

# Trash, wastewater fees going up in Noblesville

By JEFF JELLISON  
Reporter Publisher

On Tuesday evening, the Noblesville Common Council approved an increase in wastewater and trash fees.

Noblesville residents will now pay a wastewater fee of \$46.13, a \$4.35 per month increase. Trash service will increase by \$2.91 to \$13.85 per month. The combined utility bill will

now be \$59.98.

According to Deputy Mayor Matt Light, the increase will set a four-year rate.

Information provided by Noblesville indicates that using the "Set It & Forget It" approach would avoid having an annual rate/fee increase and provides a savings over the traditional step-up rate over the same time period.

"We worked to try to

keep these costs low while also balancing the critical infrastructure needs identified by Noblesville Utilities Director Ray Thompson and his team," Light said. "The rate increase allows the necessary cash reserves that keeps the city's credit rating intact and keeps borrowing costs



Light

low, which saves taxpayers money in the long term."

Noblesville is offering a hardship program that provides for \$250,000 in credits in the wastewater program and another \$115,000 in trash fees, which could benefit up to 2,778 residents if eligible.

To be granted a hardship

credit, an owner-occupant must provide documentation to the Noblesville Utilities Department that they have filed for any of the following (and must affirm under penalties of perjury that the filing related to economic conditions caused in part by the public health emergency):

(a) Unemployment with the state Department of Workforce Development;

(b) Hardship accommodation with the Indiana De-

partment of Revenue;

(c) Financial assistance with the township trustee; or

(d) Energy assistance through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

This program runs six months starting with the September utility bill (and would run through the February utility bill).

[Click here](#) for more information about the hardship program.

## Young entrepreneurs in Fishers: Gear up for Biz Kidz Day Aug. 29



**Biz Kidz Day at the Fishers Farmers Market gives young entrepreneurs ages 5 through 17 the opportunity to showcase their skills by running their own business for a day. As Market vendors for the day, kids may sell products that are handmade, hand-grown, hand-crafted, or hand-produced. Fishers Parks and Recreation will conduct the event from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 29. All Biz Kidz booths will be spaced to follow COVID-19 social distancing guidelines. All kids and adults taking part are required to wear masks. [Click here](#) to fill out the Biz Kidz Day form.**

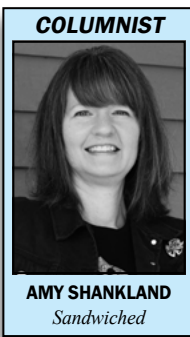
## Heights Prayer Breakfast set for next Friday

### The REPORTER

The seventh annual Hamilton Heights School Corporation's Prayer Breakfast, sponsored by the Heights Area Pastors, will be held on Friday, Aug. 7 at the new Hamilton Heights Middle School, 25150 State Road 19, Arcadia. The breakfast will take place from 7 to 7:30 a.m. with the program starting at 7:30 a.m. This year's Prayer Breakfast Speaker is Tom Camp, Senior Pastor at Harvest Chapel.

## Enjoying the "normal"

As many of you know, most of the time I focus on my mother for this column. But there's another "slice" to the sandwich generation I don't talk about as often — my sons. They're now young men



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AMY SHANKLAND  
*Sandwiched*

I'm ready! Poor Jacob has probably heard me say, "I'm excited to go shopping for your dorm room" about 10 times. He's also probably rolled his eyes just as often.

At ages 19 and 18, with one (Jonathon) returning to IUPUI next month and the other (Jacob) starting at Ball State.

Yes, I'm slightly nervous about them going to college with this virus and all of its scariness, but I'm also grateful that they're old enough to handle the situation well and wear their masks when they should. I refuse to let fear cripple me and don't want it to cripple them. They're both in a chapter of their lives that should be exhilarating, challenging, and fun!

I loved my experience at IU Bloomington, which is one reason why I'm looking forward to going shopping this week for Jacob's dorm room.

At first I delayed this task, wondering if Indiana's campuses would indeed open up for the fall semester. Once we got the official word that everything was a "go," I started searching my memory and Pinterest to put together a good list of recommended items for a dorm.

I've gradually been picking up things at Aldi, of all places, and looking for good deals on dorm fridges and microwaves. As I write this, it's Tuesday, and this evening we're heading to Big Lots to buy all the other smaller things he'll need.

myself. Why? Because I'm going to do something NORMAL. Okay, yes, the two of us will be wearing masks this evening, but other than that I'm performing a normal task that millions of others are doing this summer to help their children prepare for college.

Aren't we all yearning for normal things right now? For activities that aren't filled with fear, violence, etc.? For something non-controversial, fun, and (gasp) laughter-inducing?

Yes, we should continue to be cautious, informed, and work to protect others. We should absolutely be helping to stop racism once and for all (when are we gonna get this right, people?) and bring peace to this world.

But we also need those times that say, "Hey, life goes on and we gotta live it." Our poor little hearts and minds are crying out for those moments now more than ever. At least I know mine are.

So, this evening Jacob and I are going to pick out extra-long twin sheets, towels, hooks, and dozens of other things. We'll laugh, joke, and debate about what things are necessities and what things are luxuries. And I absolutely cannot wait.

# Medical software firm moves its HQ to downtown Carmel

### The REPORTER

A New York-based software provider for medical healthcare businesses has chosen to relocate its corporate headquarters to Carmel, bringing 75 high-paying jobs and an investment of \$10 million. The company, owned by Indiana native Dr. Ryan Hungate, will lease the second floor of the Monon & Main building, located above Anthony's Chophouse on Main Street at the Monon Greenway.

"We are very excited to welcome another high-tech company to our growing family of more than 125 corporate headquarters," said Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard. "Our economic development team worked hard over the past several months to showcase the benefits of establishing corporate roots in Carmel, especially in our rapidly



Hungate

growing central corridor."

Simplifeye, founded in New York City in 2014, focuses its work on providing cutting-edge software technology and world-class service to practices across the retail healthcare landscape. Dr. Hungate, an orthodontist, previously worked for Apple Inc. and helped design the customer workflow currently used by Apple's retail stores globally.

The company, which has grown rapidly during the COVID-19 pandemic, plans to maintain its cur-



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rent office in New York but move its executive staff to Carmel. The average salary for those working here will be about \$100,000.

"Our growth has been phenomenal over the past year as more and more medical professionals begin to rely more heavily on technology to work with their patients," said Dr. Hungate. "We chose Carmel because it offers so much for our employees and is situated in the heart of an area with many high-tech and medical and dental firms that



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we will be working with. We can't wait to get up and running."

Brian Bondus, a Carmel native and Director at the ALO Property Group, brokered the deal for the 9,600 square-foot leasing inside the mixed-use building on Main Street.

"Landing an anchor tenant like Simplifeye, especially during a pandemic, is a testament to the fact employers see downtown Carmel as a place they can attract and retain the talent they need to grow their businesses," Bondus said. "Also, while you're seeing a lot of uncertainty in the commercial real estate market across the nation, the investments and confidence in Carmel's assets has remained strong."

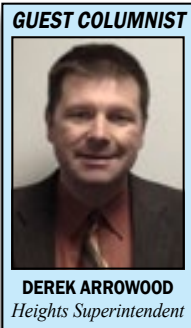
Current plans call for the new headquarters to open by mid-October.

# Arrowood: "We are in good hands" with reopening

Last Friday, we conducted our annual leadership retreat at Red Bridge Park. This is one of my favorite days of the year.

The corporation leadership team consisting of school board members, administration, and representatives of our classroom teachers come together to review the goals from the past year and set benchmarks for the year ahead.

It was a half-day of deep thinking and strategizing for the coming year. We also spent time examining ways to strengthen existing and create new ways to



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DEREK ARROWOOD  
Heights Superintendent

make Hamilton Heights a better place for students to learn.

We were honored to have Jim Ginder, Health Education Specialist for the Hamilton County Health Department, as part of our retreat. He has his pulse on all things health-related in our county and is among the local and state health experts helping us navigate through this pandemic in the most responsible and safe way possible.

I do not use the term "expert" lightly.

Taking a deep dive into Jim's background, education, training, and experience

during his near quarter of a century in public health, and I can say with confidence, "We are in good hands."

Jim continues to provide helpful information and insight as it relates to reopening schools and daily life in these times. He left us with the following thoughts: 1) COVID-19 will be with us for the long haul; 2) the virus is not to be feared but to be respected; 3) we are still learning more about this new virus every single day; and 4) based on what we do know at this time there are things we can do to reduce our risk of exposure and transmission while work is underway for an effective treatment. They

include wearing a face covering when in indoor public spaces, avoiding crowded places, distancing appropriately, hand washing, and staying home when sick.

I can't say enough about our team, Hamilton County Health Department, and IDOE for helping to provide the latest scientific data and guidance, along with considering the academic, social and emotional needs of students. This has enabled us to create a re-entry plan that makes the most sense for our district at this moment in time and as safety conditions allow.





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Our community can best support our efforts by practicing the basics, as listed in the preceding paragraph, to reduce the risk of exposure and transmission. Working in tandem will have the potential to significantly expedite our school’s ability to keep our doors open and kids in the classroom.

The adjustments that the new processes, protocols, and practices involve to allow for in-person classes to resume are not lost on us. We know it’s different and will take time to shift and adapt. Nothing is really off the table at this point, but right now the plan we have in place offers parents high quality, innovative face-to-face and virtual options with student and staff safety as our top priority.

I know our community recognizes we are trying really hard, under incredible obstacles and challenges, as we keep moving forward. We are doing our best to accommodate every family’s unique situation with our current plan, including a remote option for circumstances where a student cannot attend in-person classes.

The Class of 2020 has had it rough, but I am so excited about the potential for a really cool finish on Saturday, and we’re working to make the long-awaited commencement ceremony for the Class of 2020 special. As Superintendent, I couldn’t be prouder, and as a father, I couldn’t be more thankful that my daughter is among this special class of graduates.

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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)
- Individually packaged snacks
- Gas cards (many women have no access to funds after fleeing their abuser)

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# ATI postpones main stage productions

## Smaller scale, virtual events will continue for fans of Broadway

### The REPORTER

Due to the continued concerns for public health and the safety of their performers and audiences, Actors Theatre of Indiana has decided to postpone its original lineup of *Always...Patsy Cline*, *Lombardi*, *The Big Bang* and *Damn Yankees* to the 2021-22 season.

"We are very disappointed to have to make this decision, but we feel it is the right thing to do as our country continues to try and defeat this potentially deadly virus, COVID-19," said Jim Reilly, Executive Director of Actors Theatre of Indiana. "This was not a decision that was made lightly. For the past four months the artistic team have worked to find a path that would allow us to produce a more typical ATI season."

Don Farrell, artistic director and one of the three founders of ATI, weighed

many options and concerns along with his fellow ATI co-founders Judy Fitzgerald and Cynthia Collins, before they make the tough decision to postpone the original line-up:

"In the end, we determined the many scenarios of our season were not feasible at this time and we would be putting the organization at financial risk should we attempt to move forward only to have to postpone or cancel productions. If circumstances allow us to add programming back into the schedule, and we can assure the health and safety of our staff, artists and patrons, we will make every effort to do so."

Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard agrees that public safety is the top priority for the City and any event that is held here.

"We want to stay safe so that we can all gather

together in celebration of Actors Theatre of Indiana next year," Brainard said. "While it is very unfortunate that one of the community's favorite performing groups has to cancel their live, in person shows due to safety concerns related to the pandemic, we must do what is in the long-term best interest of the community and the performers."

Despite the postponement, ATI is now focused on a variety of other opportunities to keep the spirit of "Broadway in Your Backyard" alive in Carmel with reimagined offerings of outdoor events, fund-raisers and virtual productions including ATI's "From Our Homes to Yours," which have become very popular for Friday night Facebook viewers.

"The good news is this, while we are taking a pause from presenting full-scale

productions, we are all thinking 'outside the box' to stay relevant and publicly connected during these difficult times for all arts organizations," Farrell said. "We have some very exciting offerings for the Fall which we will announce in the near future."

"ATI wishes to thank everyone for their continued support of its mission," Reilly said. "It goes without saying that this is a very difficult time for us, as well as the entire entertainment industry. We excitedly look forward to when we can all safely reunite to enjoy live professional theatre."

### About Actors Theatre of Indiana

Actors Theatre of Indiana was co-founded in 2005 by Cynthia Collins, Don Farrell and Judy Fitzgerald with a mission to celebrate the power of theater and contribute to the

quality of life in Central Indiana by offering high quality professional theater performances and programs that engage, inspire, educate and entertain. One of only four Equity Theater companies in central Indiana, Actors Theatre of Indiana is the resident professional theater company of The Studio Theater at The Center for the Per-

forming Arts in Carmel and has provided 14 seasons of high-powered musical theater productions, world premieres and innovative community works.

Visit ATI on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#). For more information on schedules, educational initiatives and ways you can order tickets, visit [atistage.org](#).

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## School Board Candidates

There are 14 board seats at stake this year in the six Hamilton County school districts. Winners in the non-partisan elections on Nov. 3 will take office on Jan. 1, 2021. Filing ends at noon on Aug. 21 at the county election office.

### Carmel Clay Schools

Katie Browning (At large)

### Hamilton Southeastern

Tony Bagato (Delaware Twp.)

Chauna Leigh Holder (Fall Creek Twp.)

Sarah E. Parks-Reese (Wayne Twp.)

Clinton Wilson (Fall Creek Twp.)

### Hamilton Heights

Kevin J. Cavanaugh (Jackson Twp.)

Gretchen Pennington (White River Twp.)

David Adam Sheller (White River Twp.)

### Westfield Washington Schools

Carl (Mike) Steele (District 3)

## Three landlords sue over Holcomb's moratorium on rental evictions

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Three landlords are suing Gov. Eric Holcomb and state officials over the moratorium on rental evictions during the coronavirus pandemic.

Jerri Lemond, Lavern and Josephine Miller FLP, and Strong Indiana LLC filed the lawsuit Tuesday against Holcomb and the state in U.S. District Court in Indianapolis.

On March 19, Holcomb first used an executive order to prohibit evictions and foreclosures during

the public health emergency for the pandemic. On April 1, Holcomb extended the initial order to protect renters through June 30. The latest extension of the moratorium is set to expire Saturday.

The lawsuit claims the moratorium exceeds the governor's authority and violates both the state and U.S. constitutions.

The lawsuit states, in part, "The statute as plainly written does not grant the Governor carte blanche to lift, alter or eliminate any

and all laws or regulations at his sole discretion," and "The Governor's Orders are unprecedented, unwarranted and unjustifiably expansive."

Stout Risius Ross, a global advisory firm, says more than 40 percent of Indiana renters are at risk of eviction as of this week. Its survey reports an estimated 314,000 households in Indiana are unable to pay rent currently. It also estimates 212,000 eviction filings over the next four months.

Nationwide, 17.5 million households are at risk for eviction.

Hoosiers in all counties but Marion County who are struggling to pay rent due to the impact of COVID-19 can apply online for possible rental assistance. Applications for the \$25 million Indiana COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program have been accepted online since July 13 at [IndianaHousingNow.org](#).

## AG Curtis Hill: Indiana Office of Technology permitted to license horse-racing app to other states

### The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill said in an advisory opinion this week that Indiana law permits the Indiana Office of Technology (IOT) to license its internally created horse-racing application to other states.

IOT's Application Development Team was recently commissioned to create an app for the Indiana Horse Racing Commission. The app, which is used by both the public and commission staff,

has streamlined the commission's regulatory processes and brought additional transparency to Indiana horse racing. Other states have expressed interest in licensing the app from IOT, and IOT has reciprocated that interest.

Hill issued the advisory opinion in response to an inquiry from IOT, which asked if Indiana Code per-



Hill

mitted the office to license this app to other states.

"IOT has developed a solid horse-racing application that is grabbing the attention of other states," Hill said. "Legally,

IOT is welcome to pursue any opportunities to license this app to states that see the app as a tool that can improve their horse-racing practices."

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# Back to school considerations: Kids with medical challenges

While many schools are making final decisions and preparations regarding back-to-school, many parents are feeling unsure about the best option for the health and safety of their children in these unprecedented times. This is particularly true for parents of children with medical challenges.

Every fall, returning to school raises specific concerns for families whose school-aged children have underlying medical issues. As a school counselor who works closely with kids with life-long medical conditions – specifically rare bleeding and blood disorders – I am often asked how I help these families prepare ahead of the school year.

This year, the unique challenges and risks of the pandemic are stressful, and families are having to make even more difficult decisions. These decisions can best be made by first reviewing the school’s health and safety plan to determine if an in-person or virtual learning option is best, along with other factors related to the child’s overall health.

### First stop: Your child’s healthcare provider(s)

If your child has underlying medical issues, the decision to choose in-person or virtual learning is very personal and complex. Consulting with your child’s healthcare provider(s) is critical. Your child’s provider(s) has the most complete knowledge of your child’s condition and the expertise to help you weigh the health risks, the impact of COVID-19, and the social and emotional concerns unique to each learning environment.

Sharing the school’s COVID-19 safety plan with your healthcare provider is important, as it will help the provider to make a better-informed recommendation and provide any individualized recommendations in writing, as needed.

### In-person learning considerations

When a child with medical challenges is in the in-person learning environment,

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BRENDA McLEAN

parents have understandable concerns. *How will I help the school nurse and staff understand my child’s condition and medication needs? Will staff recognize signs and symptoms of concern? Will my student’s unique needs be met such as restroom or water breaks? Will his/her learning needs be met or do we need to pursue a Section 504 or an Individualized Education Plan (IEP)?* These concerns and more create a complex set of circumstances to navigate. Consider the following if, after consulting with your child’s healthcare provider, in-person learning is selected:

- Review the school’s COVID-19 safety guidelines with your child. Discuss why the guidelines have been developed, the importance of following them and concerns if they are not followed.
- Practice wearing a mask for extended periods of time if not already part of normal practice. Be aware of keeping hands away from the mask.
- Provide your school with a copy of the written individualized recommendations from your healthcare provider(s).
- Collaborate with the school staff to develop an Individualized Health Plan (IHP). Also discuss the need for a Section 504 or assessment for an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) to support your child’s unique learning needs.
- Ensure your child wears or carries their medical ID each day; obtain one if needed.
- Talk with your child about properly advocating for their needs in school.
- Consider possible health situations that may arise and ways to encourage school attendance and participation.

### Virtual learning considerations

If choosing virtual learning, parents still have many concerns. *Will my child be able to participate in the learning environment in a meaningful way? How will teachers and school staff help my child feel as typ-*

*ical as possible? How will his/her specific learning needs be met? Do we need to pursue a Section 504 or an IEP?*

- Be prepared to provide school with written documentation from your child’s healthcare provider(s) if virtual learning is found to be the most appropriate choice.
  - Even in a virtual learning environment, it is important to consider your child’s learning needs and if a Section 504 or an assessment for an IEP is appropriate to provide support.
  - Collaborate closely with school staff to encourage and support every opportunity for your child to be as engaged as possible with virtual classroom learning and their peers (i.e. necessary technology equipment, clear lines of communication, virtual participation options, etc.).
  - Validate your child’s concerns and frustrations about not being with peers at school, engage the help of the school counselor or social worker, and be creative to help your child socially engage with peers.
- This upcoming school year is presenting a unique set of challenges and decisions for all parents of school-aged children, teachers, administrators and staff. All of us are thinking about health and safety in ways we never could have imagined. This is especially true for parents of children with chronic medical conditions. In deciding the best learning path for your child at this time, be sure that all the facts are available and have frank and honest conversations with all the relevant participants in your child’s physical health, mental health and education – including your child.

If you feel you need further help in understanding or obtaining necessary educational support or accommodations for your child, a list of advocacy groups can be found on the [Indiana Department of Education website](#).

You are not alone. We are all in this together.

*Brenda McLean is a school counselor with the [Indiana Hemophilia and Thrombosis Center](#) who helps school-aged patients and their families navigate education settings with their health concerns in mind. She also works directly with school staff and administration to help advocate for children’s unique needs in the school setting.*

## Letter to the Editor —

### Morris wants consistency in following the law

Dear Editor:

I am very pleased that the valid constitutional and statutory objections raised by elected officials such as Attorney General Hill and Sheriff Quakenbush were addressed by the governor regarding mask-wearing enforcement.

As I was doing a loop over the weekend on I-465, I noticed neither IMPD nor ISP were strictly enforcing the posted maximum speed limit of 55 miles per hour either. It struck that like the purported benefits of mask wearing, following speed limits can save lives. In addition, the government actually owns the roads, unlike most places that were going to be subject to the mandatory mask wearing edict.

Finally, the governor, through IN-DOT, has a statutory mechanism (IN Code section 9-21-5-12) to address this without needing to call a special legislative session, and then enforce it later. Therefore, I called INDOT and have requested that they study the speed limit on I-465, which is rarely followed, and would encourage others to do the same.

In the meantime, I would ask those that believe masks should be mandatory to only drive at or below the speed limit, and use your turn signal. If it saves just one life ...

Sincerely,


Eric S. Morris  
Carmel

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## John L. "Louie" Williams May 5, 1940 – July 29, 2020

John L. "Louie" Williams, 80, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at his home, exactly three years to the day after the passing of his wife, Flo. He was born on May 5, 1940 to John and Ruth Williams in Noblesville.

John attended Noblesville High School and proudly served his country in the United States Army. He worked for Delco Remy and attended White River Christian Church. John enjoyed golf, but most of all loved spending time with his family, playing with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his son, Bob (Michele) Williams; daughter, Debbie (Ray) Alvey; grandchildren, Cory (Kourtnee) Williams, Morgan Williams, Taylor Williams, Spencer (Karly) Alvey and Stuart Alvey; and great-grandchildren, Jase, Aubrey, Mackenzie and Hayden.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his wife, Florine Williams; brothers, Jim Williams, Jerry Williams and Bruce Williams; and his sister, Pearl Flowers.

Private family services will be held with burial at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, 1700 Conner St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

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## Justin M. Keehn April 2, 1983 – July 28, 2020

Justin M. Keehn, 37, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, July 28, 2020. He was born on April 2, 1983 to Mark and Robin (Pope) Keehn in Bremerton, Wash.

Justin worked for the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department as an officer for the last five years. He was a member of St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church. Justin played football at Jamestown, N.D. He enjoyed cars and motorcycles. Justin liked to be outside, working out, and being active. Most of all he loved and adored his wife and boys.

He is survived by his wife of 11 years, Sarah Keehn; sons, Brody, Jaxson and Spencer Keehn; parents, Mark and Robin Keehn; brother, Mark (Shauna) Keehn; sister, Heather Bell; grandmother, Loretta Keehn; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, August 3, 2020 at St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church, 17102 Springmill Road, Westfield, with Father Mike McKinley officiating. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to the time of service at the church. Following the mass, a procession will travel by IMPD North District to pay tribute and return to Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, to conclude the service.

The Keehn Family asks those attending to please wear a face mask.

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## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*(For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.) Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you. God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; . . .*

*Acts 17:21-24 (KJV)*

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The Hamilton County Council will hold hearings on 2021 department budgets at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 4 and Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2020, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees meeting originally scheduled for Monday, Aug. 10, 2020, has been changed to Monday, Aug. 3, 2020.

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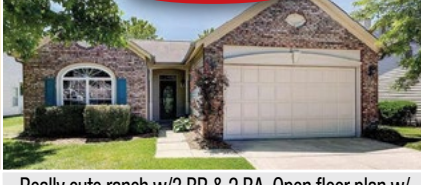
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# Heights' Brent Pennington wins National Football Foundation's Scholar-Athlete Award

By RICHIE HALL

Brent Pennington has been a familiar face for Hamilton Heights over the past four years, making numerous contributions to the Huskies both athletically and academically.

And while everyone at Heights knows about Pennington, now so does the entire state of Indiana. Pennington was one of the recipients of the National Football Foundation's Scholar-Athlete Award. In order to receive the award, a nominee must excel in three different categories, each of which carries a different weight:

Outstanding Academic Achievement (40 percent)

Outstanding Football Ability, Performance and Attitude (40 percent)

Outstanding in Campus Leadership and Excellent Citizenship (20 percent)

"It's nice that over the four years of high school that I got some recognition for not only being an athlete, but also succeeding in school," said Pennington. "It's harder than a lot of people think to be a student-athlete. I can't thank everybody enough for giving me this award. Everybody at Heights, all my coaches, all my teachers. I'm just very grateful for it."

In the academic achievement part of the award, a 3.25 grade-point average or better is recommended for a nominee. Pennington went above and beyond that standard, as he finished with a GPA of 4.1.

"I took a lot of hard classes," said Pennington. "That certainly helps the GPA. I took a lot of AP (Advanced Placement) classes. I think out of the seven classes we take, six of them were either AP or college credit."

Those classes were indeed difficult, but Pennington believes they were worth it. "They helped me a lot and challenged me for sure," he said.

Pennington was a four-year player for the Huskies football team. After playing on the freshman team his first year, he was originally told he would play quarterback, even though he said he never played that position in his life.

"Then I got switched to play defense," said Pennington. "I started at safety and wide receiver my sophomore year. From there, it was the same thing my junior and senior year. I loved everything about it."

Heights football coach Jon Kirschner nominated Pennington for the award, noting that he was the first Huskies player in several years to receive it.

"I was very honored to have gotten the opportunity to be able to nominate one of my student-athletes for an award that I think embodies all aspects of what it means to be a student-athlete," said Kirschner.

The coach said that he worked with Pennington in just about every facet of education and sports available.

"I taught Brent in Geography, APC (Advanced Physical Conditioning) and AP Macroeconomics," said Kirschner. "As the junior class sponsor, Brent was my Class President who was in charge of planning and orchestrating several school functions for the greater school community including prom. Finally, I had the opportunity to coach Mr. Pennington all four years of his playing career. In short, for four years Brent lived, ate and breathed Husky football. All he ever wanted was to leave Husky Football better than he found it."

"Brent was a three-year starter for us as a wide receiver and safety. Brent has always been considered a leader by his peers on and off the field. His senior year he was elected as a co-captain by his teammates. Athletic accomplishments aside, he just recently finished in the top 10 percent of class academically. If you were to take an in-depth look at Mr. Pennington's time at Hamilton Heights you would see someone on and off the field who bled orange and white!"

Pennington is soon headed for Purdue University, where he plans to study civil engineering. He also will be playing intermural sports in basketball, football and baseball.

"Other than that, I'm going for strictly academics," said Pennington.

Pennington also talked about the value of hard work, both on and off the field, saying "you'll learn a lot of life lessons in both, and don't strictly depend on sports to get you through it. Academics will take you further than you'll ever know."

Also, don't every forget where you came from. Pennington said he will never forget where he's from, "and that is Arcadia, Indiana."



Photo provided

Hamilton Heights' Brent Pennington (center) received the National Football Foundation's Scholar-Athlete Award, which is given annually to players who excel in academics, football ability and leadership. Pennington is pictured with Huskies head football coach Jon Kirschner (left) and Mike Prior, Youth Football Commissioner (in charge of the social outreach program) for the Indianapolis Colts.

*With Carmel's Doty as caddie . . .*

## Flanagan takes Western Amateur medalist honors

Angus Flanagan, of Woking, England, turned to a local for help during the final round of stroke play at the 118th Western Amateur at Crooked Stick Golf Club, and it proved to be a smart move.

With Jeff Doty, of Carmel as his caddie, Flanagan fired a 6-under 66 on Thursday afternoon to finish 11 under after 72 holes and earn medalist honors in his first appearance in the championship. Flanagan, a senior at Minnesota, sunk a 30-foot putt for birdie on his final hole to edge out Sam Bennett, of Madisonville, Texas, by one stroke.

"It wasn't the easiest of putts, but Jeff stepped in and told me to hit it higher than I first thought," Flanagan said. "Sure enough, it went in dead center. He was great all day, offering second opinions or confirming my decisions."

Flanagan and Doty met during a practice round and have become friends during the week. Doty, the 2018 Western Junior champion, missed Wednesday's 36-hole cut.

"They really took me under their wing, and that was very nice of them to do," Flanagan said of the Doty family. "I consider him a good friend, even though I've known him for only a couple of days."

Even though Flanagan is roughly 4,000 miles from where he grew up, he said he felt right at home on a rainy Thursday in Carmel.

"I've got rubber skin," he joked. "The rain water falls right off me. I've played in much worse conditions."

Following an unsteady start, Flanagan played the final 27 holes Thursday 10 under, including 4 under on the last eight.

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"I was a bit lethargic in the morning because I didn't sleep that well, but I knew I had the game to make birdies," he said.

Flanagan enters the start of match play Friday as the top seed. His 66 tied the low round of the week. The cut came at even par, and Austin Hitt, of Longwood, Fla., survived a seven-person playoff for the final spot.

Bennett, a junior at Texas A&M, held the lead after an eagle at the par-5 15th, but he made bogeys on two of his final three holes. Matthias Schmid, of Maxhuetten, Germany, took third in medal play at 9 under. He's the first German to qualify for the Sweet 16. Defending U.S. Amateur champion Andy Ogletree, of Little Rock, Miss., finished fourth at 8 under.

Three of the Sweet 16 are repeat qualifiers. Ricky Castillo, of Yorba Linda, Calif., Turk Pettit, of Sugar Grove, N.C., and Davis Thompson, of Saint Simons Island, Ga., all advanced to match play last year.

Castillo, a sophomore at Florida who finished fifth at 7 under, was a semifinalist at Point O' Woods Golf and Country Club in Benton Harbor, Mich., a year ago.

"It doesn't matter if you're first or 16th, everything resets," he said. "You will have a little different mindset in match play. You can be a little more aggressive, but it's all about what your competitor is doing. I'm excited to be part of it again."

The Round of 16 and quarterfinals are Friday. The semifinals and championship match are Saturday.

This is the first time since 1951 that one of the world's oldest and most storied amateur golf championships is being played in the state of Indiana. South Bend Country Club hosted that year's Western Amateur, which was won by famed golfer Frank Stranahan. The Western Amateur has never been played in the Indianapolis area.

Crooked Stick has hosted several elite golf championships, including the 2012 BMW Championship won by Rory McIlroy and the 2016 BMW Championship won by Dustin Johnson.

## Carmel football's season-opener canceled

The Carmel football team's season-opening game with Louisville Trinity has been canceled.

The game, scheduled for Aug. 21, had to be called off after the Kentucky High School Athletic Association voted to change the start dates of that state's fall sports. The junior varsity and freshman games have also been canceled.



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# IU Health calls for alternative to Indy 500 with fans to avoid spike in COVID-19

## WISH-TV

IU Health fears the Indianapolis 500, even with a reduced crowd, "could lead to a spike in COVID-19 infections" and calls on the race organizers to consider an alternative to a race with fans.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway on July 22 announced attendance for the 104th running of the race on Aug. 23 will be approximately 25 percent of capacity. Face coverings will be required for all attendees. Ticket sales ended Friday. IMS also presented its nearly 100-page plan with its guidelines and protocols to address the need to control the spread of the coronavirus.

IU Health, though, also notes the other places where gatherings could occur — restaurants, bars, accommodations and more — as being a concern beyond the track.

Based in Indianapolis, IU Health is the largest network of physicians in Indiana. It's a partner with Indiana University

School of Medicine, one of the nation's leading medical schools.

Here's the entire statement from IU Health:

"We appreciate Indianapolis Motor Speedway's detailed plan to safely host the 104th Running of the Indianapolis 500. We have concerns about the risks of infection beyond the scope of the IMS plan, including social gatherings, travel, restaurants, bars, accommodations and other event-related activities. This could lead to a spike in COVID-19 infections as we continue to see cases and hospitalizations increase every day. Until we sustain better control of this virus and its spread, we strongly encourage IMS to consider an alternative to running the Indy 500 with fans in August."

Indianapolis Motor Speedway responded late Wednesday night in an email to WISH-TV's newsroom:

"IU Health's viewpoint is inaccurate and premature.

"IMS has put together a plan that will serve as a model for the careful and conscientious management of events during this pandemic. It is informed by expert advice and reflects our belief that with carefully considered precautions in place, it's not necessary or appropriate to return to shutting down events that are important to our state and city.

"Despite attempts by our organization to engage with IU Health leadership, we have not received a single suggestion from IU Health as to how our approach might be improved. In contrast, public health officials from our city and state have engaged with us for months. They have given us numerous suggestions that we have implemented, and they have approved our plans subject to continued review.

"We remain open to meaningful input from IU Health that will improve our detailed operational plan as we move closer to Race Day."

Coronavirus restrictions in force for Marion County since July 23 include all bars closed, and restaurants with 50 percent indoor capacity and outdoor seating with social distancing. Social gatherings — including weddings, banquets, parties and club meetings — are limited to 50 people. All other forms of gatherings, meetings, or special or seasonal events must be limited to 250 people or fewer, unless the city's Public Health department approves a risk mitigation plan for a special or seasonal event that anticipates more than 250 attendees.

The health network's statement came on the same day Gov. Eric Holcomb extended the Stage 4.5 reopening plan through Aug. 27 because of high seven-day average positivity rates for the coronavirus. On July 22, Holcomb initiated a statewide mask mandate. Indianapolis has been under a mask mandate since July 9.



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# Major League Baseball standings

<b>Thursday scores</b>		L.A. Dodgers 6, Arizona 3
Washington 6, Toronto 4		Seattle 8, L.A. Angels 5
N.Y. Yankees 8, Baltimore 6		San Diego 12, San Francisco 7
Boston 4, N.Y. Mets 2		Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati, postponed
Cleveland 2, Minnesota 0		Philadelphia at N.Y. Yankees, postponed
Atlanta 2, Tampa Bay 1		Miami at Baltimore, postponed
Kansas City 5, Detroit 3		

American League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Yankees	4	1	.800	-
Tampa Bay	4	3	.571	1.0
Boston	3	4	.429	2.0
Toronto	3	4	.429	2.0
Baltimore	2	3	.400	2.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	5	2	.714	-
Minnesota	4	2	.667	0.5
Detroit	4	3	.571	1.0
Kansas City	3	4	.429	2.0
Chi. White Sox	2	4	.333	2.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	3	3	.500	-
Oakland	3	3	.500	-
Seattle	3	4	.429	0.5
Texas	2	3	.400	0.5
L.A. Angels	2	5	.286	1.5

National League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	2	1	.667	-
Atlanta	4	3	.571	-
N.Y. Mets	3	4	.429	1.0
Washington	3	4	.429	1.0
Philadelphia	1	2	.333	1.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. Cubs	4	2	.667	-
Milwaukee	3	3	.500	1.0
St. Louis	2	3	.400	1.5
Cincinnati	2	4	.333	2.0
Pittsburgh	2	4	.333	2.0
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Colorado	4	1	.800	-
L.A. Dodgers	5	2	.714	0.5
San Diego	5	2	.714	0.5
San Francisco	3	4	.429	2.0
Arizona	2	5	.286	3.0

# WNBA standings

Eastern Conference				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	3	0	1.00	-
Chicago	2	1	.667	1.0
Atlanta	1	1	.500	1.5
Indiana	1	1	.500	1.5
Connecticut	0	2	.000	2.5
New York	0	3	.000	3.0

Western Conference				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
Seattle	2	1	.667	-
Minnesota	2	1	.667	-
Los Angeles	2	1	.667	-
Las Vegas	1	1	.500	0.5
Dallas	1	1	.500	0.5
Phoenix	0	2	.000	1.5

<b>Thursday's games</b>	
Washington 89, Seattle 71	
Minnesota 83, Chicago 81	
L.A. Sparks 81, Connecticut 76	

# NBA standings

Eastern Conference				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Milwaukee	53	12	.815	-
x-Toronto	46	18	.719	6.5
x-Boston	43	21	.672	9.5
x-Miami	41	24	.631	12.0
x-Indiana	39	26	.600	14.0
x-Philadelphia	39	26	.600	14.0
Brooklyn	30	34	.469	22.5
Orlando	30	35	.462	23.0
Washington	24	40	.375	28.5
Out of playoff contention				
Charlotte	23	42	.354	30.0
Chicago	22	43	.338	31.0
New York	21	45	.318	32.5
Detroit	20	46	.303	33.5
Atlanta	20	47	.299	34.0
Cleveland	19	46	.292	34.0
x - Clinched playoff berth				

Western Conference				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-L.A. Lakers	50	14	.781	-
x-L.A. Clippers	44	21	.677	6.5
x-Denver	43	22	.662	7.5
x-Utah	42	23	.646	8.5
x-Oklahoma City	40	24	.625	10.0
x-Houston	40	24	.625	10.0
Dallas	40	27	.597	11.5
Memphis	32	33	.492	18.5
Portland	29	37	.439	22.0
Sacramento	28	36	.438	22.0
New Orleans	28	37	.438	22.5
San Antonio	27	36	.429	22.5
Phoenix	26	39	.400	24.5
Out of playoff contention				
Minnesota	19	45	.297	31.0
Golden State	15	50	.231	35.5

<b>Thursday's games</b>	
Utah 106, New Orleans 104	
L.A. Lakers 103, L.A. Clippers 101	

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