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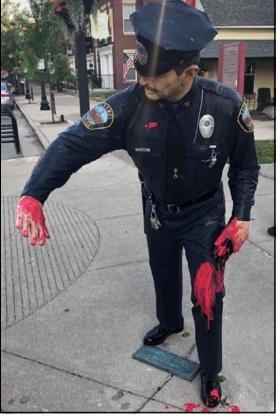
Today: Partly sunny. Scattered afternoon shower or storm. Tonight: Mostly clear.

HIGH: 79 **LOW**: 60



Vandals deface Carmel statue of fallen officer





A popular statue of a police officer that greets people on Carmel's Main Street along the Monon Trail was vandalized over the weekend. The suspects, in red paint, wrote, "It could happen here" on the back of the statue. The statue memorializes Officer Frank Carey, a police officer killed in the line of duty in 1900 by Thomas "Cyclone" Johnson.

Carmel schools to re-open with in-person classes this fall

District to offer virtual learning option for students with underlying conditions

The REPORTER

Carmel Clay Schools Superinten- open school on August 11, dent Dr. Michael Beresford has announced preliminary information for lished school calendar for students and their families as they prepare to return to school this fall.

Beresford said Carmel schools will reopen Tuesday, Aug. 11 and will include in-person classes; however, the district will offer a virtual learning option for students with underlying health issues that would prohibit them from attending in-person classes.

Below is Dr. Beresford's state-

Dear CCS Families,

We wanted to share some preliminary information about our planning for opening school in the fall. We have been working on various scenarios with guidance from our medical community, Indiana Department of Education, Center for Disease Control, and Hamilton County Health Department.

Our current plan is to 2020 and follow our pubthe 2020-2021 school year. School will be held in-person, 5 days a week, following the re-opening recommendations to the highest degree possible.

We know we have students and staff with underlying health issues that will prohibit them from attending in-person and some families who are concerned about their children returning to an in-person school environment. We are planning a virtual learning option for these stu-

We have a COVID-19 Planning Group working on the detailed procedures that will be required for in-person school attendance. In addition, our curriculum and instruction team



has been evaluating data from the spring to make improvements for this fall's version of virtual learning.

We plan to send the detailed plan to families in early July and gather data from parents to finalize staffing and complete preparations for the start of

school. Please keep in mind that directives and guidance from state and local authorities can change quickly in this environment. We will continue to share information on any adjustments needed as we move forward.

As always, we thank you for your support and partnership as we work through this pandemic.

All for now, Michael J. Beresford, Ed.D. Superintendent Carmel Clay Schools

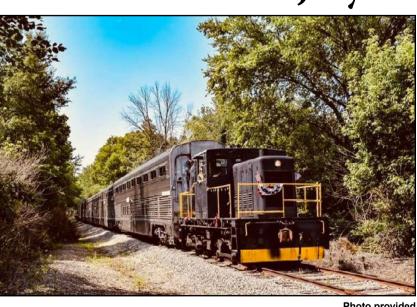
Nickel Plate back on track for July 4th

The Nickel Plate Express is back on track this Independence Day after a three-month hiatus.

The Nickel Plate Express returns to the Noblesville 4th of July Festival for a second year, offering rides at both Forest Park and Bolden's Dry Cleaners on the square this year. Tickets are \$10 (no charge for children ages 2 and younger) and should be purchased in advance at NickelPlateExpress.com.

Rides depart from Bolden's at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Excursions depart Forest Park at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Those interested in a longer ride can climb aboard the Independence Express Sunday at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. for an hour-long ride and slice of apple pie.

The Nickel Plate Express team is thrilled to celebrate our return to the rails and Independence Day in the heart of downtown Noblesville," said Dagny Zupin, Nickel Plate Express director. "As the world returns to a new normal, Nickel Plate Express is committed to doing our part to provide the safest possible experience for guests. We encour-



After closing for the past three months due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Nickel Plate Express will be back on the rails July 4th weekend.

passengers."

Nickel Plate Express has worked closely with the Hamilton County Health Department to create a safe environment for all passengers. Excursions will operate at 50 percent capacity to observe proper social distance between passengers. Additionage our passengers to do the same ally, Nickel Plate Express employees July festival or Independence Express, and practice respect for their fellow will wear masks and sanitize frequent- visit NickelPlateExpress.com.

ly touched surfaces in between each excursion, per CDC guidelines. All passengers are strongly encouraged to wear masks to protect themselves and others. For a full list of new polices aboard the Nickel Plate Express, visit NickelPlateExpress.com.

To purchase tickets for the 4th of

Five more candidates filed by Democrats

By FRED SWIFT | ReadTheReporter.com

Hamilton County Democrats, trying hard to fill their local ticket for the November election, have filed five more candidates for county office.

Democratic chairman Joe Weingarten this week filed the following candidates ahead of the July 6 deadline to fill the ticket as permitted when no one has filed for the party primary election.

"It is essential that we give the Dan Montcitizens of the county a choice instead gomery, Westof the usual field, will be on people who are the ballot for selected by one County Commisparty only. All of sioner in District our candidates are fully qualified and 3 against incumprovide a choice bent Republican Mark Heirbrandt.

for the voters. Too long we have had Mike Roberts, one-party rule and Fishers, has filed a lack of transparency and fairness for for County Audiall taxpayers of Hamilton County. tor against incumbent Robin Mills.

– Joe Weingarten, Hamilton County Democratic Party Chair

Jake Madone, Carmel, is the Democrat chosen to run against GOP candidate Susan Byer for County Treasurer.

Brad Beer, Wayne Township, will oppose incumbent Kenton Ward for County Surveyor.

And, Victor Schleich, Carmel, will run for one of three at-large seats on the County Council where Republican

candidates are Brad Beaver, Sue Maki and Steve Nation. One Democrat, Gardiner Bink, had already filed on the

Democrat ticket in the primary. Weingarten said in a memo to party workers that he hopes to find a candidate against County Commissioner

Steve Dillinger as well as a third council candidate. Democrats are not expected to challenge Republican judges on the ballot this year.

The party chairman also told his followers that he intends to challenge the City of Fishers for not having the required number of Democrats on the city police and fire

For many years Democrats have not filled their general election ticket, and no Democrat has won countywide office for 62 years. The last was Charles Ardery, elected judge of the Circuit Court in 1958.

Democrats say Fishers police, fire commissions lack political balance as required by state law

By LARRY LANNAN | LarryInFishers.com

Indiana law requires many locally appointed bodies to have a political balance, and Hamilton County Democratic Party Chairman Joe Weingarten says Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness has not been following that law. City Attorney Chris Greisl has sent a response.

Specifically, Weingarten says the Fishers Police Merit and Fire Commissions cannot have three members of the same political party serving on those panels, yet he claims election records show four of the five Police Commission members are Republicans and all five on the Fire Commission are Republicans.

The police and fire commissions are responsible for handling issues of discipline for those serving in those city departments.

According to Weingarten, Bryan Babb is listed on both Commissions' websites as a Democrat, though his voting records indicate that, while he voted Democrat in the 2016 primary, he voted Republican in the 2011 and 2014 primaries.

Weingarten also points to Mr. Gary Bolenbaugh, listed with no political affiliation on the Commission's website, while voting records indicate he voted Republican in the 2016, 2018 and 2019 primary elections. The Democratic Party Chair says based on their voting records, both Babb and Bolenbaugh should be listed as Republicans, resulting in a politically imbalanced Commission.

On the Fire Merit Commission, Mike Peterson does not show party affiliation but voting records indicate he voted Republican, based on Weingarten's letter to Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness. William Stuart, per the same letter, has a primary election voting record showing he voted Republican. This results in all five members not meeting the intent of the Indiana Code, according to Democrats.

Although how one votes is a secret ballot, under Indiana law, in a primary election, a voter generally asks for a Republican or Democratic ballot. Which ballot you choose is a matter of public record.

City Attorney Chris Greisl, in responding to Weingarten's letter, cites Indiana's code as saying Gary Bolenbaugh serving on the police and Mike Peterson with the fire commission are appointees by the city council and, per the statute, are not subject to the political affiliation rules.

As to Babb and Stuart, Greisl says "claimed status within the Democratic party. We are happy to further review any information you provide that would otherwise disqualify members of your party from serving on our local boards and commissions."

When asked to comment on Greisl's response to

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his letter, the Democratic letter sent by Weingarten to voting record shows that be listed as a Democratic appointee claims affiliation. County Chair told LarryIn-Fishers he is not satisfied. "Instead of an excuse and side stepping the questions it would be nice if they followed the law," Weingarten said in an email message.

"Fairness when it comes to our police and fire departments and the administration of justice to its members is critical to the safety of Fishers residents," Joe Weingarten said in a Democratic Party news release. "Now more than ever, we must ensure that decisions pertaining to department member discipline, including suspension, demotion and termination, are balanced and made in the best interest of the community."

Mayor Scott Fadness, fol- he voted Democrat in 2016 lowed by attorney Greisl's and Republican in 2011 and response.

Dear Mayor Fadness; It has come to my attention that both the City of Fishers Police Mer-Merit Commission are not constituted to meet the requirements of Indiana Code

§ 36-8-3.5-6. The current Police board as listed on the cities website lists Mr. Bryan Babb as a Democrat and under the code the "political affiliation shall be determined through the voters' registration records of the three (3) most recent primary elections" in which each Com-

Below is the text of the missioner voted. Mr. Babb Pasto Italiano is open! **DINE-IN & CARRY-OUT** Delicious NEW menu items NOW available! Look forward to seeing you soon! 317-804-2051

2014 primaries and thus cannot be listed as a Democrat. This would result in four of the five members of the Commission to be listed as Republican. Again, under it Commission and Fire the code no more than three members can be from the same party.

> Mr. Gary Bolenbaugh, does not show party affiliation on the website, but voting records show that he has voted Republican in the last three primaries (2016, 2018 and 2019).

On the Fire Merit Commission Mr. Babb is also a member and listed as a Democrat.

Mr. Mike Peterson, does not show party affiliation on the website, but voting records show that he has voted Republican in the last three primaries (2016, 2018 and 2019). Mr. William Stuart is listed as a Democrat but voting records show that that he has voted Democratic in the past three primaries (2014 R, 2016 D and 2018 D). Therefore he can't

member of the Commission. This results in all five never voted in a primamembers listed with none ry election in Indiana, the Democratic Party.

Please inform me when you will take action to replace one on the Police and two on Fire of the Republicans on the Commissions with a Democrat(s).

Mr. Weingarten:

June 18, 2020, letter to Mayor Scott Fadness regarding appointments to the City's Police and Fire Merit Commissions. In general, whenever a law requires that an appointment to a board be conditioned upon the polititee, or that the membership of a board not exceed a stated number of members from the same political party, at the time of an appointment, one (1) of the following much apply to the appointee:

(1) The most recent primary election in Indiana in which the appointee voted

(2) If the appointee has being valid members of the appointee is certified as a member of that party by the

party's county chair for the

county in which the appointee resides. Ind. Code §36-1-8-10(b). Because many Democrats often vote in Republican primaries in Hamilton County, the City annually I am in receipt of your reviews its boards and com-

> ance with Indiana law. Moreover, under Indiana law, Merit Commissions consist of five (5) commissioners to be established as follows:

> missions to ensure compli-

(1) two (2) persons, who cal affiliation of the appoin- must be of different political parties, appointed by the unit's executive;

> (2) one (1) person appointed by the unit's legislative body; and

(3) two (2) persons, who must be of different political parties, elected by the active members of the department.

Notwithstanding Ind. was a primary election held Code §36-1-8-10, political by the party with which the affiliation shall be deter-

mined through the voters' registration records of the three (3) most recent primary elections. Ind. Code §36-8-3.5-6.

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Please note that both Gary Bolenbaugh (police) and Mike Peterson (fire) have dutifully served the City as council-appointments to their respective commissions, and as such, no political affiliation is required. Both Mr. Babb and Mr. Stuart have claimed status within the Democratic party. We are happy to further review any information you provide that would otherwise disqualify members of your party from serving on our local boards and commissions.

The Commissioners serving both the Police and Fire Merit Commission deal with some of the most sensitive issues that face our City. These public servants will continue to lead and be guided by the only principle that matters - serving the best interest of the City and its residents (not politics).

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.



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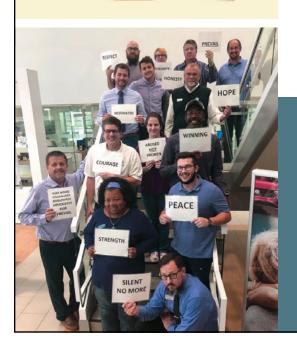
I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients 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:

- Art supplies (for children to journal and express their emotions)
- Bottled water (8 oz. bottles, preferably) • Individually packaged snacks
- Gas cards (many women have no access to funds after fleeing their abuser)

Drop off items at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, 14701 Tom Wood Way.





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Friday fire at Studio 6 Motel in Fishers leaves one injured



Photo provided by Fishers Fire Department

At about 5 p.m. on Friday, Fishers firefighters were called to the Studio 6 Motel, 8253 North by Northeast Blvd., for a structure fire. Firefighters found an exterior fire that had burnt up the side of the building and extended into the first floor. It took firefighters an hour to extinguish the flames displacing dozens of tenants. The American Red Cross was on the scene to assist victims and the Fishers Police Department assisted with traffic. Investigators say the cause is determined to be improperly discarded smoking material in the mulch next to the building. No dollar loss has been determined at this time. One civilian was injured and transported to the hospital.

Carmel Police warn of latest phone scam

The REPORTER

The Carmel Police Department (CPD) has been calls being made by people claiming to be a Carmel police officer.

The calls appear to come from CPD's administrative telephone number, (317) 571-2500, and the callers identify themselves as Sergeant John McAllister. The callers will claim there is an urgent matter and ask for personal identifying information. If the requested information is not provided, the callers may threaten to send an officer to your home. Scammers the officer.

will also typically request some type of payment.

CPD will not request made aware of scam phone any payment via telephone. If you receive a phone call from someone claiming to be an officer that requests your personal information and you were not expecting a call from an officer, do not give out your information.

> Ask the caller for their name and call the CPD non-emergency dispatch number at (317) 571-2580 to verify if an actual officer was trying to contact you. The dispatch center can then transfer you directly to

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Not too late to join HNPL's summer reading challenge

The REPORTER

Hamilton North Public Library, it wouldn't be summer without a reading program, so HNPL invites the community to participate in its entirely digital Summer Reading Challenge – Imagine Your Story. Through the online/mobile platform, Beanstack, you easily track minutes and titles read to earn badges and eligibility for prizes.

Get started, participate

• Sign up. To track reading on a phone, download the Beanstack Tracker App from the iTunes Store or the Google Play Store. Computer users can register at hnpl.beanstack.org.

hours and minutes for each Challenge. day's reading and log as directed. The program automatically rewards users with digital reading badges but the library is open with and tickets toward prizes.

• Requirements. To be According to staff at the eligible for prizes, adults must have a current HNPL card. Children and young adults may use either their own card or a parent's. Tickets for prize drawings must be entered digitally by

> Challenge for adults program. or young adults (12-17). Complete 24 hours reading. Earn 26 drawing tickets: one for registering; one for each hour logged (up to 24 hours); one additional ticket upon completion of the Imagine Your Story Challenge.

· Challenge for chil**dren (0-11).** Finish 16 hours of reading. Earn 18 drawing tickets: one for registering; one for each hour logged (up to 16 hours); one additional ticket upon finishing • Log reading. Track the Imagine Your Story (eight winners)

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• The program is digital, new, temporary hours.

 Acceptable reading material includes books, ebooks, and audiobooks.

 Beanstack limits reading time logging to 10 hours per day.

• All summer reading prizes are drawn tickets, determined at the end of the

Imagine Your Story prizes

Adults (18+)

- \$100 Amazon gift cards (four winners)
- \$100 Lowes gift card (one winner)

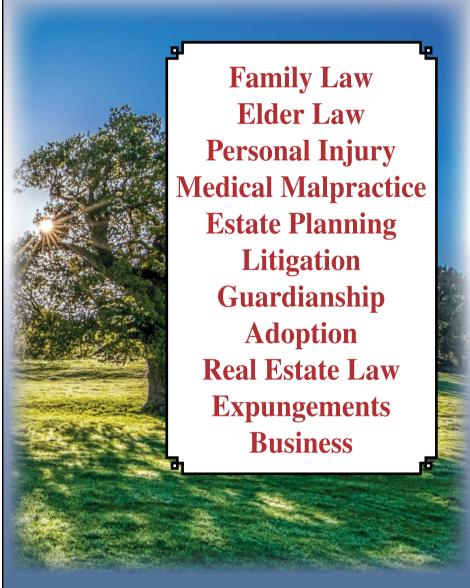
Young Adults (12-17)

- \$100 Amazon gift cards (four winners)
- \$100 Gamestop gift card (one winner)

Children (0-11)

- \$50 Amazon gift cards
- Jelly Belly mini jelly beans and mini dispenser (one winner)
- · Gift basket with fun doodads and a \$10 Dairy Queen gift card (one winner)

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Meeting Notices

Records will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 13, 2020, to discuss the PR-1 forms that were submitted by various agencies requesting destruction of specified records. This meeting will be held in the Hamilton County Clerk's Conference Room, Suite 106, in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Sheridan Economic Development Commission and d Hoc Advisory Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday June 29, 2020, in the Community Room at the Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. 1st St., Sheridan

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly Budget and Finance Committee meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, June 26, 2020, at the TriCo Resource Recovery Facility, 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.





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Milling on 146th Street begins Thursday

Effective on or after Thursday, June 25, between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m., Calumet will begin milling 146th Street starting at River Road. At River Road, both the eastbound and westbound lanes will be affected. Only the westbound lanes between Cherry Tree Road and Adios Pass will be affected. Both eastbound and westbound lanes at Hazel Dell Parkway will be affected. Milling is expected to end on Friday, June 26.

Once milling has been completed, Calumet will then be paving until July 6. Motorists should expect rolling lane closures throughout the construction area during this time, where at least one lane of travel in each direction will be maintained.

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Sen. Young joins bipartisan bill to make Juneteenth federal holiday

The REPORTER

U.S. Senator ator John Cornyn (R-Texas) Durbin (D-Ill.), Maria Can-

and a bipartisan coalition to introduce a bill making Juneteenth a federal holiday. Currently, Juneteenth is celebrated by 47 states, including Indiana, and the District of Columbia. "The des-

a federal holiday is long overdue. The Juneteenth National Independence Day Act is an important step in recognizing how far we have come, and how far we still must go in the fight for equality," said Young.

Senator Young has been an original cosponsor on resolutions honoring Juneteenth each year since 2017. This year's resolution passed the **Senate** last week.

Additional original cosponsors on the bill include Senators Tammy Baldwin (D-Wis.), Michael Bennet (D-Colo.), Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.), Cory Booker (D-N.J.), Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio), Susan Ron Wyden (D-Ore.).

Collins (R-Maine), Kev-Todd in Cramer (R-N.D.), Mike Young (R-Ind.) joined Sen- Crapo (R-Idaho), Dick

> twell (D-Wash.), Bob Casey (D-Pa.), Chris Coons (D-Del.), Catherine Cortez Masto (D-Nev.), Tammy Duckworth Ernst (R-Iowa), Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.), Deb Fischer (R-Neb.),

(R-Colo.), Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.), Kamala Harris (D-Calif.), Maggie Hassan (D-N.H.), Josh Hawley (R-Mo.), Mazie Hirono (D-Hawaii), Tim Kaine (D-Va.), Angus King (I-Maine), Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), Bob Menendez (D-N.J.), Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), Patty Murray (D-Wash.), James Risch (R-Idaho), Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.), Marco Rubio (R-Fla.), Bernie Sanders (D-Vt.), Tim Scott (R-S.C.), Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.), Tina Smith (D-Minn.), Chris Van Hollen (D-Md.), Elizabeth

Warren (D-Mass.), and











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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

Acts 15:5 (KJV)

Robert C. Hillman Sr. December 19, 1934 – June 21, 2020

Robert C. Hillman Sr., 85, Westfield, passed away at

11:08 a.m. Sunday, June 21, 2020 in Riverview Hospital Noblesville after a long battle with Alzheimer's. He was born December 19, 1934, in Logansport to William and Lilly (Nethercutt) Hillman.

He proudly served his country in the Marine Corp from 1954 to 1956. He retired from General Motors in Kokomo after 35 years of service.

He is preceded in death by his parents, and three sisters, Helen (Williard), Betty and Marie.

He is survived by his wife, Linda, Westfield; daughters, Diana Hillman of Florida, and Patty (Vic) Adams, Noblesville; and son,

Rob (Mechelle) Hillman, Westfield; and six grandchildren, Allison, Connor, Lucas, Myles, Bryce and Benjamin. Services will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, June 26, 2020, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1685 Westfield

Road, Noblesville, with visitation from 2 p.m. to the time In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Greater Indiana, 50 E.

91st St. #100, Indianapolis, IN 46240. Condolences: randallroberts.com

John Stephen Stark January 30, 1957 - June 18, 2020

John Stephen Stark, 63, Indianapolis, passed away on



Thursday, June 18, 2020 at his home due to cardiac arrest. He was born on January 30, 1957 to John R. and Bonnie J. (Gardner) Stark in Indianapolis.

Steve loved playing music, gardening, and going boating. He also loved Katie, his canine companion.

He is survived by his mother, Bonnie Jean Stark, and his sister, Rebecca Stark Boulse.

Steve was preceded in death by his father, John Raymond Stark.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m., with services at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road in Noblesville, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 1721 Pleasant St., Suite B, Noblesville, IN 46060.

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Tom Shepherd II June 24, 1967 – June 21, 2020

On Sunday, June 21, 2020, Tom Shepherd II passed away suddenly from a heart attack at



the young age of 52. Tom was born on June 24, 1967 in Joliet, Ill. He grew up in Lockport and graduated from Lockport Township

High School in 1985. He met his beloved wife Melissa Shroba in 1991 and they married June 3, 1995. They celebrated their 25th

wedding anniversary just a few weeks ago. Melissa and Tom have been raising their son in Noblesville since 2004.

Tom loved his family. His family meant everything to him. He was a faithful loving husband to Melissa Shepherd (Shroba). He devoted his life to his son, Jordan Shepherd. Tom played a big role in Jordan's bowling career by coaching, attending events, and managing. Tom put his mother on a pedestal and cherished every moment he had with her, Vicky Aguirre (Hill). He considered his stepfather as a father, Jose Aguirre. He loved his sister dearly, Michelle Condra.

Tom was self-employed. He was best known for his impeccable slot car tires. He was national champion of H.O. Slot Car Racing for several years. No one could race or make slot car tires like he could.

Melissa and Tom were not prepared for this tragedy. Melissa will continue to raise and support her son and his college career the best she can. Donations to help the family during this difficult time can be made to: Melissa Shepherd, 19494 Forsythe Drive Noblesville, IN 46060.

Melissa will be respecting Tom's wishes and will not be holding any services. Thank you to all our family and friends for your love and support.

May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6: 24-26

Eileen L. Carlson

January 2, 1933 – June 20, 2020



Eileen L. Carlson, 87, Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, June 20, 2020 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on January 2, 1933 to Thomas and Marie (Kornacker) Brandstatter in Chicago, Ill.

Eileen was a strong Christian woman who devoted her entire life serving her Lord and Savior. She was a loving mom and an incredible role model to her children. Eileen

created wonderful memories with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her first granddaughter, April Jean, named her "Honey" and from that point on, Eileen was known as Honey!

If an adjective could describe Eileen, it would be joyful. She had an unbelievable sense of humor and could make people laugh and smile. Eileen also loved good jokes. Among many things she loved to do, first and foremost was being on the Evangelistic Committee at her church. Eileen was an amazing cook and loved gardening, embroidery and knitting. She loved making prayer shawls to uplift others during difficult times. One thing people did not know about Eileen was that she was an incredible writer. Everything she wrote was touching, meaningful, and

Eileen is survived by her daughter, Marie (Rick) Stover; son, Larry R. (Lisa) Carlson; grandchildren, Jenny, Jackie, Matt, April and Fonda; and five great-grandchil-

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Lloyd R. Carlson, and her 14 siblings.

Private family services will be held. Burial will be at rownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bethel Lutheran Church, 20650 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46062.











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Sports



Battling childhood cancer . . .

Youth baseball teams come together to support Logan Gellert

The Indiana Bulls Baseball and Indiana Nitro organizations may normally compete against each other on the field, but on Tuesday the two teamed up to support one player's toughest at bat.

Eleven-year-old Logan Gellert, an Indiana Nitro 11U player, is currently battling Stage 4 Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma, a rare childhood cancer. When Indiana Nitro Baseball was looking to raise funds for Gellert and his family, the Indiana Bulls did not hesitate to step up to the plate and help.

"What Logan is going through is awful, challenging and something no kid should have to face," Indiana Bulls Director of Operations Scott French said. "We're excited to join with Indiana Nitro to not only 'compete,' but to come together for a cause greater than wins or championships."

Indiana Bulls and Indiana Nitro teams in every age group, from 9-17U, played in the #LoganStrong benefit at Grand Park Sports Complex. All players wore gold #LoganStrong jerseys, representing the childhood cancer awareness ribbon. Bullpen Tournaments donated the fields and BSN Sports donated the uniforms for the event.

"As we began our campaign to help Logan and his family, we were all quickly reminded that there is more to life than baseball," Indiana Nitro Director of Operations Chris Poland said. "We reached out to the baseball world for help and the response has been hum-



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Logan Gellert, an Indiana Nitro 11U player, is battling Stage 4 Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma, a rare childhood cancer. The Nitro and the Indiana Bulls teamed up on Tuesday for the #LoganStrong benefit at Grand Park; the event raised awareness and money for the Gellert family.

bling. In the bottom of the 9th and with off. We can't thank everyone enough." the game on the line, the Indiana Bulls and Bullpen Tournaments have stepped the first pitch to eight-time Gold Glove up to the plate to help us walk this one winner, seven-time MLB all-star and benefitting Gellert and his family.

Prior to the games, Gellert threw out

Indiana Bulls alum Scott Rolen.

Fans paid a \$10 admission to the game, with 100 percent of the proceeds

Junior Golf results

Modleski, Michael take first at Pebble Brook

The Indiana Golf Association's How- MASTERS BOYS ard Bailey Junior Golf Tour made a stop 2. Alec Cesare, Westfield, 73-70=143,

Hamilton County had good representation in both the Boys and Girls divisions. In fact, local golfers swept the mel, 81-84=165. Boys events: Noblesville's Jacob Modleski made four birdies on his way to a two-under par 68 to win the Boys 13-15 division. Patrick Michael was the winner in the Boys 16-19 division.

winners at the Junior Tour's stop at Deer Creek in Clayton. Carmel's Claire Swathwood was first in the Girls 13-15 division, with Grace Dubec victorious in the Girls 16-19 division.

Here is a list of county results from Noblesville - JR Tour (June 22) tournaments over the past three days.

Northern Junior Masters, Noble Hawk, Kendallville (June 21-22) MASTERS GIRLS

3. Macy Beeson, Noblesville, 78-72=150, T8. Samantha Brown, Westfield, 78-79=157, T10. Claire Swathwood, Carmel, 77-81=158, 12. Michaela Headlee, Carmel, 85-

Total birdies made: Beeson 6, Swathwood 5, Brown 4, Headlee 3.

at Pebble Brook's North course on Mon- T9. Cole Starnes, Fishers, 77-73=150, T17. Will Schade, Fishers, 80-77=157, T25. Tyler Lacy, Fishers, 81-80=161, T30. Rowan Bhagar, Car-

> Eagles made: Schade (first round, hole No. 4)

> Total birdies made: Cesare 8, Bhagar 6, Starnes 4, Schade 3, Lacy 2

On Tuesday, two county girls were Old Capital, Corydon - JR Tour (June 22)

GIRLS 16-19

3. Payton Schecheter, Fishers, 88.

Pebble Brook Golf Club North,

BOYS 13-15 1. Jacob Modleski, Noblesville, 68, 2. Will Harvey, Westfield, 72, T3. Joseph Armfield, Carmel, 74, T5. Camden Kooi, Carmel, 76; Cohen Steill. Westfield, 76, T8. Connor Hendrick, Carmel, 77, 10. Jake Mieling, Fishers, 78, T11. Carson Gladwell, Fishers, 79, T14. Clark Schwartz, Westfield, 81; Matthew Shull, Westfield, 81, 19. Tyler Marcinko, Fishers, 83, 22. Gabe Nixon, Westfield, 85, T23. Ryan Ban-

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Westfield's Alison Hildebrand finished third in the Girls 16-19 division at Monday's Junior Tour event at Pebble Brook.



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Rich Champion hired as new NHS assistant AD

Rich Champion, a longtime teacher been announced as the new Noblesville High School assistant athletic director.

coach in Noblesville for 24 years, and is presently teaching wellness at Noblesville Middle School. He has also assisted with the middle school athletic department for the last eight years, and has taught baseball, track and field, cross country, football and basketball at the middle school. Champion also was an assistant basketball coach at NHS for eight years.

"I am grateful for this new opportuniin the development of our student-athletes and coaches," said Champion.

"We are excited to have Rich join the and coach for Noblesville Schools, has NHS athletic department," said NHS athletic director Leah Wooldridge. "Rich is a Registered Athletic Administrator, has Champion has been a teacher and a wealth of coaching experience at the high school and middle school level, and also a wealth of experience in both the middle school and high school's athletic departments; assisting in event management. More importantly, Rich's positivity and ability to build relationships with student-athletes and coaches will serve our athletic department well. His out of the box thinking will also be a great asset as we continue to try and provide our stuty to serve Noblesville Schools and to aid dent-athletes with a positive experience through education-based athletics."

Fishers' Brynn Urban named to **IHSAA Student Advisory Committee**

Brynn Urban, a senior-to-be at Fishers High School is one of 18 high school student-athletes from across the Hoosier State will begin next school year as members of the 2020-21 IHSAA Student Advisory Committee (SAC).

Nine juniors that will join nine seniors beginning their second year with the group which will receive hands-on leadership experience in various areas via several IHSAA-sponsored events as well as serve as a voice to the IHSAA staff.

Each year, the IHSAA receives nominations from school principals on behalf of student-athletes from IHSAA member schools. From that group of nominations, 20 are selected for interviews by members of the IHSAA Executive Committee and returning members of the SAC. From those interviews, nine incoming juniors are invited to join the group of nine returning seniors.

The SAC, which began in 2001-02, represents the entire IHSAA membership of 408 schools, and its structure reflects that of the IHSAA Board of Directors in terms of classification and districts.

The SAC meets four times annually – twice each semester – and is responsible for hosting meetings with student peers at the Fall Area Principals Meetings; assisting with the awards ceremonies at IHSAA state championship events throughout the school year, planning and administering the annual IHSAA Student Leadership Conference in June and; to engage in and support the activities of Special Olympics Indiana including the Unified Track & Field and Unified Flag Football State Tournaments.

Other SAC functions include the development of an IHSAA Captain's Handbook which is posted to IHSAA.org as well as assisting in the creation of multiple public service announcements addressing good sporting behavior which will be utilized during 2020-21 state championships events.







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Fishers' Alexander Ueber competed in the Boys 16-19 division at the Junior Golf Tour stop Monday at Pebble Brook.

gert, Carmel, 86, T28. Adam Bolad, Alison Hildebrand, Westfield, 77, 4. Carmel, 95, 31. Owen Woodward, Carmel, 107.

Birdies made: Modleski 4, Gladwell 3, Armfield 2, Steill 2, Harvey 1, Kooi 1, Hendrick 1, Schwartz 1, Shull 1, Nixon 1, Bangert 1.

BOYS 16-19

1. Patrick Michael, Carmel, 78, T4. Will Perkins, Noblesville, 80; Connor rand 1, Reiter 1, Jensen 1, Spreit-McMillan, Fishers, 80, T6. Jack Sciaudone, Westfield, 81, T11. Michael Peterson 11, 84, 17. Alexander Ueber, Fishers, 86, T21. Seth King, Fishers, 91.

Birdies made: Sciaudone 2, Michael 1, Perkins 1, McMillan 1. **GIRLS 13-15**

2. Brette Hanavan, Westfield, 76, 3. Amber Luttrell, Fishers, 80, T4. Ava Nguyen, Carmel, 82; Sophie Mock, Carmel, 82, 7. Sydni Zebrauskas, Ci-

Birdies made: Hanavan 1, Luttrell 1. **GIRLS 16-19**

2. Ashley Marcinko, Fishers, 76, 3.

Averie Reiter, Carmel, 78, 5. Cate Jensen, Westfield, 79, T6. Marissa Spreitzer, Fishers, 82, T10. Mallory Mortl, Westfield, 83, 12. Nadia Brehm, Fishers, 86, 18. Mary Kate Tanselle, Carmel, 101, 20. Śerena Lee, Westfield, 109.

Birdies made: Marcinko 2, Hildeb-

Deer Creek, Clayton - JR Tour (June 23)

BOYS 13-15

T2. Vijeet Akala, Fishers, 79, T15. Aidan Jeffreys, Carmel, 109. Birdies made: Akala 1.

GIRLS 13-15

1. Claire Swathwood, Carmel, 79, T6. Jaylyn Henegar, Noblesville, 99. **GIRLS 16-19**

cero, 86, 15. Abigail Bladen, Carmel, 1. Grace Dubec, Fishers 82, T6. Kaley McHaffie, Fishers, 91, 10. Averie Reiter, Carmel, 92.

Birdies made: Dubec 1, Reiter 1.



