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**TODAY'S WEATHER**  
 Today: Partly cloudy.  
 Not as hot.  
 Tonight: Partly cloudy.  
 Humidity falls.  
 HIGH: 80 LOW: 58



## Investigators search for cause of Tuesday's Sunblest fire in Fishers

*Donations appreciated for residents rendered homeless*

By LARRY LANNAN  
[LarryInFishers.com](#)

Fishers fire investigators continue work on the scene of the Tuesday fire at Sunblest Apartments that rendered residents of eight units – 32 people in all – temporarily homeless. No cause has yet been determined.

Many have reached out to Fishers Fire Department officials wanting to help these families. The Sunblest staff is working to relocate those without a home after the blaze, and donations are being accepted. If you want to help, call (317) 842-2111.

Several local government officials and nonprofit groups are also helping the displaced families. They include the office of Delaware Township Trustee Debbie Driskell and the Hamilton County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

The Fishers Fire Department reminds those renting homes that renter's insurance is very important, as this fire illustrates.



Photo provided  
 Crews hard at work digging out from Tuesday's fire at Sunblest Apartments.

## League of Women Voters to present online forums of local candidates

**The REPORTER**

The League of Women Voters of Hamilton County will host five in-person candidate forums this fall, but the traditional process has been interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Instead of forums in a public venue, the League will present recordings on Facebook for voters to view on their own, and voters will pose their questions for the candidates by email.

Despite the current situation, LWVHC President Lisa Dick said League members were committed to figuring out an alternative way to present the forums.

"Even during a pandemic, the League is dedicated to its mission to educate voters as they prepare for the Nov. 3 elections," she said. "While we will miss offering voters a chance to attend these events in person, we still want to ensure they have the information they need to decide their votes."



Dick

In previous years, the League held in-person forums with Hamilton County cities and towns, each featuring candidates answering questions posed by League moderators and members of the audience.

This year, the League will partner with libraries, which will provide locations and technology for the recording sessions. These include Carmel Clay Public Library, Hamilton East Public Library and Westfield Washington Public Library.

While these are not the traditional live events, voters still may interact with the candidates by submitting their questions via email at [lwvhcin@gmail.com](mailto:lwvhcin@gmail.com). As with previous forums, candidates will respond to a selection of questions, including some

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## BraunAbility breaks ground on new technology lab in Carmel



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Carmel-headquartered BraunAbility, a global leader in mobility transportation solutions, recently broke ground on its new technology center, which will rise on the southeast corner of Guilford Road and Carmel Drive. The BraunAbility Global Innovation Lab will neighbor the company's global headquarters at 645 W. Carmel Drive, which opened in October 2019. Mayor Jim Brainard and Jim Stanton, Senior Vice President and Chief Business Development Officer of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, joined CEO Staci Kroon and other company representatives at the ceremonial groundbreaking. The 20,000 square-foot innovation lab will be a state-of-the-art technology center where engineers and product developers focus on development of new mobility solutions. The lab is projected to open in early April 2021.

## Board action good news for HSE food service workers

By LARRY LANNAN  
[LarryInFishers.com](#)

When the Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) school board voted Thursday night to bring grades 5-12 students back into the classrooms on Sept. 17, that was good news for food service workers, who will not miss any pay as a result.

You may recall that the school corporation said on Aug. 27 that food service workers in grades 5-12 buildings would be furloughed.

"There is no lapse in pay," HSE spokesperson Emily Abbotts told [LarryInFishers.com](#). "Some are still working and all will be back to prep on the 14th for students."

## Virtual Career Fair can help displaced workers 'skill up'

**The REPORTER**

The Hamilton County Workforce Recovery Task Force, in cooperation with the Hamilton County Workforce Innovation Network (HCWIN), will hold a Virtual Career Fair from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 17.

The Career Fair is specifically designed for anyone considering a career change or skill-up opportunity. This may include opportunities which require new credentials, certifications, or apprenticeships.

"There has really never been a better time to make a career change or to skill up," said HCWIN Execu-



Kneberg

tive Director Robert Kneberg. "Federal funding is currently available to help offset the cost of earning new certifications, learning new skills, and ultimately finding a new career."

Many Hamilton County employers have high-paying, in-demand positions available. The Career Fair is designed to connect those companies and educational



institutions with employees who have recently been displaced by the pandemic and are open to pursuing a fresh career track. Many of the employers will provide the necessary classes, training or apprenticeships required to retrain or secure a new degree, credential, or certification.

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## County Parks exploring possible Potter's Bridge Park expansion

**The REPORTER**

The Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department, in partnership with Beaver Materials, is exploring the potential expansion of Potter's Bridge Park by 50 or more acres. The expansion would add to the park's current 75 acres, resulting in at least 125 acres of park land.

The popular park is best known for its iconic landmark, Potter's Bridge, which is the only remaining historic covered bridge in Hamilton County. The bridge was constructed in 1871 and restored in 1999.

The park's trails are a part of the White River Greenway Trail System. The White River Greenway Trail System spans up to eight miles. From

Potter's Bridge Park users can travel the trail system along the river, through Forest Park to downtown Noblesville or Morse Park and Beach, where the new Levee Trail can be accessed. With the potential expansion, these trails would allow increased connectivity to historic downtown Noblesville, its surrounding neighborhoods and other Hamilton County cities and towns.

The potential expansion would happen in two phases.

Phase 1 entails a 10-acre land donation by Beaver Materials. Phase 2 would be an additional 40-acre land donation by Beaver Materials. Phase 2 would include the creation of a 30-acre lake by Beaver Materials for the use

of recreational activities provided by the Hamilton County Parks Department.

The Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department exists to serve the leisure and recreation needs of its residents and tourists, and to enhance the quality of life in the county. Beaver Materials is a local fifth-generation family owned and operated aggregates provider.

To learn more details about the potential expansion of Potter's Bridge Park, Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department and Beaver Materials invite community members to attend a neighborhood meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 14 on the site of the historic Potter's Bridge.





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### CANDIDATE FORUMS

emailed from voters, as well as make two-minute presentations about their positions. The day after the recording sessions, videos will be posted on the League's [Facebook page](#). The recordings will not be edited for time or content, so viewers will see the forums just as they happened and in their entirety, Dick said. The libraries and candidates may upload the videos to their websites and video platforms as well.

Here are the forums, candidates and deadlines to

submit questions:

#### Forum 1

**Submit questions to [lwvh-cin@gmail.com](mailto:lwvh-cin@gmail.com) no later than 11:59 p.m. Sept. 13.**

- Hamilton County Commissioner District 3 with candidates Mark Heirbrandt and Dan Montgomery.
- Hamilton County Council At-Large with candidates Brad Beaver, Sue Maki, Steve Nation, Gardiner Bink and Victor Schleich.

#### Forum 2

**Submit questions to [lwvh-cin@gmail.com](mailto:lwvh-cin@gmail.com) no later than 11:59 p.m. Sept. 14.**

- Hamilton County Auditor with candidates Robin Mills and Michael Roberts.
- Hamilton County Treasurer with candidates Susan Byer and Jake Madore.
- Hamilton County Surveyor with candidates Kenton Ward and Brad Beer.

#### Forum 3

**Submit questions to [lwvh-cin@gmail.com](mailto:lwvh-cin@gmail.com) no later**

**than 11:59 p.m. Sept. 20.**

- Indiana Senate District 20 with candidates Scott Baldwin and Ronnie Saunders.
- Indiana House District 24 with candidates Donna Schaibley and Naomi Bechtold.
- Indiana House District 29 (Noblesville) with candidates Chuck Goodrich and Mike Vick.
- Indiana House District 32 (Cicero/Sheridan/Westfield) with candidates Tony Cook and Amie Neiling.

#### Forum 4

**Submit questions to [lwvh-cin@gmail.com](mailto:lwvh-cin@gmail.com) no later than 11:59 p.m. Sept. 21.**

- Indiana Senate District 30 with candidates John Ruckelshaus and Fady Qadoura.
- Indiana House District 37 (Fishers) with candidates Todd Huston and Aimee Rivera Cole.
- Indiana House District 39 (Carmel) with candidates Jerry Torr and Ashley Klein.

• Indiana House District 88 with candidates Leah McGrath and Pam Dechert.

#### Forum 5

**Submit questions to [lwvh-cin@gmail.com](mailto:lwvh-cin@gmail.com) no later than 11:59 p.m. Sept. 27.**

- 5th Congressional District with candidates Christina Hale, Victoria Spartz, Ken Tucker, Ellen Kizik and Vernon Moore.

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These forums are in keeping with the efforts of the national League of Women Voters, which has worked since 1920 to improve U.S. systems of government and impact public policies through education and advocacy. Strictly non-partisan, the League neither supports nor opposes candidates for office at any level of government.

For more information about the League of Women Voters of Hamilton County, follow the League's [Facebook page](#) or email [lwvh-cin@gmail.com](mailto:lwvh-cin@gmail.com).

### SKILL UP

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"The eligibility for training funds under the Rapid Recovery program, Next Level Jobs (Workforce Ready Grants) has been expanded," said Ed Miller, Business Services for Hamilton County Work One. "Hoosiers with existing degrees are able to access these training funds for qualifying high-value certificates through at least the end of the year."

The free Virtual Career Fair and will provide one-on-one chat or video conversations with company and education representatives. Companies and job seekers interested in participating can learn more and register at [hcwin.org/virtual-job-fair](http://hcwin.org/virtual-job-fair). For more information, contact Robert Kneberg at [rkneberg@hcwin.org](mailto:rkneberg@hcwin.org) or (317) 914-0171.

**Thanks for reading!**

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*I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault – it wasn't something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don't often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we're breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.*

**– Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville**

**To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:**

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# Fishers business wins top PR award

## The REPORTER

Communications Redefined, a public relations and communications firm based in Fishers, recently took home the top PR award, Best of Show, for its work with Indianapolis law firm, JBJ Legal. The award was given during the 2020 Hoosier Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Pinnacle Awards Program.

Communications Redefined worked with new law firm, JBJ Legal, to introduce the firm to Central Indiana through a media relations campaign. In just two months, the law firm and its founding partners were featured in 15 target media outlets and saw a steady flow of website inquiries, of which 50 percent on average turned into new clients.

Communications Redefined also received three pinnacle awards and an award of honor for work with other clients, including Indiana Trails and the national legal defense fund for sexual harassment victims, Time's Up.

"We are extremely fortunate to work with amazing clients who have exceptional stories to tell," said Angela Tuell, founder and principal of Communi-



Photo provided

**Communications Redefined Principal and Founder Angela Tuell celebrates during the virtual awards ceremony in August.**

cations Redefined. "Thank you to all those who trust us to help you exceed your goals!"

The 2020 Pinnacle Awards, which was hosted virtually for the first time in the program's history, are the chapter's annual awards program that highlights some of the best industry leaders and campaigns throughout the previous year.

The PRSA Hoosier Chapter represents pub-

lic relations professionals from throughout Indiana, including employees of associations, agencies, corporations, universities, nonprofits, government and independent practitioners. With more than 350 members, it is one of the largest chapters in the United States. The Hoosier Chapter provides its members with various programs and events, along with accreditation training, news and information.

# Experience live art in the making, kid-friendly crafts at this weekend's Meet Me on Main in Carmel

## The REPORTER

Join the city of Carmel this weekend for the September edition of Meet Me on Main, where you can watch as artists demonstrate their talents and create their works live and in person, you can listen to the sounds of musicians throughout the Arts & Design District and you can pick up your own kid-friendly craft project to take home and create.

Meet Me on Main will take place from 5 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12, with special features at galleries and gift shops and plenty to indulge your taste buds at the many restaurants on Main Street. The event is always free and there is plenty of parking in and around the District.

Watch live on the Carmel Arts & Design District's [Facebook page](#) from 5 to 5:45 p.m. as event organizers speak with Soori's Gallery, the Magdalena Gallery, Xchocol'Art Gourmet Chocolate and the Carmel Arts Council.

**Treasure Hunt:** Three \$100 gift cards will be hidden in the District. Hints will be posted on the Carmel Arts & Design District's [Facebook page](#) after 6 p.m. Saturday. Follow along for your chance to win.

**The Art Lab** invites you to make your own "sleeping fairy." Come by the breezeway next to Sub Zero to pick up your "to-go" craft supplies. This craft is free and no registration is required. The make and take "to-go" art project will be available from 5 to 8:30 p.m., or until supplies last.

**Free musical entertainment** throughout the District will be live from 5 to 9 p.m., including **Dianna Davis, Owen Newkirk and Sammi Lorena.**

## Special Gallery Exhibits

**Carmel Art on Main Gallery:** Come travel with Anastasiya Combs and Freddie Kelvin. From city to coast, Ana and Freddie explore the world around us. Ana's cityscapes are vibrant paintings that capture the colors and mood of some of the world's greatest cities. Freddie's photography is often abstract, showing his love of water through the reflections it reveals. These landscapes of water and reflection are an obsession. Visit [Carmel-ArtonMain.com](#) to shop online, and don't forget to

check out their Facebook and Instagram accounts to learn more. (111 W. Main St., #140)

**Carmel Arts Council Children's Art Gallery:** The "Art in the Garden" program continues at the Children's Art Gallery beginning at 3 p.m. and features live art demonstration until 7 p.m. The artist of the day will be Robin Manetta Spyker, a member of the CAC, who will bring her oil paints to showcase her talents. As Robin is a lifelong teacher, she will present two activities for children, a "Photo Scavenger Hunt" and "Understanding Pointillist Painting." Children visiting the CAC's "Art in the Garden" will have fun learning from Robin and then taking these activities home to do on their own. (40 W. Main St.)

**Carmel Clay Historical Society:** Join the Carmel Clay Historical Society for the exhibit, "Fashionable Society: Civil War to Post-War Textiles of Carmel." Stop by the Monon Depot Museum on the Monon Greenway to see vintage clothing displayed for the first time. (211 1st St. SW)

**CCA Gallery:** Artists Tresa Steenberg (Mixed Media Artist) and Nancy Miller (Mixed Media Sculptor). Tresa's work consists of many layers that include acrylic paint, vintage book pages, pieces cut from magazines, children's schoolwork or anything else that creates visual interest. Her work has been displayed at the Birdie Gallery, Nickel Plate Art Gallery, The Harrison Center, Gallery 924, Indiana State Museum as part of the 95th Annual Hoosier Salon Exhibit and the SALI National Abstract Show. Nancy uses gourds and stones to create beautiful masterpieces. She enjoys the process of taking a lowly gourd to a state of exquisite beauty. Her creative process is long and full of obstacles but is beautifully detailed. (111 W. Main St., #135)

**Indiana Artisan:** Jewelry designer Lily Pai has kept healthy and busy at her home studio creating a Viking knit bracelet. She will demonstrate how she twists and winds metal into fashions for your wrist inside the gallery. In the garden next to the store, fiber artist Daren Redman will have everything you need to create a bandana using indigo dye. Make and take

one home at no charge. (22 N. Rangeline Road)

**Kuaba Gallery:** Mixed media works by Claudia Labin and sculptures by Irwin Labin will be featured. (404 W. Main St.)

## Additional Specials

**All Things Carmel:** BOOK SIGNING featuring longtime Carmel resident and politician Mary Eckard-Good, who has written her memoirs, *Take Your Stage: A Story of Challenge*, which is on sale now at the gift shop. Mary will be signing copies of her book from 5 to 8 p.m. In her inspirational memoir, Mary tells her story. This book is meant to inspire you to look at your life and realize the potential that you may not have realized. She tells the stories of her lifelong passion for music and show business, getting to interview the soon-to-be Vice President's wife, running for public office, and finding a special love. (110 W. Main St., #140)

**Bask on Main:** Meet Me on Main specials include: \$20 off any facial and 25 percent off your first massage. (336 W. Main St.)

A map of the gallery locations and more information about Meet Me on Main activities can be found at [CarmelArtsAndDesign.com](#).

Public parking is available in the Carmel Lions Club lot (141 E. Main St.), Sophia Square parking garage (entrance off of 1st Ave. NW), Indiana Design Center parking garage (200 S. Rangeline Road) or on-street. [Click here](#) to download the Arts & Design District parking map may be downloaded.

## About the Carmel Arts & Design District

The Carmel Arts & Design District is the Midwest's premier arts and design destination. Home to more than 200 businesses, including art galleries, restaurants, antique dealers, design showrooms, boutiques and creative service providers, the Carmel Arts & Design District promises to stimulate the senses. The Indiana Design Center is housed in the Carmel Arts & Design District. In addition, hundreds have taken advantage of the wide variety of housing opportunities and call the Carmel Arts & Design District home.

## Letter to the Editor

# Shaffer critical of Carmel's land purchase for new park during COVID pandemic

Dear Editor:	stratagem.
Carmel's spendthrift municipal administration scored another one for lunacy.	Carmel residents already shoulder a \$2.4 billion debt, part of which involves purchases of large swaths of real estate.
You reported Sept. 8 that "Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation officially acquired and closed on 26.91 acres of land near 146th Street and Shelborne Road.	In its 2019 annual financial report, the city told the state's Department of Local Government Finance that it owned \$193.1 million in land. That's seven and one-half times the \$25.9 million it owned in 2012.
'This land acquisition is very exciting for Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation and our community,' said CCPR Director Michael Klitzing."	More debt and less purpose. How exciting.
Struggling families hit by layoffs, firings and furloughs find no excitement in this further borrowing-and-spending	<b>Bill Shaffer</b> <i>Carmel</i>

*Letters to the Editor do not reflect the opinions of The Reporter, its publisher or its staff. You can submit your own Letter to the Editor by email to [News@ReadTheReporter.com](mailto:News@ReadTheReporter.com).*

## Meeting Notices

The Noblesville Common Council retreat is set for 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2020, in Rooms A213 and A214 at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., Noblesville.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly Board of Trustees meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 14, 2020, at the John W. Hensel Government Center, 10701 N. College Ave., Carmel.

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# Tickets now on sale for Carmel Symphony Orchestra’s new season

**The REPORTER**

As we move beyond uncertain times, the Carmel Symphony Orchestra brings you a season of *Hope Renewed*. Single tickets are now on sale for the 2020-21 season, which begins in October.

Saturday, Oct. 10 will be the opening concert for the season. *Hope Renewed* is the title for this year’s Masterworks Series. The 7:30 p.m. concert will be performed at The Palladium in The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. This performance will include Bartok’s Romanian Folk Dances, Grieg’s Holberg Suite and Tchaikovsky’s Serenade for Strings.

Saturday, Nov. 14, also at 7:30 p.m., is Masterworks 2, featuring Beethoven’s Symphony No. 1 in C Major, Mozart’s Violin Concerto No. 3 in G Major and Rossini’s Barber of Seville Overture. This concert will feature CSO’s 2019 Young Artist Competition Winner, Cooper Olsen.

The Carmel Symphony Orchestra proudly sponsors the annual CSO Young Artists Competition, a unique and prestigious concerto competition allowing Indiana student musicians the opportunity to compete with their peers at the highest level of artistic excellence and have the amazing experience of performing in The Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts.

Olsen was 14 when he won as the CSO Young Artist. He is a freshman at Bloomington North High School in Bloomington, Ind. He won the Young Artist Competition with a performance of Saint-Saens’ Violin Concerto #3, 3rd movement, and studies with Mimi Zweig, professor of music at Indiana University’s Jacobs School



Olsen



Bays

of Music.

The Holiday Pops Concerts presented by IU Health on Saturday, Dec. 12 will cap off 2020. This show will get you prepared for a holiday season filled with inspiration. The annual performance of the Holiday Pops Concert is a celebration for all ages and features singer Heather Bays.

Heather Bays is now a first call studio singer in the Nashville, Tenn., Indianapolis and Chicago areas where she records voiceovers, jingles, choral demos, film scores and video games. Her versatility, professionalism and experience have given her the opportunity to perform and record with many significant artists and companies over the years, including Hans Zimmer, Disney, EA

games, Bill Gaither, Sandi Patty and Josh Kaufmann, just to name a few. She is a seasoned performer and has sung the national anthem for the Indianapolis Colts, the Pacers and the Fever and has performed as a featured artist with many symphonies around the country.

Bays says she is honored to partner with Janna Hymes and is grateful to be able to serve the entire CSO organization and give back to her community in this way. She lives in Carmel with her husband David Watts and her sweet cocker spaniel of 14 years, Mimi. She is a proud mom to two adult daughters, Chloe and Evalee.

Single tickets for the Hope Renewed Masterworks concerts, as well as the Holiday Pops Concerts presented by IU Health, are now on sale. To order tickets, you may call the Center for Performing Arts Box Office at (317) 843-3800.

Visit [CarmelSymphony.org](http://CarmelSymphony.org) to learn more.

# Report sick, dead wildlife on new DNR website

**The REPORTER**

Indiana DNR has launched a new website for public reporting of sick or dead wildlife.

The new online tool is designed to collect information about Indiana wildlife that appears sick or has died without an apparent cause. Reports are added to an active database that helps DNR track wildlife health over time and detect disease outbreaks.

The form can be found at [on.IN.gov/sickwildlife](http://on.IN.gov/sickwildlife).

Individuals are encouraged to report fish or wildlife displaying odd behavior or signs of disease. The information gathered from this website allows biologists to monitor diseases that may be affecting fish or wildlife in the state, including epizootic hemorrhagic disease (EHD), avian cholera, and white-nose syndrome, among others. A biologist may contact the reporter if a sample for disease testing is needed.

The DNR is especially interested in:

- Incidents involving the death of five or more animals.
- Recurring deaths of

animals in the same location over a period of time.

- Deer with signs that may indicate chronic wasting disease (CWD) such as emaciation, staggering or standing with poor posture, salivating excessively, or carrying their head and ears lower than normal. More information about CWD can be found at [on.IN.gov/cwd](http://on.IN.gov/cwd).
- Deer with signs that may indicate EHD such as death in or near water, loss of appetite and wariness, swelling around the head and neck, increased respiration rate, excessive salivation, rosy or bluish color of mouth and tongue. Learn more about EHD at [IN.gov/dnr/fishwild/8541.htm](http://IN.gov/dnr/fishwild/8541.htm).
- Incidents involving threatened or endangered species, regardless of the cause of death or the number of animals involved.

“Indiana DNR is excited to offer this reporting tool to Hoosiers,” said Mitch Marcus, DNR fish & wildlife health supervisor. “This online system of reporting sick or dead wild animals will be critical for early detection of fish or wildlife health concerns.”

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S

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# Duke Energy plans to electrify most of its vehicle fleet by 2030

## The REPORTER

Duke Energy is continuing its push to reduce carbon emissions with a new pledge to convert most of its current 10,000-vehicle fleet to electric or another zero-carbon alternative over the next 10 years. With approximately 600 electric vehicles (EVs) already in its fleet, the utility says it will continue to pursue electrification as more electric vehicle options become available.

"We've set a bold vision to achieve net-zero carbon emissions from electric generation by 2050. But beyond how we generate power, we're looking at other ways to transform our business to reduce emissions," said Chair, President and CEO Lynn Good. "Electric vehicles are an important part of that strategy. With our new pledge, we're committed to transitioning our fleet and spurring adoption within our communities."

More specifically, Duke Energy's pledge is to con-

vert 100 percent of its nearly 4,000 light-duty vehicles to electric and 50 percent of its approximately 6,000 combined fleet of medium-duty, heavy-duty and off-road vehicles to EVs, plug-in hybrids or other zero-carbon alternatives as more of these options become available.

Benefits of EVs include reduced emissions, better performance, less noise and fewer expenses. Customers interested in purchasing an EV can estimate their savings by visiting the [Duke Energy fuel savings calculator](#).

### Duke Energy's EV story

Through Duke Energy's EV programs, the company continues to promote a cleaner environment and provide opportunities for communities to electrify transportation.

**Jurisdictional electrification:** The company is pursuing pilot programs for electrification in its jurisdictions:

- In late 2018, Duke Energy launched an EV charging-station pilot in

Florida called **Park and Plug** to encourage clean transportation.

- Duke Energy has installed 500 charging stations, which have been used more than 13,000 times since the program launched in late 2018.

- Approximately 15 percent of these charging stations have been installed in income-qualified communities.

- The project has been consistently ahead of schedule and under budget, proving utility programs can effectively and efficiently deploy needed EV charging infrastructure.

- Like its program in Florida, Duke Energy has applied for pilot programs in the Carolinas and Ohio, pending commission approvals.

- The active program in Florida and the proposed pilot programs in the Carolinas and Ohio will add approximately 5,700 EV chargers to Duke Energy's service areas, including about 2,200 residential EV

chargers.

### Employee programs:

- The company is on track to install more than 200 workplace chargers for employees by the end of 2020.

- The company offers a rebate of \$3,000 to employees who purchase an EV and \$1,500 to employees who choose to lease an EV.

### Impacts of Duke

#### Energy's fleet conversion

- Duke Energy measures reductions in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and petroleum annually and will reach the following levels by 2030:

- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions: Reduced by 60,000 metric tons per year

- Petroleum usage: Reduced by 10 million gallons per year

- Will reduce nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and particulate matter (PM) emissions.

For more information on Duke Energy's comprehensive climate strategy, visit [duke-energy.com/climate](#).

## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house, . . .*

*Acts 20:20 (KJV)*

## Kenneth Edward Mikels

December 21, 1932 – September 5, 2020

Kenneth Edward Mikels, kind and loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed from this earth on September 5, 2020.



Ken was born on December 21, 1932 to Kenneth H. and Luella P. (Wolf) Mikels, who have preceded him in death. Ken had four siblings: a sister, Rosalie Haddle (Ray), and a brother, Dennis Mikels, survive; his sisters, Barbara Mikels and Sharon Biddlecomb (Boyd) have also preceded Ken in death.

Ken, a skilled carpenter and contractor, built a glorious life with his wonderful wife of 65 years, Marjorie Ann (Baker) Mikels. Together, they built a life they loved with their two children, Vickie Achelpohl (John) and Dean Mikels (Kelly). Ken has six grandchildren that he shared in many adventures: Katie Schauf (Gabe), Kelsie Gregory (Ryan), Tara Frick (Blain), Lauren Harper (Andrew), Carter Mikels, and Ryan Mikels. Two sweet great-granddaughters brightened Ken's life as well, Greta and Gracie Schauf.

Ken was a proud Korean War Veteran and loved telling stories of his time served. His life as a skilled carpenter and contractor spanned decades. Ken was a perfectionist at his craft. It was his life as a family man that built a lasting legacy. Ken taught kindness and patience through his example. Family could watch him turn a simple everyday occurrence into a glorious adventure through his special magic, woven with patience, humor and wonder.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, September 11, 2020 at the funeral home, with an additional visitation one hour prior to the service. Ben Thomas will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at St. Vincent, 2001 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, IN 46260; or St. Vincent Hospice, 8450 N. Payne Road, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

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Girls soccer

# Mudsock game ends in a tie

The trend of close Mudsock contests continued on Wednesday, as the Hamilton Southeastern and Fishers girls soccer teams met for their annual game, this time on the Royals' TCU Field.

Southeastern, ranked No. 3 in Class 3A, scored on early goal, but the 3A No. 12 Tigers tied things back up in the second half. Thus, the Hoosier Crossroads Conference game ended in a 1-1 tie.

The Royals wasted no time in getting on the board. Ella Wolf found the back of the net 90 seconds into the first half, with Olivia Smith providing the assist.

"I thought we played very well in the first half," said HSE coach Greg Davidson. "We were really possessing the ball, moving it around pretty well. Good to get that early goal. But against a good team like Fishers, obviously you can't be comfortable."

Wolf's goal would be the only goal for a while, until the 53rd minute when Aubrey Robertson scored for Fishers.

"It was just a great effort on their part to keep the play alive and get that tying goal," said Davidson.

"I think right now our girls are playing with a lot of heart and determination," said Tigers coach Ben Beasley. "As the season goes on, we hope to get more and more organized."

Both teams, as expected, battled for the remainder of the game. Each team had their scoring chances, but the play of both goalkeepers – Southeastern's Abby Jenkins and Fishers' Jordan Imes – kept the score tied.

"She has to against players of that quality," Beasley said of Imes. Her effort included two big saves in the game's final 20 minutes that most of the time would go in.

"Jordan made some huge saves," said Beasley. "We had to open up play a little bit to try to get some chances. HSE absolutely dominated us in the first half. It was hard to even get a touch on the ball."

The Royals are 6-1-2 (2-0-2 HCC)



**Fishers' Aubrey Robertson (far left) scored the tying goal for the Tigers during their Mudsock game at Hamilton Southeastern on Wednesday. The game ended in a 1-1 tie.**

for the year and host Fort Wayne Carroll and Crown Point on Saturday. The Tigers are 1-1-1 (0-1-1 HCC) for the season and host Warsaw on Saturday afternoon.

Noblesville won an all-county game with Westfield on Wednesday, beating Westfield 3-0 in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game at Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex.

Makenna Maloy got the 3A No. 1 Millers' first goal in the 24th minute. Noblesville then added two more goals late in the second half: Ava Bramblett got the Millers' second goal, then Jenna Chatterton scored on a header with under two minutes left.

Noblesville is 3-0 in the conference and 4-0 overall, and will host Harrison on Saturday. The Shamrocks are 2-1-1 overall and were playing in their first HCC game of the year. They will host

Guerin Catholic at 5:30 p.m. tonight. Sheridan fell to Beech Grove 7-0 on Wednesday.

The Blackhawks had the first four shots of the game, but were unable to

capitalize. The Hornets scored two goals in the first half, then five more in the second half.

Sheridan plays at Lafayette Central Catholic on Saturday morning.



**Westfield's Cheyenne Trefry (left) takes control of the ball while being defended by Noblesville's Kiana Siefert during Wednesday's Shamrocks-Millers game at Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex.**

## Sheridan's Friday football game with Delphi canceled

The Sheridan football team's Friday Hoosier Heartland Conference game with Delphi has been canceled.

Sheridan High School athletic director Beth DeVinney provided the following statement:

"Sheridan will not be playing our HHC game with Delphi this week as the health and safety of our student-athletes is our top priority. The Blackhawks look forward to getting back on the field to take on HHC opponent Clinton Prairie on September 18, 2020 at Clinton Prairie."

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## Football previews

## County rivalry games highlight Week 4

Week 4 of high school football in Hamilton County is traditionally one of the biggest weeks of the season.

That's because there are two big rivalry games scheduled for Friday. First, there's the Mudsock game: Fishers travels to Hamilton Southeastern's TCU Field for that annual contest, and while it may look a little different this year, the intensity will remain the same.

Up at Noblesville, the Millers will welcome Westfield to Beaver Materials Field. Both games have 7 p.m. kickoffs.

**FISHERS-****HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN**

The rivalry between the Tigers and the Royals has been hotly contested over the years. In their past eight regular-season meetings (not counting post-season games), both teams have won four times. Fishers won last year's Mudsock game 27-6.

The Tigers are 1-2 so far this season. After dropping games to North Central 40-20 and Pike 28-14, Fishers picked up its first victory last week, beating Noblesville 21-0.

"I think they're well-coached, they're disciplined," said Southeastern coach Michael Kelly. "They play hard."

Tigers quarterback Lucas Prewitt put up solid numbers during the first third of the season, completing 48 of 89 pass attempts for 657 yards and three touchdowns. Senior Landon Morris has all three of those touchdown receptions, including an 83-yarder last week in Fishers' win. Morris has 17 catches for the season, while junior Jeffrey Simmons has 15.

Sophomore Carson Dunn is the leading rusher with 181 yards and one touchdown. On defense, senior Joey Slimak leads the tackle total with 29, while junior Curtis Kearsner has four tackles for a loss and two sacks.

Southeastern will come in to this game 2-1. The Royals have wins over Lawrence Central 24-0 and Avon 39-28, with a 36-35 loss to North Central in between. Southeastern is ranked No. 8 in this week's Class 6A AP media poll and No. 10 in the coaches' poll.

"HSE is very impressive to watch on film and they are having a great start to their season," said Fishers coach Curt Funk. "They are sharp in all three phases of the game with special teams, offense, and defense. The team plays with energy and excitement."

The Royals' senior quarterback John McCall has done well the first three games, going 35-for-52 with 409 yards and four touchdowns to his credit. Junior Martice Taylor has made 11 of those catches, two of them for TDs.

Junior Blaine Wertz leads the rushing with 238 yards and four touchdowns, with McCall gaining 183 yards on the ground, including two scores. Junior Loudon Sundling and sophomore Cole Earlewine each have 17 tackles, while sophomore Evan Sherrill has 16 stops, seven of them for a loss, and six sacks.

Kelly said that while this game is a rivalry game, he said at the same time that his team's objective "is to get better each and every week."

"Preaching that message of consistency and effort," said Kelly. Consistency and discipline. Those are the factors that help you avoid the trap of focusing on your opponent."

"We are just taking a business-like approach to the week and treating the game like any other," said Funk. "We need to do our jobs and not get caught up in the emotions of the week. Take it one day at a time."

**WESTFIELD-NOBLESVILLE**

Westfield will come into Noblesville on a two-game win streak. After dropping their season opener to Cathedral (the No. 1 team in 5A) 56-20, the Shamrocks have cruised past Harrison 34-10 and Zionsville 49-16.

"They're very well-coached," said Millers coach Dave Sharpe. "They've had some great staff continuity. They just do a good job across the board."

Sharpe noted the two-quarterback combination for Westfield: Senior Nick Talley and junior Maximus Webster. Both players have thrown exceptionally well: Talley is 28-for-40 with 365 yards and four touchdowns, while Webster is 15-for-23 with 295 yards and six TDs.

"We are getting contributions from lots of players and our QB's have made lots of explosive plays," said 'Rocks coach Jake Gilbert.

Webster can also run the ball as well. He has gained 137 yards and has a rushing touchdown for the season.

"Whichever one is behind the center, it doesn't change what we do because we know that both kids are capable of executing their game plans," said Sharpe.

Junior Micah Hauser is the Shamrocks' leading rusher, with 209 yards

and two touchdowns, while senior Jack Pfeiffer has 154 yards and one TD. Hauser also leads the defense with 24 tackles.

"This is a very capable team and we look forward to the challenge," said Sharpe.

Noblesville is 1-2 for the season. The Millers beat Terre Haute South 50-0 in Week 2, and fell to Mount Vernon 42-17 in their opener and Fishers 21-0 last week.

Noblesville has had success with its running game this season, with five players already rushing for over 100 yards. Junior Owen Jones has gained 235 yards and scored two touchdowns, while sophomore Trey Speek has 145 yards and three scores.

Junior quarterback Conner Meinertding has completed 6 of 13 attempts for 81 yards, with sophomore Chance Yeager making four of those catches.

"Their offense is scary," said Gilbert. "Very unique. Tremendous size and they get numbers at the point of attack. It will be very hard to defend. They always play great defense, so nothing new there."

Two seniors, Mason Bohland and Skyler Tolliver, have 20 tackles for the season. Junior Sam Steinhof has made five tackles for a loss, while Alairic Rogers-Walton has two sacks.

**GUERIN CATHOLIC-BREBEUF JESUIT**

Guerin Catholic will finally get to play a football game on Friday. The Golden Eagles host Brebeuf Jesuit in a Circle City Conference game, with kickoff at 7 p.m.

The Braves are 1-2 for the season. Brebeuf lost to Bishop Chatard 27-14 and New Palestine 28-8 before beating Cardinal Ritter 21-14 last week. Despite the losses, the Braves are tied for fifth with Guerin in the 3A coaches poll and ranked No. 8 in the AP poll.

Brebeuf has a capable quarterback in senior Drake Hagerman, who has completed 55 of 100 pass attempts for 719 yards and six touchdowns. Senior Brendan Petrie has 19 of those catches, including three for TDs. Senior Braeden Sanders has the other three touchdown receptions.

Sophomore Jayden Ohmer is the top rusher with 52 yards. On defense, junior Jayden Childers has been a force, with 34 tackles, 3.5 of them for losses.

The Golden Eagles, also ranked No. 6 in the AP poll, has only one game to its credit so far. Guerin Catholic beat McCutcheon 14-7 in Week 1, but has not played since.

Jagger Albert had a 51-yard rushing touchdown for the Golden Eagles in that game, while Sam Miller caught a 23-yard passing TD from Max McGreal.

**HAMILTON HEIGHTS-NORTHWESTERN**

Hamilton Heights will travel to Northwestern on Friday for a 7 p.m. game. It will be the first Hoosier Conference East Division contest of the year for the Huskies.

The Tigers are 0-3 for the season, with losses to Twin Lakes 48-6, Logansport 27-0 and Lafayette Central Catholic 38-0. Northwestern has a freshman quarterback, Cameron Davis. He is 23-of-49 on the season with 174 yards.

Junior Amari Conyers has the most receptions with eight. Senior Kyle Cardwell is the top rusher, with 115 yards, and the top tackler with 23 stops.

The Huskies are also 0-3 for the season, falling to Lapel 42-19, North Montgomery 31-7 and West Lafayette 49-14. Junior Guy Griffey played the first two games as quarterback, going 19-of-49 for 295 yards and four touchdowns. Sophomore Vincent Harley stepped in last week, and was 5-of-11 for 44 yards.

Junior Gavin Bramel has seven receptions to his credit, including two for touchdowns. Sophomore Trey Ehman is the top rusher with 89 yards and one TD. Two juniors, Nate Hulen and Harrison Hochstedler, each have 28 tackles on defense, with Hochstedler also making three sacks.

**CARMEL-PIKE**

Carmel will welcome Pike to Carmel Stadium on Friday night for a 7 p.m. Metropolitan Conference game.

The Red Devils are 2-1 for the season. They opened with wins over Zionsville 26-24 and Fishers 28-14, then lost to Ben Davis 48-24.

Pike has used two quarterbacks in each of its games this season. Senior Anthony Cialdella has completed 28 of 51 pass attempts for 482 yards and seven touchdowns, with junior Akim Abdur-Rahim going 10-of-22 for 131 yards and two TDs.

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American League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Tampa Bay	28	15	.651	-
Toronto	24	19	.558	4.0
N.Y. Yankees	22	21	.512	6.0
Baltimore	20	22	.476	7.5
Boston	15	29	.341	13.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. White Sox	27	16	.628	-
Cleveland	26	17	.605	1.0
Minnesota	27	18	.600	1.0
Detroit	19	22	.463	7.0
Kansas City	16	28	.364	11.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Oakland	26	15	.634	-
Houston	22	22	.500	5.5
Seattle	19	24	.442	8.0
L.A. Angels	17	27	.386	10.5
Texas	15	27	.357	11.5

Wednesday scores	
Milwaukee 19, Detroit 0	Texas 7, L.A. Angels 3
Kansas City 3, Cleveland 0	San Diego 5, Colorado 3
N.Y. Yankees 7, Toronto 2	Cincinnati 3, Chicago Cubs 0
Chicago White Sox 8, Pittsburgh 1	Oakland 3, Houston 2
N.Y. Mets 7, Baltimore 6	L.A. Dodgers 6, Arizona 4, 10 innings
Atlanta 29, Miami 9	San Francisco 10, Seattle 1

National League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	25	18	.581	-
Philadelphia	21	18	.538	2.0
Miami	19	19	.500	3.5
N.Y. Mets	20	24	.455	5.5
Washington	16	25	.390	8.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. Cubs	25	19	.568	-
St. Louis	18	17	.514	2.5
Milwaukee	19	22	.463	4.5
Cincinnati	19	24	.442	5.5
Pittsburgh	14	27	.341	9.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Dodgers	32	12	.727	-
San Diego	28	17	.622	4.5
San Francisco	23	21	.523	9.0
Colorado	20	23	.465	11.5
Arizona	15	29	.341	17.0

# WNBA standings

Eastern Conference				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Chicago	11	10	.524	-
x-Connecticut	10	11	.476	1.0
Washington	6	13	.316	4.0
Atlanta	6	14	.300	4.5
Indiana	5	15	.250	5.5
New York	2	17	.105	8.0
x - Clinched playoff berth				

Wednesday scores	
Phoenix 100, Connecticut 95	
Atlanta 97, Chicago 89	
Seattle 107, Dallas 95	

Western Conference				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Seattle	17	3	.850	-
x-Las Vegas	15	4	.789	1.5
x-Los Angeles	15	5	.750	2.0
x-Minnesota	13	7	.650	4.0
x-Phoenix	13	8	.619	4.5
Dallas	7	13	.350	10.0

## Sports roundup

# Huskies tennis wins dual over Western Boone

The Hamilton Heights boys tennis team beat Western Boone 4-1 on Wednesday.

No. 2 singles Nick Rice came from behind to win his match after dropping the first set 6-1. Rice won the second set in a tiebreak 7-5, then took a third-set super tiebreak 10-7.

The other matches were won in straight sets: No. 3 singles Erik Malott was victorious 6-4, 6-2; No. 1 doubles Josh Russell and Jake Martin won 6-3, 6-3 and No. 2 doubles Colin Weber and Grant Cavanaugh were 6-0, 6-2 winners.

“The team played very well tonight earning a much-deserved win,” said Huskies coach Wayne Rupe.

Heights hosts Alexandria today in a dual meet.

The Noblesville girls golf team beat Zionsville 159-166 in a Wednesday dual meet at Harbour Trees.

The Millers’ Caroline Whallon shared medalist honors with the Eagles’ Addison Echeverria, both scored 38. Ellie Karst and Jordan Adam each carded 40, while

Sarah Brenneman, Taylor Caldwell and Bella Deibel all had 41s.

Hamilton Heights’ girls golf team was edged out by Northwestern 182-186 in a Wednesday dual meet at Green Acres Golf Club.

The Huskies’ Sydni Zebrauskas was the meet medalist with a 36. Rebekah Steffen added a 46, Anna Rickey scored 50 and Ashlyn Fletcher carded a 54.

The Carmel volleyball team beat Ben Davis in straight sets Tuesday, 25-9, 25-20, 25-12 for a Metropolitan Conference victory.

Lauren Evans led the Greyhounds with 11 kills and eight digs. Caroline Yuska added eight kills and one block, while Macarty McQueen hit six kills. Jaclyn Scherb served five aces, and Ella Bostic dished out 32 assists and also served two aces.

Carmel is 2-1 in MIC play and 7-6 overall. The Greyhounds will travel to Providence on Saturday.

## FOOTBALL

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Senior Lamar Echols Jr. has the most receptions with 12 (two for touchdowns), and fellow senior Xavier Simpson has 11 catches, also with two TDs. Isaiah Martin is the top rusher with 414 yards and a touchdown. Senior Kyson Allen leads the defense with 26 tackles, with senior Kyran Montgomery making four tackles for a loss.

The Greyhounds are 1-2 for the season. After winning its opener over Plainfield 31-6, Carmel fell to Cathedral 44-28 and Center Grove 42-0. The ‘Hounds

are ranked No. 9 in the 6A coaches poll and No. 10 in the AP poll.

Junior Zach Osborne has good quarterback numbers so far, going 34-of-66 with 351 yards and two touchdowns. Senior Colton Parker has 11 receptions, one for a TD.

Senior Zach White leads the rushing with 150 yards and a touchdown, with Osborne gaining 113 yards and scoring two TDs. On defense, senior Tamarris Springfield has 25 tackles, with junior Hayden Cate making two sacks.

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