

# Everybody loves Charlie Cambre!

**The REPORTER**

Charlie Cambre can now add Sagamore of the Wabash to his long list of accomplishments.

An event was planned for Cambre earlier in the year, but was delayed until Saturday due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The award was presented during Cambre's retirement reception Saturday afternoon at Red Bridge Park Community Center, 697 W. Jackson St., Cicero. Cambre was given recognition for his 29 years serving as Cicero Parks Superintendent by representatives from every level of the Hoosier community.

At the state level, Cambre was named Sagamore of the Wabash.

Hamilton County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt announced that Hamilton County will present him with a Rampart Award on July 13.

The Town of Cicero declared June 27, 2020 to be



**(From left) Jackie Hayden, Amy Wolfe, scholarship winner Sarah Wolfe, State Sen. Jim Buck, scholarship winner Shelby Wilson, State Rep. Cook, the man himself, Charlie Cambre, County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt, Cicero Town Council President Dan Strong, 5th District Congressional candidate Victoria Spartz, Cicero Town Council member Chad Amos and Christy Wilson.**

Charlie Cambre Day. The Parks Department added an acorn-shaped plaque to the commemorative tree display in the Community Center, as seen above.

Cicero Friends of the Park established a scholarship in Cambre's honor and awarded the first two on Saturday. Truly, Cambre is a man who has earned respect at every level of his community.

Reporter photo by Stu Clappitt



**This zero-emissions school bus was designed by a coalition of non-profits and businesses.**

## Carmel Clay Schools welcomes first zero-emissions school bus to Indiana

**Submitted by Lindsey Fella Berry**  
CCS Green Team District Representative

Carmel Clay Schools (CCS) has added the state's first all-electric, zero-emissions school bus.

The Cummins-powered Blue Bird electric school bus reduces harmful emissions into the atmosphere such as nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, particulate matter and volatile organic compounds and hydrocarbons.

"This one bus is bound to lead to more positive changes," said Mark Terry, CCO of Blue Bird Corporation. "We are looking forward to seeing the favorable environmental impacts this bus will have, as well as the maintenance and fuel cost savings the district will experience."

Maintenance on a Blue Bird electric bus is minimal, eliminating the need for conventional fuel, air filters and transmission service and offers

comparable performance to a traditional internal combustion engine. CCS installed two charging stations, one at its east side lot and one at its bus garage, to allow the bus to recharge in the same location where maintenance tasks are performed.

"We applaud Carmel Clay Schools' administration and school board for their leadership in supporting sustainable

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## The good old days

"Grandma, tell me 'bout the good old days." I can just hear my grandkids saying those words, similar to the lyrics of a song by the mother/daughter country duo, The Judds.



**COLUMNIST**  
JANET HART LEONARD  
From the Heart

Remember the good old days? You know the ones, before we ever heard of COVID-19, the pandemic, or the coronavirus.

I miss those days.

Will I ever feel like there is a normal without it involving masks? Yes, I wear one whenever I am inside a store. You may tell me that it is not necessary. I will tell you, for me and my husband, it is necessary. I rest my case.

If I see too many cars in the parking lot of a store, I know that it is too peopley (I know it's not a word) and I head back home.

I question whether we should be flying to Florida to visit our families. I miss them, but...

I watch the 6:00 news and I recognize the music that signals a COVID-19 update. Ugh.

Positive cases are up dramatically. Deaths are down. I tend to see the negative in the positive when it comes to that report. I pray we are not a statistic.

I am told by the media what I should believe. The left has their channels and the right has theirs. The pandemic is now a hot political issue. For Chuck and me it's a life or death issue.

Our school administrators are damned if they do and damned if they don't, whenever they make any decision. The bandwagon is jumped upon and social media criticism runs amok. If you look up the definition of amok, it is "acting in a wild or uncontrolled manner."

Hello.

Opinions are shouted on Facebook and Twitter.

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## Jackson Fire feeds those in need



**When Jeff Muszar took over as Jackson Township Fire Chief, he said the department's motto would become "Our family serving yours." In that spirit and in an effort to help citizens financially impacted by COVID-19 and thanks to a federal grant, Jackson Township fire fighters were able to help the trustee's office distribute 50-pound food boxes to over 200 township residents. (From left) John Coonfield, Andrew Johnson, Fred McComiskey, John Moore, Mike Kirchberg and James Carter.**

Photo provided by Jackson Township

## Carmel City Hall to gradually reopen to employees, public

**The REPORTER**

Carmel City Hall will reopen to the public on Monday, July 6, with restrictions and measures designed to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

A week earlier, on June 29, some city employees will return to their offices after working from home since March 17, giving them a week to assess the precautionary measures and adjust procedures in advance of the July 6 public opening.

Visitors and employees will have their temperatures taken as they enter City Hall and will be required to wear

masks, use hand sanitizer and practice physical distancing. The City will have a supply of disposable masks for those who enter the building without one. The public is encouraged to continue doing city business through emails and phone calls. Developers and others with construction and building projects should continue to submit plan documents through the new online portal. In-person meetings at City Hall will be only for city business and limited to 10 or fewer people.



**Brainard**

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## Sheriff Quakenbush offers important safety reminders when using fireworks

**The REPORTER**

With July 4th quickly approaching, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department is reminding residents of important safety tips and laws regarding the use of fireworks.

"The Fourth of July is a time for celebration, community and fun," Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush said. "We want to encourage members of our community to celebrate this holiday in a way that is safe for them and their neighbors."

The three main requirements regarding consumer fireworks are: 1) You must be 18 or older to purchase fireworks; 2) An adult must be present for anyone under the age of 18 to possess or use a firework; and 3) Fireworks may only be used on your property or the property of some-

one who has approved your use of fireworks. Please remember to be cognizant of your neighbors and pets during these festive times.

Always remember the following safety tips when using fireworks:

- Use extreme caution when lighting fireworks in the wind. Keep spectators where the wind is blowing smoke and debris away from them.
- Never smoke or consume alcohol when lighting fireworks.
- Store fireworks in a cool, dry place that is out of the reach of children.
- Steer clear of others setting off fire-



**Quakenbush**

works. They can backfire or shoot off in the wrong direction.

- Do not attempt to make or alter any fireworks or firework devices.
- Always have a fire extinguisher or water supply, such as a hose or bucket of water, nearby.
- Only light one firework at a time and never attempt to relight or fix a "dud" firework.
- After a firework has finished burning, douse it with plenty of water before throwing it away to prevent starting a trash fire.
- Be considerate of individuals with PTSD and other types of medical conditions. The noise can cause severe stress and

reaction in neighbors.

- Think about pets. Animals have sensitive ears and can be very frightened or stressed by fireworks sounds.

Consumer fireworks are allowed during the following days and times:

- June 29 to July 3 from 5 p.m. until two hours after sunset
- July 4 from 10 a.m. until midnight
- July 5-9 from 5 p.m. until two hours after sunset
- Dec. 31 from 10 a.m. until Jan. 1 at 1 a.m.

The IC code in which these regulations and laws are outlined can be found at [this link](https://www.in.gov/dhs/3375.htm) under Indiana IC code 22-11-14-6.

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transportation to improve air quality for their students as well as all of the residents in the district,” said Ryan Lisek, Project Manager at South Shore Clean Cities.

South Shore Clean Cities, a non-profit, member-based coalition dedicated to promoting sustainable transportation, and members Blue Bird Corporation, Cummins and MacAllister Transportation, developed the zero-emissions school bus project and received funding via a successful grant application through the Indiana Department of Environmental Management’s Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust Fund Grant Program.

The coalition worked with infrastructure providers and school officials to provide critical education on charging infrastructure, charging best practices for energy efficiency and maximum range and reliability. The non-profit serves as the project manager, while also managing the destruction of the diesel bus the new electric bus is replacing as well as required reporting and metrics.

The data collected from the project will be used to serve as an example to help other school districts in implementing zero-emission school buses.

“School districts like Carmel Clay continue to push our communities forward as they invest in clean, safe, reliable transportation options for our children,” said Vinoo Thomas, General Manager of Electrified Powertrain Systems at Cummins.

Carmel Clay Schools currently has 24 school buses powered by propane autogas, a natural gas with clean-burning properties, and plans to introduce more alternatively fueled buses in the future, such as electric, as part of its initiative to move to greener, alternative fuel bases.

“By introducing this zero-emission electric school bus into our fleet we see this as another step in expanding our efforts,” said Ron Farand, Director of Facilities and Transportation for Carmel Clay Schools.

In addition to the work of Carmel Clay Schools facilities and transportation departments, Carmel Clay School’s Green Team encourages habits in school district that support and promote sustainability. Each of the 15 schools has a “Green Team” that provides educational and service opportunities for our students and teachers.

“Our commitment to green initiatives includes school-wide recycling programs, tree-planting projects, community and on-site school gardens, elimination of straws and plastic utensils and composting food preparation waste in our cafes,” said Ramona Rice, CCS Green Team Chair. “As we celebrate the launch of the first-ever Indiana electric school bus, we thank all local and state leaders who help us improve air quality, making the community healthier for all.”

The keyboard has become a weapon of bitterness and anger. No one is listening. Just shouting. No one is winning. Just whining. Do what you think is best for your child. Period. Imagine if their job was your job.

The effects of this pandemic have given a rise to anger, frustration and lack of civility and common sense.

I want to go back to the days of kindness, compassion and empathy. I want to go back to being able to hug my family and my friends. Those are the good old days. I miss them.

Now if you ask me about the REALLY good old days, I’ll tell you about them next week. A hint is they were when I was a kid growing up on 12th Street on the north side of Noblesville in the 60s. Grandkids, stay tuned. Grandma has a lot to say.

“We have taken unprecedented steps to safeguard our employees since the virus became known in central Indiana, while continuing to provide all city services. We have had our employees work remotely, when possible, made available COVID-19 testing, antibody testing, contact tracing and extensive educational outreach,” said Mayor Jim Brainard. “As we reopen City Hall, we plan to be diligent in following the guidelines issued by the CDC and other federal, state and local health and safety authorities. We want employees and the public to feel safe as they conduct business.”

The mayor plans to continue diligent tracking of hospitalization rates and the availability of ICU beds and ventilators in the Carmel area, looking for signs of increases as the state of Indiana continues to reopen different sectors of the economy. **These key indicators** will be used to determine if restrictions need to be reinstated as we reconnect the City.

City Hall has been thoroughly cleaned and disinfected and will continue to be on a daily basis. Employee work spaces and daily routines have been modified to minimize the risk of spreading viruses to other employees and visitors. All employees are required to be tested for COVID-19 before they return to City Hall. Where possible, contactless options have been installed to turn on lights and faucets and to open doors. Additional hand sanitizer stations have been placed throughout the building.

The re-opening for employees will be gradual, with each department identifying which employees will return and when. Those decisions will be based on the needs of the department, the possibility of continuing to work remotely and personal considerations of each employee who may be at-risk or are caregivers for children.

Public access to City Hall will be limited to the south doors, located off the city parking lot. As you enter, you should use the southeast door (near the reception desk) and as you exit, you should use the southwest door (closest to the elevators) in order to maintain physical distancing. The north doors will be locked, although they can be used to exit the building. Drinking fountains inside City Hall will remain shut off except for the “bottle filling” function.

All Carmel City Court hearing dates, originally set during the time City Hall was closed, have been rescheduled for a later date. Defendants have been notified of their new hearing dates, either by email (if an email address was provided) or by regular mail to the address on file with the Court. Anyone who had an original hearing date during the shutdown, but did not receive a notice, should call the Carmel City Clerk’s office at (317) 571-2440 to get their new hearing date.

In July, most hearings will be done remotely. In subsequent months, the court will resume in-person hearings with appropriate measures to limit the number of people coming into the courtroom. Anyone entering the building for court will be screened by officers providing court security. The screener will ask the questions for screening of COVID-19. Temperature will be taken by a touchless forehead thermometer. Masks will be provided and required if the person is not wearing a mask.

If you need to pay a fine, the Clerk’s Office will reopen on July 6. All payment of fines and costs are made to the Carmel City Clerk and can be done in any of the following ways:

- Online at [GovPayNow.com](http://GovPayNow.com)
- By phone: 1-888-604-7888, enter payment code #5988
- In Person: with cash, money order or cashier’s check at the Clerk’s payment window on the second floor of City Hall.
- By mail: With cashier’s check or money order to Carmel City Clerk, 1 Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032.

If you have questions about any of these measures, it is suggested that you call before you make plans to visit city offices. The main number into City Hall is 317-571-2400 or send an email to Carol Dixon, [cdixon@carmel.in.gov](mailto:cdixon@carmel.in.gov).



Advocating for Victims of Crime and Abuse

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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:**

- Art supplies (for children to journal and express their emotions)
- Bottled water (8 oz. bottles, preferably)
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# Hamilton County's REAL Daughter of 1776

Submitted by Sharon McMahon

Phoebe Touhig enjoyed retelling the story of her father's military service during the Revolutionary War. Samuel D. Davis was born in York County, Pa., and served as a substitute for his father who was drafted but chose not to serve. As Phoebe's obituary recounts, when Samuel was accepted for military service at the recruitment station when he was just over the age of 16, "George Washington patted the lad on the back and said he was glad to have him in the army."

Mrs. Touhig was born on December 19, 1832 in Carroll County, Ky., when her father was 71 years old. At the age of 18, she moved to Shelby County, and married Albert Talkington of Brazil, Ind. Albert and Phoebe later moved to Tipton County where Mr. Talkington passed away. Her second marriage was to Joseph Thomas, and her final marriage to James Touhig, both of whom she outlived. Phoebe died on May 14, 1923 at the age of 91, having lived in Hamilton County for 45 years. Her last residence was on Harrison Street in No-

blesville, and she was laid to rest nearby in Crownland Cemetery.

A REAL daughter is a first-generation descendant of a Revolutionary War patriot, and one who joined the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR). In January of 1923, just months before her death, the NSDAR Magazine published a brief story about Mrs. Touhig along with the four-generation family photo. She is the only known REAL daughter in Hamilton County.

As a part of the Horseshoe Prairie Chapter's (NSDAR) 50th Anniversary celebration, Phoebe will be honored with a commemoration ceremony and NSDAR insignia later this year. The Horseshoe Prairie Chapter invites the descendants of Mrs. Touhig and the public to join in the ceremony.

For more information, please contact Shirley Hunter Smith, 50th Anniversary Chair, at [shirley1776@yahoo.com](mailto:shirley1776@yahoo.com).

*Sharon McMahon is the Regent of the Horseshoe Prairie Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.*

## Tuxedo Brothers opens registration for more summer running events

The REPORTER

When COVID-19 hit in the spring, Tuxedo Brothers, Indianapolis' premier outdoor event management company, had to postpone or cancel many of its most popular events, including running races and triathlons.

Some events went "virtual" which is when runners complete the event on their own and submit their times.

But now athletes will have the chance to compete in person as Tuxedo Brothers prepares for their second event since March. They've implemented social distancing guidelines, and safely put on the Cicero Triathlon this past Saturday at Red Bridge Park in Cicero.

"We're so excited to open our multi-sport season, but we want to make sure every participant, volunteer, spectator and staff member feels comfortable and safe," said Jason Springer of Tuxedo Brothers Event Management. "Safety is our top concern and we're confident we have everything in place for a fun and safe morning in Cicero."

The event included a sprint triathlon which consisted of a 400-yard swim, an 11-mile bike and a three-mile run.

Some participants also chose a duathlon, which is a two-mile run, an 11-mile bike and a three-mile run.

The event was capped at 225 participants and there were markings for six-foot spacings at Packet Pickup. Volunteers wore masks and gloves and there was hand sanitizer available. High traffic areas were wiped down, and awards were "self-serve" once the names were announced. Participants were also asked to wear a mask when not competing and post-race mingling was discouraged. Changes were also made to the swim start and the layout of the transition area.

Tuxedo Brothers will continue their annual tradition of hosting the Fourth of July

CarmelFest Freedom Run. This year, the race will go virtual because of the pandemic.

Springer said the race was too important to skip.

"It's a big tradition for some families and people like to get together for their big run or walk," Springer said. "We're so happy that we have a way they can continue that tradition and people can still stay connected to the event. We plan to be back in full force next year."

Participants can choose between a five-mile option that replaces the traditional 4.5-mile run, and a 1.5-mile run. Cost is \$27 for the first two family members to register, with the price being \$20 for each additional family member. Active military personnel may register for \$22.

A packet pickup is planned for July 3 for runners to be able to pick up their T-shirts at the Runners Forum, 620 Station Drive, Carmel. More info on this can be found [here](#).

Tuxedo Brothers will donate \$5 to Pack Away Hunger, a non-profit that distributes meals in Indianapolis, for every person who signs up.

Participants can sign up through July 3 and can complete the distance any time between June 29 and July 5. [Click here](#) to register.

And that's not all that Tuxedo Brothers has planned. They're working on the Indy Sprint Tri Series, which takes place on July 11 and Aug. 15. The June 13 event was canceled but is set to be rescheduled. Registration is now open for those other two events at Eagle Creek.

Registration is also open for the Go Girl Triathlon on Aug. 22. In addition, TRI Indy is planned for July 26 at White River Parks and registration is open.

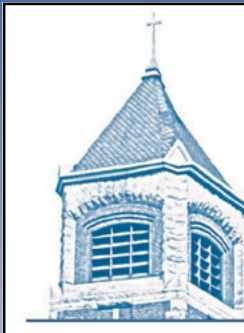
Participants are encouraged to visit [tuxbro.com](http://tuxbro.com) for updates on all events or email [Jason@TuxBro.com](mailto:Jason@TuxBro.com).

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# What was Indiana’s first state park?

**The REPORTER**

**1800** – Under the terms of a bill signed by President John Adams, the Indiana Territory was created out of a section of the Northwest Territory. The large area included most of what is now Indiana and Illinois and parts of Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin. William Henry Harrison was appointed Governor of the new territory.

**1835** – The Wabash and Erie Canal was completed between Fort Wayne and Huntington. Before railroads, the canal was the primary means of transportation for people and cargo. Extended to Evansville by 1853, the Wabash and Erie was the nation's longest canal at 460 miles.

**1884** – Victor Higgins was born on a farm in Shelbyville. His artistic talent took him to Chicago where he studied at the Art Institute and the Academy of Fine Arts. After four years of further training in Paris and Munich, he moved to New Mexico where he joined the famed Taos Society of Artists. In his wide range of work, he is known for his sensitivity to brilliant colors and the ability to capture the transitory aspects of nature.

**1916** – Indiana's first

state park, McCormick's Creek, was dedicated in a ceremony including Governor Samuel Ralston and Richard Lieber, founder of the state park system. Lieber called the park "a gift to Hoosiers for the state's 100th birthday." Starting with 350 acres at McCormick's Creek, the state park system has grown to encompass over 170,000 acres.

**1932** – The Fourth of July was celebrated in Evansville with the opening of a bridge over the Ohio River. The span connecting the city to Henderson, Kentucky, was dedicated in a ceremony led by Indiana Governor Harry G. Leslie and Kentucky Governor Ruby Laffoon. Later there was a two-mile long parade through the city followed by a spectacular fireworks display.

**1945** – A live nationwide broadcast from the State Fairgrounds Coliseum heralded the premier of the movie "The Story of G. I. Joe," based on the life of Indiana journalist Ernie Pyle. Over 13,000 people were in the audience as Ed Sullivan interviewed friends and neighbors of the popular war correspondent from Dana, Ind. Pyle had been killed in action only three months earlier.

**The REPORTER**

*Congresswoman Susan W. Brooks (R-Ind.05) on Thursday provided the following statement after voting against H.R. 7120 the Justice in Policing Act:*

"Americans made their voices clear: They want police reform and they want it now. It is incredibly disappointing we are missing a moment in time when both parties in Congress have significant agreement on how our country can change for the better. The fact of the matter is strong majority of the provisions of the Republican JUSTICE Act and the Democratic Justice in Policing Act are the same. Unfortunately,

House Democrats chose to not work with the House Republicans on this lifesaving legislative moment. House Democrats instead will only accept 100 percent of what they want. History teaches us that any meaningful reforms must be bipartisan to succeed, which is why I'm incredibly disappointed Democrats chose to put election messaging before meaningful reform. Americans should know that it wasn't the Republicans who chose to not come to the negotiat-



**Brooks**

ing table. Republicans still stand ready to work with Democrats to provide meaningful reforms to police practices.

"I support abolishing the use of chokeholds by police officers. I support efforts to track police misconduct and misuse of force. I support the use of federal funds to ensure that law enforcement officers, including Indiana's, use body cameras. I support law enforcement receiving additional training to respond without bias. I support establishing a Department of

Justice task force to coordinate the investigation, prosecution, and enforcement efforts of federal, state and local governments in cases related to law enforcement misconduct.

"The devastating reality of the Democrats politicizing this issue is that we will not enact reform now and eventually we will find ourselves in this very same situation debating this very same issue in the future. There is a strong will on both sides of the aisle to pass police reform legislation. I encourage my Democratic colleagues to work with us on getting this done once to help secure justice for all."

# New roundabouts, changes to Range Line Road, Keystone Parkway repave coming in Carmel

**The REPORTER**

The City of Carmel has released its annual list of major road construction projects for the summer and fall of 2020 and next year, 2021. The projects include 11 roundabouts, an extension of the Range Line Road renovation to provide a safer and more beautiful corridor and repaving of Keystone Parkway.

"Carmel continues to grow with new residents and corporate employers, which means the number of vehicles using our road network is also growing. It is important that we keep ahead of the growth and keep our roadways safe and efficient for all of our residents, visitors and workers," said Mayor Jim Brainard.

The City of Carmel will continue to build roundabouts due to their proven track record of saving lives by reducing the number of

accidents that produce fatalities and personal injuries. According to city statistics, Carmel has averaged just two fatalities per year over the past five years.

Carmel's five-year average fatality accident rate in 2019 was just 2.136 per 100,000 (the standard measurement), compared to 11.585 in Indianapolis, 16.756 in Anderson, 11.358 in Ft. Wayne, 20.379 in Kokomo and 30.058 in Columbus.

Three of the roundabouts are being funded by Clay Township. The remainder of the projects are being paid for from a variety of funding sources, including bonds previously issued by the City of Carmel, the Engineering budget and federal highway sources. There have been no new bonds issued for these projects.

The new roundabouts are being added at the following

locations over the next two years:

- Carmel Drive and Pennsylvania Street
- 96th Street and Haverstick Road
- 116th Street and Guilford Road
- 116th Street and College Avenue
- 111th Street and Westfield Boulevard
- 111th Street and Lexington Drive
- Illinois Street and Zotec Drive
- Walnut Street and Range Line Road
- 116th Street and Range Line Road
- Medical Drive and Range Line Road
- 111th Street and College Avenue

Range Line Road, north of City Center Drive, a five-lane corridor, will see a reduction in lanes, as it now is south of City Center Drive. The project will also add

medians, safe bike lanes and raised pedestrian crosswalks. This new section will extend from City Center Drive to Elm Street and will include a new Walnut Street (or 6th Street) roundabout.

While the City has provided a snapshot of projects planned, please remember there are many variables, including weather, that affect the exact start and finish dates. Notices of closures or detours will be sent closer to the beginning of construction.

For any remaining questions or concerns please call City of Carmel Engineering Department at (317) 571-2441 or email Engineering Administrator Joshua Kirsh at [jkirsh@carmel.in.gov](mailto:jkirsh@carmel.in.gov).

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# Fishers road construction updates, week of June 29

**The REPORTER**

**State Road 37**

126th Street west of SR 37 is currently closed and is anticipated to reopen in July. During this time, cross access and all left turns will be restricted, with only right in and right out until this phase ends. Traffic on southbound SR 37 will shift to the northbound lanes and two lanes will remain in each direction. Local access to businesses will remain open via Lantern Road. The official detour route will direct drivers to use 116th Street or 131st Street to Allisonville Road. Detour route markers and advance warning signs will be in place prior to the closure.

For a map of the detours, [click here](#). Please drive with caution through this area. To learn more about the State Road 37 Improvement Project and sign up to receive text updates, visit [37Thrives.com](http://37Thrives.com).

**96th Street**

96th Street east of the Sargent Road roundabout to Cumberland Road is currently closed and is anticipated to reopen in early November. During this time, the bridge over Mud Creek will be replaced with a widened structure and additional travel lanes will be added. The official detour route will direct drivers to use Lantern Road or Cumberland Road to 106th Street. View the detour map [here](#).

**116th Street**

Beginning on Sunday, June 28 all eastbound lanes on 116th Street from Hoosier Road to Brooks School Road will be closed and is anticipated to reopen by Wednesday, July 1 while the Department of Public Works performs road repairs. The official detour route will direct drivers to use Hoosier Road to 126th Street to Brooks School

Road. View the detour map [here](#).

**South Street**

South Street is currently closed to thru traffic between Fishers Center Drive and Lantern Road until early July. Access to businesses will be maintained.

**Lantern Road**

Lantern Road between Appel Drive and Birch Street is closed to through traffic until early July. Access for local traffic will be maintained. The detour route will be 116th Street down Hague Road to 106th Street. Check out the project [Fact Sheet](#) to learn more.

**Auburn Springs Subdivision**

ADA ramp reconstruction and road resurfacing is currently taking place and is anticipated to be completed by the end of June.

**Fishers Connect App**

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*While this list encompasses numerous project updates, it does not list all DPW projects throughout the city. The most recent projects are detailed, however please keep in mind that all construction activities are weather permitting. The city appreciates motorists' patience and caution while driving through construction sites.*

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# Indiana American Water reduces bills, passes on tax reform savings

## The REPORTER

Indiana American Water announced Friday that its water customers across the state will soon start seeing lower monthly bills. The decrease, which amounts to approximately \$1.04 per month (2.77 percent) for a residential customer using 4,000 gallons per month, is the result of the resolution of certain

accounting issues related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) of 2017.

The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission issued an order on June 24 approving a settlement agreement between Indiana American Water, the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (OUCC) and other interested parties on several accounting issues related to

the TCJA.

"Although it has taken some time to sort out the impacts of federal tax reform enacted in 2017, we are pleased to share some good news with customers during a time when many are facing financial challenges related to the COVID-19 public health emergency," said Indiana American Water President Matt Prine.

The decrease is in addition to a one-time adjustment to customers that is already being implemented and spread out over a 12-month period as a credit on customer bills and a previous TCJA-related decrease of 4.4 percent implemented in August 2018.

A copy of the company's rates are available online at [this link](#).

# AG Curtis Hill: How grieving Hoosiers can handle deceased loved ones' social media

## The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill is offering guidance for Hoosiers who would like to close or memorialize the social media accounts of loved ones who have recently passed away.

"For many, closing or memorializing a deceased loved one's social media is an important step in the grieving process," Hill said. "My hope is that these tips help any Hoosiers who are coping with a recent loss to remember their loved ones

in the ways they find most appropriate."

On Facebook and Instagram, you may request to remove or memorialize a loved one's account. Memorialized accounts serve as a place for friends and family to remember that person's life. The word "Remembering" appears next to the name on the profile.

On Twitter, you may request that the deceased



Hill

person's account be deactivated. Whatever action you wish to take with your deceased loved one's social media, you may need important documents and information to

proceed. This may include:

- Your loved one's death certificate
- Your loved one's obituary
- Your loved one's birth certificate

- Your loved one's last will and testament
- Your ID
- Power of attorney
- A memorial card
- An executor order

If you wish to remove or memorialize a deceased loved one's social media, you should visit the help centers for [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) for additional information. You can also [click here](#) for more information explaining how to remove deceased loved one's accounts on additional social media platforms.

## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men and brethren, hearken unto me: Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name. And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written, After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up: That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things. Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.*

*Acts 15:13-18 (KJV)*

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*Stepping down after 17 years as head coach . . .*

# Derrick Dean looks back at playing and coaching Heights boys soccer

By RICHIE HALL

For over 25 years, Derrick Dean has been involved with the Hamilton Heights boys soccer team.

First he was a player, then he spent a couple years as an assistant coach before becoming the long-time Huskies head coach. Now after 17 years, Dean announced last week that he is stepping down from that position.

Dean is taking a job at Reith-Riley, a construction company – “They deal with asphalt, concrete, basically infrastructure stuff,” he said. This also means Dean is retiring from his teaching position at Heights, which he has held since graduating from Purdue University in 2001.

“It was kind of a last-minute thing,” said Dean. He called the events and timing of moving out of teaching and into the Reith-Riley position “a perfect storm.” Dean taught technology and pre-engineering at Heights, and also advanced manufacturing.

“I’ll miss all the teaching stuff, the hands-on projects and real-world applications, all the certifications,” said Dean. “Same thing with the soccer side, I’ll miss all the memories we’ve had over the past 17 years. It was a tough decision, but it was a perfect storm. Everything seemed to line up and it made sense.”

Dean’s involvement with the Huskies soccer team began when he started high school at Heights. He was part of a big freshman class that came in and played on the team all the way through its senior year, winning a couple of conference championships along the way. Dean graduated from Heights in 1997.

“It was nice because our team never really changed from freshman year all the way to senior year,” said Dean. “Everybody just stayed together. It was very competitive. We were very good for quite a while.”

After that, it was off to Purdue, where Dean majored in Technology Education and played three years of club soccer. After graduation, he returned to Hamilton Heights to begin his teaching and coaching career.

Dean started as the assistant coach for the Huskies in 2001, after talking with Keith Thomes, the coach at the time.

“He approached me and wanted me to help him out,” said Dean.

Two years later, in 2003, Dean moved into the head coaching position when Thomes retired. He led the Huskies to a run of sustained success, including sectional titles in 2013 and 2014, as well as a couple of conference championships.

“We had some very competitive seasons,” said Dean. He always tried to challenge the team with a tough schedule, which was designed to prepare the Huskies for tough sectional opponents.

In the single-class era, Heights had to take on teams from bigger schools, such as Noblesville and Pendleton Heights. When the two-class system began in 2011, the Huskies were a Class 1A team; the three-class system started in 2017, and Heights was a 2A team.

“They loved the challenge,” said Dean. “I’ve tried to make our schedule



Photo by Bob Cross

**Derrick Dean (center) has been involved with the Hamilton Heights boys soccer team for over 25 years, first as a player, then as a coach. Dean announced that he is stepping down from his position as head coach of the Huskies' team after 17 years and multiple sectional and conference championships.**

stronger and stronger, always adding new opponents that would challenge us. I always told them I don’t care what their record was. If you’re not playing challenging games, it’ll never get you anywhere in the end.” Dean said the Huskies could’ve scheduled easy teams and had winning records and undefeated seasons, but again, it wouldn’t have gotten them anywhere.

Speaking of not going anywhere, Dean said that he will be staying involved with the Heights program, even if he’s no longer the head coach.

“I’m not going anywhere,” said Dean. “I’ll be volunteering, I’ll come to what I can. I told (athletic director) Kurt (Ogden) I wanted to be a volunteer assistant.

“I’d be willing to help out in the interview process,” said Dean. “I have offered

my assistance if they need it. Everyone knows when you coach, it’s year-round. I will communicate to the parents, I’ll send

things out. I can still communicate and help out with what I can.”

## Thirteen county players named to Academic All State Baseball Team

The Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association announced its 2020 Academic All-State Team earlier this week.

Thirteen Hamilton County players were named to the team. They are listed below.

Zach Gioia, Carmel  
Cody Li, Carmel  
Josh Novack, Hamilton Southeastern

Bryce Dorton, Westfield  
Christian Williams, Carmel  
Jake Huston, Hamilton Southeastern  
Griffin Lohman, Hamilton Southeastern  
Cade Kantz, Carmel  
Zach Dziennik, Hamilton Southeastern  
Cole Graverson, Hamilton Southeastern  
Ryan Deady, Carmel  
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# IHSAA approves fall sports post-season locations and groupings

At the IHSAA Executive Committee meeting Thursday, the organization approved the locations and groupings for the 2020 fall post-season.

Here is a list of where Hamilton County's fall teams will play in the post-season, as publicized in the meeting minutes, which are available on the [IH-SAA's website](#).

## BOYS TENNIS

**Sectional 45 at Hamilton Southeastern:** Fishers, Hamilton Heights, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville.

**Sectional 53 at Carmel:** Carmel, Guerin Catholic, University, Westfield.

## CROSS COUNTRY

**Sectional 15 at Pendleton Heights:** Alexandria, Anderson, Anderson Preparatory Academy, Blue River Valley, Elwood, Fishers, Frankton, Hamilton Southeastern, Lapel, Liberty Christian, Pendleton Heights, Shenandoah.

(Qualifying teams and individuals advance to the Delta regional. Delta qualifiers advance to the New Haven semi-state.)

**Sectional 19 at Noblesville:** Carmel, Guerin Catholic Hamilton Heights, Lebanon, Noblesville, Sheridan, Tipton, Tri-Central, University, Western Boone, Westfield.

(Qualifying teams and individuals advance to the Noblesville regional. Noblesville qualifiers advance to the Shelbyville semi-state.)

The state finals take place at the LaVern Gibson Championship Cross Country Course in Terre Haute.

## FOOTBALL

**Class 6A Sectional 4:** Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, Westfield

**Class 6A Sectional 5:** Avon, Carmel, Brownsburg, Pike.

NOTE: Two Class 5A Elkhart schools into a new Elkhart High School, which is

playing in 6A. As a result, Zionsville was bumped down to 6A from 5A, which meant some shifts in the sectionals were necessary. Noblesville was moved from Sectional 3 to Sectional 4, with Carmel moved from Sectional 4 to Sectional 5.

**Class 3A Sectional 28:** Bishop Chatard, Brebeuf Jesuit, Crawfordsville, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Heights, North Montgomery, West Lafayette, Yorktown.

**Class 1A Sectional 46:** Covenant Christian, Edinburgh, Indiana School for the Deaf, Indianapolis Lutheran, Park Tudor, Sheridan, Tindley.

## UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL

Carmel, Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern and Noblesville are among the 46 schools listed in the meeting minutes that have expressed interest in participating in the tournament.

The IHSAA said that schools will be placed into sectional assignments after the total number of participating schools is confirmed. Sectionals will take place on Oct. 3, regionals on Oct. 10 and the state championship game on Oct. 17 at Grand Park.

## GIRLS GOLF

**Sectional 13 at Harbour Trees Golf Club (host Noblesville):** Alexandria, Anderson, Elwood, Fishers, Hamilton Heights, Hamilton Southeastern, Lapel, Noblesville, Pendleton Heights, Shenandoah.

**Sectional 19 at Pebble Brook Golf Club (host Guerin Catholic):** Ben Davis, Brebeuf Jesuit, Cardinal Ritter, Carmel, Covenant Christian, Guerin Catholic, Pike, Speedway, University, Westfield.

Qualifying teams from Harbour Trees advance to the Lapel regional at Edgewood Golf Club, while qualifying teams from Pebble Brook advance to the Roncalli regional at Smock Golf Club. The state finals will continue to be at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel.

## GIRLS SOCCER

**Class 3A Sectional 8 at Noblesville:** Anderson, Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern, Muncie Central, Noblesville, Pendleton Heights. (Winner advances to Logansport regional.)

**Class 3A Sectional 10 at Guerin Catholic:** Arsenal Tech, Carmel, Guerin Catholic, North Central, Pike, Westfield, Zionsville. (Winner advances to Brebeuf Jesuit regional.)

**Class 2A Sectional 24 at Yorktown:** Delta, Hamilton Heights, Jay County, New Castle, Yorktown. (Winner advances to Marion regional.)

**Class 1A Sectional 37 at Taylor:** Eastern, Sheridan, Taylor, Tipton, Tri-Central, University. (Winner advances to Northwest regional.)

## BOYS SOCCER

**Class 3A Sectional 8 at Hamilton Southeastern:** Anderson, Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern, Muncie Central, Noblesville, Pendleton Heights. (Winner advances to Kokomo regional.)

**Class 3A Sectional 10 at Carmel:** Carmel, North Central, Pike, Shortridge, Westfield, Zionsville. (Winner advances to Carmel regional.)

**Class 2A Sectional 26 at Crawfordsville:** Brebeuf Jesuit, Cardinal Ritter, Covenant Christian, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Heights, Lebanon, Western Boone. (Winner advances to Greensburg regional.)

**Class 1A Sectional 39 at Anderson Preparatory Academy:** Anderson Preparatory Academy, Liberty Christian, Sheridan, Taylor, Tri-Central. (Winner advances to

Taylor regional.)

**Class 1A Sectional 40 at Heritage Christian:** Heritage Christian, International, Park Tudor, Secescina, University. (Winner advances to Knightstown regional.)

Boys and girls soccer semi-states will take place at four sites.

NORTH: Kokomo, South Bend St. Joseph.

SOUTH: Evansville North, Seymour.

The state finals are set for Oct. 30 and 31. Oct. 30 games take place at Grand Park, while Oct. 31 games take place at Fishers High School.

## VOLLEYBALL

**Class 4A Sectional 8 at Hamilton Southeastern:** Carmel, Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, Westfield, Zionsville. (Winner advances to Noblesville regional.)

**Class 3A Sectional 27 at Bishop Chatard:** Bishop Chatard, Brebeuf Jesuit, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Heights, Manual, Shortridge. (Winner advances to Danville regional.)

**Class 2A Sectional 43 at Western Boone:** Heritage Christian, Park Tudor, Sheridan, University, Western Boone. (Winner advances to Heritage Christian regional.)

Semi-states will take place at the following locations:

NORTH: Huntington North, Frankfort.

SOUTH: Columbus East, Jasper.

The state finals are again at Ball State University.



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