 before Max Greenamoyer hit a three pointer off a Mervis feed to put the Blazers back on top. Cameron Shurig scored for Covenant Christian and another Flatt field goal had the Warriors up 61-58 with 1:38 left. Greenamoyer came back on a driving bank shot to cut the lead to one, before fouling out with 46 seconds remaining. The Warriors missed the front end of the one and one, setting up Martin's heroics and the game winning sequence.

Greenamoyer had 17 points for University, who improved to 16-4 on the season. Shurig had 18 and Flatt 16 to lead Covenant Christian (now 13-7).

"I am really proud of our guys for sticking together," said University coach Brandon Lafferman. "We had lots of ups and downs in the second half and found a way to win against a tough team. We got some big minutes off our bench tonight, playing large stretches of the fourth quarter and overtime with two starters on the bench in foul trouble. This was a hard-fought game with good effort from both teams."

University's PAAC championship game against Greenwood Christian, orig-

inally scheduled for Saturday, has been postponed until Saturday February 22 at 1:30 p.m. due to Greenwood Christian's girls team playing in the regional tournament.

University is next in action Tuesday night when it hosts Victory College Prep.

UNIVERSITY 64, COVENANT CHRISTIAN 62 (overtime)				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Sam Mervis	3-8	1-3	7	1
Max Greenamoyer	6-13	1-2	17	5
Camden Brown	2-3	3-4	7	1
Jacob Sager	2-2	0-0	4	4
Joe Martin	7-16	3-3	20	3
Aaron Stallings	0-0	0-0	0	0
Korey Ash-Simpson	0-1	2-2	2	1
Larry Pierce	2-3	0-0	4	1
Matt Jones	1-1	0-0	3	1
Totals	23-47	10-14	64	17
Score by Quarters				
University	12	16	18	9
Covenant	12	14	18	11
University 3-point shooting (8-16) Greenamoyer 4-10, Martin 3-4, Jones 1-1, Mervis 0-1.				
University rebounds (29) Brown 11, Mervis 5, Ash-Simpson 4, Greenamoyer 3, Pierce 2, Sager 2, Martin 2.				

Girls swimming state prelims...

Carmel sends 25 swims to finals; Fishers advances 16, HSE 8, NHS 4

The IHSAA girls swimming state preliminaries took place Friday evening at the IU Natatorium, and once again, Carmel has put itself in a championship position.

The Greyhounds qualified 25 swims into today's state finals, with 22 going into the championship heat. The other three will swim in the consolation heat. Carmel has six top seeds, with Gretchen Lueking earning the top seed in the 200 and 100 freestyles. Berit Berglund is seeded first in the backstroke and the 'Hounds also swept the top position in all three relays.

Fishers advanced 16 swims to the finals, with seven going to the championship heat and nine to the consolation heat. Lydia Reade earned the top seed in the breaststroke.

Hamilton Southeastern qualified eight swims into the finals, sending five to the championship heat and three to the consolation heat. Molly Pedersen (100 free) and Abigail Harter (backstroke) both earned fourth seeds for the Royals.

Noblesville sent four swims into the finals. The Millers' Sammy Huff advanced to the championship heat of the breaststroke, where she is seeded third.

Noblesville also had three swims qualify for the consolation heat.

Today's state meet begins at 9 a.m. with the diving prelims and semi-finals, with the swimming and diving finals starting at 1 p.m. Hamilton County results for the prelims now follow.

Positions 1-8 qualify for championship heat, positions 9-16 qualify for consolation heat, positions 17 and 18 are alternates.

200 medley relay: 1. Carmel (Colleen Duffy, Maggie Love, Meredith Berglund, Paris Christie) 1:43.33, 4. Fishers (Jo Jo Ramey, Lydia Reade, Alexandra Stein, Kalli Agapios) 1:43.93, 9. Hamilton Southeastern (Abigail Harter, Kennedy Fisher, Grace Newton, Brianna Saple) 1:45.47, 13. Noblesville (Jordan Cooley, Sammy Huff, Caitlin Marshall, Abby Harvey) 1:47.59.

200 freestyle: 1. Gretchen Lueking (C) 1:47.91, 5. Berit Berglund (C) 1:48.99, 6. Molly Pedersen (HSE) 1:50.07, 9. Erin Cummins (C) 1:51.24, 11. Kate Mouser (F) 1:51.91, 12. Hannah Pratt (F) 1:52.00, 14. Kayleigh Witt (HSE) 1:52.84, 15. Abby Jahns

(F) 1:53.05, 19. Macy Hoaglan (Westfield) 1:54.18.

200 individual medley: 2. Mackenna Lieske (C) 2:01.86, 3. Love (C) 2:01.99, 5. Ramey (F) 2:02.74, 7. Madelyn Christman (C) 2:03.13, 10. Reade (F) 2:04.11, 12. Corinne Yorkman (F) 2:05.87, T13. Huff (N) 2:06.25, 17. A. Harter (HSE) 2:06.95. 50 freestyle: 3. Meghan Christman (C) 23.21, 5. Duffy (C) 23.31, 12. Ellen Fero (F) 23.76, 20. Fisher (HSE) 24.28, 29. Newton (HSE) 24.89. 100 butterfly: 5. M. Berglund (C) 54.70, 7. Hayley Reed (C) 55.04, 10. Avery Williams (C) 55.95, 16. Marshall (N) 57.09, 20. Stein (F) 57.87, 27. Abigail Miller (F) 59.45.

100 freestyle: 1. Lueking (C) 49.94, 3. Me. Christman (C) 50.23, 4. Pedersen (HSE) 50.83, 6. Ma. Christman (C) 51.30, 14. Fero (F) 52.31, 18. Pratt (F) 52.77, 22. Erica Hunckler (Guerin Catholic) 52.93.

500 freestyle: 2. Ramey (F) 4:55.33, 3. Cummins (C) 4:55.66, 7. Yorkman (F) 4:59.00, 8. Morgan Croaning (C) 4:59.48, 9. Abby Jahns (F) 4:59.83, 12. Vivian Wilson (C) 5:00.73, 18.

Marshall (N) 5:06.61, 22. Hoaglan (W) 5:09.10.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel (Williams, Me. Christman, Ma. Christman, Christie) 1:34.19, 5. Fishers (Fero, Agapios, Stein, Pratt), 6. Southeastern (Fisher, Pedersen, Witt, Saple) 1:35.36, 18. Noblesville (Sophie Resner, Claire Yeakey, Caroline Santerre, Harvey) 1:39.38.

100 backstroke: 1. B. Berglund (C) 53.41, 4. A. Harter (HSE) 54.87, 5. Duffy (C) 55.12, 7. Taylor Conley (C) 56.05, 22. Olivia Harter (HSE) 58.32, 28. Agapios (F) 59.84.

100 breaststroke: 1. Reade (F) 1:03.07, 2. Lieske (C) 1:03.23, 3. Huff (N) 1:03.29, 7. Love (C) 1:04.12, 9. Mouser (F) 1:04.32, 12. Fisher (HSE) 1:04.93, 18. Mackenzie Pierce (F) 1:05.83, 23. Vivian Kraabel (C) 1:06.87.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel (Reed, Cummins, Williams, Lueking) 3:25.46, 2. Fishers (Fero, Ramey, Mouser, Pratt) 3:26.69, 7. Southeastern (Witt, Newton, Pedersen, A. Harter) 3:28.80, 17. Noblesville (Resner, Yeakey, Marshall, Huff) 3:35.86.

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