

CPD heroes help give 47 kids a happy holiday



Photo provided
Carmel Police Department (CPD) employees and their families recently shopped at the Carmel Meijer for the second annual Holidays with Heroes event. Thanks to the generosity of the community, the department was able to shop for 47 children from 18 families. CPD employees were not able to shop with the children this year due to COVID restrictions; however, officers were able to build positive relationships by meeting with the children prior to the event and delivering the items that were purchased. CPD thanked presenting sponsor, Shamrock Self Storage, as well as Meijer, Carmel FOP Lodge 185 Indiana, Carmel Rotary, and everyone else who donated this year.

Altrusa Club donates to HNPL's children's wing

The REPORTER
Thanks to the Altrusa Club of Hamilton County, young visitors to Hamilton North Public Library (HNPL) have a new literacy and creative station for book reading, block building, and child-to-child conversations. The kid-sized white table features shelves and red, canvas storage bins to store toys and books.

This donation comes at a perfect time, because the current table in the children's wing was well-loved and falling apart. The fact that the table was donated by a member of the Altrusa Club in memory of her mother gives the table special meaning for the club and library. Literacy is a focus for the Altrusa Club, so local libraries and preschools often benefit from the club's charitable giving.

"We really needed a new table, and this activity



Photo provided by HNPL
Members of the Altrusa Club of Hamilton County present table and book donations to Library Director Ann Hoehn (kneeling) and Children's Librarian Debra Brown. (From left) Debra Brown, Pam Trumbauer (Club Vice President), Donna Prather (Club Secretary), Carol Rader (Club Director), and Joanne Kemp (Club President).

and learning center accommodates either standing or kneeling play, perfect for our youngest learners. It's a cool table and easy to maintain!" Children's Librarian Debra Brown said.

In addition to the table, the Altrusa Club purchased new building blocks and



Johnson, Howell, Peck end their terms with Noblesville school board

The REPORTER
Carl Johnson, Brad Howell and Monica Peck led their last meeting with the Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees on Tuesday evening, Dec. 15.

The three are concluding their school board terms at the end of the year.

Johnson and Howell have served since 2017 and Peck joined the board in 2018.

During their tenure, they oversaw the expansion of safety, mental health and diversity/equity/inclusion initiatives, secured critical funding through the passage of a referendum, and greenlighted several new construction projects, including a new stadium.

They also led the district through significant challenges related to COVID and the shooting at Noblesville West Middle School.

Fishers launches 2,000 Acts of Kindness Challenge

The REPORTER
During this difficult time, it is more important than ever to support one another and give back to the community. For this reason, Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness has launched the 2000 Acts of Kindness Challenge, encouraging residents to complete 2,000 acts of kindness by Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Jan. 18.

The 2,000 Acts of Kindness Challenge directly supports locally owned Fishers restaurants and encourages residents to dine local. The City of Fishers is committing \$100,000 in gift cards from locally owned restaurants to distribute to residents for completing and sharing their act of kindness.

"2020 has been a year that has challenged us as a community, but it has also given us new opportunities to come together," Fadness said. "I've seen neighbors helping neighbors, offering to pick up groceries or deliver meals. I have seen our residents step up to support strangers, participating in food drives and creating holiday care packages for those in need. To cap off this unprecedented year, I challenge our community to give back 2,000 times over, in ways both big and small. Shovel a neighbor's driveway, send a letter of encouragement to a friend, hold the door for a stranger. Find opportunities to serve others in new ways and let us showcase what Fishers is all about."

Residents can share their kind act, or nominate someone who has performed a kind act, through an [online form](#) and on social media using #FishersKindness. By completing the online form, the individual is eligible to receive a \$50 gift card to a Fishers restaurant. Residents are encouraged to dine safely by taking advantage of reduced-contact services including online ordering, carryout, curbside pickup, drive thru, and delivery.

For more information and to participate in the 2000 Acts of Kindness Challenge, visit ThisIsFishers.com/Kindness.



Fadness

Noblesville announces second round of Small Business Resilience Grant funding

Small businesses could get up to \$10,000 per grant

The REPORTER
Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen on Tuesday announced a second round of the Noblesville Small Business Resilience Grant program. Up to \$10,000 per grant will again be provided to small businesses that have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The grant is focused on helping small businesses with unmet immediate needs such as maintaining payroll, paying rent and utilities, and covering other expenses, including personal protective equipment (PPE) to remain operational and serve customers and clients. Businesses are eligible for up to \$10,000 per grant based on the demonstrated need.



Jensen



DuBois

If a business received funding in the first round of funding in early 2020, they are eligible for up to \$5,000 in this second phase of grant funding. New businesses within their first year of operation are also eligible for up to \$5,000 in grant funding.

"When we announced this program in the spring at the beginning of the pandemic, we were convinced that short-term assistance was needed to help our business community navigate the various challenges that came

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Baldwin receives Senate committee assignments

The REPORTER
State Sen. Scott Baldwin (R-Noblesville) has been appointed by Senate President Pro Tem Rodric Bray (R-Martinsville) to serve on five committees during the 122nd Indiana General Assembly.

Baldwin will serve on the Senate Committees on [Commerce and Technology](#); [Education and Career Development](#); [Environmental Affairs](#); [Pensions and Labor](#); and [Utilities](#).

"I am eager to get to work with my new colleagues," Baldwin said. "As the new state



Baldwin

senator of Senate District 20, I look forward to diving into various topics to find solutions that will benefit all Hoosiers and help Indiana continue to be a great place to live and work."

Committee hearings can be viewed online by visiting iga.in.gov. Legislative calendars, agendas, vote tallies and proposed legislation can also be found on this site.

The 2021 legislative session ceremonially began with Organization Day on Nov. 17. The Senate is scheduled to reconvene for session on Jan. 4.



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from shutdown orders and other public health risks and safety measures,” Jensen said. “We know that small businesses are a crucial part of our community and that they make vital contributions to our local economy and culture. We want to see them succeed here in Noblesville, and we hope that with a second round of financial assistance and support for the community and other sources, they will be able to get through this challenging time and emerge in a position where they can grow their operations and impact going forward.”

The deadline to submit applications is at 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 8. The Noblesville Small Business Resilience Grant application and eligibility requirements are

available at cityofnoblesville.org/LoveNoblesville. “Small businesses are essential to economic development and growth in Noblesville and we appreciate the City stepping up once again to aid our local businesses,” said Bob DuBois, president of the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce. “During the COVID-19 pandemic, we’ve seen a number of businesses have to temporarily close recently because of positive cases or close contacts with their employees. We commend them for making the right public health decision but know how that can negatively affect their bottom line. The second round of the Noblesville Small Business Resilience Grants shows how much city leadership values

the owners, employees, and customers of these local businesses and will provide them with vital resources so they can continue to serve our community.”

In April, Jensen recommended that the City Council appropriate \$250,000 out of the city’s Rainy Day Fund to provide resilience grants to small businesses. After Council appropriated the funds, 46 grants were provided to local businesses, helping to retain or revive more than 75 full-time and 100-part time local jobs.

Jensen said he remains committed to keeping residents safe while at the same time reinvesting in the local economy to promote small business growth and economic development in the community.

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Carmel PD now hiring

The REPORTER

The Carmel Police Department is currently accepting applications from certified law enforcement officers.

If you are a current cer-

tified law enforcement officer and wish to join one of the nation’s top police agencies, apply today. Applications close at noon on Jan. 8, 2021. [Click here](#) for more information on CPD,

employment requirements and benefits.

If you have questions, feel free to email cpdrecruitment@carmel.in.gov. You can also [click here](#) to apply.

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Altrusa Club Director Carol Rader (left) and Altrusa Club President Joanne Kemp show one of the board books the club donated to Hamilton North Public Library.

various sets of board books whose authors and titles are particularly popular with preschool children. “It’s important that children engage in creative construction and have access to educational activities at home,” said Joanne Kemp, President of the Altrusa Club of Hamilton County.

“Club members of Altrusa are very gracious and very generous. Thank you Altrusa,” Library Director Ann Hoehn said.

Brown and HNPL Director Ann Hoehn said they are pleased that the Altrusa Club considered these donations for the Cicero Library and appreciate being able to provide new items to patrons. Cicero Library currently offers Story Time hours three days each week, with limited num-



Photo provided by HNPL

(Above) Altrusa’s focus on early childhood literacy projects the last two years brought these books and table to the children’s wing of the Hamilton North Public Library in Cicero.

bers attending. Please visit hnpl.lib.in.us for details.

About Altrusa

Altrusa is an international non-profit organization dedicated to making local communities better through leadership, part-

nership, and service. The local club focuses on service, literacy, and fundraising projects each year. More information about this club is available at districtsix.altrusa.org/hamilton-county.



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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

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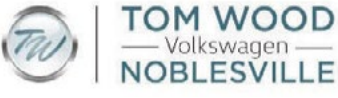


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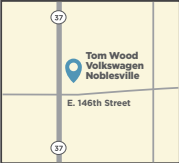





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Letter to the Editor

Noblesville reader thanks Peck, Howell, Johnson for service on school board

Dear Editor:

Thank you, Mrs. Peck, Mr. Howell, and Mr. Johnson.

Mrs. Peck, Mr. Howell, and Mr. Johnson – As your Noblesville School Board terms come to an end in weeks ahead, I want to say thank you. Thank you for serving the students, families, and staff of Noblesville Schools so well.

Unless you have been in this role

before, you have no idea the amount of work that goes into being on the Board. You lead the District through a school shooting, voter referendums, construction projects, and even a pandemic.

Each of you brought a specific skill and knowledge that benefited our community. Well done to each of you, and thank you for your tireless service.

Kevin Kalstad
Noblesville

Letter to the Editor

Shaffer criticizes Carmel's spending on Hotel Carmichael

Dear Editor:

Comes now published reports of what Carmel's ruling elite spent to decorate the Hotel Carmichael:

One piano went for \$134,046. Some pieces of original artwork went for \$150,000. And, the rug upon which the piano sits drew \$4,518 in money the city borrowed without taxpayer approval.

Putting those gouges in perspective provided by the U.S. Census Bureau quickfacts profile of Carmel:

- The median cost of a home in Carmel is \$333,200, or a bit more than two pianos.

- The median household income is \$112,765.

Exorbitant spending is one thing. Doing it with other people's money is another. Doing it with confiscated taxes from future generations is moral bankruptcy.

Bill Shaffer
Carmel

Letter to the Editor

Illinois reader takes note of potentially entertaining 2024 Republican primary

Dear Editor:

President Trump's reluctance to concede defeat after the Nov. 3 election reminded me of a picture my dad showed me of Sewell Avery, chairman of Montgomery Ward. Avery, a renowned businessman in the early 1900s, ran afoul of President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal program initiatives by refusing to settle a strike in 1944.

Roosevelt's administration removed Avery with two soldiers hoisting him by the arms from his office. Dad's photo showed Avery being carried out in a sitting position looking defiant and smug, confident that he was doing his customers and investors proud. During these strange times it's tempting to muse about President Trump exiting the same way.

Avery's absence was temporary and

he quickly returned to work. It's too soon to know if Trump will do the same, but he has hinted at a 2024 presidential run.

That would be interesting. Several Trump loyalists – Mike Pence, Mike Pompeo, Chris Christie and Nikki Haley – also have an eye on 2024. I'm curious to see if their allegiance to Trump will endure once they all become rivals for the Republican presidential nomination. Include fair-weather supporters like Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz and you have the ingredients for some primary debate fireworks. Watching the upstarts politely push Trump aside could be entertaining.

Democrats snickering about poetic justice shouldn't gloat, but can you blame them?

Jim Newton
Itasca, Ill.

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Post Office shipping deadlines approaching

By **KATIE WISELY**
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Shipping deadlines are quickly approaching and it may be time to start thinking about getting in line at the post office.

Tuesday is the deadline for United States Postal Service ground service. USPS has hired extra workers to help with the influx in shipping orders. This year, they're seeing more traffic than last.

Here a few tips: Get in line early, know your zip code and the zip code of the person you're sending the package to. That's a big reason why some packages get sent to the wrong address or lost. It's also important to make sure there is a return address on the package.

Postal workers are also

asking senders to take it a step further this year due to the influx in packages and impacts of COVID-19.

"A great idea is to also get a piece of paper and put it inside the package with your address and phone number if you're the sender and of the person you're sending it to," USPS Strategic Communication Specialist Mary Dando said. "So in any situation, where the label comes off or what, we'll be able to find you and call you."

First-class mail should be sent by Dec. 18 and priority mail by Dec. 19.

There is an option for Priority Mail Express, which gives you a little more time. The deadline for that is Dec. 23.

USPS says these are just recommended send-by dates for expected delivery

before Dec. 25.

If you're planning to ship through FedEx, the deadline for two-day shipping is Dec. 22.

For Express Overnight, the deadline is Dec. 23.

If you plan to pay an additional fee, the deadline for Express Priority Overnight is Dec. 23. That's for expected delivery on Christmas Eve.

The last day for ground shipping for FedEx is Tuesday.

Some post office locations are open on Sundays to help with holiday shipping.

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The Cicero Town Council will hold a special meeting at 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2020, at the Red Bridge Community Building, 697 W. Jackson St., Cicero.

The Cicero Stormwater Utility will hold a special meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2020, at the Red Bridge Community Building, 697 W. Jackson St., Cicero.

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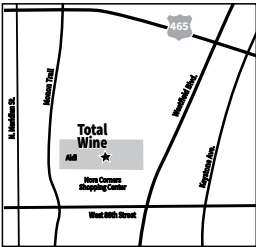


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Edward Earl “Eddie” Parks October 13, 1954 – December 12, 2020



Edward Earl “Eddie” Parks, 66, passed away at his home in Sheridan surrounded by his loving family and caregivers on Saturday morning, December 12, 2020. Born in Lebanon on October 13, 1954, he was the son of the late Willie Ernest and Phyllis Joan (McDole) Parks. He attended Marion Adams High School (now Sheridan Community Schools) and worked for Biddle Manufacturing in Sheridan, retiring after 20 years of dedicated service.

Family, friends and sports were some of Eddie’s favorite things, and not always in that order. Eddie lived for his kids. He always looked forward to baseball season and the years he was able to coach as his son was growing up. In later years, his grandchildren became his focus; he tried his best never to miss any of their activities or sporting events. As for friends, Eddie never met a stranger. You could always spot him on the porch waving at just about everybody who passed by. He also had a soft spot in his heart for animals, especially dogs. However, sports sometimes took on a life of their own. Eddie was a diehard Sheridan Blackhawks fan. He was proud to have played for Coach Wright, and never stopped supporting Blackhawk Football. He was also an Indianapolis Colts fan, but where things started to go off the rails is when it came to college basketball. Eddie was an IU superfan with cream and crimson flowing through his veins, and no matter what kind of season the Hoosiers were having, when March rolled around the madness always took over. Eddie would save up all his vacation days so he could stay home and watch the NCAA Tournament.

Eddie is survived by his son, Cody E. Parks (Melissa), Sheridan; daughter, Crystal Catron (Marc), Sheridan; grandchildren, Keegan Catron, Korben Catron, Wade Catron, Evelyn Catron, Axel Schilling and Jasper Garrity; brothers, Ernest Parks (Anna), Noblesville, and William Parke (Laurie), Indianapolis; sisters, Patricia Ridsen, Noblesville, and Jeanette Hopkins, Noblesville.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Private family services will be held on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Eddie will be laid to rest at Spencer Cemetery in Sheridan. Pastor Steve Carlock will be officiating.

Condolences: KerchevalFuneralHome.com

Ernest Noe

May 15, 1949 – December 10, 2020

Ernest Noe, 71, Evansville, passed away on Thursday morning, December 10, 2020 at Deaconess Gateway Hospital in Newburgh, Ind. Born May 15, 1949 in Lebanon, he was the son of the late Doyle E. and Geneva Maxine (Boone) Noe.

After graduating from Sheridan High School with the Class of 1967, Ernest continued his education at Anderson University, earning his B.S. in Mathematics in 1971. About a year before completing his degree, Ernest took a position with Indiana Gas (now Vectren Energy) and remained with the company for the next 47 years, until taking his retirement.

He was a member of the Association for Systems Management for several years.

Ernest loved to putter around in the yard and never seemed to run out of projects to tackle. There was always something that needed edged, trimmed, mowed, fed, or the blower taken to it. Gorgeous lawns don’t just happen on their own. And, as with any task, the right tools are always needed for the job at hand. For every hour that Ernest spent working in his yard, he could spend three in Lowe’s, tirelessly searching for that special tool or lawncare product. (His wife, Bonnie, was usually nowhere to be found during these excursions.) As meticulous as Ernest was about his yard, the same could be said for his frugality. Taking a page from his parents’ playbook, Ernest saved everything that could be possibly come in handy someday, from coffee cans full of screws and bolts, drawers full of bread ties, to any old tool he would happen across.

Ernest played football during his high school years at Sheridan and continued to follow Blackhawk football for the rest of his life. Racing was also another sport that he enjoyed following. Ernest was a huge NASCAR fan, but always took time to give IndyCar a little of his attention, especially during the Month of May. It wasn’t just the high dollar racing machines that piqued his interest; he loved going to the stock races and demolition derbies out at Kitley as well. It was just as much fun to watch ‘em crash as it was to see ‘em race. Ernest also liked watching the Indianapolis Ice play out at the Pepsi Coliseum.

As much as Ernest liked being at home and taking care of things around the house, he always looked forward to vacations at Ft. Walton Beach.

Ernest is survived by his wife of 17 years, Bonita (Carpenter) Noe. She and Ernest were married on August 30, 2003. Also surviving are his son, Kevin M. Noe (Kathryn), Lafayette; daughter, Angela Noe, Sheridan; grandchildren, Cian McGarr, Hannah McGarr, Logan McGarr, Alexander Noe and Bennett Noe; and his sister, Cynthia B. Noe, Sheridan.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and by his sister, Emily Hailman.

Private family services will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2020 at Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan. Burial will follow at Spencer Cemetery in Sheridan. Ernest’s brother-in-law, Pastor Roy Carpenter, will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to the Evansville Museum of Arts, History and Science.

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State continues to combat fraudulent unemployment insurance activity

The REPORTER

An elderly woman receives an overpayment notice on an unemployment insurance (UI) claim, though she’s never filed for benefits. A company in southern Indiana discovers that claims have been filed using the names of several senior-level managers. And more broadly, across the state, more Hoosier employees are reporting their identities having been stolen to file even more claims.

For the week ending Dec. 5, a total of 26,910 initial unemployment claims were filed with the Indiana Department of Workforce Development, a number likely inflated by the rise in fraudulent attempts to file UI claims. Indiana and many other states continue to combat the increase amid new and emerging fraud schemes.

“It’s really increasing in all forms and fashions,” said Regina Ashley, DWD’s chief unemployment insurance and workforce solutions officer. “DWD has many prevention and detection tools in place to thwart as much of that activity as

possible. But even with these tools, both individuals and employers are not immune to these attacks.”

DWD is responsible for administering unemployment benefits to Hoosiers. The coronavirus has led to an unprecedented increase in the number of individuals filing claims to receive unemployment benefits in regular UI programs as well as Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act programs, specifically the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program. PUA is available to individuals who are self-employed, seeking part-time employment, or who otherwise would not qualify for regular unemployment compensation.

Roughly \$100 million in federal funding has been made available to support state efforts to combat fraud and recover improper payments. The Government Accountability Office, the nonpartisan auditing agency that works for Congress,



Ashley

has cited fraud as one of the causes contributing to inflated claims numbers across the country.

DWD is working closely with the Indiana State Police, U.S. Department of Labor Office of Inspector General, FBI, Secret Service and the Indiana Attorney General’s Office, as well as several banking partners, to ensure appropriate prosecution and recovery of funds where possible, once identity theft is discovered. Once the theft is reported to DWD, the agency revokes the UI account and cooperates with law enforcement and banks, but it’s up to them, and not DWD, to locate the criminals and prosecute them.

To protect against identity theft, never post personal information online or to social media. Anyone awaiting their initial unemployment payment who posts on social media their name and personal information, asking for assistance to expedite their claim, is putting themselves at risk for fraud. Nev-

er pay anyone who says they can speed up your UI claim or get you your money faster. Also, monitor your credit reports and bank accounts.

If you do become a victim, freeze or put a fraud alert on your credit and notify your bank. Anyone who has received a fraudulent call and has given any personal information to a potential fraudster should contact the [Federal Trade Commission](http://FederalTradeCommission) to report the potential identity theft.

Employers should protest any fraudulently filed UI claim by completing the [Benefit Claims protest form \(640P\)](http://BenefitClaimsProtestForm). Employers also can report fraud through DWD’s fraud webpage at in.gov/dwd/2464.htm.

Regarding 1099 tax forms issued by DWD for unemployment benefits, DWD is disassociating UI payments from any claimant where there is a confirmed case of ID theft. So as long as this is done, the claimant will have no IRS issues. If ID theft has not been reported to DWD or DWD hasn’t tagged the account as ID theft, then this will not occur.

State Parks offering eagle sighting events Turkey Run State Park to hold Eagles in Flight weekend

The REPORTER

Turkey Run State Park will hold its Eagles in Flight weekend Jan. 29-31. Programs will let participants see songbirds, a hawk and a bald eagle up close. Attendees will also be able to see wild eagles at their roost and nest sites. Face coverings are

required for all indoor and outdoor programs.

Advance registration is required and can be completed at [this link](http://thislink).

In conjunction with the weekend, the Friends of Turkey Run and Shades State Parks are holding an online silent auction Jan. 20-30. All of the proceeds

go toward Turkey Run and Shades projects. View the items at 32auctions.com/EaglesInFlight21. Auction winners will be able to pick up their items.

Overnight lodging is available at the Turkey Run Inn. Contact the Reservation Center at 1-877-LODGES1 or

IndianaInns.com, and reference Group Code 0129EF.

Standard park entrance fees of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle may apply.

Turkey Run State Park is located at 8121 E. Park Road, Marshall, Ind.

Eagles over Monroe features mix of virtual, in-person activities

The REPORTER

Monroe Lake is offering a nine-day bald eagle experience Jan. 23-31 that will include a mix of virtual, self-directed, and small-group activities.

The event is being held in place of Monroe Lake’s traditional annual bald eagle driving tour.

Jill Vance, Monroe Lake’s interpretive naturalist, will be hosting sunset eagle watches at the lake from 5 to 6 p.m. on Jan. 23, 25, 29 and 31. She and a couple of volunteers will have spotting scopes set up to help participants observe eagles and other birds. Hot cocoa will be available for those who bring their own travel mugs.

To ensure social distancing, each sunset eagle watch is open to a maximum of 12 people, and advance registration is mandatory. Registration closes three days prior to each date, or when the event is full, although wait lists are available. [Click here](http://Clickhere) to sign up for a session.

Visitors can also create their own self-guided bald eagle driving tour at the lake using the property’s bald eagle brochure as a guide to the best viewing locations and times. On Jan. 22, Vance will post a link to download the bald eagle brochure on the Facebook event page. You can also,

from Jan. 22 to 29, email a request for the brochure to jvance@dnr.IN.gov.

Virtual programming will be hosted on the property’s Facebook page, facebook.com/monroelake. For direct links and descriptions, see the event description at [this link](http://thislink).

• Jan. 23 at 3 p.m.: Facebook LIVE Identifying Bald Eagles
• Jan. 25 at 3 p.m.: Face-

book LIVE Bald Eagle Mat-

ing, Nesting, and Fledging
• Jan. 26 at 11:30 a.m.: Facebook LIVE Return of the Bald Eagle

• Jan. 27 at 2 p.m.: Facebook VIDEO Bald Eagle Flyer Craft Tutorial (rerun)

• Jan. 28 at 10 a.m.: Facebook VIDEO Bald Eagle Magnet Craft Tutorial (premiere)

• Jan. 29 at 1:30 p.m.: Facebook LIVE Bald Eagle

Coloring Break

“We’ll miss hosting our traditional eagle driving tour this winter, but we hope this reworked experience will give people a range of opportunities to learn about and observe bald eagles in a safe manner,” Vance said.

For more information about event programming, contact Vance at jvance@dnr.IN.gov or call (812) 837-9967.

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Taylor Jaye Coltrain
December 16, 1992 – December 9, 2020

Taylor Jaye Coltrain passed away peacefully at home in Noblesville on December 9, 2020. She was born in Indianapolis on December 16, 1992 and attended high school in Hudson, Wis., and Noblesville. Taylor worked in the service and retail industries.

Taylor had a delightful sense of humor. Her infectious laugh filled the room and you couldn't help joining in. She was the most thoughtful gift giver and took great pride in finding truly perfect and meaningful mementos for others. Taylor genuinely listened to others and cared about what was important to them. From a young age and continuing throughout her life, Taylor had a unique compassion and empathy for others. She took time to make certain that everyone felt like they were included, but mostly that they mattered.

She devoted a lot of her energy to helping others, especially veterans, in the overwhelming effort of suicide prevention. She gave of her time, belongings, and self completely and freely to anyone she met in need. A favorite comforting phrase of Taylor's was, "May the wind always be at your back and the sun upon your face."

She is survived by her parents, Doug and Karla Coltrain, older sister, Jessica Russo in Westfield, and younger sister, Dana Havens in Mesa, Ariz.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Taylor's name to the National Veterans Foundation suicide prevention program, a cause dear to Taylor, at nvf.org/stop-veteran-suicides.

Thoughts and messages can be posted for Taylor and her family at randallroberts.com.



TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Now you, if you call yourself a Jew; if you rely on the law and boast in God; if you know his will and approve of what is superior because you are instructed by the law; if you are convinced that you are a guide for the blind, a light for those who are in the dark, an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of little children, because you have in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth—you, then, who teach others, do you not teach yourself? You who preach against stealing, do you steal? You who say that people should not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? You who boast in the law, do you dishonor God by breaking the law? As it is written: "God's name is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."

Romans 2:17-24 (NIV)

Carolyn Sue Rose
April 7, 1952 – December 16, 2020

Carolyn Sue Rose, 68, of Junction City, Ky., passed away on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at her home. She was born on April 7, 1952 in Junction City, Ky.

Carolyn was a homemaker and loved being with her family. She enjoyed doing crossword puzzles, drawing, and watching *Little House on the Prairie* and *Jeopardy!*.

She is survived by her daughter, Felicia Capps; siblings, Susie Rabb, Christine Durham, James Arney, Randy Arney and Bruce Arney; 10 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Rose; son, Rick Rose, II; daughter, Sheri Lea Rose; parents, Geneva (Dean) and Sam Arney; father, George Montgomery, Sr.; siblings, Pamma Uhrick, Deborah Montgomery, George Montgomery and David Montgomery; son-in-law, Bill Capps.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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Five Hamilton County players make IFCA Top 50 All-State team

Five Hamilton County football players were named to the Indiana Football Coaches Association's Top 50 All-State team this month.

The five include two players from Class 6A state runner-up Westfield, two from sectional champion Carmel and one from Noblesville. A list now follows:

Micah Hauser, junior running back, Westfield – Hauser received honors at the running back position, but that only tells half the story about his contributions to the Shamrocks. Hauser was a two-way force for Westfield, leading on both offense and defense. As a running back, Hauser gained 1,059 yards and scored 11 touchdowns for the 'Rocks. On the defensive side, Hauser had 108 total tackles (30 solo and 78 assists).

Popeye Williams, junior defensive lineman, Westfield – Williams has been receiving notice from several high-profile Division I schools, and it's easy to see why after looking at the impact he made for the Shamrocks this season. Williams led Westfield in tackles for a loss with 10 and in sacks with five. Overall, Williams had 52 total tackles (17 solo and 35 assists).

Spencer Hanna, senior kicker, Carmel – Hanna won the Mr. Football position award for kicker, well-deserved for someone with remarkable accuracy. Hanna was a perfect 44-for-44 in extra points over the season, and made 14 of 16 field goal attempts, giving him 86 points for the year. Hanna set a school record by making five field goals, includ-



Kent Graham/File photo

Westfield's Popeye Williams (2, center) led the Shamrocks in tackles for a loss and in sacks. He was a key part of the Westfield defense, helping the 'Rocks to the Class 6A state championship game. Williams was named to the Indiana Football Coaches Association Top 50 All-State list for the 2020 season.

ing the game-winner, in the Greyhounds' win over Lawrence North in September.

Justin Pickett, senior offensive lineman, Carmel – A 6-foot-7, 310-pound guard and tackle, Pickett did his part for a Greyhounds offense that averaged 31.3

points per game during the season. Pickett received several offers before committing to Duke University in August.

Grayden Addison, senior punter, Noblesville – The winner of the Mr. Football position award for punter, Addison covered a remarkable amount

of ground for the Millers whenever he kicked the ball. Addison, who has several D-I offers, averaged 43.1 yards per punt, with his longest punt for the season 78 yards.

Wrestling

'Hounds beat Trojans in top 10 battle

In a Wednesday battle of top-10 ranked wrestling teams, No. 9 Carmel edged out No. 8 Center Grove 30-27 at the Trojans' gym.

The Greyhounds dropped the first match by decision, but then took the next four, all by decision, to build a 12-3 lead. Eitan Halevi (120 pounds), Brac Hooper (126), Luke Farling (132) and AJ Gunn (138) all picked up victories for Carmel.

Center Grove had its two best wrestlers up next at 145 and 152, and both won by technical fall. The 'Hounds won the next two, with Robert Major getting a pin at 160 pounds and Jake Shafer winning at 170.

After absorbing a fall at 182, Billy Kepler (195) and Zach White (220) both won by decision, giving Carmel a 30-19 lead. The Trojans won the next two bouts, but the Greyhounds held them both to major decisions, allowing them to get the team win.

CARMEL 30, CENTER GROVE 27
 Meet started at 113 pounds
 113: Isaac Ward lost to Courtney by

decision, 5-2
 120: Eitan Halevi def. Yeager by decision, 10-3
 126: Brac Hooper def. McConnell by decision, 6-0
 132: Luke Farling def. Clouser by decision, 13-6
 138: AJ Gunn def. Howe by decision, 11-9
 145: Nathan Powell lost to Watson by technical fall, 19-4
 152: Alex Amos lost to Rust by technical fall, 20-5
 160: Robert Major def. M. Crump by fall
 170: Jake Shafer def. Rainer by decision, 4-1
 182: Horal Halevi lost to Buchanan by fall
 195: Billy Kepler def. B. Crump by decision, 3-2
 220: Zach White def. Gattone by decision, 11-5
 285: Mekhi Simmons lost to Green by major decision, 14-4
 106: Gavin Thompson lost to Larocca by major decision, 14-5

Swimming

Tigers sweep Millers

The Fishers swim teams swept Noblesville Tuesday in an all-county meet.

The Tigers girls won 128-58, taking all 12 events. Jo Jo Ramey was a double winner in the 50 and 100 freestyles, while Kate Mouser also won twice, in the individual medley and butterfly.

Also getting victories for Fishers were Charlie Ramey (200 free), Morgan Casey (diving), Kenzie Pierce (500 free), Abby Miller (backstroke), Grace Lux (breaststroke) and all three relays.

Caitlin Marshall was the runner-up for the Millers in the 50 free and butterfly, while Sammy Huff took second in the 100 free and breaststroke. Noblesville also finished second in the 200 and 400 free relays.

In the boys meet, the Tigers won 141-44, with victories in 11 events. Jackson Carlile was first in the IM and butterfly, while Connor Carlile took the 100 free and backstroke. Kyle Ponsler was a winner in the 50 free and breaststroke and Ayres took the 200 and 500 freestyles.

William Jansen was first in the diving, and Fishers won the 200 and 400 free relays. Noblesville won the medley relay, which consisted of Jeremiah Ledwith, Aidan Biddle, Luke Whitlock and Cavan Cameron.

GIRLS MEET

Team score: Fishers 128, Noblesville

58
 200 medley relay: 1. Fishers "A" (Abby Miller, Grace Lux, Kate Mouser, Jo Jo Ramey) 1:50.57, 2. Fishers "B" (Alexandra Stein, Kenzie Pierce, Diane Koo, Avery Stein) 1:52.54, 3. Noblesville "A" (Caroline Santerre, Maya McDonald, Emily Knott, Sophie Resner) 1:56.57.
 200 freestyle: 1. Charlie Ramey (F) 2:02.06, 2. Al. Stein (F) 2:03.88, 3. Koo (F) 2:04.42, 4. Ashley Wyatt (F) 2:04.85, 5. Reagan Hart (N) 2:07.60.
 200 individual medley: 1. Mouser (F) 2:10.24, 2. Lux (F) 2:14.14, 3. Resner (N) 2:15.54, 4. Amy Nguyen (F) 2:19.60, 5. Emily Pfeifer (F) 2:19.67.
 50 freestyle: 1. J. Ramey (F) 24.95, 2. Caitlin Marshall (N) 25.65, 3. Stein (F) 25.66, 4. McDonald (N) 26.22, 5. Abby Harvey (N) 26.43.
 One-meter diving: 1. Morgan Casey (F) 242.40, 2. Natalie Bryan (F) 203.35, 3. Gretchen Osmun (F) 187.65, 4. Deirdre Leib (N) 121.00, 5. Ava Pavich (N) 119.70.
 100 butterfly: 1. Mouser (F) 58.71, 2. Marshall (N) 58.95, 3. Koo (F) 1:01.01, 4. Stein (F) 1:01.13, 5. McDonald (N) 1:03.94.
 100 freestyle: 1. J. Ramey (F) 53.12, 2. Sammy Huff (N) 54.18, 3. Miller

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'Rocks wrestlers win on the road

The Westfield wrestling team won on the road Tuesday, beating Southmont 51-13 in a dual meet.

The Shamrocks won 11 of the 14 matches, including pins by Owen Matthews at 106 pounds and Mike Platonov at 285. Dylan Driver (113), Braxton Vest (120) and Ian Watson (145) all got technical fall victories.

Three Westfield wrestlers won by major decision: Ike O'Neill (132) was victorious 11-0, Alec McLanre (138) was a 12-4 winner and Jackson Anderson (160) took his match 13-0. Austin McClure (170) won by a 4-3 decision and Dakota Arvin (220) was a 4-0 decision winner. Jason Rooney won at 152 by forfeit.

The Shamrocks will wrestle Saturday at the Henry Wilk Invitational at Penn, taking on the No. 10 Kingsmen in their first meet of the day.

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(F) 56.60, 4. Santerre (N) 58.24, 5. Claire Yeakey (N) 58.39.
500 freestyle: 1. Pierce (F) 5:25.46, 2. Stein (F) 5:29.36, 3. Lisa Bradford (F) 5:35.02, 4. Ashley Wyatt (F) 5:39.44, 5. Reagan Hart (N) 5:44.32.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Fishers "A" (J. Ramey, C. Ramey, Av. Stein, Alexandra Stein) 1:40.50, 2. Noblesville "A" (Huff, Resner, Harvey, Marshall) 1:42.23, 3. Noblesville "B" (Amelia Field, Emma Snyder, Hart, Yeakey) 1:47.99.
100 backstroke: 1. Miller (F) 1:01.69, 2. Jordan Cooley (F) 1:04.12, 3. Sara Fife (N) 1:04.92, 4. C. Ramey (F) 1:05.94, 5. Riley Cristat (F) 1:06.49.

100 breaststroke: 1. Lux (F) 1:06.10, 2. Huff (N) 1:07.17, 3. Pierce (F) 1:08.24, 4. Nguyen (F) 1:09.53, 5. Pfeifer (F) 1:11.88.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Fishers "A" (Mouser, Koo, Miller, C. Ramey) 3:45.60, 2. Noblesville "A" (Huff, Marshall, Yeakey, Harvey) 3:51.09, 3. Noblesville "B" (McDonald, Field, Katie Kramer, Santerre) 3:52.63.

BOYS MEET

Team score: Fishers 141, Noblesville 44
200 medley relay: 1. Noblesville "A" (Jeremiah Ledwith, Aidan Biddle, Luke Whitlock, Cavan Cameron)

1:43.37, 2. Fishers "B" (Connor Carlile, Thomas Miller, Daniel Bennett, Taichi Kataoka) 1:43.59, 3. Fishers "A" (Sean Deimling, Nathan Bradford, Jackson Carlile, Tyler Schwertfeger) 1:45.51.
200 freestyle: 1. Logan Ayres (F) 1:51.18, 2. Ben Russell (F) 1:53.25, 3. Jude Bragdon (F) 1:53.53, 4. Whitlock (N) 1:53.62, 5. Biddle (N) 1:56.75.
200 individual medley: 1. J. Carlile (F) 1:55.95, 2. Bennett (F) 2:02.67, 3. Kataoka (F) 2:10.02, 4. Nicholas Viola (F) 2:10.56, 5. Mason Snyder (N) 2:12.18.
50 freestyle: 1. Kyle Ponsler (F) 21.93, 2. Reed Beaumont (F) 22.63, 3. Cameron (N) 23.16, 4. Schwertfeger (F) 23.33, 5. Keaton Chop (F) 23.68.
One-meter diving: 1. William Jansen (F) 283.45, 2. Sebastian Otero (F) 268.70, 3. Jack Roby (F) 184.30, 4. Ethan Weiss (F) 174.45, 5. Parker Mutter (N) 145.65.
100 butterfly: 1. J. Carlile (F) 53.57, 2. Bragdon (F) 56.82, 3. Cameron (N) 56.89, 4. Chop (F) 59.58, 5.

Bradford (F) 1:00.11.
100 freestyle: 1. C. Carlile (F) 48.07, 2. Beaumont (F) 50.39, 3. Deimling (F) 52.20, 4. Justin DuBois (N) 52.40, 5. Whitlock (N) 53.12.
500 freestyle: 1. Ayres (F) 4:56.77, 2. Schwertfeger (F) 5:01.10, 3. Ben Russell (F) 5:01.19, 4. Viola (F) 5:08.26, 5. Ledwith (N) 5:35.12.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Fishers "B" (J. Carlile, Miller, Russell, Bradford) 1:34.45, 2. Noblesville "A" (Cameron, Liam Westlund, DuBois, Biddle) 1:34.77, 3. Fishers "A" (Ponsler, Chris Tran, Viola, Chop) 1:34.91.
100 backstroke: 1. C. Carlile (F) 54.78, 2. Bennett (F) 55.47, 3. Deimling (F) 59.65, 4. Ty Cox (N) 1:05.91, 5. Tran (F) 1:07.55.
100 breaststroke: 1. Ponsler (F) 1:00.06, 2. Biddle (N) 1:01.91, 3. Kataoka (F) 1:07.38, 4. Miller (F) 1:07.82, 5. Bradford (F) 1:09.09.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Fishers "A" (Ayres, Viola, Deimling, C. Carlile) 3:25.10, 2. Fishers "C" (Beaumont, Bragdon, Tran, Ponsler) 3:27.75, 3. Noblesville "A" (Whitlock, Westlund, Snyder, DuBois) 3:36.44.

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