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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Tonight: Mostly clear.

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Pay to play, gerrymandering, the closed caucus should go

State legislators are beginning to reveal matters they intend to address in the upcoming session of the General Assembly.

I have a few matters that deserve addressing if the legislators would care to listen. Of course, these suggestions make too much sense, so they will likely not be considered.

Number 1: Our lawmakers should put an end to "pay to play" which is a disgrace just short of bribery. It involves some companies or individuals giving money to an elected official's



COLUMNIST
FRED SWIFT
The County Line

campaign committee with the expectation that it may help get a lucrative contract for goods or services.

Why should the public care? Because it costs the taxpayers money. Most public officials do not participate in the pay to play game, but those who do take these contributions and give business to their contributors and not to non-players.

This potentially can cheat the public out of having ethical businesses do public work. But, worse yet is the fact that when a

company plays this game, the costs of candidate contributions are likely passed on to the consumer – in other words, the public.

This practice could be stopped or at least be made unmistakably illegal by legislation if there was a will to do it.

Number 2: Gerrymandering directly affects Hamilton County. In the upcoming legislative session, maps of Congressional and state legislative districts will be redrawn, adjusting for shifts in population.

Hamilton County is very popular. It seems every Republican legislator wants a

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Perimenopause ... a weird time

When I will look back on 2020, I know that I, along with all of you, will shudder. The year not only brought COVID-19 and other challenges that rocked our headlines, but for me, it featured the craziness of weird perimenopause symptoms. Millions of us in the sandwich generation DO NOT need this on top of other problems in this stage of life.

Perimenopause is the transition before menopause, sometimes lasting a couple of years. You've probably heard of the typical symptoms of hot flashes, lack of sleep, and weight gain. I have not only battled (and thankfully conquered) those fun symptoms, but other bizarre, less-known ones as well.

Let's start with the itching. Yep, you can get itchy skin in this stage of life. My itchy time of day is, of course, right when I go to bed. I'll get all snuggled, comfortable, and ready to drift off, when suddenly my back begins to tingle and itch in about four different, difficult to reach spots.

Solution? My husband bought me a wonderful, retractable back scratcher that

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BGCN will receive matching donations on Giving Tuesday

George Kristo continues his legacy as champion for youth

The REPORTER

On Tuesday, Dec. 1, the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville will participate in #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving that encourages and celebrates philanthropy worldwide.

The Club will once again hold a campaign to find 100 Helping Heroes and will be selling hearts throughout the day with various numbers ranging from 1 to 1,500, each valued at the corresponding dollar amount. Donations from heroes purchasing hearts will be generously matched by George Kristo again this year.

"George continues to go above and beyond while being a champion and hero for the youth of this community," said BGCN Executive Director Becky Terry. "We cannot thank him enough for the impact that he has on our Club and the youth we serve each day."

On Nov. 10, BGCN was able to kick off the campaign at its third annual Topgolf Tournament to 'Tee It Up for Club Kids,' and more than \$3,400 was raised for #GivingTuesday. This year, the Club's goal is to surpass last year's total of \$20,000 that was raised on #GivingTuesday, including Kristo's matching gift.

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COLUMNIST
AMY SHANKLAND
Sandwiched



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New residential land commercial space would be built in a 3.4-acre area along the east side of the White River.

Noblesville partners with J.C. Hart, Republic to propose \$47 million riverfront mixed-use development

The REPORTER

Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen announced his support on Wednesday for a new project that would add residential living and commercial space to the downtown area along the White River.

J.C. Hart and Republic Development are proposing a \$47.9 million mixed-use development along the east side of the White River in the 3.4-acre area that currently houses the Hamilton County Employee Parking Lot and McMillan's Auto Care. The large majority of project funding is from private capital, along with specified tax increment that is generated by the new development. City taxpayers and property tax funds are not pledged or at risk with the project.

"Our vision for this development is to

provide diverse housing options across a wide demographic to both attract millennials, working professionals, and folks who are looking to downsize," said J.C. Hart President John Hart. "We are partnering with Republic Development, who we have worked with on six other projects together, to create a unique residential and retail space that fits well into Noblesville's one-of-a-kind downtown area."

The development plans include four stories with the ground floor dedicated to 5,000 square-feet of retail space. The residential



Jensen



Hart

city and increase the vibrancy along the river," Jensen said. "Investing in our downtown livability and quality of life attracts more talent to our community, which ultimately drives our economic development."

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Carmel offering numerous ways to celebrate safe, happy holiday season

The REPORTER

Holidays in Carmel is designed to lift the spirits of the community while also maintaining the safety of physical distancing in outdoor settings.

The new and creative attractions were developed after the COVID-19 pandemic prompted the need to adjust the city's holiday celebrations. Activities include enhanced outdoor lighting displays, Santa tours across the city's neighborhoods and Santa reading letters live online.

Magnificent Monon

A beautiful outdoor walkway of seasonal lights and decorations from Carter Green to Main Street along the Magnificent Monon Greenway through the heart of the city. As you stroll along the Monon, hop on and off the trail for carry-out at one of your favorite merchants in City Center, Midtown or the Arts & Design District.

Santa Tour 2020

Santa takes a journey around the City of Carmel on Sundays and Wednesdays touring neighborhoods in December until Christmas. Decorate your home along the route to show Santa your holiday spirit. Santa will arrive by way of a Carmel fire truck along four routes chosen to cover many of the city's neighborhoods. Check the [Santa Tracker](#) to view the routes and find out when he's close by your home or



Reporter photo by Denise Moe

neighborhood.

Each of the four routes will tour twice, with one falling on a Sunday and the other on Wednesday: Sundays from 5 to 7 p.m. on Nov. 29 and Dec. 6, 13 and 20; and Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 2, 9, 16 and 23.

Sundays from 5 to 7 p.m.

- Nov 29: Comet's Course – blue
- Dec 6: Dasher's Drive – green
- Dec 13: Prancer's Path – purple
- Dec 20: Rudolph's Route – red

Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m.

- Dec 2: Prancer's Path – purple

- Dec 9: Rudolph's Route – red
- Dec 16: Comet's Course – blue
- Dec 23: Dasher's Drive – green

Santa Letters

Kids (and kids at heart), write your letter to Santa and drop it in one of four custom made mailboxes placed around Carmel for a direct delivery to Santa at the North Pole. Select letters will be read on the city's social media pages on Tuesday evenings in December at 7 p.m. The video will be aired on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and [CarmelTV](#).

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Correction

The REPORTER

The "Noblesville city officials explain new bypass route" story published in Thursday's edition of The Reporter incorrectly quoted the statement by city officials about the "B" alignment bypass plan, which would have cut through the Plum Prairie Historic District. The incorrect quote stated that the plan was designated "B-1," which in fact is the designation of the plan which cuts through a portion of the property occupied by IDI. The corrected portion of the story is below:

"As we have explained to IDI and others, it is our understanding following extensive consultations with State and Federal government representatives that the B alignment, which cut through the middle of the Plum Prairie Historic District, would disqualify Noblesville from not just state and federal funding for all three phases of this project, but could also disqualify Noblesville from state and federal funding for all future projects, a risk we do not believe is appropriate or in the best interests of our residents."

The Reporter regrets the error. To read the full version of the corrected story, see Page 3.



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COUNTY LINE

part of it. Democrats seem to want no part of it. The result is the county is incredibly split up among parts of eleven state legislative districts.

What's wrong with that? Well, when for example, a Marion County district gets a group of Hamilton County precincts included within it, but the elected legislator is a Marion County resident, we could easily get the short stick.

If Indianapolis politicians should want a new state or regional tax but Hamilton County voters do not want it, how do you think that legislator is going to go? Probably not with his Hamilton County constituents.

Districts are supposed to be 'compact in area' and represent a 'community of interest.' Our local legislators can make that happen if they have the will to do so.

Number 3: Put an end to the closed political caucus when a public official is being elected. Political parties are permitted to hold closed caucuses to develop strategy, elect their officers, etc. That's OK.

But, through another law, they are given the responsibility of filling a vacancy when a local elected official resigns or dies during his or her term of office. When a caucus is

called for that purpose, the meeting should be open and publicized in advance. But, the local party chairman can either open or close such a caucus.

Under current law, it is possible for a vacancy to be filled without members of the public having an opportunity to run for the office or even know of the caucus.

State law should be, and easily could be, amended to remedy this injustice.

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HELPING HEROES

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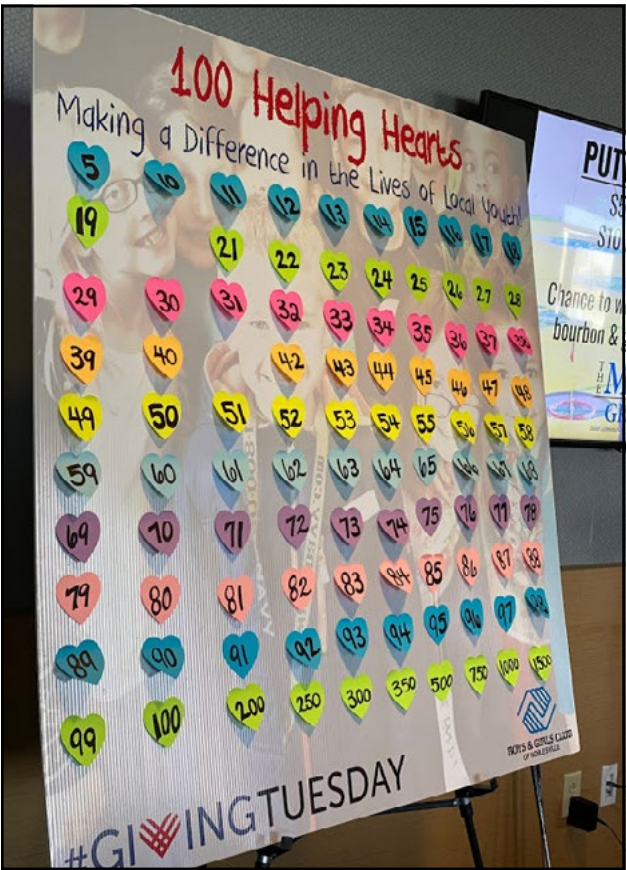


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BGCN needs 100 Helping Heroes to reach this year's goal of raising more than \$20,000. Won't you be a Helping Hero for a local child?

Last year, BGCN served 2,306 local youth with its affordable, high-impact after school programs. Throughout the pandemic, the Club has continued to serve hundreds of members through a wide range of safe, socially distanced programs that even included a Virtual

Clubhouse during the stay-at-home order.

A social media campaign will take place throughout the day to update the public and supporters on the Club's campaign. Donations can be made by calling the Club, dropping off a donation, or donating online at BGCN.org.

WEIRD TIME

I keep right by my bed. It works quickly so I can get back to catching my ZZZs.

Next: (I can't believe I'm sharing this with you) Constipation. Thanks to our dropping hormones, this can hit women in perimenopause as well. I'm been lucky that was rarely an issue for me before. I certainly don't want it to become one now.

Solution? Prunes. I absolutely cringe typing that. I've always connected prunes with ... well ... people of a certain age. But guess what? They're

yummy and good for us no matter what your age! I started adding six of them to my breakfast each day and things are now moving right along.

Third: Dizziness. THAT was an interesting one. I woke up one day last summer and felt like the world was tilted on its axis. Thankfully I didn't have to drive anywhere, but I did go on a three-mile training walk that morning. I got through the walk okay, but standing up and down as the day continued felt completely weird.

Solution? Time, lots of water, and getting up slowly from my chair. I felt much better the following day and the dizziness was gone after that. Let's hope that little bit of fun doesn't return.

Finally, heart palpitations. Once again, blame those crazy hormones. The first time I had one I absolutely freaked out. Now, I'm used to them, but I've been certain to read up on when to be concerned with these and when not to be.

Solution? I don't get heart palpitations often anymore, but I've read that

staying hydrated, working to control your hot flashes, avoiding caffeine, eating right, and avoiding panic all help. Definitely talk to your doctor if this is a concern for you!

There are other things I've experienced that aren't quite appropriate for me to share in a newspaper, but thankfully these and the others I've discussed can all be managed. As always, do your research, talk to your medical professionals, and reach out to me through The Reporter if you have questions.

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DEVELOPMENT

Jensen added that the project includes roughly 295 garage parking spaces and 32 on-street parking spaces. This project, which brings in more diverse re-

tail and housing options to Noblesville, supports Jensen's policy pillars of economic development and downtown enhancement. The project also includes an

outdoor sports and activity area, greenspace along the river, a pool and clubhouse, and many other modern amenities.

The project is a pub-

lic-private partnership between the City of Noblesville and J.C. Hart and Republic Development, two firms that have a combined total of 85 years worth of business and development experience.

With this partnership, the city has now announced \$135 million in public-private partnerships in the first 11 months of the Jensen administration.

The project plan and economic development agreement will be presented to the Noblesville Common Council at an upcoming public meeting.

If approved, the development team plans on breaking ground on the project in late spring or early summer 2021.

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HOLIDAYS IN CARMEL

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Mailbox locations:

- City Center – next to the Hotel Carmichael (1 Carmichael Square)
- Carter Green – on the lawn of the Palladium
- Midtown Plaza – near the firepit (351 Monon Boulevard)
- Arts & Design District – next to All Things Carmel store (110 W. Main St., #104)

“Given the current state of this pandemic, we recognized the need to create outdoor attractions that people can enjoy while walking, riding their bikes

or in some cases, from the safety of their front yard or vehicles,” said Nancy Heck, Director of the Community Relations and Economic Development. “We eagerly long for a return to our large events, but our priority is the safety of our community. The events we have planned for 2020 are intended to be celebrated virtually or outdoors with physical distancing.”

For the latest updates on this year's holiday activities and attractions, check out the city's [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/HolidaysInCarmel), or visit HolidaysInCarmel.com.

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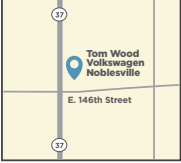
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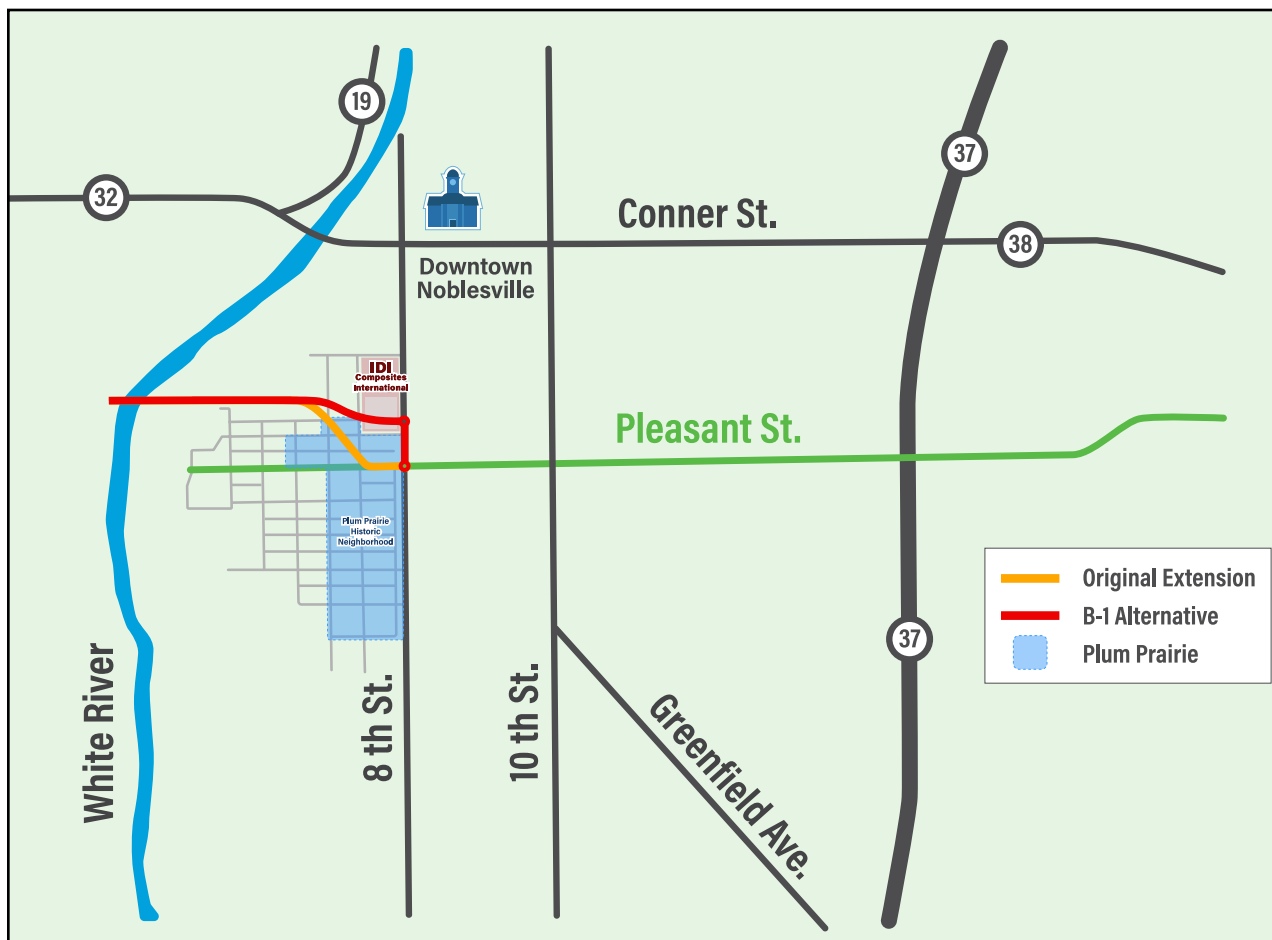


To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:

- Individually packaged snacks
- Lysol
- Hand sanitizer
- Disinfecting wipes

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





Map provided
Noblesville city officials say that the original planned extension ("B") would not have been able to receive state or federal project funding because it ran through the Plum Prairie Historic District. The new planned extension, called "B-1 Alternative" runs through part of the property currently owned by Industrial Dielectrics, Inc.

Noblesville city officials explain new bypass route

The REPORTER

Editor's note: This story was updated at 12:57 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 27.

A statement issued to the Reporter by Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen on Wednesday explained the city's consideration for re-routing the planned Pleasant Street Bypass.

The City of Noblesville's statement said the following:

"The city has been analyzing a new East-West Corridor for more than 30 years. In-depth analysis, design work and consideration of alternative alignments

has been performed in coordination with our team of environmental, historic preservation, and infrastructure design professionals, for many years.

"The B1 alignment was identified as the only feasible route to meet the purpose and needs of the project and serve the greater good of the entire community. The B1 alignment was approved following the extensive environmental process that is required by the state and federal governments.

"This process and the relevant factors has been explained in Public Infor-

mation Meetings and Community Advisory Committee meetings. A copy of the city's preferred alternatives analysis is available on the city's website at [this link](#).

"As we have explained to IDI and others, it is our understanding following extensive consultations with State and Federal government representatives that the B alignment, which cut through the middle of the Plum Prairie Historic District, would disqualify Noblesville from not just state and federal funding for all three phases of this project, but could also disqualify Noblesville from

state and federal funding for all future projects, a risk we do not believe is appropriate or in the best interests of our residents."

Shop small, shop safe, shop online in Carmel

The REPORTER

Today in Carmel, you can engage, support, and shop local businesses ... virtually. With recent surges in COVID-19, it is recommended to shop your local favorites online.

Follow the Carmel Arts & Design District's [Facebook page](#) to learn how to win one of two gift baskets valued at more than \$200.

Many merchants are providing online discounts, curbside delivery and swag during Shop Small. Check out their direct websites to view Shop Small offers.

Participating stores include:

- All Things Carmel
- Aronstam Jewelers
- Bash Boutique
- Bath Junkie
- Carmel Art on Main Gallery and Gifts
- CCA Art Gallery
- Donatello's Italian Restaurant
- Eyes on Main
- Fishman Fine Jewelers
- Holder Mattress Company
- HUE on Range Line
- Indiana Artisan
- Indie Coffee Roasters
- Kits & Kaboodle Classic Toys
- Metalmark Fine Jewelry
- The Olive Mill
- Papa Fattoush
- Penn & Beech Candle Co.
- Rusted Window
- Silver in the City
- Sun King Brewery & Spirits
- Woodys Library Restaurant



Support local artists at today's virtual Shop Fishers Small Business Saturday event

The REPORTER

The Fishers Arts Council (FAC) will offer an interactive virtual Shop Fishers Small Business Saturday experience from 1 to 6 p.m. today.

The purpose of this event is to provide artistic demonstrations by local artists and artisans to the public. This gives the participants a chance to learn about a variety of different art forms and ask the artists questions live, during their processes.

Live interactive art classes will also be offered, but please note that signups are now closed. Besides the demonstrations and interactive create-your-own art, the participating artists and



artisans will have their art for sale. This is a great way to support local artists and shop for unique holiday gifts.

By showcasing the talent of Fishers and local artists while they demonstrate and perform their skills, FAC hopes this inspires community members to create their own art and experiment in various mediums.

To participate in this event, go to [bit.ly/fishers-events](#) which will connect you with signup links

for online classes, zoom links for each hour's artist demonstrations, artist demonstration explanations, and external links to their online stores and social media. These links will be active through the end of the year, but the chance to interact with this group of artists is available today only.

This event is offered, in part, by a grant FAC received from the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency. This will be the third year for these events, and while people cannot attend in-person this year, FAC hopes you'll join for this new virtual experience.

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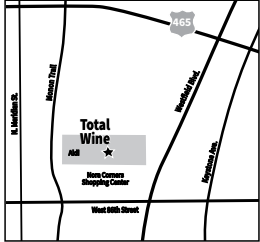
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Community News

Meet Santa at Sheridan Public Library

A drive-thru visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Dec. 5 at Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. 1st St.

Visitors will have an opportunity to enjoy Santa while remaining safely in their vehicles. Children are encouraged to bring their lists. Craft bags and toys will be handed out during this event.

Sheridan Public Library thanks Carmel Kiwanis for their donation of wonderful wooden toys. Visit sheridan.lib.in.us for more information.

Letter to the Editor

Noblesville resident wants answers on new city logo

Dear Editor:

I would like an update on the NEW Noblesville city logo. I certainly don't think we need one. It seems like we are trying to make "Historic Noblesville" "unhistoric."

The town fathers got rid of the train museum, and they had to get the tracks out quickly. Now they want to take the heart out of the logo.

I know most of the residents of the city have been downtown on Friday and Saturday nights and have seen all

the older cars parked on the square. Of beautiful Historic Building that is the heart of the city, Emily Gaylord, Communications Director for the City of Noblesville, says the courthouse on the logo must go: "It's not even city property, it's county property." It always has been.

I don't know who's in charge, but I think spending \$20,000 on a new city logo is ridiculous.

Dick McDivitt
Noblesville

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Hill announces \$17.5M settlement with Home Depot following 2014 data breach

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill on Tuesday announced that he and 46 other attorneys general have obtained a \$17.5 million settlement from Georgia-based retailer The Home Depot.

The settlement resolves a multistate investigation of a 2014 data breach that exposed the payment card information of approximately 40 million Home Depot consumers nationwide. Under this settlement, Indiana will collect \$520,962, which will go to the Agency Settlement Fund.

The breach occurred when hackers gained access to The Home Depot's network and deployed malware on The Home Depot's self-checkout points of sale. The malware allowed the hackers to obtain the payment card information of Home Depot customers who used self-checkout lanes at Home Depot stores throughout the U.S. between April 10, 2014, and Sept. 13, 2014.

In addition to the \$17.5

million total payment to the states, The Home Depot has agreed to implement and maintain a series of data security practices designed to strengthen its information security program and safeguard the personal information of consumers.

"We must always insist that businesses follow reasonable procedures to protect consumers' information from unlawful use or disclosure," Hill said. "This settlement is aimed at helping ensure exactly that."

Specific information security provisions agreed to in the settlement include:

- Employing a duly qualified Chief Information Security Officer reporting to both the C-level executives and Board of Directors regarding Home Depot's security posture and security risks;

- Providing resources necessary to fully imple-



Hill

ment the company's information security program;

- Providing appropriate security awareness and privacy training to all personnel who have access to the company's network or responsibility for U.S. consumers' personal information;
- Employing specific security safeguards with respect to logging and monitoring, access controls, password management, two-factor authentication, file integrity monitoring, firewalls, encryption, risk assessments, penetration testing, intrusion detection, and vendor account management; and

- Consistent with previous state data breach settlements, the company will undergo a post-settlement information security assessment that in part will evaluate its implementation of the agreed upon information security program.

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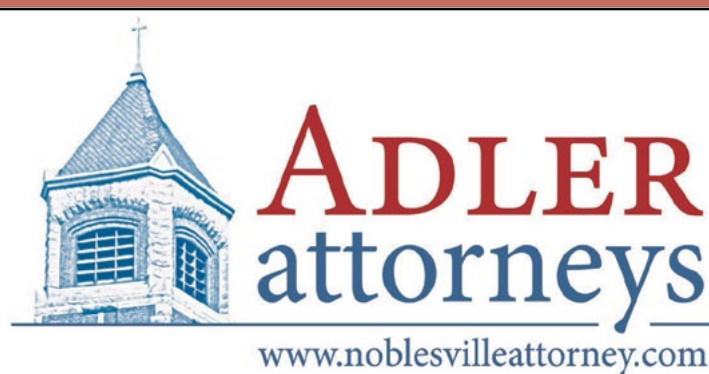
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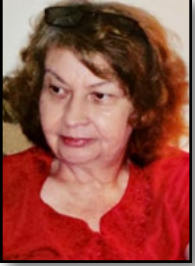
Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.

Acts 28:6 (KJV)

Kathleen Glynn Carney

October 13, 1947 – November 23, 2020

Kathleen Glynn Carney, 73, Cicero, passed away on November 23, 2020 at Riverview Health in Noblesville.



She was born on October 13, 1947 in Noblesville to Glen and Verone (Douglas) Carson. Her parents preceded her in death.

She attended Jackson Township Schools and graduated from Jackson Central High School with the Class of 1965. She then furthered her education, earning a BS degree in education and a Master's degree, also in education. Returning to her hometown, she taught English and history at Hamilton Heights Middle School for 35 years.

Leisure time would find her reading, taking good care of her indoor and outdoor cats, and spending time with her family.

She is survived by a daughter, Kathryn Elizabeth (Jason) Robbins, Greencastle, and a grandson, Jeremy Robbins, also of Greencastle.

There will be a time of visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2020 at Hartley Funeral Home Cicero Chapel, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. Please wear a mask and respect social distancing while at the funeral home. Private burial will occur at Cicero Cemetery at a later date.

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

You may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

James Frederick "Fred" Durr

August 23, 1921 – November 24, 2020

James Frederick "Fred" Durr, 99, Sheridan, passed away on Tuesday morning, November 24, 2020 at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville following a brief illness. Born August 23, 1921 in Indianapolis, he was the son of the late James Frank and Ina (Miller) Durr.

Fred spent most of his life in rural Sheridan. He was a 1939 graduate of Sheridan High School where he had the honor of serving as president of his graduating class. He continued with his education at Purdue University before enlisting in the Army Air Corps (now the U.S. Air Force) during WWII. After graduating from Officer Candidate School, he continued his training at the Bombardier/Navigator school. He spent most of his years in the Air Corps stationed in Texas, serving his country as a bombardier instructor.

On October 8, 1943, Fred married the love of his life, Marie Nicholson from Sheridan. They were wed at the East Union Christian Church. Marie preceded him in death on March 10, 2015.

After the war ended, Fred and Marie returned to Sheridan to begin farming, and quickly became active in many farm-related organizations. He was an advocate for farmers' interests and livelihoods, while at the same time being a staunch promoter of soil and water conservation. Fred played a key role in establishing the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District, serving as a board supervisor for many years. Throughout the 1960s, 70s and 80s, he was active in the various agencies that administered federal farm programs. He was elected to the Hamilton County Association of Farmer Elected Committeemen, and through the years would serve as the association's president at the county, state and national levels. He was also a member of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) Committee, serving for three consecutive terms as their elected chairman. He was chairman of the Indiana (ASCS) Committee from 1977 to 1981. Fred served as a director from Indiana to the National Corn Growers Association and was also a member of the Pork Producers Association. Governor Otis Bowen appointed Mr. Durr to the Grain Product Research Council for their 1975-76 session. He also served as a director of the Federal Land Bank Association of Tipton. One of the things Fred enjoyed the most about being a part of these organizations was the opportunity to get to know farmers from all over Indiana and many other states. Most recently, he had served on the Hamilton County Tax Assessment Board of Appeals.

Fred was recognized by many organizations, including: the 1967 Outstanding Farmer by the Sheridan JC's, the 1982 Outstanding Alumnus by the Marion-Adams (Sheridan) High School, the 1980 Administrator's Award for Service to Agriculture for Distinguished Individual Achievement given by the Indiana State (ASCS) Committee, the 1995 Master Farmer of the Year from the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District, as well as a distinguished service certificate in 1996. In 1978, Fred had the distinct honor of being commissioned a Kentucky Colonel by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Julian Carroll.

He was an active member of the Sheridan First Christian Church for many years. He had recently been attending both the Sheridan First Christian Church and the East Union Christian Church.

Fred is survived by sons, James Douglas Durr, (Debby), Greentown, and Mark Frederick Durr (Cindy), Sheridan; daughters, Rebecca Ann McColgin (Bill), Pittsford, N.Y., Barbara Jo Amos, Kokomo, and Marsha Marie Hunt (Ken), Westfield; six grandchildren, Kathleen Bower (Justin), Houston, Texas, David McColgin (Jessica), Seattle, Wash., Andy Durr (Lauren), Huntsville, Ala., Laura Durr, Indianapolis, Adam Durr, Sheridan, and Steven Durr (Lauren), Indianapolis; and five great-grandchildren, Lydia Bower, Adrian McColgin, Jeremiah Durr, Juliet Bower and Ryan McColgin.

Fred's children often heard comments about what a good, kind and gentle man their father was. They know that to be true. He served as a wonderful example of a life well-lived.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son-in-law, Tom Amos; brothers-in-law, Charles Nicholson and wife Edith, Harlan Nicholson and wife Carolyn, Perry Nicholson, and Harold "Shorty" Nicholson; sisters-in-law, Helen Harbaugh and husband J. Russell, and Mary Cupp and husband Jason J.; and by his loving wife Marie Durr.

The family would like to thank the medical professionals and staff members of Riverview Hospital in Noblesville for the care that Mr. Durr received during the last weeks of his life.

Private family services are being held at this time. A public celebration of Fred's life may be planned for a later date. Fred will be laid to rest at Union Cemetery in rural Hamilton County. Reverend V.J. Stover will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to the Sheridan First Christian Church, or to the Sheridan Public Library.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

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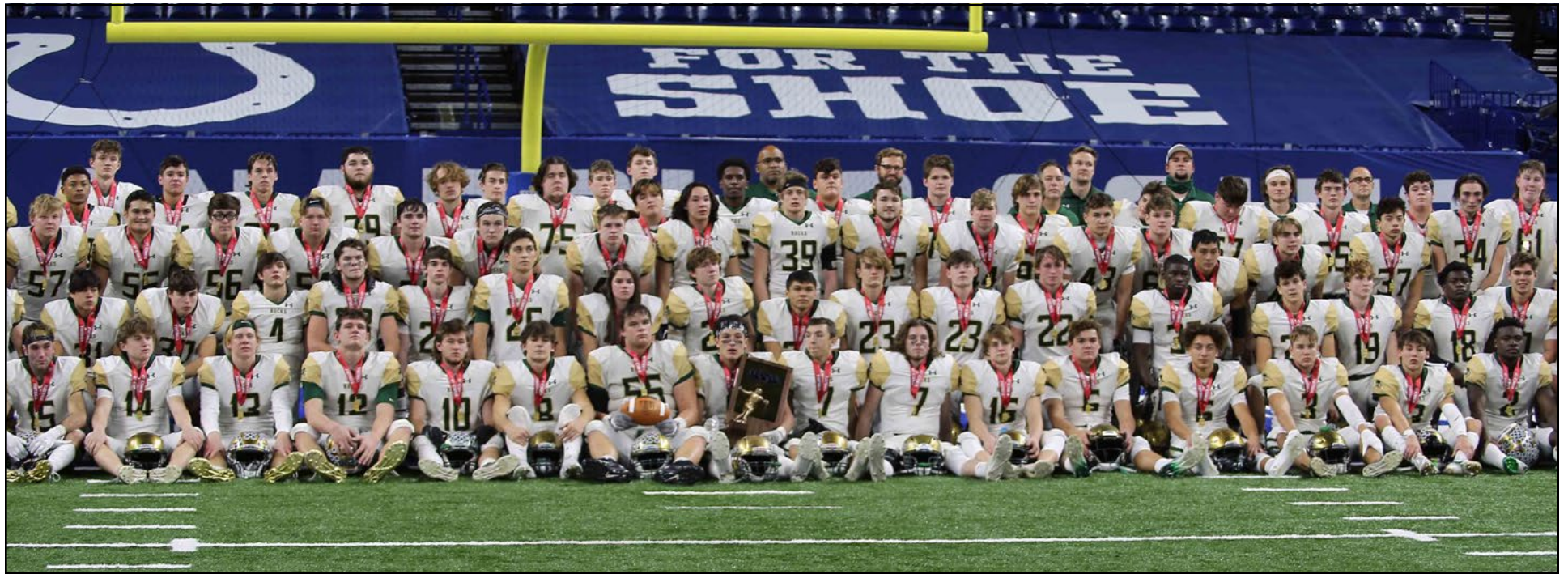
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Class 6A football state championship



Reporter photos by Kirk Green

The Westfield football team's post-season run came to an end Friday, as the Shamrocks fell to Center Grove at the Class 6A state championship game at Lucas Oil Stadium. Westfield finished its season 12-2.

Center Grove ends Shamrocks' run

BY RICHIE HALL

INDIANAPOLIS - Westfield's historic football run came to an end Friday night, but in terms of the long run, the Shamrocks may still be at the beginning.

Playing in its third state championship game since 2013, Westfield fell to Center Grove 38-14 in the Class 6A title game at Lucas Oil Stadium. The Trojans were ranked No. 1 for most of the season and solidified that rating on Friday night, getting an early jump on the 'Rocks to take control of the game. But Westfield played hard to the end, never giving up and proving that the future is bright for the Shamrocks program.

"Tremendous character by our kids," said Westfield coach Jake Gilbert. "I think the gratitude of just hoping we'd have a season, period, just really manifested itself with tremendous unselfishness and care for each other. Every day we just had a great attitude to just be out here at all. I was so happy that we got to play an entire season and then on top of that to have a season like this. It was amazing."

The 'Rocks signaled they were here to play from the start of the game. Center Grove received the opening kickoff, but had its first drive interrupted when Micah Hauser intercepted a Trojans pass.

But CG forced Westfield to a three-and-out, and was more successful on its second drive. The Trojans' workhorse running back Carson Steele scored the game's first touchdowns, grinding it in from the two-yard line.

That was the first of five consecutive touchdown drives by Center Grove. The Trojans next scored in the last play of the first quarter, with Drew Wheat taking the ball in to the end zone from four yards out. Austin Watson hit both extra-point kicks to give the Trojans a 14-0 lead.

After halting a promising drive by the 'Rocks, Center Grove used a big pass play to score its third touchdown. Tayven Jackson threw a pass to Trent Veith, who took off and didn't stop until he scored. It was a 73-yard pass play.

Westfield tried again, but had another drive stopped by an interception. That led to a fourth Trojans Center Grove, with Steele punching it in from the one.

"I give them all the credit," said Gilbert. "They're an amazing football team. They're very physical. We wore down



Westfield's Benji Welch won the Phil N. Eskew Mental Attitude Award at the conclusion of the game. Welch is pictured with his parents Kirk and Corrie Welch.

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defensively. We couldn't really manufacture any drives, so our defense was out there a long time. It's just tough. That's what they do to teams. They give you an onslaught, you have to survive it. We didn't quite do that."

The Shamrocks got on the board in the second quarter with their own big pass play. Maximus Webster connected with Mason Piening for a 38-yard touchdown reception, and Sean Sullivan followed that up with the extra-point kick.

Center Grove answered right away, however. Jackson teamed up with Veith again, this time on a 10-yard touchdown throw. The Trojans held Westfield to a three-and-out, got down to the nine-yard line, and on the last play of the half, Watson kicked a 28-yard field goal, giving him three more points in addition to his five extra-point kicks. That made the halftime score 38-7.

Westfield showed resolve in the sec-

ond half, holding Center Grove scoreless while adding a touchdown of its own. That was courtesy Webster, who ran the ball in from the four-yard line midway through the third quarter. Sullivan again kicked the extra point. The drive was set up when Kyle Pape caught an interception to end Center Grove's first drive of the second half.

Neither team scored again. The Trojans allowed the Shamrocks two more drives after their third-quarter touchdown. Meanwhile, Center Grove relied on its run game for most of the second half, but Westfield's defense stiffened up, only allowing the Trojans one long rush in the half.

"Now in the second half, we came out and we tackled better," said Gilbert. "We managed to run the football. I just thought we showed tremendous toughness and I was very, very happy and proud of the effort that our kids played with in the sec-

ond half."

Hauser was playing on an injured ankle that will require surgery next week. He showed remarkable toughness, leading the Westfield rushing with 118 yards and making eight tackles (two solo, six assists) during the game. Webster completed 16 of 28 passes for 155 yards, with Piening making seven of those receptions, totaling 111 yards.

David Frey led the tackling list with 10, five solo and five assists. Popeye Williams had eight stops, with four solo and four assists. Bryson Hoover, Charles Dager, Seth Martin and Seth Poriah each had one-half a tackle for a loss.

Westfield received an honor after the game, when Benji Welch won the Phil N. Eskew Mental Attitude Award. Welch, the son of Kirk and Corrie Welch, will attend Taylor University and study Ministry.

"It's just all in all a great opportunity," said Benji Welch. "Going into this year, especially not even knowing if we'd get more than a few games, there's just so much uncertainty. So I praise God for the opportunity we had and all the amazing memories. It's truly a family and I'll hold on to it forever, so I'm just thankful to even be playing, to be here at Lucas Oil is amazing. All the glory goes to God for all of it."

The Shamrocks finished their season with a 12-2 record. Westfield's only other loss was at the beginning of the season to Cathedral, which plays Zionsville tonight in the 5A championship game.

"Amazing overall season," said Shamrocks coach Jake Gilbert. The accomplishments were many for Westfield: A first-ever appearance in the 6A state championship game, as well as the first-ever appearance for a Hoosier Crossroads Conference team in a 6A final. The 'Rocks swept the HCC at all three levels, varsity, junior varsity and freshman, with the JV and 9th-graders completing unbeaten seasons.

"We lost two games to two great teams and we won 30 others as a program," said Gilbert. "I couldn't be happier with the season overall."

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Westfield's Micah Hauser (22) led the Shamrocks in rushing with 118 yards and made eight tackles during the Class 6A state championship game, this despite playing on an injured ankle that will require surgery next week. Also pictured for Westfield are Dakota Arvin (60) and Mason Piening (15), who caught a touchdown pass in the first half.



RIGHT: Seth Martin (left) and Bronson Kooy pose with the runner-up trophy.

First Quarter
CG, 2:41 - Carson Steele 2-yard run (Austin Watson kick)
CG, 0:00 - Drew Wheat 4-yard run (Watson kick)

Second Quarter
CG, 8:43 - Trent Veith 73-yard pass from Tayven Jackson (Watson kick)
CG, 5:44 - Steele 1-yard run (Watson kick)
W, 4:06 - Mason Piening 38-yard pass from Maximus Webster (Sean Sullivan kick)
CG, 1:29 - Veith 10-yard pass from Jackson (Watson kick)
CG, 0:00 - Watson 28-yard field goal



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Girls basketball

'Hounds beat Royals in defensive battle

Carmel won a defensive battle with Hamilton Southeastern Friday afternoon in a matchup of two top-five girls basketball teams.

The No. 1 Greyhounds beat the No. 4 Royals 40-24 at the Eric Clark Activity Center. The tone was set early, as Carmel led Southeastern 2-0 at the end of the first quarter. Bridget Dunn had the lone basket for the 'Hounds.

The Greyhounds held a 12-6 advantage at halftime, with Emily Roper scoring four points in the second period. Carmel outscored the Royals in each quarter, leading 22-13 after three. Dunn helped out with six points during the third period.

In the fourth quarter, the 'Hounds pulled away by pouring in 18 points. Carmel sealed the game at the free-throw line, making all eight of its foul shots. In fact, the Greyhounds were perfect for the contest, going 10-for-10 from the line. Evan Spidel was 4-for-4, making all of her shots in the fourth period.

Dunn led the scoring with 15 points and also collected five rebounds. Kate Clarke added nine points.

Ryan Viele drained two 3-pointers for Southeastern, leading her team with nine points. Olivia Brown added seven points and also handed out four assists. Lydia Self and Riley Makalusky each pulled five rebounds.

Carmel is 4-0 for the season and opens Metropolitan Conference play on Tuesday by hosting Lawrence North. The Royals are 3-1 and play at Noblesville on Wednesday.



Carmel's Bridget Dunn scored 15 points for the Greyhounds during their 40-24 win over Hamilton Southeastern Friday at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

Reporter photos by Kent Graham

Zoe Bolding	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	8-30	4-11	24	13
Southeastern 3-point shooting (4-21) Viele 2-6, Brown 1-3, Self 1-2, Stewart 0-5, Makalusky 0-3, Hinshaw 0-2.				
Southeastern rebounds (18) Self 5, Hinshaw 5, Acres 2, Brown 2, Stewart 2, Makalusky 1, Viele 1.				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Bridget Dunn	7-12	1-1	15	3
Evan Spidel	1-3	4-4	6	3
Kate Clarke	3-8	3-3	9	1
Hannah Lach	0-0	0-0	0	2
Mackenzie Thomas	1-2	0-0	2	1
Riley Pennington	1-4	0-0	2	2
Emily Roper	1-2	2-2	4	3
Erin Baker	0-0	0-0	0	0
Laura Valiente	0-0	0-0	0	0

Tori Tomalia	1-1	0-0	2	0
Maya Berglund	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	15-32	10-10	40	15
Carmel 3-point shooting (0-12) Clarke 0-5, Dunn 0-4, Spidel 0-2, Pennington 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (18) Dunn 5, Roper 3,				

Spidel 2, Pennington 2, Clarke 2, Lach 2, Thomas 2.				
Score by Quarters				
Southeastern	0	6	7	11 - 24
Carmel	2	10	10	18 - 40

CARMEL 40, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 24				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Lydia Self	1-3	0-2	3	4
Makayla Hinshaw	1-5	0-0	2	2
Riley Makalusky	0-3	1-2	1	3
Olivia Brown	2-4	2-3	7	3
Ryan Viele	3-7	1-2	9	1
Teegan Acres	1-2	0-0	2	0
Lauren Stewart	0-6	0-2	0	0
Caleigh Scott	0-0	0-0	0	0
Shalyn Rathbun	0-0	0-0	0	0



Hamilton Southeastern's Lydia Self (right) collected five rebounds for the Royals. Pictured at left is Carmel's Emily Roper.

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