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County makes overdose boxes available to local businesses

Program launches on Overdose Awareness Day

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs (HCCOAOD) and

the Hamilton County Health Department (HCHD) have partnered to make Opioid Overdose Boxes available to Hamilton County businesses. Hamilton County is the first county in the state to do so.

"The public would be surprised to learn just how many overhappen doses in restaurants and ho-HCCOAOD tels," Executive Director Monica Greer said. "There's very little time when someone overdoses to save them, so if we can treat them before emergency responders arrive it could literally mean the difference between life and death."

Hamilton County Councilman Steve Schwartz, owner of Schwartz's Bait & Tackle, was the first business owner to sign on to the program.

"I work a lot with the county coroner and have witnessed first-hand the devastation drug overdoses create," Schwartz said. "If this project saves just one life it will be



Photo provided

Local businesses interested in getting an opioid overdose box can email monica.greer@hamiltoncounty.in.gov for more information.

worth the effort."

Each overdose box contains gloves and two doses of NARCAN®, a nasal spray used to treat opioid overdoses. The HCCDA is providing the boxes to businesses free of charge and will even replenish the NARCAN as it is used or expires. The program is funded by a grant from the Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction.

The manager of a local convenience store who recently witnessed an overdose in the public bathroom said, "Having the emergency equipment to help an individual here in the store would be an awesome thing."

Businesses who are interested in se-

curing an Opioid Overdose Box must first complete a NARCAN class with the Hamilton County Health Department. The course teaches participants how to recognize an overdose and how to correctly administer NARCAN.

"We want to be proactive with our programs instead of reactive," HCHD Health Education Specialist Jim Ginder said. "If someone needs services, perhaps we can reach that person before an overdose happens."

For more information about the Opioid Overdose Boxes, businesses can contact Monica Greer at monica.greer@hamiltoncounty.in.gov.

A slow process for redevelopment plan

The old adage about the wheels of government turning slowly is so, so true. Certainly, part of the reason is our system, which calls for multiple approvals, making sure that all the i's are dotted and the t's are crossed.

scattered showers and storms.

Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy, with a spotty shower or storm.

HIGH: 89 **LOW:** 73



Another small step

in the process of getting a big downtown Noblesville project underway was taken Monday when county commissioners signed final approval of the sale of a city block at White River and Conner Street. Now only a parking lot for county employees, the three-acre tract is to become a major riverfront development by the Republic Development Corporation.

To replace that parking lot, the county is planning a multi-level parking garage at 8th and Clinton streets, but that project cannot start until the City of Noblesville approves Republic's plans for their development.

City spokesmen claim they have no information on plans for Republic's proposed \$50 million multi-purpose development.

See Redevelopment ... Page 2

Driving drunk: Don't try it in Hamilton County The REPORTER

Hamilton County Traffic Safety Partnership on Wednesday announced its participation in the national Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over enforcement mobilization. Now through Labor Day, officers will conduct overtime patrols, seeking out drunk drivers and showing zero tolerance for anyone driving impaired.

The patrols are supported with funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) distributed by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI)

Humane Society for Hamilton



Greer



County needs your support today

Like so many other businesses and charities in our community, the Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC) has been hit incredibly hard by the pandemic. While pet adoptions have been excellent, our annual fundraising initiatives that keep our doors open – 365 days a year - to over 3,000 animals, have been casualties of COVID.

HSHC relies on the generosity of our donors, corporate sponsors, grants, our Trends for Tails Resale Shop, and the revenue generated by our three major fundraising events to fund our daily operation, community programs, and all life-saving care. Those events - Wine, Wags & Whiskers (May), Woofstock (August), and Tinsel & Tails (November) – account for nearly \$400,000 in net revenue in our 2020 annual operating budget.

While our hope in May was to reschedule Wine, Wags & Whiskers for Sept. 18, and we have a very comprehensive COVID safety plan to facilitate an indoor event, our team feels the format of a wine tasting still



represents too much risk for our guests. Therefore, this event will be canceled for 2020.

It is also with a heavy heart that we will have to close our Trends for Tails Resale Shop effective Sept. 25. Our resale shop in Noblesville has been another important revenue stream for HSHC generating \$50,000 to

\$60,000 in net revenue for our Survivor Program each year. The shop was closed for nearly two months, and with continued limited retail traffic and restrictions, it has become another going out of business victim of COVID.

funds needed for the construction of our new facility in Fishers before the pandemic hit. So, the good news is that project is still on track with those restricted funds in place for this purpose.

The bad news is the cancellation of Wine, Wags & Whiskers and the closing of Trends for Tails, along with the loss of several sponsors also impacted by COVID, has us looking at approximately \$250,000

Make your contribution now The cancellation of Wine, Wags & Whiskers and the closing of Trends for Tails, along with the loss of several sponsors also impacted by COVID, means that the Humane Society of Hamilton County could lose approximately \$250,000 in revenue this year.

But you can help right now. CLICK HERE to donate today to your local Humane Society - one of the only open-admission, truly no-kill shelters in the country. Thank you for your support.

in lost revenue for 2020.

Your Humane Society for Hamilton Thankfully, we had already raised the County serves as one of the only open-admission, truly no-kill shelters in the country. As both the animal control facility and Humane Society for Hamilton County, we rescue the most difficult to save, and place, animals imaginable. From victims of abuse and those with hit-by-car injuries, to pets displaced by the economy or a lack of owner commitment, we are equally committed

See *Humane Society* ... Page 2

"Drunk drivers will be arrested on the spot – no excuses," said Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush. "The choice is yours. Make the right one by driving sober, using a rideshare service or calling a designated driver. We want everyone to



Quakenbush

have a good time, but to do so safely."

According to ICJI, in 2018, there were just under 4,000 alcohol-impaired collisions in Indiana, resulting in 83 fatalities. Of those, 48 collisions and one fatality occurred during the Labor Day holiday weekend.

In Indiana, it is illegal to drive with a blood-alcohol concentration of 0.08 percent or higher. Additionally, drivers under the age of 21 with a BAC of 0.02 percent or higher are subject to fines and having their license suspended for up to one year.

"Last year, one person died every 50 minutes in a drunk-driving crash in the U.S.," ICJI Executive Director Devon Mc-Donald said. "Every one of those fatalities could've been prevented. Help us save lives by putting an end to this reckless behavior."

See Drive Sober ... Page 2

Shelby Materials puts down permanent roots in Westfield

The REPORTER

In collaboration with the City of Westfield, Shelby Materials has agreed to relocate five miles west of its current readymix concrete plant location to allow for continued community growth.

The former plant location on northeast corner of Spring Mill Road and State Road 32 is slated for a new multi-use development project, Spring Mill Centre, that will bring additional retail, office and industrial space. Additionally, a new Meijer store is slated for south side of State Road 32.

Shelby Materials' new Westfield-based facility is located on a 10-acre site at 18050 Mule Barn Road, just five miles west of the original site.

Shelby Materials will use the relocation as an opportunity to upgrade its Westfield plant to better serve customers north of Indianapolis, including Carmel, Noblesville, Zionsville, Westfield, Sheridan, Whitestown and Lebanon, as well as customers in the outlying areas of Tipton and Boone counties, with increased production capacity and an integrated batching system.



"It's a win-win for the community and Road and SR 32 that it was only a tempoour team," said Shelby Materials President rary location for us. Now, we're putting Matt Haehl. "We knew in 2009 when we down permanent roots in Westfield. We purchased the original site at Spring Mill look forward to growing our community

involvement and continuing to serve the residential and commercial concrete needs of Hamilton, Tipton and Boone counties."

The state-of-the-art plant includes a dual batch operation with a horizontal central mix and dry batch capabilities and a highly-controlled unique reclaim process.

The new plant also features an energy saving 7.2 million-BTU instant water heater for heating aggregates. The instant 180-degree water coupled with heated sand makes Shelby Materials the go-to choice for winter concrete for many Central Indiana contractors.

About Shelby Materials

Shelby Materials supplies ready mix concrete and aggregate materials throughout Central Indiana. Concrete project work ranges from large to small and includes hospitals, large industrial buildings, warehouses, infrastructure and residential construction. Additionally, golf and athletic specialty blends are supplied, including materials for several prestigious course throughout the state.

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REDEVELOPMENT

in any event, nothing ap- rector, asked commissioners parently moves until plans to authorize a County Bicenare approved which takes tennial Commission to propplanning department re- erly mark Hamilton County's view, etc., and probably city upcoming 200th anniversary. council approval.

That seems strange, but Myers, County Tourism di-Even though the bicen-

Meanwhile, in Monday's tennial is not until 2023, commissioner meeting, an- Brenda knows how long it other different kind of proj- can take to get such things ect was proposed. Brenda underway, so she is starting founded the same year.

HUMANE SOCIETY-

to them all. HSHC has al- we are requested daily to ways believed in sharing our help, lie in the balance. blessings beyond Hamilton County's borders rescuing you who can will consider over 300 animals each year sharing your blessings with as the President and CEO at-risk for euthanasia in oth- us at this incredibly diffier Indiana shelters.

lives of these animals, that counting on us.

DRIVE SOBER-

ana has been participating only one drink is consumed, in the Drive Sober or Get designate a sober driver or Pulled Over campaign. This plan to use a rideshare seryear, more than 200 state vice, public transportation and local law enforcement or taxi to get home safely. agencies will be taking part, Remember, buzzed driving joining thousands more is drunk driving. across the country.

To avoid getting arrest- someone get behind the ed, the department recom- wheel if that person has been mends planning a safe and drinking. Take their keys sober ride home before and help make arrangements

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early. Probably a good idea. Commissioners took her request under advisement until next month.

The Tourism Bureau and historical groups hope to produce a major celebration of the county's founding which occurred in 1823. The city of Noblesville was

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Please donate to our **COVID Emergency Fund** I have faith that those of today.

Rebecca Stevens serves of the Humane Society for cult time. We're counting Hamilton County. Learn But with this deficit, the on you ... because they're more at hamiltonhumane. com.

from Page 1

For over 20 years, Indi- consuming alcohol. Even if to get them home safely. Motorists that encounter a drunk driver on the road are encouraged to call 911.

For more information about the campaign and additional safety tips, please visit nhtsa.gov/driveso-Additionally, don't let ber, or to learn more about Hamilton County Traffic Safety Partnership, please visit hamiltoncounty.in-.gov/502/Traffic-Safety.



What's new for 2020? The Atlas Cross Sport.

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)

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







All **Atlas Cross Sport** models come with a touchscreen infotainment display with both Apple CarPlay and Android Auto integration. Navigation is optional, as is a reconfigurable digital gauge display and SiriusXM satellite radio. The Volkswagen Car-Net connectivity app allows for remote starting and analytics while a 4G LTE Wi-Fi hotspot allows occupants to remain connected to the internet with their smart devices while on the go.

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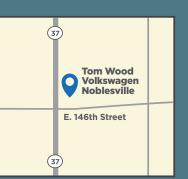


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News

Nickel Plate Arts unveils nominees for annual awards

The REPORTER

On Wednesday, Sept. 23, Nickel Plate Arts will hold its eighth anniversary gala with the fifth edition of the inspire and to motivate." Nickel Plate Arts Awards

ognize some of the most valuable artists and arts advocates. The gala will happen at Mustard Seed Gardens in Noblesville (with a virtual option as well) and feature

McGill dinner by Jacquie's Catering, wine from Noble Wine & Spirits, live music, and a live auction during Nickel Plate Arts' premiere fundraiser of the year.

Nickel Plate Arts Executive Director Aili McGill emphasized the importance of the upcoming anniversary gala to Nickel Plate Arts' ongoing success.

"During this time of economic and social uncertainty, our only fundraising event of the year is a vital component to our sustainability, allowing us to continue our programs and services into the new year," McGill said. "The funds we raise at this event will not only allow us to continue fun projects like Welcome to Fairyville and our First Friday events, it will also allow us to continue providing professional development tools to artists, support to art students and teachers, and strategic planning that will help our entire creative community recover from the current crisis."

McGill said she is eager Lube to honor each of the nominees

"This year's Nickel Plate Arts Award nominees represent the best of our region's creative economy," McGill said. "These are people and corporations who have put their faith in for 2020.

the arts as a vehicle for personal and economic growth and who have shown us the power that the arts have to

Here are the nominees to celebrate the area's bur- for the 2020 Nickel Plate geoning arts scene and rec- Arts Awards:

> Emerging Artist of the Year • Skylar P. Letsinger Mia Morales Melissa Bruhn

· Indy Gorgeous Club

Artist of the Year

- Macey Dickerson
- Heather Garrison
- Korie Pickett • Sarah E. Morin
- Craig Ogden
- Keegan Loye

Arts Educator of the Year

• Sue Payne, Conner Prairie and Hamilton County Artists' Association

Jeanette Pomeroy Parssi, Nickel Plate Arts Classes

• Shelley Feeney, Fall Creek Junior High

Bethany Robinson, Noblesville High School • Wendy Meyer, Thorpe

Creek Elementary

Emerging Patron of the Year

- Les Reinhardt
- Flexware Innovation Dick Gordon
- Hub & Spoke

Patron of the Year

• Jim Longfellow

Steve Sanner, Jiffy

• Anthony Najem, Meyer Najem Construction

• Four Day Ray Brewing This year's gala and awards will offer some of the same great experiences from the past few years, as well as some new offerings

State Senate candidate Scott Baldwin receives

endorsement of Indiana Farm Bureau AgELECT

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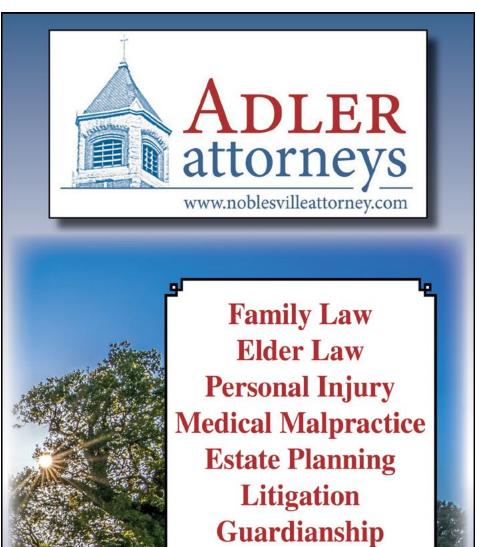
fore!" McGill said. "If you year's auction and you can are eager to have a fancy night out with your spouse and friends, you can join us in-person for a fabulous meal and entertainment. Or, you can participate via Zoom from the comfort of your own home - we even are offering an upgrade option where you can pick up a to-go meal from our caterer, a bottle of wine, or a do-it-yourself cocktail kit! We'll be streaming content via Zoom throughout the evening, including demos from artists, music, our awards ceremony and even a very quick workshop with our board president Darren Peterson on how to create our signature cocktail for the evening! Finally, we'll be sharing the link to our silent auction on our social media channels, so even if you can't come in person or log into Zoom, you can

"There are more ways still help support us. Our help us keep the value of tion on Nickel Plate Arts" to get involved in this network of artists have do- their art high by bidding in 8th Annual Anniversary year's gala than ever be- nated amazing pieces to this the auction!"

For ticketing informa-

Gala, visit nickelplatearts. org/gala.

Photo provided





Hamilton County Artists' Association President Sue Payne and friends chat with Geoff Davis as he demonstrates wood carving techniques at the 2019 anniversary gala and awards banquet.

AgELECT has endorsed U.S. Marine Corps veteran Operation Desand business owner Scott ert Storm and Baldwin in his campaign for State Senate.

Indiana Farm Bureau veteran

Submitted

A Noblesville native, Baldwin is the Republican nominee for State Senate in District 20, which encompasses Noblesville and Westfield, as well as portions of Carmel, Fishers and unincorporated Hamilton County.

"Scott Baldwin's background, real-world experience as a business owner and commitment to his values will make him a strong advocate for Indiana farmers and our agriculture community," said Kendell Culp, Oversight Chair of the Indiana Farm Bureau AgELECT. "Indiana Farm Bureau AgELECT is proud to endorse Scott Baldwin try is incredibly importfor State Senate."

during served returned to Afghanistan to assist Marine Corps personnel during Operation Endur-

ing Freedom. Af-

Marine

ter his military service, he cal agriculture community served more than 12 years continues to innovate and with the Indianapolis Police Department in a variety of roles including as a narcotics and homicide detective. While serving with IPD, he earned two Medals of Bravery and a Medal of Valor. He is also a successful entrepreneur and business owner who has owned or helped grow several companies in the IT, real estate, construction and security

sectors. "Our agriculture indusant to our state and local Scott Baldwin is a U.S. economy, and I'm honored

Indiana Farm Bureau AgE-LECT," Baldwin said. "As State Senator, I pledge to fight for Hamilton County farmers and help

to receive the endorsement of

Baldwin ensure our lothrive."

> Baldwin has been endorsed by 25 local Hamilton County elected leaders, including all four Hamilton County mayors. For a complete list of endorsements, visit VoteBaldwin.com/ endorsements.

For more information on Baldwin and his campaign for State Senate, visit VoteBaldwin.com.

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News & Letter to the Editor

Notice The Hamilton County Plan Commission is trying to be as responsible as possible during this pandemic episode and still move forward with updating our comprehensive plan. The next series of Hamilton County Plan Commission Comprehensive Plan Update public meetings will be a drive-through process. Our office will be doing a mass mailing to residents in our jurisdictional areas of Hamilton County next week. Please plan to drive through our site locations egarding the types of growth and development you want and don't want to see Noblesville/Wayne Townships Thursday, August 27, 2020 Wayne Township Fire Station 18441 Durbin Road Noblesville, IN 46060

7:00 p.m.

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Community News

Senior Citizens Organization of Noblesville holding bake sale

The Senior Citizens Organization of Noblesville has scheduled a bake sale from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 29 at the Farmers Market at Federal Hill Commons on Logan Street.

There will be a variety of homemade desserts, all made by women with many years' experience baking for their families. The organization goods will be located on the back side of the building between the restrooms. Please stop by and check it out.

Live Music At Pasto Italiano

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Jake Madore Hamilton County Treasurer Let's be better

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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 ended at noon on Friday, Aug. 21.

Carmel Clay Schools <u>At large (2 seats)</u> Katie Browning Susan Chamberlin-Dawes Beth Glynn Sam Harris Benita T. Hutt Louise Jackson Paige L. Miller **Timothy Moehl**

Noblesville Schools <u>At large (3 seats)</u> Laura L. Alerding Daniel J. Bill Christi Crosser Evan Elliott Willie Jerome Haile Leigh Hamer Carl A. Johnson IV Stephanie D. Lambert

INDOT will soon install Intersection **Conflict Warning Systems across state**

The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Transportation will start installing the first Intersection Conflict Warning Systems (ICWS) next week in various locations across the state.

The systems will improve safety at non-signalized, stop-controlled intersections, reducing severe crashes by up to 20 to 30 percent, according to The Federal Highway Administration.

How they work

Intersection Conflict Warning Systems are put in place to alert drivers of oncoming traffic at two-way, stop-controlled intersections.

INDOT will install lights and signage to alert drivers on both intersecting roads that traffic is approaching or there is a waiting vehicle. The ICWS uses vehicle detection under the pavement to trigger the system.

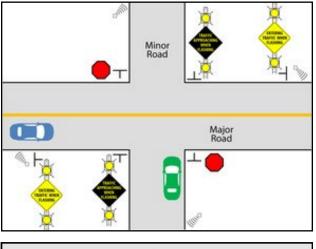
The ICWS uses signs and flashing yellow warning lights.

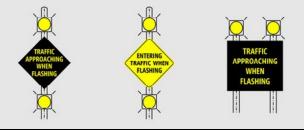
The lights and signage provide drivers with a real-time warning of vehicles either approaching the intersection on the major road or waiting at the stop sign to enter the intersection from the minor road.

Drivers should use the lights as a warning that traffic could be approaching on the major road or turning onto the major road from the minor road. Drivers should still use care even if the lights are not flashing.

Installations are scheduled to begin Monday, Aug. 31 and continue into late spring of 2021.

Below is a list of the individual intersections in each district where the systems will be installed (in no particular order). For updated information on when the warning systems will be installed, please follow the districts on social media.





Graphics provided by INDOT

• U.S. 40 and S.R. 3/

East Central (Greenfield District) • S.R. 38 and Moontown/Hinkle Road • U.S. 27 and S.R. 28

S CR 325 W Northeast (Ft. Wayne District) • S.R. 109 and CR 400 N • S.R. 26 and CR 950 E/

• U.S. 40 and CR 600 E CR 900 S

Letter to the Editor-HSE Schools' dismissal of guidelines endangering students, personnel

Dear Editor:

Just as we all want and expect to drive to the places we go, we need to wear seat belts to get there safely since we're not crash-test dummies. Conversely, smokers don't want to give up the comfort of smoking but recognize the need to quit for their health. Sometimes we need to do things and sometimes we need to stop doing things to benefit our longevity.

This COVID-19 pandemic has thrust upon us an important new dichotomy of wants vs. needs: Every single parent, teacher, administrator, lunch person, custodian, bus driver, you name it wants children back in the classroom as soon as possible. We need to do it safely.

Leading up to last Friday's working session meeting with the school board, the HSE administration and the superintendent had done a decent job balancing these safety needs with the universal want of getting kids back to school in-person with the following plan based on 3 phases of virtual-to-classroom instruction over time, with advancement from one phases to the next based on 4 conditions of community virus severity and trend:

At its July 8, 2020 meeting, the HSE Board of School Trustees authorized the super

to develop a reopening plan and make adjustments as necessary to address changing

for a three-phase progression to 100% on-site instruction. The three phases are defined

rcumstances. The following plan has been revised as of Friday, August 14, 2020, and cal

PHASE II

PHASE III

What are the appropriate conditions? Here are the midalin

Operational Metrics			
werror's office before progressing to the	e next phase. manity COMD Risk Rating needs to be at Level	ervices, this Fishers Health Department, the Index	
LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4

Here we finally have what should be the answer to whether or not schools should be able to move to Phase II with 50/50 instruction: "To progress to the next phase, the Community COVID Risk Rating needs to be at Level 1 (green) or at Level 2 (yellow) trending towards Level 1 (green).'

So where were we the morning of Aug. 21? From the referenced "City of Fishers Risk Rating System":



Anne H. Poindexter

Hamilton Heights Jackson Twp. (1 seat) Kevin J. Cavanaugh

White River Twp. (1 seat) **Gretchen Pennington** David Adam Sheller

Hamilton Southeastern

Fall Creek Twp. (1 seat) Jason Arnold Chauna Leigh Holder Matt Stolle Suzanne Thomas **Clint Wilson** Delaware Twp. (1 seat) Tony Bagato Sarah Donsbach Amanda J. Shera Wayne Twp. (1 seat) Sarah E. Parks-Reese Tiffany Pascoe Ron Thieme

Adrienne Rogers Sheridan Community Schools Marion Twp., Boone Co. <u>(1 seat)</u> John Hunt

Westfield Washington

Schools <u>District 1 (1 seat)</u> Jimmy Cox Amy Pictor District 3 (1 seat) Duane E. Lutz J. Keith Owens Carl (Mike) Steele



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PHASE I

Virtual instruction as outlined in the Operations plan.

The district will not move to Phase II until the appropriate conditions have been met.

Notice the plan specifically states the district will NOT progress to Phase II "until the conditions have been met."



As you can see, as of the morning of the 21st, the community was not only NOT in the green OR yellow, but the trend was heading AWAY from those colors. Consequently,

The administration's and superintendent's decision to move to Phase II and 50/50 instruction, supported unanimously by the school board, is in direct opposition to the stated guidelines written BY the administration.

Regardless of the polarized feelings weighing on the decisions to return to school, the facts in this case are that the administration misled the community by approving the advancement to Phase II without the appropriate safety conditions being met.

We want our kids back in school. We need answers as to how this dismissal of safety guidelines will affect the health of all involved during this pandemic in the HSE school system.

Grant Lansdell Parent and Taxpayer in HSE School District

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AG Hill: Lawsuits against **Trump administration** over Postal Service 'show a profound ignorance'

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill on Tuesday released the following statement in response to lawsuits cast mail-in ballots during

ministration by other states' attorneys general alleging that ongoing changes at the U.S. Postal Service would hinder mail-in balloting in upcoming elections:

"The idea that federal courts

Postal Service is nonsense, and lawsuits demanding as much – particularly where the Postal Service has already suspended the chang- ample of activists attempting es complained of – show a profound ignorance of our system of government and

Hill

filed against the Trump ad- the pandemic, which Indiana has not grant-

cated on expanded rights to

the proper role of a state at-

'The lawsuits are predi-

torney general.

ed. And the states that have done so knew about problems with the Postal Service before they chose to expand mail-in voting. If those states are suddenly concerned

about potential can reverse decades of bu- post office failures, they reaucratic failure at the should encourage and focus on in-person voting or permit ballots to be returned by FedEx or hand delivery.

"This is yet another exto enact their preferred policies through the courts and should be soundly rejected."

News & Obituaries

Brenda Faye Gibbs February 23, 1949 – August 21, 2020

Brenda Faye Gibbs, 70, Sheridan, passed away on Fri-



day evening, August 21, 2020 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. Born February 23, 1949 in Indianapolis, she was the daughter of the late Isaac and Ella May (Wallace) Jones. From the age of nine, Brenda was raised by her older sister and brother-in-law Hildie and Quitman Brown. She attended grade school at Fortville and graduated from Pendleton Heights High School with the Class of 1967.

If one thing could sum up Brenda's life, it would be family. She was a dedicated farm wife, mother, grand-

mother and great-grandmother. As the kids were growing up, she was always incredibly supportive of their sports activities and was active in their 4-H endeavors, spending several years as a Boone County Project Leader in Leather. Brenda was also a professional cake decorator, putting her talent for baking on full display; she entered her own projects for judging at the Indiana State Fair many times. Brenda was an all-around wonderful cook. She also enjoyed collecting pigs.

No matter what was going on in her life, it always took a back seat to her family. Whether it was loading the kids up in the Suburban and hauling them to this and that, helping out on the farm, or just being Grandma, she was right where she wanted to be - in the middle of all the chaos, surrounded by the people she loved the most.

Brenda is survived by her husband of 47 years, Don "Donnie" Michael Gibbs. She and Donnie were married on June 14, 1973. Also surviving are her children, Sonya Willem (Dave) and Jason Gibbs (Mandy), both of Sheridan; grandchildren, Amber Gibbs-Willem, Sheridan, "CJ" Willem, Sheridan, Adriana Shyanne Proctor (Jake) stationed at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois, Haiden Gibbs, Lebanon, and Nicholas Clark, New Ross; step-grandchildren, Noah Korth and Cecilia Korth, both of Lebanon; great-grandchildren, Tristan Gibbs-Willem, Sheridan, and Ella Proctor, Scott A.F.B., Ill.; her brother, Steve Brown, Alexandria; sister-in-law, Sarita Koopman (Ralph), Sheridan; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Charles Jones and Freddie Jones; and sisters, Nellie Davis, Hildie Brown and Telesa Ferrand.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, August 29, 2020 at Spicewood Cemetery in Sheridan.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com



TODAY'S BIBLE READING

And when they heard these sayings, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians. And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theatre. And when Paul would have entered in unto the people, the disciples suffered him not. And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends, sent unto him, desiring him that he would not adventure himself into the theatre.

Acts 19:28-31 (KJV)

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Dan H. Gray April 18, 1954 – August 21, 2020

Dan H. Gray, 66, Noblesville, passed away on Friday,



August 21, 2020. He was born on April 18, 1954 to Ralph Gray and Vivian (Stover) Thompson in Noblesville.

Danny was a graduate of Noblesville High School and proudly served his country in the United States Navy where he was a member of the Presidential Honor Guard for Gerald Ford. He was a jack of all trades, master of none. Danny enjoyed fishing and the outdoors, as well as finding and collecting arrowheads and Indian artifacts. He also enjoyed growing aloe vera plants. Most of all, Danny loved being a papaw to his grandkids.

He is survived by his mother, Vivian (James) Thompson; children, Stephanie, Amy and Adam; stepchildren, Denny (Lisa) Pharis and Shannon Pharis; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; sister, Marsha Kay (Karl) Shinn; brother, Mike (Pat) Gray; half-sister, Kathy (Eric) Richardson; and half-brother, Alan Gray.

Danny was preceded in death by his wife, Beverly Gray, in 2018; father, Ralph Gray; stepson, John Pharis; and his brother, John Stephen Barnette.

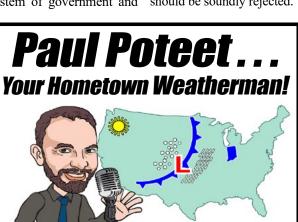
No services are planned at this time.

To assist the family with funeral expenses, memorial contributions may be made to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, IN 46062.

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Sports



Carmel wins county championship

The Carmel girls golf team continued its season-long win streak Wednesday at the Hamilton County golf tournament, which took place at Harbour Trees in Noblesville.

The Greyhounds took the championship with a nine-hole score of 151, just ahead of runner-up Westfield's 154. This marks the 10th victory in a row for Carmel; the 'Hounds finished second in their first meet of the year, but have been perfect ever since.

Carmel's roster ranges from seniors Katie Kuc and Sydney Longstreth to freshmen Michaela Headlee and Claire Swathwood, and everyone has contributed.

"We couldn't have asked for better leaders between Katie and Michaela. and obviously Sydney as another senior leader," said Greyhounds coach Kelly Kluesner. "That really helps our team the most. These girls are so mentally prepared and mentally strong when it comes to these courses and these super-hot days with really tough greens. The way that they fight, they bounce back after a bad shot, it's really remarkable to watch."

Headlee was the meet medalist with a score of 33, two under par for the day. Kuc carded a 37.

"I played pretty good," said Headlee. "My putting was really good today."

The Shamrocks were a strong challenger, with three girls shooting in the 30s. Sam Brown led Westfield with a 36, while Brette Hanavan and Cate Jensen both scored 39.

Hamilton Southeastern took third with a score of 159. Amber Luttrell carded a 38 for the Royals, with Ashley Marcinko adding a 39.

Noblesville finished a close fourth, totaling a 160. Ellie Karst was the low scorer for the Millers by carding a 38, followed by Taylor Caldwell's 39.

Fifth-place University was led by Becky Williams' 38. Sydni Zebrauskas paced Hamilton Heights with a 43, while Lilly McVay scored a 48 to lead Fishers.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

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154, Hamilton Southeastern 159, Noblesville 160, University 187, Fishers 203, Hamilton Heights 203.

Medalist: Michaela Headlee (Carmel) 33. Other Carmel scores: Katie Kuc 37,

Sydney Longstreth 40, Ava Hedrick 41, Claire Swathwood 43, Ava Nguyen 45.

Westfield scores: Sam Brown 36, Brette Hanavan 39, Cate Jensen 39, Allie Hildebrand 40, Allie McKeown 40, Sophie McGinnis 41.

Southeastern scores: Amber Luttrell 38, Ashley Marcinko 39, Yanah Rolston 41, Marissa Spreitzer 41, Grace Dubec 44, Katy Pippenger 44. Noblesville scores: Ellie Karst 38. Taylor Caldwell 39, Caroline Whallon 41, Bella Deibel 42, Sophi Stutz 43, Sarah Brenneman 52.

University scores: Becky Williams 38,

Team scores: Carmel 151, Westfield Abby Bladen 40, Vivian Suh 53, Molly ney Meyer 57. Bickle 56, Ria Narayanan 57. Fishers scores: Lilly McVay 48, Kristi Lilek 49, Olivia Holding 52, Sarah Majeski 54, Marissa Moore 55, Syd- 59.

Heights scores: Sydni Zebrauskas 43, Lola Wilson 50, Rebekah Steffen 52, Anna Rickey 58, Kaylee Rhoton



Friday Night 3

www.HamiltonCountyTV.com August 28 & 29...Games Start at 7 pm (Games subject to change)

Harrison at Westfield

Pike at Fishers

North Central at Hamilton Southeastern

Covenant Christian at Rushville

Heritage Christian at Shenandoah (Saturday Game)

Reporter photo by Kirk Green

Sheridan's Allie Delph (left) makes a bump during the Blackhawks' match with Shenandoah on Wednesday.

'Hawks volleyball falls to Shenandoah

The Sheridan volleyball team fell to Shenandoah 25-21, 25-10, 25-19 in a Wednesday home match.

Emma Went had six digs for the Blackhawks, while Abbi Clouser collected five digs and served three aces. Taylor Bates hit 11 kills, dished out four assists and made two blocks. Kaiden Wilson had two blocks, while Jacquellynne Bates and Allie Delph both had five digs.

In the junior varsity match, the Raiders won 25-12, 25-7. Hailey Curry served one ace for Sheridan.

The Blackhawks varsity will travel to Indiana School for the Deaf on Saturday for a tournament.



Huskies, 'Rocks take tennis duals

The Hamilton Heights boys tennis team swept a young Eastern team 5-0 in a Wednesday dual meet.

The Huskies won all five matches in straight sets. In singles, No. 1 Ben Wolfgang won 6-4, 6-2, No. 2 Nick Rice scored a 6-0, 6-0 shutout and No. 3 Erik Malott was a 6-2, 6-1 winner. No. 1 doubles Josh Russell and Jake Martin got a 6-1, 6-1 victory and No. 2 Colin Weber and Grant Cavanaugh scored a 6-0, 6-0 sweep.

Westfield, ranked No. 22 in the IHS-TeCA poll, won a 3-2 thriller over No. 18 Brebeuf Jesuit on Wednesday.

The Shamrocks got wins from No. 1 singles Quentin Markle and No. 2 singles Connor Housefield, then No. 1 doubles Christian Emigh and Brett Barnes won a three-set match to clinch the victory.

Westfield plays at 6 p.m. tonight at Avon.

Sports

Girls soccer Millers, Royals take care of HCC teams

The Noblesville girls soccer team picked up a victory in its first Hoosier Crossroads Conference game of the season Wednesday at the Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex.

The Class 3A No. 1 Millers beat 3A No. 10 Avon 2-0. After a scoreless first half, Noblesville put in two goals during the latter part of the second half.

"Avon was defending us well," said Millers coach Mike Brady.

Ava Bramblett scored the first goal, off an assist by Meskerem James. The second goal came with five minutes left in the contest, when James easily kicked in a ball that had been deflected off the Orioles goalkeeper.

Brady credited his team with taking advantages of opportunities in the second half.

"They were going to come, we just have to finish them when they do," said Brady. "And we have to get better at finishing them by the end of the season."

After the game, the Millers received their rings from last year's Class 3A state championship, which Noblesville won over Carmel.

The Millers are 2-0 for the season.

Hamilton Southeastern, ranked No. 3 in 3A, celebrated Senior Night on Wednesday with a 5-1 HCC victory over 3A No. 9 Brownsburg.

The Royals scored early and often: Izzie Wallace scored the first goal less than two minutes into the game, with Maddie Bellaver making the assist. At the eight-minute mark, Wallace scored again, with Molly Harris assisting that one. Harris scored the third Southeastern goal on a free kick to give the Royals a 3-0 halftime lead.

In the second half, Harris assisted and Emily Ellis goal, then Ella Wolf finished the scoring with a goal off an Olivia Smith assist.

We are so happy we were able to recognize the amazing players and families tonight," said Royals coach Greg Davidson.

Southeastern is 3-1 and plays at Avon next Wednesday.

Hamilton Heights, ranked No. 13 in 2A, picked up a 6-1 Hoosier Conference win at Western on Wednesday.

The Huskies scored only 90 seconds into the game, when Keri Townsend made a run up on the left side and scored. Kyndall Ferguson added a second goal a minute later.

Maria Mitchell and Jayla Logan, Heights' center midfielders, both did well to disrupt the Panthers' efforts in the middle while the Huskies' defensive back line played solid.

aggressive team," said Heights coach Yorktown on Saturday. Travis Kauffman. "They will make you

earn every ball and opportunity. They did just that but we were able to respond in to Tri-Central on Wednesday. App.

Tri-Central took over after that and did get a goal in the second half, from freshman Kadence Voege.

Reporter photo by Kent Graham Noblesville's Meskerem James (left) scored a goal and made an assist for the Millers during their 2-0 win over Avon Wednesday at the Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex.

Isabell Nunez (right) scored a goal for Sheridan during its Wednesday game with Tri-Central.

Sheridan dropped an 8-2 home game eventually led 6-1 at halftime. Sheridan

kind finding many opportunities on good The Trojans scored the first goal, but

Reporter photo by Kirk Green





because Western is always a physical and

looks from our mids playing to our for-"We knew we had to come out strong wards who stayed very active tonight." The Huskies are 4-0-1 and play at

the Blackhawks came back to tie a few minutes later, with Isabell Nunez finding the back of the net off an assist by Olivia

The 'Hawks host Frankfort next Wednesday.





Major League **Baseball standings**

American League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Tampa Bay	21	11	.656	-
N.Y. Yankees	16	11	.593	2.5
Toronto	15	14	.517	4.5
Baltimore	14	16	.467	6.0
Boston	10	21	.323	10.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Minnesota	20	12	.625	-
Chi. White Sox	19	12	.613	0.5
Cleveland	19	12	.613	0.5
Detroit	13	16	.448	5.5
Kansas City	12	19	.387	7.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Oakland	22	10	.688	-
Houston	17	14	.548	4.5
Seattle	12	19	.387	9.5
Texas	11	19	.367	10.0
L.A. Angels	10	22	.313	12.0

WNBA standings

Eastern Conference

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	10	5	.667	-
Connecticut	6	8	.429	3.5
Indiana	5	9	.357	4.5
Washington	4	9	.308	5.0
Atlanta	3	11	.214	6.5
New York	2	12	.143	7.5

Wednesday's games Chicago White Sox 10, Pittsburgh 3 Atlanta 5, N.Y. Yankees 1 Philadelphia 3, Washington 2 Toronto 9, Boston 1 Tampa Bay 4, Baltimore 3 N.Y. Mets 5, Miami 4 Detroit 7, Chicago Cubs 6 Cleveland 6, Minnesota 3

Oakland 3, Texas 1 St. Louis 6, Kansas City 5 Colorado 8, Arizona 7 Atlanta 2, N.Y. Yankees 1 L.A. Angels at Houston, postponed Cincinnati at Milwaukee, postponed Seattle at San Diego, postponed L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco, postponed

National League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	18	12	.600	-
Miami	14	12	.538	2.0
Philadelphia	12	14	.462	4.0
N.Y. Mets	13	16	.448	4.5
Washington	11	17	.393	6.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. Cubs	18	12	.600	-
St. Louis	11	9	.550	2.0
Milwaukee	13	15	.464	4.0
Cincinnati	11	17	.393	6.0
Pittsburgh	7	19	.269	9.0
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Dodgers	22	9	.710	-
San Diego	18	13	.581	4.0
Colorado	16	15	.516	6.0
San Francisco	15	16	.484	7.0
Arizona	13	19	.406	9.5

All Wednesday games were postponed

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Week 2 high school football previews 'Hounds, 'Hawks renew old rivalries

son will bring some familiar matchups, a first three games in the series, the Blacknew opponent for Noblesville, as well as hawks dominated the next eight years, finthe reboot of a couple old rivalries.

One of those rivalries that will be revisited on Friday is between two teams that haven't played each other in 10 years. Carmel will welcome Cathedral on to their field for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

The Greyhounds and the Irish haven't played each other since they participated in a six-year series, which lasted from 2005 to 2010. The rivalry finished with a 3-3 re- formance, with five players making 10 or cord, and only of the six games was decid- more tackles. Senior Jacob Meredith led ed by more than a touchdown: Carmel won

ishing with a 60-20 victory in 2010.

Benton Central dropped its opener to Delphi last week 24-0, the first game for new BC coach Tyler Marsh. Junior Colin Wilkinson is the Bison quarterback; he went 8-for-23 and totaled 38 yards, and also led the rushing with 13 yards. Sophomore Seth Plummer made three receptions.

The Bison had a decent defensive perthat category with 15 stops.

Week 2 of the high school football sea- sier Conference. While the Bison won the nior quarterback Zayd Vestal, who totaled cluding 3.5 for a loss. 403 yards in passing against the Tigers. Vestal was 21-for-31 and had five touchdowns through the air. Seniors Theran Johnson and Thierno Diallo both caught two of those TD passes.

Dallas

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with 126 yards in 21 carries and a touchdown. Senior Thomas Bronaugh had 10 tackles, with senior Josiah Green making four tackles for a loss.

Southeastern had a balanced offensive effort in its first game. Senior John McCall completed 16 of 21 passes for 147 yards and a touchdown, while junior Blaine Wertz scored a TD while totaling 63 yards rushing. Junior Will Gerig collected four passes, including one for a score. Sophomore Cole Earlewine and senior Giovanni Ragland both made six tackles.

The Shamrocks' Maximus Webster threw two touchdown passes, finishing the game 7-of-14 for 99 yards. Nick Talley made 9 of 14 attempts for 115 yards and a TD pass. Mason Piening made five recep-Senior David Smith was the top rusher, tions and Micah Hauser led the rushing with 42 yards.

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NOBLESVILLE-TERRE HAUTE SOUTH

In one of two away games for county teams, Noblesville will take a trip to Terre Haute South on Friday. Kickoff for this game is 7:30 p.m.

The Braves fell to Harrison 42-13 in

24-14 in 2005.

Both schools are coming off Week 1 victories: The Greyhounds took care of Plainfield 31-6, while the Irish beat Westfield 56-20. Cathedral was led by its quarterback Nathan McCahill in its opening win. The senior completed 18 of 26 passes for 201 yards and threw for five touchdowns

McCahill also rushed for 109 yards and two TDs. Senior Camden Jordan made three of those touchdown catches, totaling eight receptions for 120 yards.

Carmel's quarterback also stepped up big for his team. Zach Osborne was responsible for all four of the Greyhounds' touchdowns, making short rushes for three scores and sending a TD pass to Colton Parker. Osborne totaled 58 yards rushing and went 12-of-21 through the air for 109 yards. Parker made seven catches.

SHERIDAN-BENTON CENTRAL

Sheridan will also take on an opponent that it hasn't played in 10 years. The Blackhawks host Benton Central Friday at Bud Wright Stadium, with kickoff at 7 p.m.

The 'Hawks played Benton Central in the regular season from 2000 to 2010, back when Sheridan was a member of the Hoo-

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Sheridan is coming off a 21-20 victory over Western Boone, the two-time defending Class 2A state champions. It was the first win for the 'Hawks over the Stars in 10 years. (Notice a pattern here?) Cameron Hovey dominated the game with three touchdowns and a total of 111 yards rushing. Sheridan only had one pass attempt in the contest, but it was a big one: Silas De-Vaney found Cale Cummins for a 34-yard touchdown.

Five different Blackhawks had at least 10 tackles in the game. Junior Gavin Reners made 18 stops, followed by sophomore Jacob Jones with 17. Junior Noah Ehrie had 16 tackles.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN-NORTH CENTRAL

Hamilton Southeastern will play its first home game of the season Friday, as the Royals host North Central in a 7 p.m. kickoff.

Both Southeastern and the Panthers are coming off opening-week wins. The Royals had a fine defensive effort while beating Lawrence Central 24-0, while North Central was a winner over HSE's district-mate, defeating Fishers 40-20.

The Panthers got a big game out of se-

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FISHERS-PIKE

Fishers will try to bounce back after its loss to North Central by hosting Pike for the Tigers' Week 2 game. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. Friday.

The Red Devils are coming off a close win over Zionsville last week, by the score of 26-24. Quarterback Anthony Cialdella had an efficient night, going 10 for 18, totaling 219 yards and throwing for three touchdowns. Zavier Simpson had five of those catches, including one TD.

Isiah Martin was Pike's leading rusher, with 113 yards to his credit. Modupe Esan led the Red Devils' defense with 10 tackles.

Junior Lucas Prewitt went 11-for-24 as Fishers' quarterback, throwing for 141 yards and a touchdown. Senior Landon Morris caught the TD pass for one of his four receptions. Sophomore Carson Dunn was the Tigers' top rusher with 35 yards, while junior Evan Miller made eight tackles.

WESTFIELD-HARRISON

Westfield will also be in rebound mode Friday, as it tries for its first win of the season when the Shamrocks host Harrison in a 7 p.m. kickoff.

The Raiders started their season by cruising past Terre Haute South 42-13 in a home game. Most of the scoring was done by senior Omarion Dixon, who totaled four touchdowns in 16 carries, gaining 146 yards on the ground.

Junior quarterback Tyler Knoy also rushed for a TD, totaling 121 yards. He completed 2 of 6 passes for 28 yards, with junior Max Bunger making both receptions. Junior Thomas Urban had eight tackles, in-

their opener. Jacob Rutledge and Josh Cottee both scored touchdowns for Terre Haute South, and both totaled 40 yards rushing.

The Millers will also be looking for a first win, as they fell to a good Mount Vernon team 42-17 in their opener. Senior Holden Montarsi led the Noblesville rushing with 58 yards, while junior quarterback Connor Meinerding completed 3 of 8 passes for 29 vards.

Sophomore Chance Yeager had two of those catches, and also rushed for a touchdown. Senior Blaine McNabb led the Millers' defense with six tackles.

HAMILTON HEIGHTS-NORTH MONTGOMERY

Hamilton Heights also goes on the road Friday, traveling to North Montgomery for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

The Chargers have become an increasingly common opponent for the Huskies. Heights has played North four times in the last three seasons, twice in the regular campaign and twice in the sectional. The Chargers have won the last three times.

North Montgomery won its opener over North Putnam 22-8 last week. Junior Donavan Haworth threw for two touchdowns, completing 5 of 14 passes for 113 yards. Senior Logan Kelly caught four of those receptions, including one TD.

Haworth led the rushing with 57 yards. Junior Nick Norman had 12 tackles and Kelly made 11 stops.

Hamilton Heights fell to Lapel 42-19 in its opener. Junior Guy Griffey had solid quarterback numbers, throwing for three touchdowns and 180 yards on 10-of-24 passing. Junior Gavin Bramel had three catches, including one TD, while both of sophomore Cooper Vondersaar's receptions were touchdowns.

Sophomore Trey Ehman led the rushing with 41 yards. Senior Devonte Henson made 10 tackles.



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