

Noblesville mayor, Chamber honor Congresswoman Brooks for service

The REPORTER

Mayor Chris Jensen and the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce held an intimate, socially-distant breakfast at Matteo's Ristorante Italiano on Friday morning to honor former Congresswoman Susan Brooks and her eight years serving Indiana's Fifth District.

As part of the breakfast celebration, Jensen proclaimed it "Congresswoman Susan W. Brooks Day" in the City of Noblesville. Congresswoman Brooks' strong background in both the public and private sectors began in 1998 when she served as Deputy Mayor of Indianapolis.

In 2012, Brooks was elected to represent the Indiana Fifth District and served four two-year terms. Prior to her time in Washington, D.C., Brooks was appointed as the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana by President George W. Bush from 2001 to 2007.

"Congresswoman Brooks has seen Noblesville in our great days and some of our harder ones during her time in office," Jensen said. "We greatly appreciate her ef-



Photo provided by City of Noblesville
Mayor Jensen presented Brooks with the Sagamore of the Wabash award.

forts toward the improvement of the quality of life for our residents in Noblesville and others throughout the state and country. We hold the deepest respect for Susan

and we are lucky to have her as a pillar in our community."

Jensen also had the honor of presenting Brooks with the Sagamore of the Wabash Award from Gov. Eric Holcomb. The award is one of the highest honors bestowed by the governor and is a personal tribute usually given to those who have rendered a distinguished service to the state or to the governor.

The Noblesville Chamber gave Brooks a "Piece of Noblesville" with a Star Brick with a plaque to thank her for her service to the community and its businesses.

"Over her eight years in Congress, Representative Brooks always made herself accessible to our community and always eager to have dialog about issues that impact Noblesville," said Noblesville Chamber of Commerce President Bob DuBois. "She has made a significant impact on the Noblesville community and we wanted to present her an iconic Noblesville Star Brick to symbolize how iconic her presence has been in our city."

Rep. Spartz selected to serve on House Judiciary, Education & Labor committees

The REPORTER

U.S. Representative Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.-05) has been selected to serve on two committees: The Judiciary Committee and the Education and Labor Committee.

"One of the core government functions is to protect people's rights to Life, Liberty, and Property," Rep. Spartz said. "Serving on both the Judiciary Committee and the Education and



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Labor Committee lets me defend our Constitutional rights and rule of law, advocate for greater educational opportunities for our children, and fight for the economic freedoms Hoosier workers and job need to succeed."

On her selection to the House Judiciary Committee, Spartz said, "As someone with an enormous appreciation for our Constitution, I am honored to be selected to serve on the Judiciary Committee, creators dealing with many issues important to our freedoms, rights, and rule of law."

Ranking member Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Ohio) said, "We are delighted to have Rep. Spartz as a Member of the House Judiciary Committee. She is a proven fighter who will defend the Constitution and help stop partisan efforts to weaken American values."

On her selection to the Education and Labor

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Threat to Westfield H.S. originated outside of Indiana

The REPORTER

The Westfield Police Department, as a result of its continuing investigation, released additional information on Friday about the threat incident that happened at Westfield High School (WHS) on Monday, Jan. 25.

Preliminary investigation of the threat indicates it originated outside of Indiana. Further evidence shows similar calls were made from the same telephone number to governmental entities in other states, both before and after the WHS incident. In each case, no credible threat appears to have existed.

Extensive resources are dedicated to identifying and prosecuting those responsible for making this threat. Because this incident remains an active criminal investigation, there will be no additional comment at this time.

Empty Carmel neighborhood becomes training property for city's firefighters

By KATIE WISELY
WISH-TV | wish-tv.com

An old, empty neighborhood in Carmel is a new training ground for the city's fire department. It gives crews the chance to practice real-life scenarios.

Fire crews have more than 30 homes to use for training and every station can simulate different situations. It's vital training as each home has a different layout.

Firefighters worked as a team on Wednesday to rescue a victim, which was a 140-pound dummy, through a busted-out window on the second story of a now-vacant home. They also worked on different grab techniques to save a patient from the side of a home on the first floor. Crews are able to cut the roof, force doors open and put smoke in the homes – anything to mirror a real fire situation.

"We don't know how



Photo provided
The Meridian suburban neighborhood is just north of the future Franciscan Health Orthopedic Center of Excellence, which is currently under construction.

long we have them," Carmel Fire Department spokesperson Tim Griffin said. "A lot of times because it's dependent on the construction site, so the crews are coming out almost daily and utilizing these, whether they are just using them for station house and crews

or large-scale company trainings that we are doing out here."

The Meridian suburban neighborhood was purchased by Meridian Development. The area is just north of the future Franciscan Health Orthopedic Center of Excellence,

which is currently under construction. The exact plans as to what will replace the neighborhood are not clear.

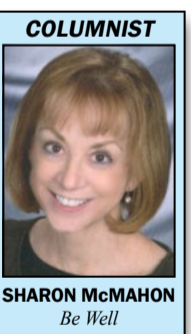
Other law enforcement agencies like the Carmel Police Department and FBI have used the homes for practice.

Getting in shape means don't stop

"It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop."
– Confucius

I don't know about you, but I do feel that I have slowed down in this pandemic world we have lived in for approximately a year now. Oh, I still walk, lift my weights on a fairly consistent basis, and of course practice my stretching and breathing. However, I don't feel that I "move" as much or as quickly as I did pre-pandemic.

Maybe it is just that I don't begin my day as quickly or energetically as before; or that I have allowed myself more time to sit and



SHARON McMAHON
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read as well as catch up on some old movies and DVR items I had let go. Of course, in the winter months most of us do slow down a bit . . . other than those of you who thrive on winter sports and activities! I am not one of those since I lost the opportunity to ice skate due to osteoporosis. I would LOVE to put on my skates again, but the doctor advised against it as a hard fall on the ice could be a critical issue, sadly.

I often speak with those taking part in the fitness classes I teach and other

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Carmel-based TCC named top place to work by two national awards programs

The REPORTER

Carmel-based TCC, a Verizon authorized wireless retailer with more than 900 locations across 39 states, announced Thursday that it has received two national accolades for its employee-first approach and culture of service: Glassdoor Employees' Choice Award and 2021 Top Workplaces USA Award issued by Energage.

TCC is one of seven local businesses to be recognized for the Glassdoor Em-



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ployees' Choice Award, and the only Indiana business of its size to be recognized for the 2021 Top Workplaces USA Award.

Now in its 13th year, the Glassdoor Employees' Choice Award is based solely on the input of employees, who elect to provide anonymous feedback by completing a company review about their job, work environment and employer on Glassdoor, the worldwide leader on insights about jobs and companies.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, TCC has placed an emphasis on its employee-first approach while

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HSE explores bringing high school students back in-person

By LARRY LANNAN
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There was a spirited discussion Wednesday night among the members of the Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) school board, including the defeat of a motion to allow high school students the option of returning four days per week beginning Feb. 17. The vote was 5-2 with Suzanne Thomas and Brad Boyer the only yes votes.

Most board members opted to wait for data from a survey of high school stu-

dents, plus more numbers would be available by the Feb. 10 board meeting on COVID positive tests and contact tracing, then a decision can be made by the board at that time. Contract tracing has resulted in more students being absent after exposure to someone testing positive. There continues to be some positive tests among school staff.

Administrators said, so far, substitute teachers have mostly covered classrooms where the teacher must be absent.

Superintendent Allen

Bourff said the e-learning Fridays have been working well, with adjustments being made by the teaching and administrative staff as needed.

The board voted unanimously to support the teachers' associations in Hamilton County that have each written letters to the governor asking that teachers be prioritized for COVID vaccinations. The board authorized Dr. Bourff to write a letter supporting the teachers' associations, with input from board members.

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Ivy Tech names Dr. Stacy Atkinson as Hamilton County campus chancellor

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Ivy Tech Community College has named Dr. Stacy Atkinson as chancellor for the new Hamilton County campus, effective March 1.

The College recently announced its Hamilton County location in Noblesville would become its 19th full-service campus with expanded programming to meet the needs of Hamilton County students, employers, and the community. Hamilton County is the state's fourth-largest and fastest-growing county, with Ivy Tech enrollment at the location already exceeding that of several full-service campuses.

"Hamilton County has a tremendous amount of opportunity for partnerships in the name of the current and future workforce," Atkinson said. "Starting up a new campus speaks to my skills and tremendous passion for the organization and its mission. I am truly humbled to be leading the efforts and am enthusiastic for the success of Hamilton County."

Atkinson currently serves as chancellor of the Richmond campus and Connersville site. In 2017, she moved from the executive director of Strategic Initiatives role with Systems Office to serve as vice chancellor of Academic Affairs at the Richmond campus. In 2019, she served as interim chancellor and was later named as chancellor after a national search.

At the beginning of Atkinson's time at the Richmond campus, an opportunity to serve the cadets at the Hoosier Youth Challenge Academy (HYCA) was presented. She was key in forming the partnership that allowed for an Ivy Tech instructor to teach courses at the HYCA site to the cadets so they could earn college credit for their future.

During her time as Chancellor, Atkinson understood the needs of the local community and worked to develop strong relationships with four-year partners. Most notably, she was instrumental in developing

an articulation agreement with Earlham College, which allows Ivy Tech students who have earned an associate degree in biology, chemistry, computer science, business administration, psychology, or human services to transfer to Earlham as juniors knowing every credit they have taken will count toward their degree requirements.

Additionally, most recently, Atkinson along with the help of the Ivy Tech Richmond Foundation launched a fully-equipped wellness center on the campus for faculty and staff usage and hopefully later, the students.

Atkinson started her time at Ivy Tech in January 2015. She has served in various roles at the College including early childhood adjunct instructor for the Muncie campus (prior to joining Ivy Tech full-time) and senior instructional de-

signer with the Center for Instructional Technology. She is a certified SIMPLEX Creative Problem Solving trainer, facilitator, and coach. As part of her work when serving as the executive director of Strategic Initiatives, Atkinson was heavily involved in the development of Ivy Tech's strategic plan in 2017.

"Dr. Atkinson brings the skill of an experienced chancellor, as well as an energy, innovative spirit, and leadership to establish the academic and workforce programs which will meet the needs of Hamilton County students, employers, and communities," said Ivy Tech President Sue Ellspermann. "Further, Dr. Atkinson will engage as a CEO and academic leader to ensure speed and agility in all of our partnerships and endeavors."

Prior to relocating to

Hamilton County where she and her family reside, Atkinson served as program chair for the Early Care and Education program at the Technical College of the Lowcountry in South Carolina, after being honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps. During her time in the Marine Corps, she served as an Avionics Technician and worked on the F/A 18A fighter jet during both Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. Between the Marine Corps and moving to higher education, she spent time in an elementary school classroom where she was a second-grade teacher at Shell Point Elementary in Beaufort, S.C.

As a service to the profession of Early Childhood, Atkinson serves on the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Commission on Accreditation of Higher Education programs. As a native Spanish speaker and English language learner, her passion for

children and their literacy is an important component of her work with AMIGOS Latino Centers, PHASE Foundation and Girls, Inc. Additional boards she currently serves on include the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce and the Reid Health Community Benefit Council. In 2020, she was named one of the Indiana Business Journal's Forty Under 40, which recognizes leadership talent in Indiana.

Atkinson earned a Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in 2008, a Master of Arts degree in Elementary and Early Childhood Education from the University of South Carolina in 2010, and a Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction from Lesley University in 2012. She earned her PhD in Adult Learning and Development from Lesley University in 2016. She is the proud wife to Keith, whom she met in the Marine Corps, and mom to Kelsey, 11, and Jordan, 7.

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Committee, Spartz said, "I am excited to serve on the Education and Labor committee as nothing is more important to the future of our Country than the education of our children, and it is vital to our economic strength that we ensure American workers and job creators have the freedom to succeed."

Ranking member Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-N.C.) said, "The Education and Labor Committee plays a foundational role in Congress, covering issues that impact Americans at all stages of life – from child care all the way through retirement. The Republican members joining the Committee in the 117th Congress are a strong addition to our team and will help advance forward-looking policies that give students, job creators, and workers opportunities to succeed."

Thanks for reading!

friends who indicate that they just don't bother trying to do much activity any more due to the fact that they cannot move the way they used to; flexibility and strength have waned. And YES, certainly our ability to move and stay strong does change as we age. Noted in the quote above, the important thing is that we do not STOP. If we do so, our muscles begin to atrophy, our joints become stiff and

immovable, and our organs become more sluggish and prone to disease.

We are all hopeful about the vaccine and getting on the other side of this terrible pandemic. And yes, I plan to continue wearing the mask even after the vaccine until it is contained.

Let's also get there in the best shape we can. Of course, many of us have indulged in goodies and food items that are not best included in a

healthy eating plan, and like me many of us are just not as active as we usually have been in the past. So, let's get going, no matter how slowly we go. The important thing is that we do not STOP.

Along with that, let's not stop working on our "mind fitness" by challenging ourselves to improve our minds through reading, playing games, and I might suggest writing as well. Publishing a book about my beloved

dog, Sweetie, was a challenging and very rewarding experience. Write about what you know, what you love, or what you feel will be helpful for other people to learn and you will reap the benefits of a stronger and more flexible mind to go along with your stronger and more flexible body!

The important thing – don't give up because our world has changed and placed obstacles where we

could not have before imagined. Keep going ... no matter if the going is a bit slower, just do it!

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quickly adapting and implementing new procedures and keeping employees safe. In November 2020, TCC CEO Scott Moorehead was named one of the 25 **highest-rated CEOs** during the pandemic, chosen by feedback from employee reviews on Glassdoor.

Top Workplaces USA offers national recognition for large organizations and those that may have operations in multiple markets.

Several thousand organizations from across the country were invited and more than 1,100 participated in the Top Workplaces USA survey. Winners of the Top Workplaces USA list are chosen based solely on employee feedback gathered through an employee engagement survey. In 2020, TCC was also named a Top Workplace in Indianapolis by *The Indianapolis Star* through Energage.

"We are honored to be recognized as one of the top employers in both of these national awards programs," Moorehead said. "We owe all our success to our employees and are proud to see our team camaraderie and morale so high that it's been noticed on a national scale. TCC's culture of service ensures we meet the needs of our employees first, and I could not be happier with the results of this movement

and awards program."

TCC is a **Culture of Good Inc.** company that makes ongoing investments in the local communities where it operates. **TCC Gives Community Grants**, a private foundation of TCC operated under Round Room Gives, provides grants to 501(c)(3) organizations in cities served by TCC across the U.S. and recently surpassed \$2.5 million in

donations to nonprofits across the country. Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, TCC Gives Community Grants donated \$160,000 to 80 different nonprofits across the nation that support the most vulnerable communities impacted by the pandemic.

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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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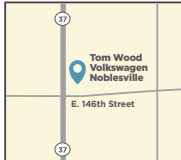
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As college costs continue to rise, more and more parents are choosing to use Indiana CollegeChoice 529 Savings Plans to help their child get the skills they need for the workforce while taking on less student loan debt.

This long-term savings plan has traditionally been used to pay for college and technical schools, and Hoo-



TONY COOK
State Representative

sier families can now use these savings for qualified apprenticeship programs. This additional flexibility in how Hoosiers can spend their CollegeChoice 529 savings has the potential to reach more students than ever before to ensure they have an opportunity to follow a career path that best suits their talents.

As of Dec. 31, 2020, over 64,000 Hoosiers in House District 32 put away more than \$1.1 billion into their children's College Choice 529 Savings Plans. Statewide, that figure is upwards of \$6 billion. This is billions of dollars that young Hoosiers will not have to borrow to pay for their education or qualified training costs.

Many students often feel the pressure to use those dollars saved to pursue a traditional four-year

degree even if it may not be the best educational path for them. A recent change in the federal statute will now deem apprenticeship programs registered by the Secretary of Labor as acceptable expenses with this long-term savings plan.

This comes at a time when Indiana is working to skill up its workforce and fill thousands of unfilled, high-paying positions across the state. Many of these jobs are in skilled trades, which may require

an applicant to undergo apprenticeship training. Including these programs as qualified costs creates an incentive for students to take on opportunities in a wide range of fields.

It is clear Hoosiers are working hard to prepare their children to get the education and skills they need to join a global workforce. With qualified apprenticeship programs added to the list of acceptable educational expenses for the CollegeChoice 529

Savings Plan, parents can continue saving, knowing a wide range of educational paths are available for their child. If you have any input regarding this long-term savings program, feel free to contact my office at (317) 232-9863 or H32@iga.in.gov.

State Rep. Tony Cook (R-Cicero) represents House District 32, which includes all of Tipton County and portions of Hamilton, Madison, Delaware, Howard and Grant counties.

Noblesville resident promoted to vice president for regulatory affairs, policy for Indiana at Duke Energy

The REPORTER

Duke Energy has promoted Kelley Karn to the newly-created office of vice president for regulatory affairs and policy for Indiana.

Since 2006, Karn served as the utility's lead regulatory attorney in Indiana and has led legal and regulatory initiatives with state and federal regulators. She was promoted to deputy general counsel in 2008.

In her new role, Kelley will be responsible for relationships and advocacy with stakeholder groups and key state executive agencies including the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, the Office of Utility Consumer Counselor, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, as well as the governor's office. She will also fill policy committee needs for the company at the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, Indiana Manufacturers Association and the Indiana Energy Association.

Additionally, Karn will

provide leadership and strategic direction for the development and coordination of comprehensive energy policy strategies for Duke Energy Indiana.

"There is no one better qualified to fill this new position than Kelley," said Stan Pinegar, Duke Energy state president for Indiana. "While serving as lead regulatory attorney, Kelley and her team have worked hard to create long-lasting stakeholder relationships that have resulted in constructive regulatory and legal outcomes. She will play a large role in moving the company forward in this period of rapid change in our industry."

Karn earned her bachelor's degree in government, international relations and public policy from the University of Notre Dame, graduating cum laude. Her juris doctor degree is from the Indiana University School of Law - Indianapolis, where she graduated summa cum laude. She is

admitted to the Indiana Bar. Karn and her husband, Ron, have three sons and live in Noblesville.

The company also announced that Beth Heneghan, who is associate general counsel, will move up to take Karn's role as deputy general counsel and lead regulatory attorney in Indiana.

Heneghan has been legal counsel for Duke Energy focusing on Indiana regulatory work since 2008, and was promoted to her current role as Associate General Counsel in 2012. She has been instrumental in many key regulatory outcomes for Duke Energy Indiana, including her work with both the Edwardsport IGCC plant as well as coal ash basin closures. With her depth of experience, she is well positioned to lead the Indiana regulatory legal team.

Heneghan and her husband, Mike, live in Indianapolis with their five children.

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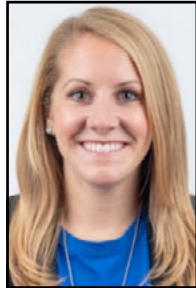
Three CCHA attorneys elevated to partner

The REPORTER

Church Church Hittle + Antrim (CCHA) has announced that three attorneys have been named partner: Rachel Woloshin, Leslie Gieger, and Jessica Billingsley.

Rachel Woloshin is a partner in the firm's litigation practice section. She concentrates her practice in advising and navigating plaintiff clients through worker's compensation and personal injury claims, including car and truck accidents and wrongful death claims. She handles cases before the Indiana state and federal courts and the Indiana Worker's Compensation Board.

Jessica Billingsley is a



Woloshin



Billingsley



Gieger

partner in the education law practice group. She helps schools around the state with the ever-evolving legal landscapes of law, policy, and practical matters. She also enjoys the often-complex problems presented in employment law, and provides guidance to both employers and employees.

Leslie Gieger is a partner in the firm's busi-

ness practice section. She joined CCHA in August 2014 and advises individuals and businesses ranging from closely-held companies to multi-million-dollar enterprises. She focuses her practice on her clients' wide array of business needs, including business formation, asset and equity purchase and sale agreements, real estate,

succession planning, owner disputes, and ongoing business maintenance.

These additions strengthen CCHA's presence as one of oldest and most established law firms in Indiana. Church Church Hittle + Antrim also boasts an equal number of male and female attorneys serving clients throughout the state with offices in Fishers, Fort Wayne, Merrillville, Noblesville, Tipton, and Westfield.

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Letter to the Editor

Mic Mead responds to young Republican on climate change

Dear Editor:

I am **responding to Kenzie Binford** of the College Republicans at IU.

I am also a dedicated Republican and environmentalist who has read the reports of peer-reviewed researchers for decades. I have a science degree from Purdue.

You referred to Senator Braun. I have met him, listen to him and like him very much. But he is a very bright and successful businessman – not a scientist.

I sincerely hope you have studied the causes of climate cycles that have gone on for four-and-a-half billion years. I am proud of you for your effort, but you have been duped and used by the political left.

Many have confused climate cycles with weather. I'll try to be brief with my facts:

1) CO2 does NOT cause warming. NO PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCHER HAS BEEN ABLE TO PROVE OTHERWISE. In fact, it is fertilizer that has greatly increased crop production the world over, helping many third world countries.

2) Climate cycles are primarily caused by the sun's 12+/- year cycles of sun spots (cooling) and the solar flares (warming).

3) Millions of tons of ice have been added to Antarctica in recent years, causing it to break off its shelf and be mistaken for melting.

4) The oceans are not rising – no islands have been flooded. Miami Beach is sinking a bit because it was built on a marsh.

5) Greenland was lush green farmland when the Vikings settled it a few hundred years ago. They left or died from the cold a few hundred years later. Its glaciers are again increasing, as are Iceland's.

6) There are more polar bears than ever previously reported.

7) Generating electricity with wind is expensive. The wind generators break down, are made in China and kill great piles of birds.

8) Solar panels also are made in China, are short-lived and, like wind generators, more expensive, subject to the sunshine, therefore requiring storage facilities or gas backups. Private solar systems where power breakdowns are frequent are probably very helpful.

9) Adding ethanol to gasoline may help the farmers. But the process uses more energy than it produces.

10) Our efforts to clean up pollution has greatly cleaned the air. The Paris Accords will send our millions of dollars to China to clean their air, but they do not use it there – theirs is the most polluted air in the world.

11) We and ALL PLANTS AND ANIMALS ARE MADE OF CARBON. We depend on carbon.

12) The fires in Australia and in the U.S. have had great publicity this year, but actually we have had fewer forest fires in recent years than previously. The seriousness was caused by lack of management that reduces fuel. Fortunately, the U.S. Forest Service is planning on removing millions of dead trees this summer against the wishes of radical environmentalists.

13) Hurricanes and tornadoes are more damaging because we are doing more building in their paths. Their frequency and intensity are less than in over 100 years.

14) The Atlantic is actually in a third year of one of its cooling cycles.

Be careful, Kenzie Binford of Carmel – you have really been duped by the left's political propaganda.

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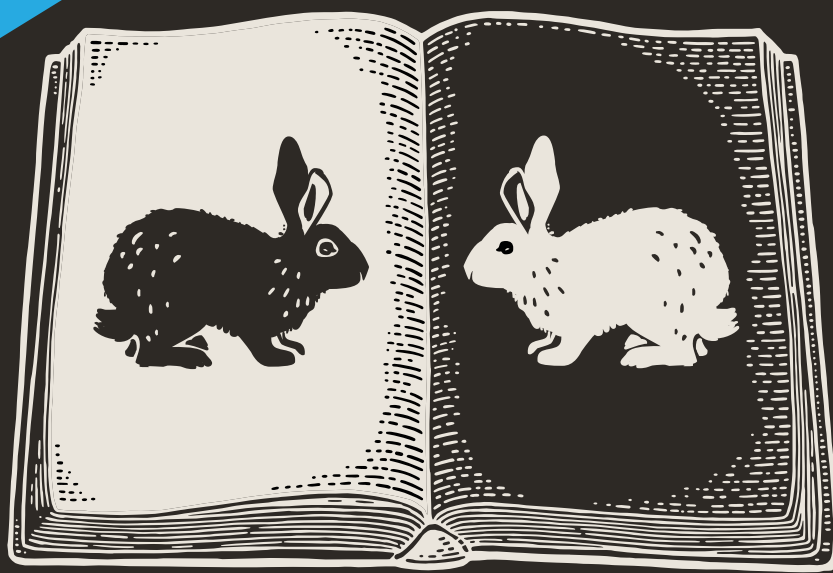


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Romans 8:34-39 (NIV)

Meeting Notices

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) the Hamilton County Council Highway Committee will meet to discuss highway projects at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2021, at the Hamilton County Highway Department, 1700 S. 10th St., Noblesville.

The Jackson Township Merit Board will hold its annual organization meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2021, at the Jackson Township Trustee's Office, 506 W. Main St., Arcadia.

The Delaware Township Board and Trustee will meet to discuss personnel policy at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2021, at the Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E 131st St., Fishers. The Board of Finance will discuss the investing officer's report and outstanding checks.

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Dr. Ben L. Bromley

May 9, 1941 – January 28, 2021



Dr. Ben L. Bromley, 79, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, January 28, 2021 at River-view Health in Noblesville. He was born on May 9, 1941 to Richard and Marjorie (Blendeman) Bromley in South Bend.

Dr. Ben graduated from New Carlisle, Ind., High School in 1959, lettering in all four sports. He attended Ball State University and graduated from the IU School of Dentistry. Upon graduation, Ben attended the United States Naval Academy for basic training. He then served as a dentist with both the Navy and Marine Corps. After his military service, Ben opened a practice in Noblesville where he practiced for over 50 years. He was active in the community and enjoyed his membership with the 50 Club as well as being an avid golfer and woodworker.

Ben is survived by his wife, Carmen, whom he married on September 1, 1962; daughters, Ann Bromley-Vest (Jeff), and Amy Foss (David); brothers, Robert “Bob” Bromley (Diana), and James “Jim” (Christina) Bromley; and his three granddaughters, Ariel, Hailey, and Kaia Foss.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Richard Bromley; and sister, Elizabeth Bromley.


Due to COVID-19, the family will not be holding a memorial service at this time.

Donations may be mailed to the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, 1700 Conner St., Noblesville, IN 46060, or online at bgcni.org.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Stanley Paul Haas

July 8, 1942 – January 26, 2021



Stanley Paul Haas, 78, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at River-view Health in Noblesville. He was born on July 8, 1942 to Rae John and Martha Joan (O'Bryan) Haas in Louisville, Ky.

Stan was the eldest of 11 children. He graduated from Fern Creek High School in 1960 and University of Louisville in 1965. Stan met his wife, Anna, on a blind date, and they married in August of 1966. Stan worked for 28 years as a Senior Chemical Engineer for Firestone Industrial Products. In his early years at Firestone, he was able to travel to Germany and Mexico, serving an integral position in the manufacturing of air rides, tire and tank track.

Stan enjoyed the game of golf and was always very excited to cheer on his Louisville Cardinals. He was a very proud father and Papaw that absolutely adored his grandchildren. Stan had an unbelievable amount of patience and loved math, chemistry and driving lessons. He also enjoyed cheering for their sports and sharing every adventure and accomplishment.

Stan was an avid reader of the daily newspaper (always completing the daily crossword puzzle) and a well-informed Noblesville resident. He never met a stranger and was very quick to share his knowledge on a variety of Facebook posts.

Stan volunteered in a variety of positions. His favorite spot was sitting at the information desk at the Riverview Hospital ER. Stan also drove a food donation truck for Third Phase, volunteered at St. Vincent DePaul, and served for many years as a Sacristan and Eucharistic Minister at Our Lady of Grace Church.

He is survived by his wife, Anna C. (Schneider) Haas; daughter, Denise Kinkead (Eddie); son, Paul Haas (Lisa Ronzo); grandchildren, Collin Kinkead, Annalise Haas, and Hannah Kinkead; and eight siblings.

In addition to his parents, Stan was preceded in death by his sisters, Carol Albers and Bonita Haas.



Private family services will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2021 with burial at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. The service may be watched virtually at ologn.org/live.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent de Paul, 1391 Greenfield Ave., Noblesville, IN 46060.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Charles E. Merriman

July 8, 1924 – January 26, 2021



Charles E. Merriman, 96, Sheridan, went home to the lord on January 26, 2021. Charles was born on July 8, 1924 to Carl and Ruth (Allen) Merriman in Mooresville, Ind. He graduated from Westfield High School, member of the Class of 1942.

Charles immediately enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served his country during World War II. He was assigned to work as a medic on the St. Mary Hospital Ship. After the war, Charles returned home and used the GI Bill and enrolled into Butler University. He graduated in 1949 with a degree in Botany. Charles married the love of his life, Roeberta May (King) Merriman, on January 28, 1949. The two of them were at each other's side for over 70 years.

Charles and Roeberta helped start Faith Community Church in Noblesville; he was a founding father. Charles' strong faith led him to serve at the Hamilton County Jail. He would read the Bible and share his love in the Lord with the inmates. He would also be found counseling the younger inmates encouraging them to change their lives for the better. He would pray with them and for them. He was also a member of Gideon and would pass out Bibles.

Charles and Roeberta's strong faith and values were shared with their three children, Debbie Merriman, Sheridan, Robert Merriman, Greenfield, and Jeff (Debbie) Merriman, Sheridan. Charles was a loving grandfather to Ryan (Sami) Merriman, Emily (Stephanos) Theodorou, Elizabeth Merriman, Thomas Merriman, Amber Merriman, and Whitney (Ellis) Ritchie. He was a proud great-grandfather to Lilly, Charlie, Isabe, Elena, Lyla, Malik, Lincoln, and Willa. Preceding Charles in death is his brother, Norman Merriman.


Charles did many things over the years. He drove a truck and owned and operated Merriman Feed and Seed company in Sheridan, and he proudly farmed for many years.

Services for Charles will be private. The family would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers. Donations may be made in memory of Charles to Faith Community Church, 19201 Promise Road, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Everyone is invited to sign the online guestbook, leave a condolence or share a memory at fisherfunerals.com.

Brenda Joyce Johnson

April 8, 1940 – January 27, 2021



Brenda Joyce Johnson, 80, Clarksville, Tenn., formerly of Westmoreland, Tenn., and Cicero, passed away on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at her home. She was born on April 8, 1940 to Wilbur C. Boone and Elizabeth Madaline (Payne) Pickett in Noblesville.

Brenda worked at and retired from Westmoreland High School. She was a former member of Noblesville Women of the Moose Chapter #937, Cicero Lioness, Cicero Jayshees, and Roaring Demonstration Club. Brenda was an avid crocheter, loved all flowers, and enjoyed her hummingbirds and her pet peacock.


She is survived by her children, Randy L. Chaudion, Michael A. Chaudion, and Amy L. (Chaudion) Kelly; six step-children; grandchildren, Andrea Moore and Rusty Chaudion; several step-grandchildren; great-grandson, Blake Moore; brother, Jeff Pickett; step-brother, Phil Pickett; half-brother, Daniel Boone; and her special friends, Myra Rollin, Bonita Atkins, and April Paladine.

In addition to her parents, Brenda was preceded in death by her husband, James Johnson, whom she married on June 6, 1981; sister, Judy Morelock; half-brother, Steve Boone; and her special cousin, Elenora Conduff.

Visitation will be from noon to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Private graveside services will be at Cicero Cemetery in Cicero.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 5635 W. 96th St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46278.

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Boys basketball

Royals win all-county game over Millers

By RICHIE HALL

FISHERS - Hamilton Southeastern picked up its third win in seven days on Friday, beating Noblesville 76-66 in an all-county and Hoosier Crossroads Conference game at the Royals' gym.

The game was a hard-fought contest and was close in the first half. Southeastern had two big runs in that half, one towards the end of each quarter. The first-period run allowed the Royals to get in front, and the second-period run gave HSE the separation it needed to get its lead into double digits by halftime, and the Royals stayed comfortably in front for the second half.

The Millers scored the first basket of the game, a 3-pointer by Noah Harris. Southeastern scored the next five points, breaking the ice with a layin by Alex Totton, then Vinny Buccilla's 3 put the Royals ahead 5-3.

Noblesville answered with back-to-back triples by E.J. Smith and Luke Almodovar, giving it a 9-5 advantage. But Southeastern was in control for the remainder of the first quarter, scoring 10 straight points to lead 15-9 by the period's end. Totton scored on back-to-back 3s to get the Royals ahead for good.

The two teams played even for the first part of the second quarter. David Lloyd hit consecutive baskets for the Millers, and Almodovar made another 3. Meanwhile, Southeastern got baskets from Jason Stutz and Sam Jacobs, while Buccilla and John McCall each converted three-point plays for the Royals.

Smith drained a 3 to keep Noblesville within 25-22 midway through the period. That's when HSE began an 11-0 run, started by a 3-pointer from McCall. He would score seven points in the run, which ended with McCall making two free throws. The Royals led 36-23 at halftime.

"At the end of the first quarter and second quarter, we were able to continue to do the things that we talked about and get that little separation and have a little cushion," said Southeastern coach Brian Satterfield. During halftime, the Royals talked about making sure they sustained



Hamilton Southeastern's John McCall (center) earned his first double-double of the year with 21 points and 11 rebounds during the Royals' 76-66 win over Noblesville on Friday. Also pictured for Southeastern is Jason Stutz (left), while pictured for Noblesville is Preston Roberts (right).

Photo by Joshua Herd

that advantage.

"And I thought we had a good start to the second half as well," said Satterfield.

Southeastern kept its lead at 10 points or more for all but a few seconds of the second half. In the third quarter, a Buccilla triple put the Royals up 43-28. Buccilla scored nine points in the period, including a 3-pointer to end the third that put Southeastern up 55-36.

"They're the most physical team, toughest team, in terms of making those winning plays since probably Carmel," said Noblesville coach John Peckinpugh. "And we talked about it all week.

If we can win the toughness battle against these guys, getting to the floor first for the loose ball, coming up with the big rebounds, doing those things that really they excel in, we would have a chance to win. We just didn't do it enough."

McCall opened the fourth quarter with a layin and the Royals had their largest lead of the game at 57-36. Noblesville began to make a run, starting with an early 6-0 stretch. Lloyd scored three of those points on 3-of-4 foul shooting.

Dalton Retzner had a good fourth quarter for HSE, scoring six points. A McCall layin got the Royals back up 67-49. The Millers then went on a 15-5 run to briefly cut the Royals' lead to 72-64; Josh Durham, Almodovar and Lloyd all hit 3's during the run, with Lloyd's triple getting Noblesville within eight with under a minute to go. But Stutz and Totton both hit a pair of free throws during that final minute to keep Southeastern at a solid distance.

Satterfield gave the Millers credit after the game.

"They didn't quit, they kept fighting," said Satterfield. "Made a little run at us. We got to shore some things up from what they did to us. But the thing is, our guys keep battling, they keep competing. We had good balance tonight, four guys in double figures. That's the positive we're going to keep trying to build on."

McCall led the way with 21 points and 11 rebounds, his first double-double of the season. Buccilla added 17 points, including three 3s, while Totton and Retzner both scored 12. Retzner also pulled five rebounds. The Royals had 21 assists as a team, with Buccilla dishing out seven, Stutz handing out five and McCall handing out four. Buccilla and Mohammed Awad both had four rebounds.

"That's the one thing about Mo," said Satterfield. "Things don't show up on the stat sheet, but what we love about him is

when he gets out there and he hustles and competes and just seems to get his hands on everything. We just love the energy that he always brings."

Lloyd was Noblesville's high scorer with 17 points, followed by Smith with 15 and Almodovar with 13, including three 3s. Harris and Preston Roberts both scored nine points.

Lloyd collected six rebounds and Harris had five, with Smith dishing out five assists.

"We're at a point where we're playing better basketball than we were in November and December," said Peckinpugh. "But we have to figure out how to get to that next level. And I think we're right there on the verge of doing it. But they've got to buy in and believe in what it takes and how you have to practice every day and what that looks like. And we'll get there. It's a long season, still, if we stay healthy, knock on wood. I thought we fought. We just didn't come up with those toughness plays tonight that we needed to win the game."

The Millers are 1-4 in HCC play and 8-6 overall. Noblesville is scheduled to play at Guerin Catholic tonight.

The Royals improved to 3-2 in the conference and are also 8-6 overall. Their next game is another HCC contest, as Southeastern hosts Franklin Central on Thursday.

"We're definitely moving in the right direction," said Satterfield. "Are there still things that we still need to improve on? Definitely. But we still got another month before tournament time and hopefully we can continue to work on those things."

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Score by Quarters

Noblesville	9	14	13	30	66
Southeastern	15	21	19	21	76

NOBLESVILLE 76, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 66					
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Josh Durham	1-2	0-0	3	5	
E.J. Smith	3-10	7-9	15	2	
Noah Harris	4-7	0-0	9	1	
Luke Almodovar	3-7	4-7	13	4	
Preston Roberts	2-5	4-6	9	2	
Aaron Fine	0-4	0-0	0	5	
David Lloyd	6-12	4-6	17	1	
Totals	19-47	19-28	66	20	
Noblesville 3-point shooting (9-20) Almodovar 3-6, Smith 2-4, Harris 1-3, Lloyd 1-3, Durham 1-1, Roberts 1-1, Fine 0-2. Noblesville rebounds (19) Lloyd 6, Harris 5, Durham 3, Roberts 2, Fine 1, Smith 1, Almodovar 1.					
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Alex Totton	4-9	2-2	12	0	
Dalton Retzner	4-5	4-4	12	3	
Vinny Buccilla	6-11	2-2	17	5	
Sam Jacobs	2-3	0-0	4	4	
John McCall	7-11	6-9	21	4	
Loudon Sundling	0-0	0-0	0	1	
Jason Stutz	2-4	2-3	6	4	
Mohammed Awad	0-0	0-0	0	1	
Isaac Bowman	2-3	0-0	4	1	
Totals	27-46	16-20	76	23	
Southeastern 3-point shooting (6-15) Buccilla 3-5, Totton 2-6, McCall 1-1, Stutz 0-1, Bowman 0-1, Jacobs 0-1. Southeastern rebounds (34) McCall 11, Retzner 5, Buccilla 4, Awad 4, Stutz 3, Sundling 2, Jacobs 2, Totton 1, Bowman 1, team 1.					
Score by Quarters					
Noblesville	9	14	13	30	66
Southeastern	15	21	19	21	76

'Hounds perfect in MIC . . .

Carmel sails past Ben Davis, 67-41

Carmel kept itself undefeated in the Metropolitan Conference on Friday by sailing past Ben Davis 67-41 at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

The Class 4A No. 4 Greyhounds got off to a good start, leading the Giants 19-6 after the first quarter. Carmel maintained that advantage at halftime, going into the locker room up 33-21. The 'Hounds then had another solid defensive quarter, holding Ben Davis to nine points and leading 52-30 after three.

Peter Suder scored 20 points for Carmel and also handed out four assists. Charlie Williams added 12 points and collected seven rebounds. The Greyhounds had 17 team assists, with Josh Whack dishing out five and Connor Gioia handing out four.

Carmel is on top of the MIC standings with a 5-0 record, with Lawrence North the only other undefeated team at 4-0. The two teams will meet at the Wildcats' gym on Thursday. The Greyhounds are

14-1 overall and are scheduled to play at New Castle this afternoon.				
CARMEL 67, BEN DAVIS 41				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Connor Gioia	2-3	0-0	4	3
Josh Whack	2-2	1-1	5	3
Peter Suder	9-10	0-1	20	3
Brian Waddell	4-5	0-0	8	0
Charlie Williams	5-7	2-2	12	2
Sam Orme	3-7	0-0	8	0
Wil Leary	1-3	0-0	3	3
Bryce Beery	1-4	0-0	2	1
Nick Frische	2-2	0-0	4	0
Burke Weldy	0-0	0-0	0	0
Spencer White	0-0	0-0	0	0
Jared Bonds	0-0	1-2	1	1
Totals	29-43	4-6	67	16
Score by Quarters				
Ben Davis	6	15	9	11 - 41
Carmel	19	14	19	15 - 67
Carmel 3-point shooting (5-10) Orme 2-3, Suder 2-2, Leary 1-3, Gioia 0-1, Waddell 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (23) Williams 7, Suder 4, Waddell 3, Beery 3, Orme 2, Gioia 1, Leary 1, Frische 1, Bonds 1.				

Still on top of HCC standings . . .

'Rocks take care of Avon

Westfield picked up a solid Hoosier Crossroads Conference win at Avon Friday, 78-60.

The Shamrocks had its offense clicking right away, leading 22-16 after one quarter. Westfield then held a 42-26 advantage at halftime and jumped ahead 64-43 after three periods.

Braden Smith scored 25 points, one of four Shamrocks players in double figures scoring. Smith hit three 3-pointers, handed out nine assists and collected six rebounds. Cam Haffner contributed 14 points, Nic Depasquale added 12 points and Matthew Penley had 10 points and three blocked shots. Benji Welch pulled five rebounds.

Westfield continues to lead the HCC race with a 4-1 record and is 10-3 overall. The 'Rocks host Muncie Central this afternoon.

WESTFIELD 78, AVON 60				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Braden Smith	9-13	4-4	25	3
Benji Welch	3-4	2-3	8	3
Matthew Penley	4-4	2-2	10	3
Cam Haffner	6-11	0-0	14	1
Nic Depasquale	5-8	1-2	12	1
Luke Naas	2-4	2-2	8	0
Trey Dorton	0-2	0-1	0	3
Luke Van Dyke	0-0	0-0	0	0
Kai Butterworth	0-2	1-2	1	0
Alex Romack	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	29-48	12-16	78	14
Score by Quarters				
Westfield	22	20	22	14 - 78
Avon	16	10	17	17 - 60
Westfield 3-point shooting (8-21) Smith 3-6, Naas 2-4, Haffner 2-4, Depasquale 1-4, Butterworth 0-2, Welch 0-1.				
Westfield rebounds (30) Smith 6, Welch 5, Dorton 4, Haffner 4, Van Dyke 3, Butterworth 3, Penley 2, Depasquale 2, Romack 1.				

'Hawks drop HHC game at Taylor

Sheridan dropped a Hoosier Heartland Conference game at Taylor on Friday, 61-55.

The Blackhawks led 20-16 after the first quarter, with Corbin Murray and Keenan Warren both scoring six points. But the Titans took over in the second period, outscoring Sheridan 19-8 to hold a 35-28 halftime advantage. The 'Hawks cut Taylor's lead to 45-41 by the end of the third quarter, but Taylor was able to hold on in the fourth.

Sheridan coach Tod Windlan said that his team "couldn't execute the layups, nor make the free throws," adding that the 3-point shooting was off.

"We can't win playing like that," said Windlan. "Got to do better and be ready for tomorrow's game."

Kyle Eden scored 20 points for the game, including 14 in the second half. Warren added 11 points and Murray scored 10. Ethan Moistner collected 13 rebounds and chipped in eight points,

while Warren also had rebounds. Eden dished out six assists and Murray handed out four assists.

The Blackhawks are 1-2 in conference play and 5-5 overall. Sheridan is scheduled to host North Miami this afternoon.

SHERIDAN 61, TAYLOR 55				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Corbin Murray	5-9	0-0	10	0
Kyle Eden	9-14	1-3	20	2
Cayden Hunter	2-6	0-1	4	5
Keenan Warren	5-8	1-3	11	4
Ethan Moistner	3-14	1-2	8	4
Evan Grinstead	1-3	0-0	2	0
Carson Huffman	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	25-54	3-9	55	15
Score by Quarters				
Sheridan	20	8	13	14 - 55
Taylor	16	19	10	16 - 61
Sheridan 3-point shooting (2-17) Moistner 1-9, Eden 1-3, Hunter 0-3, Grinstead 0-2.				
Sheridan rebounds (32) Moistner 13, Warren 9, Murray 3, Eden 3, Hunter 3, Grinstead 1.				

Key division victory . . .

Huskies get comeback win over Blue Devils

Hamilton Heights made a big comeback in the fourth quarter against rival Tipton on Friday, and that sent the Huskies to a 73-65 victory in a key Hoosier Conference East Division game at the Blue Devils' gym.

Heights led 18-13 after the first quarter and 34-30 at halftime. Tipton took over in the third period, scoring 23 points to lead the Huskies 53-48 by the end of the quarter. But it was all Heights in the fourth, as it outscored the Blue Devils 25-12 to earn its fourth consecutive win.

Gus Etchison scored 22 points, one of three Huskies players in double figures. Isaac Wilson contributed 15 points and led the rebounds with five. Luke Carroll added 10 points and Noah Linville dished out five assists.

With the victory, Heights is 2-0 in the division, presently sharing the lead with Western and Lewis Cass. The Huskies

will host both those teams in the coming days, taking on Western on Feb. 6 and Cass on Feb. 9. Heights is 9-2 overall and next plays Thursday at Frankton.				
HAMILTON HEIGHTS 73, TIPTON 65				
Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Gus Etchison	7-16	7-9	22	2
Noah Linville	2-2	2-2	6	1
Luke Carroll	3-3	4-4	10	5
Isaac Wilson	5-8	2-2	14	3
Lucas Letsinger	2-9	2-2	7	0
Isaac Tuma	2-2	2-2	6	1
Tillman Etchison	2-5	2-2	8	1
Totals	23-45	21-23	73	13
Score by Quarters				
Heights	18	16	14	25 - 73
Tipton	13	17	23	12 - 65
Heights 3-point shooting (6-23) Wilson 2-5, T. Etchison 2-5, G. Etchison 1-7, Letsinger 1-7.				
Heights rebounds (15) Wilson 5, G. Etchison 4, T. Etchison 2, Linville 1, Carroll 1, Letsinger 1, Tuma 1.				



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Sheridan's Kyle Eden scored 20 points for the Blackhawks during their Friday game at Taylor.

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Girls basketball

Tigers finish regular season with HCC win

Fishers completed its regular and Hoosier Crossroads Conference season on Friday, coming back to beat Franklin Central 63-54 at the Tiger Den.

The Class 4A No. 7 Tigers trailed the Flashes 18-11 after the first quarter, but came blasting back in the second period, scoring 25 points to take a 36-28 half-time lead. Seven different Fishers players scored during that quarter, led by Olivia Smith's six points.

The Tigers maintained their lead in the third quarter, which finished with Fishers up 48-40. Free-throw shooting was key during that period, with the Tigers making 5 of 6 from the line. Fishers then held on to the lead in a tight fourth quarter; Katie Burton scored 10 points to help the Tigers seal the victory.

Burton totaled 21 points for the game; she scored six points in the first period. Smith totaled 12 points and Audra Emmerson added nine points.

Fishers finished HCC play with a 5-2

record and tied with Noblesville for second place in the conference. The Tigers are 16-4 overall and play Westfield Tuesday night in the first round of the Zionsville sectional.

FISHERS 63, FRANKLIN CENTRAL 54					
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Audra Emmerson	4	0-0	9	2	
Katie Howard	2	1-2	7	0	
Hailey Smith	1	1-2	3	1	
Olivia Smith	5	2-2	12	1	
Katie Burton	7	3-5	21	4	
Joirdyn Smith	1	0-0	2	1	
Haley Gausepohl	1	2-2	4	0	
Emily Gausepohl	0	0-0	0	1	
Jordan Imes	0	2-2	2	1	
Kaiya Walker	1	1-3	3	0	
Karina Scott	0	0-0	0	0	
Totals	22	12-18	63	11	
Score by Quarters					
Franklin Central	18	8	14	14	- 54
Fishers	11	25	12	15	- 63
Fishers 3-pointers (2) Emmerson 1, Burton 1.					

'Hounds take care of Ben Davis

Carmel closed out the regular season with a three-game win streak, beating Ben Davis 62-48 in a Metropolitan Conference game at the Giants' gym.

The Greyhounds led 15-10 after the first quarter and 27-24 at halftime. Carmel then took over in the third period, allowing the Giants only six points while pouring in 22. That gave the 'Hounds a 49-30 lead, and that carried them through the fourth quarter.

Hannah Lach scored 18 points for Carmel, while Kate Clarke added 12 points. Both players made two 3-pointers. Emily Roper dominated the boards with 12 rebounds and also handed out five assists.

The Greyhounds finished MIC play with a 5-2 record, tying for second with Lawrence North. Carmel is 14-6 overall and will play next Friday in the semi-finals of the Zionsville sectional. The

'Hounds will take on the winner of Tuesday's game between Westfield and Fishers.

CARMEL 62, BEN DAVIS 48					
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Erin Baker	4-7	0-1	8	2	
Kate Clarke	4-10	2-2	12	4	
Hannah Lach	5-9	6-6	18	1	
Emily Roper	3-5	1-2	8	2	
Laura Valiente	1-2	0-2	2	2	
Riley Pennington	2-3	2-2	6	4	
Mackenzie Thomas	3-5	2-2	8	3	
Totals	22-41	13-17	62	18	
Score by Quarters					
Carmel	15	12	22	13	- 62
Ben Davis	10	14	6	18	- 48
Carmel 3-point shooting (5-10) Lach 2-5, Clarke 2-4, Roper 1-1.					
Carmel rebounds (29) Roper 12, Pennington 4, Baker 3, Clarke 3, Lach 3, Valiente 2, Clarke 2.					



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Fishers' Katie Burton scored 21 points for the Tigers during their win over Franklin Central Friday at the Tiger Den.

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Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Philadelphia	14	6	.700	-
Brooklyn	13	8	.619	1.5
Boston	10	7	.588	2.5
New York	9	11	.450	5.0
Toronto	7	12	.368	6.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	11	7	.611	-
Indiana	11	8	.579	0.5
Cleveland	9	10	.474	2.5
Chicago	7	10	.412	3.5
Detroit	5	14	.263	6.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	10	9	.526	-
Charlotte	8	11	.421	2.0
Orlando	8	12	.400	2.5
Miami	6	12	.333	3.5
Washington	3	12	.200	5.0

Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Utah	15	4	.789	-
Denver	11	8	.579	4.0
Portland	9	8	.529	5.0
Oklahoma City	8	10	.444	6.5
Minnesota	4	14	.222	10.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Clippers	15	5	.750	-
L.A. Lakers	14	6	.700	1.0
Phoenix	9	8	.529	4.5
Golden State	10	9	.526	4.5
Sacramento	8	10	.444	6.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Antonio	11	8	.579	-
Memphis	7	6	.538	1.0
Houston	8	9	.471	2.0
Dallas	8	11	.421	3.0
New Orleans	7	10	.412	3.0

Pacers fall just short against Hornets

By WHEAT HOTCHKISS
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

The Pacers beat the Hornets on Wednesday night in Charlotte, but repeating the feat proved to be more difficult.

Indiana (11-8) mounted a charge in the fourth quarter on Friday night in Charlotte, but ultimately came up just short in a 108-105 loss to the Hornets (8-11). The Pacers have now split each of the three two-game series they have played against the same opponent so far in the regular season.

The Hornets led 92-82 early in the fourth before Domantas Sabonis and the Pacers made their run. The All-Star big man scored six points during a 9-0 Indiana run to make it a one-point game with eight minutes remaining.

Malcolm Brogdon's 3-pointer with 5:27 left tied the game at 94. The two teams then traded buckets twice before Myles Turner's turnaround hook on the right baseline gave the Blue & Gold a 100-98 lead with 3:06 remaining.

Cody Zeller's layup with 2:07 to play knotted the score once again. Brogdon missed a point-blank layup on the other end before another Zeller basket put the hosts up two with 1:46 remaining.

Jeremy Lamb hit a 3-pointer 15 seconds later to put the Pacers back in front, but Terry Rozier answered with a three of his own after an offensive rebound and

kick-out from Graham with 1:10 to play. Zeller blocked Lamb on the other end and then Graham drained another triple to make it a five-point game with 52.6 seconds left.

A layup by Brogdon cut the deficit to three with 41.5 seconds remaining. Indiana's defense forced a Gordon Hayward turnover on the other end, giving the Blue & Gold the ball back with 20.4 seconds remaining.

Zeller fouled Justin Holiday on a closeout in the left corner with 8.7 seconds to go, but the Pacers weren't yet in the bonus. Head coach Nate Bjorkgren then called a timeout to try to draw up a look for a game-tying three.

Brogdon inbounded to Sabonis who handed the ball back to him. Brogdon had a clean look, but missed long and the ball went out of bounds off Indiana to seal the victory for Charlotte.

Sabonis led the visitors with 22 points, 11 rebounds, and six assists in the loss. Brogdon added 21 points, four rebounds, and eight assists, while Turner tallied 20 points on 9-of-14 shooting, eight rebounds, and two blocks.

"We didn't get as many stops as we would have liked to all game long," Turner said. "I think we kind of started off in the first half not really establishing our defense. Rebounding hurt us, too. It seemed like every single time we missed

a rebound, they hit a three. Those are big plays."

The first quarter on Friday featured two ties and seven lead changes. The Pacers hit four early 3-pointers and led 24-19 before Charlotte closed the opening frame with a 13-4 run to take a 32-28 advantage into the second quarter.

Hot shooting helped the Hornets extend their lead in the ensuing quarter. Charlotte made six threes — two apiece by Rozier and Graham — in the first nine minutes of the frame to open up a 62-48 lead.

The Blue & Gold mounted a charge before halftime, closing the second quarter with a 12-2 run, capped by Edmond Sumner's corner three just before the intermission trimmed the deficit to 64-60.

The Hornets quickly pushed the margin back to double digits, however. PJ Washington made a pair of 3-pointers as Charlotte opened the second half with eight unanswered points.

The Pacers lost sharpshooter Doug McDermott midway through the third quarter after he collided with Zeller on a baseline drive and bruised his lower back. McDermott had previously gone to the locker room in the second quarter with a right thumb contusion but returned to the court to start the second half.

Indiana failed to cut into Charlotte's lead over the course of the third quarter

and headed to the final frame trailing, 89-80.

"We've got to finish our positions out a little better," Bjorkgren said. "Guys are fighting, they're flying, they're scrambling around. That was the difference tonight. We needed a couple bounces to go our way there over the final two and a half, three minutes."

Lamb finished with 12 points, five rebounds, two blocks, and two steals for the Pacers. McDermott joined him in double figures despite his early exit, registering 11 points on 5-of-7 shooting and six rebounds in 17 minutes of action.

Rozier and Washington shared high scorer honors for Charlotte with 19 points each. Rozier went 5-for-8 from 3-point range, while Washington went 7-for-8 from the field and pulled down nine rebounds.

LaMelo Ball had 16 points, six rebounds, and seven assists off the bench for the Hornets. Graham added 14 points and 10 assists, while Zeller (12 points and six rebounds) and Hayward (11 points, eight rebounds, six assists, and two blocks) also finished in double figures.

The Pacers return home for their next two games, including a big one on Sunday night against Philadelphia, who currently owns the best record in the Eastern Conference.

Friday high school basketball scores

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