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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Partly sunny.
Tonight: Mostly clear.

HIGH: 67 LOW: 45





Paul Poteet
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Arcadia breaks ground on downtown splash pad



The Town of Arcadia recently broke ground on a new splash pad for residents and visitors to use during the summer months. The splash pad will be located in downtown, in the heart of Arcadia, at 126 W. Main St.

Photo provided

A hymn ... medicine for the soul

I can name that hymn in five notes. Actually, it takes a few notes more than five.

Perhaps it was all those years as the church organist/pianist that have the melody engrained in my head. But oh, when my heart hears the words!

Give me a hymn to sing and my heart sings, too. There is something truly sacred about a hymn. It is medicine for a hurting soul.

So, I'll cherish the "Old Rugged Cross" "Because He Lives" ... I can face tomorrow.

Mercy there was great and grace was free ... "At Calvary"

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to thee ... "How great thou art"

It's never more than at Easter when the hymns seem so sacred, when they soothe my soul and calm my anxious heart.

I am reminded of the despair and darkness of Good Friday, when Jesus was crucified. Hope was nailed to the cross. The skies went dark. What now? Jesus' death changed everything.

The next day had to consume the believers with questions and more fear and doubt. Grief beyond description.

(I've had a few days after devastation to know how that feels. My body could not comprehend the pain. I was overwhelmed. I was in shock.)

BUT ...

Then came the morning of the third day. The stone was rolled away. The tomb was EMPTY.

And the world would never be the same. There would always be hope. Jesus' resurrection changed everything.

In my darkest hours. In my times of despair. When nothing made sense. I had so many questions.

But then ...

I was reminded in the scriptures. If that wasn't enough, I would listen to a hymn.

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living just because He lives.*

And the cross? Well, it is still making a difference for me.

Are you overwhelmed with hurt? Are you stuck in the "what now"? Are you fearing the unknown future?

May you, this Easter, feel the hope and blessings from the empty tomb.

Yes, just a few notes and be reminded ... "Because He lives, I can face tomorrow."

COLUMNIST



JANET HART LEONARD
From the Heart

Carmel Street Department will soon begin \$5.2M in street paving, road upgrade projects

The REPORTER

More than 80 streets are scheduled for an upgrade this spring and summer as the City of Carmel Street Department kicks off its annual paving projects with a budget of \$5.2 million to improve local thoroughfares. Some of the preliminary work began this past week with major paving set to begin April 12.

"As much as we focus our efforts on building new roundabouts and increasing our multi-purpose trails and pathways, it is also important to keep our existing roadways in top condition," Mayor Jim Brainard said. "We work hard to create a high quality of life in Carmel and that includes having smooth, pothole-free roads on which to drive in our city."



Brainard

This year's budget for street paving includes a \$1 million Community Crossings grant from the Indiana Department of Transportation, which will allow the city to repave seven of its busiest parkways and thoroughfares.

Each paving project begins with preliminary concrete and curb repairs that can take a few weeks to complete before the big job of milling the top surface of black-top and repaving it with a new layer of about 1.25 inches in thickness. Typical milling and paving projects take three to five days to complete and require lane restrictions.

"Our goal is to have all the pavement work done before school starts in the fall, with concrete street repairs lasting

Range Line Road, Westfield Boulevard construction updates

The REPORTER

The City of Carmel has decided to postpone a portion of the next phase of construction on Range Line Road between City Center and Elm Street until after the July 4 holiday. The construction of a new roundabout at Walnut Street (6th Street) and South Range Line Road will begin sometime after July 6 and will include a full closure of the intersection for approximately 75 days.

Meanwhile, a new round-

about project at 111th Street and a new culvert installation at Carmel Creek will prompt the closure of Westfield Boulevard from just south of 116th Street to 111th Street beginning on or after May 10 until about mid-August. The roundabout project will include utility work and a full closure for about 45 days. After that is completed, work will begin on the culvert project under Westfield Boulevard at the creek, just south of 116th Street.

calendar year when the weather starts to turn colder."

[Click here](#) to view the full list of upcoming projects.

Congresswoman Spartz visits with local farmers, ag community

The REPORTER

Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.-05) spent the day this past Monday connecting with the agricultural community in Indiana's Fifth Congressional District.

Rep. Spartz toured Atlanta-based Beck's Hybrids, one of the largest seed producers in the country, learning about new, innovative initiatives happening at their facility. She also met with the members of Indiana Farm Bureau from across the district, hosted by George Kakasuleff, President of the Hamilton County Farm Bureau Board, at the family farm in Cicero.

"As a farmer myself, I understand the importance of agriculture for Indiana and the real GDP produced by farmers. It's always great to hear about the issues and perspective from the ground," Spartz said. "I



Congresswoman Victoria Spartz met with members of Indiana Farm Bureau at George Kakasuleff's family farm in Cicero.

appreciate all the hard work the farmers do for our communities, state, and nation."

Issues discussed included infrastructure, workforce, immigration, regulatory environment, taxes, sustainable agriculture, and rural broadband.

Host families needed in Westfield ahead of Grand Park's college summer baseball league

By KATIE WISELY
WISH-TV | wistv.com

Grand Park's college baseball summer league needs 25 host families to house college students for two months.

Young players are coming in from across the country and Pro X Athlete Development says it's a great chance to help out a college student. About 200 players are set to sign contracts, but 40 percent have yet to make a final decision. They're waiting to see if they'll have a place to stay.

The program was created in 2020, right after the pandemic hit and leagues across the country were canceled. At that time, there were more than 275 players.

This year the program is being more selective in the roster process. The plan is to have eight teams. It won't happen without host families. All players need a roof over their head, a place to sleep and a washing machine for laundry. Players would only be staying for the months of June and July.

League officials say this opportunity can create lasting relationships.

"It can be a really cool experience," Pro X Athlete Development Director of Operations Mark Walther said. "I know guys who played in leagues like this that had host families like this and are still in touch years later with those same host families because it was such a well-respected relationship."

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Most are players are incoming college freshman or returning athletes. They will play three of four days a week and then train the other days. The league will have a wide variety of players from schools right here in Indiana like Indiana University, Purdue, Butler, Indiana State and Ball State. Opening day is Memorial Day. The season will run through the end of July.

Families who are interested in becoming hosts can reach out to Pro X directly or send an email to mwalther@proxathlete.com.

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For a full job description, please visit the Town of Cicero's website at www.cicero.in.org and click on the Government tab, followed by the Job Opportunities tab. From here you will also be able to access the Town's application, which will be required.

Applications will be accepted through Monday, April 5, 2021.

Please send application, along with any other pertinent documents to:

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tcooper@townofcicero.in.gov





Osborne will set up shop and work with clay in the garden by The World's Smallest Children's Art Gallery from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 10.

Carmel Arts Council's Art in the Garden to feature local artist Scott Osborne

The REPORTER


After a long shutdown brought about by the global pandemic, the Carmel Arts Council (CAC) announces its first event of the year – Carmel Arts Council presents: Art in the Garden with Carmel-born and based artist Scott Osborne.

In 2020, Donna Tutwiler, past Carmel Arts Council President and now CAC's Gallery Coordinator, created Art in the Garden. CAC says it believes that encouraging children in the Arts is necessary for their educational development. Other passionate members include Barb Hammer, who is co-chair-

man with Mary Jane Roth, as well as committee members Robin Spyker, Mary Harshbarger, and Linda Williams.

This year, CAC will feature "Children's Table," giving kids a hands-on experience with the artists.

Osborne will set up shop and work with clay in the garden by The World's Smallest Children's Art Gallery from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 10 during Meet Me on Main, sponsored by Allied Solu-



Osborne

tions. As an interactive event, visiting children will have the opportunity to join in on the fun and work with clay at the Children's Table.

Safety measures will be implemented with masks, physical distancing, and frequent cleanings. The gallery, located at 40 W. Main St., in the heart of the Carmel Arts & Design District, showcases student art throughout the year on a rotating basis among local schools. Admission is free and hours vary.

Thanks for reading The Reporter!



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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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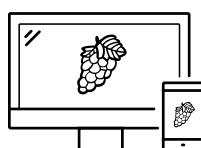
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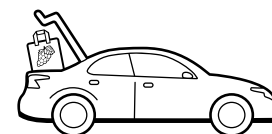
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Synergize raises \$3,600 for Make-A-Wish OKI

By DENISE MOE
For the Reporter

Synergize has been making waves through Central Indiana since its first 4:30 Meetup, and the organization’s latest impact was no exception.

On Tuesday, March 24, members of Synergize rallied in Carmel to raise money for Make-A-Wish Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana (OKI). The group’s members contributed \$2,100 to the cause before a boost from Modern Woodman, who committed to matching the impact up to \$1,500. The grand total from the evening, \$3,600, will help grant the wish of a critically ill child in Indiana.

Amy Nelson, Indiana Director of Advancement for Make-A-Wish, spoke at the event on behalf of Make-A-Wish. “These kids are dealing with things we can never really imagine,” she told the group. “We learn about what their hopes and dreams are, and we’re able to make that [dream] happen – but that cannot happen without people like you.”

Synergize supports a new nonprofit cause at each of its monthly 4:30 Meetups. Although members loosely define themselves as a professional community, they are quick to clarify that they’re not interested in swapping business cards. Instead, they focus on building



Reporter photos by Denise Moe

(Left) Amy Nelson, Indiana Director of Advancement for Make-A-Wish. (Right, from left) Arron Stanton, Founder of Synergize; Matt Hadley, Synergize Legacy Member; and Joseph Melillo, Synergize Movement Member.

deep friendships that lead to world-changing impact.

Through Synergize’s Ripple of Impact initiative, the group is redefining ROI to better fit their values.

“If you come into a professional partnership thinking about what you can take from it, you minimize what the two of you could do, together,” explained Arron Stanton, founder of Synergize. “With the ROI initiative, we’re getting people to focus outward – on the ripples – and not the return.”

That mindset is what pulls Synergize together around nonprofits like Make-A-Wish. The life-changing experiences the

organization creates for Wish Kids, says Nelson, have the ability to shape the trajectory of their healing. “For Make-A-Wish to come into their life at a special point, and create hope, strength, and joy, has been absolutely immeasurable for these kids,” she said.

Although this month’s 4:30 Meetup has passed, Make-A-Wish is still in need. Because of travel restrictions, the group has seen a rise in home-based wishes, like pools, room redos, and playsets. Volunteers for construction and Wish Parades are in high demand.

“We need involvement in the wishes that are happening

in our community,” Nelson explained at the 4:30 Meetup. “We’re delivering our mission differently now, and we need your help.”

To get involved, email Amy Nelson at anelson@oki.wish.org.

About Synergize

Synergize is a family of business and community leaders united by a commitment to reject transactional relationships. Their members, who value real connection and community impact, live by the motto, “Relationships Over Everything.” Their only rule? No Jerks! Join the Synergize movement at synergizeindy.com.



Remembering Ryan White

The REPORTER

1862 – In the Civil War, the 44th Indiana Volunteer Infantry fought at the Battle of Shiloh in southeastern Tennessee. In the two-day battle, nearly half the men in the unit suffered casualties, with 34 killed and 177 wounded. The regiment, nicknamed “The Iron Forty-Fourth,” was comprised of soldiers from Steuben, Allen, Kosciusko, Noble, Whitley, DeKalb, LaGrange, and Elkhart counties.

1912 – Eliza Blaker was guest speaker at Roberts Park Church in Indianapolis. She talked about schools and said, “A teacher must have high ideals and always be a student of child nature.” A pioneer in public education, she served as superintendent of the city’s first free kindergarten system. She also established a teacher’s college which later became part of Butler University.

1927 – Author Meredith Nicholson led ceremonies in observance of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Lew Wallace. A large crowd gathered in the Crawfordsville High School auditorium as honors were paid to the Civil War General who also wrote Ben Hur and other best-selling novels. Nicholson said Wallace was “erect, soldierly, and impressive in appearance ... scrupulously honest and uncompromising with wrong.”

1949 – One of the nation’s most popular radio programs was broadcast live from the Fairgrounds Coliseum in Indianapolis. “Ted Mack’s Original Amateur Hour” featured a variety of local talent, including the “Continental Four” from Washington High School, Dennis Thompson and the Wabash Valley Boys, and the “Rhythm Rascals.” The winners of the competition were the Harris Triplets from Muncie. The three eight-year-old boys were flown to New York City where they sang on Mack’s Sunday night television show.

1959 – The nation’s first astronauts were introduced by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA.) All military pilots, they were selected to take part in Project Mercury, America’s first manned space program. Introduced to the press were Scott Carpenter, L. Gordon Cooper, John H. Glenn, Virgil “Gus” Grissom, Walter Schirra, Alan Shepard, and Donald Slayton. Grissom was from Mitchell, and was a graduate of Purdue University.

1990 – Ryan White died at age 18. An AIDS patient, his courageous struggle for acceptance gained national attention. He was befriended by many, including President Ronald Reagan, Elton John, Elizabeth Taylor, Bobby Knight, and John Mellencamp. Thousands attended his funeral at the Second Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis. There were nearly 200 cars in the funeral procession that led to the Cicero Cemetery in Hamilton County.

Fishers road construction updates

The REPORTER

State Road 37 & 146th Street

A seven-day road closure will begin on Friday, April 9 on 146th Street at the east and west approaches of State Road 37 as the contractor transitions traffic patterns for the next phase of construction at this interchange. Northbound and southbound SR 37 will remain open. View the official detour route [here](#).

State Road 37 & 131st/135th Streets

The northbound SR 37 right turn lane onto 135th Street is currently closed from 131st Street to approximately halfway to 135th Street for Phase 1 construction. This portion of the dedicated turn lane will not

reopen to regular capacity until the interchange is complete.

Please drive with caution through these areas. To learn more about the State Road 37 Improvement Project and sign up to receive text updates, visit 37Thrives.com.

126th Street

On Monday, April 5 and Tuesday, April 6, 126th Street will be closed near Southeastern Parkway between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. for DPW to perform full-depth patching. There will be message boards to show the detour route during the closure. View the official detour route [here](#).

106th Street

There are lane restrictions currently in place for east and west bound traffic on 106th

Street at Hague Road. Thru lanes will be restricted and traffic will use the left-turn lanes as thru lanes. Left turn access onto Hague Road will remain open. Advanced warning signs will be in place. These restrictions are anticipated to be in place until mid-May for bypass pumping for improvements to the Hague Road Lift Station.

Meadows Drive & Royal Drive

Concrete work is currently taking place on Meadows Drive and Royal Drive and is anticipated to be completed in April.

Admirals Pointe Drive

Indianapolis DPW currently has Admirals Pointe Drive closed through midsummer 2021 to replace the timber bridge over Geist and the north

fork of Dry Branch. The detour will consist of Old Stone Drive East to Carroll Road/700 West, south to East 79th Street, and west to Oaklandon Road.

Easy Street

ADA ramp work is currently taking place on Easy Street between Allisonville Road and Moors End Circle and is anticipated to be completed in April.

Woodberry

Beginning the week of April 5, ADA ramp work will begin taking place in Woodberry and is anticipated to be completed in April.

Sand Creek Woods

Beginning the week of April 5, ADA ramp work will begin taking place in Sand Creek Woods and is anticipated to be completed in April.

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New at Sheridan Public Library

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Here are some of the new items that can be found at the Sheridan Public Library.

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1. Bookstore on the Beach – Brenda Novak
2. Dark Sky – C.J. Box
3. Death By Chocolate Snickerdoodle – Sarah Graves
4. Death with a Double Edge – Anne Perry
5. Forever Friends – Sarah Mackenzie
6. Friends Like Us – Sarah Mackenzie
7. Girl A – Abigail Dean
8. No Way Out – Fern Michaels

9. Ocean Prey – John Sandford
10. Red Book – James Patterson
11. Turn a Blind Eye – Jeffrey Archer
12. When the Stars Go Dark – Paula McLain

Non-Fiction

1. Beauty of Living Twice – Sharon Stone
2. Till Murder Do Us Part – James Patterson

Inspirational Fiction

1. Alaskan Mountain Attack – Sarah Varland
2. Finding His Family – Christina Miller
3. Loving Her Amish Neighbor – Rebecca Kertz
4. Night Fall – Nancy

5. Perfect Amish Romance – Shelley Shepard Gray
6. Undercover Mission – Sharron Dunn

Children's

1. Choo-Choo School – Amy Rosenthal
2. Claudia and Mean Janine – Raina Telgemeier
3. Dr. Seuss Summer Things – Dr. Seuss
4. I Voted – Mark Shulman
5. Lost Package – Richard Ho
6. My Brave Little Girl – Hilary Duff
7. The Wisdom of Trees – Lita Judge

New at Hamilton East Public Library

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Here are the new library items lists for the week of March 29:

New Adult Fiction Books

1. Kingdom of shadow and light, by Karen Marie Moning
2. Prodigal son, by Gregg Andrew Hurwitz
3. The paradise affair, by Bill Pronzini
4. The swallowed man, by Edward Carey
5. Calder brand, by Janet Dailey
6. Death by chocolate snickerdoodle, by Sarah Graves
7. Fairhaven rising, by L.E. Modesitt, Jr.
8. The power couple, by Alex Berenson
9. The kaiser's web, by Steve Berry
10. Triple chocolate cheesecake murder, by Joanne Fluke

New Adult

Nonfiction Books

1. How the internet really works: an illustrated guide to protocols, privacy, censorship, and governance, by Ulrike Uhlig

2. Helping others with depression: words to say, things to do, by Susan Noonan
3. Eat that frog! For students: 22 ways to stop procrastinating and excel in school, by Brian Tracy

4. The new retirement savings time bomb: how to take financial control, avoid unnecessary taxes, and combat the latest threats to your retirement savings, by Ed Slott
5. Julian Bond's time to teach: a history of the southern civil rights movement, by Julian Bond
6. Unsolaced: along the way to all that is, by Gretel Ehrlich
7. Dog flowers: a memoir, by Danielle Geller
8. Get off your sugar: burn the fat, crush your cravings, and go from stress eating to strength eating, by Daryl Gioffre
9. War of shadows: codebreakers, spies, and the secret struggle to drive the Nazis from the Middle East, by Gershom Gorenberg
10. The complete book of wills, estates & trusts: advice that can save you thousands of dollars in legal fees and taxes, by Alexander A. Bove, Jr.

New DVDs

1. 12 hour shift
2. All creatures great and small. Season 1
3. Yellow rose
4. Lupin III: the first
5. Love, weddings & other disasters
6. The kid detective
7. Random acts of violence
8. Wild mountain thyme
9. Freaky
10. Greenland

New Music CDs

1. A mind of your own, by Bright Siders
2. Father of all..., by Green Day
3. No stranger, by Natalie Grant
4. Disco, Kylie Minogue
5. S&M2, by Metallica
6. Si vis pacem, para bellum, by Seether
7. Copy that, Sara Evans
8. The Gaither collection, by Kevin Williams
9. Getting good, by Lauren Alaina
10. Ohms, by Deftones

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

1 Corinthians 1:20-24 (NIV)



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Boys basketball state finals - Carmel wins second consecutive championship



The Carmel boys basketball team won its second consecutive state championship on Saturday, holding off Lawrence North in overtime 51-46. The Greyhounds used its trademark defense and solid free-throw shooting to claim the program's fifth state title.

'Hounds overcome Wildcats in overtime


By RICHIE HALL
INDIANAPOLIS - A close game in the state tournament. Win or go home. Carmel and Lawrence North played each other Saturday night in the Class 4A boys state championship game, so both teams were going home regardless of what happened. It's just that one of them would be going home with a bigger trophy. That team would be the Greyhounds. Carmel won its second consecutive boys basketball state title, getting past the Wildcats in an overtime thriller, 51-46 at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. The No. 2-ranked Greyhounds used their trademark defense and solid free-throw shooting to hold off third-ranked Lawrence North in another all-Metropolitan Conference battle for the big trophy. Senior Brian Waddell noted that his Carmel team had been through close

games before during the tournament, and said "that gave us a little bit of an edge." Indeed, this was the second consecutive game where Carmel needed an extra period to win a tournament game. The Greyhounds beat Gary West Side in overtime to win the Lafayette Jefferson semi-state two weeks ago. Carmel also had a close game in the Logansport regional final over Lafayette Jeff. That experience would serve the Greyhounds well Saturday night. Carmel threatened to run away with the game late in the third quarter. The Greyhounds took off on a 7-0 run that ate up the middle part of that period. Peter Suder made back-to-back layins, then Waddell threw in a dunk while being fouled and made the subsequent free throw. That gave Carmel what would be its largest lead of the game, 32-25 with 1:55 left.

But the Wildcats came back, using a 9-0 run to take a 34-32 lead midway through the fourth quarter. CJ Gunn finished the third period with a jump shot, then opened the fourth by draining a 3-pointer and making a layin to tie the game. DJ Hughes then scored on a put-back, and LN was ahead 34-32. Charlie Williams stopped the run with a free throw, then Waddell nailed a 3 to put the 'Hounds back up 36-34. Carmel would not trail again, but the game would be tied a few more times. Sure enough, Gunn tied up the game with two free throws at the 1:44 mark. Waddell made a layin to give the Grey-

hounds another lead, but Gunn again answered with a pair of foul shots. That made the score 38-38 with 29.3 seconds left, and neither team would score again in regulation. Carmel got the first word in the overtime, as Connor Gioia hit a triple. The 'Hounds would stay in front until about a minute-and-a-half left, when Hughes made a layin, tying the game at 42-42 with 1:17 left. Then Josh Whack took over. The junior made 7 of 8 free throws during that final 1:17. His first two put Carmel ahead 44-42; Whack was fouled a few seconds


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Josh Whack did it all for Carmel during the Greyhounds' state championship run. In addition to playing tough on defense, Whack made 7 of 8 free throws during the overtime period, helping Carmel to clinch the state title.

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later, and he drained two more foul shots. Now the Greyhounds were up 46-42 with under a minute to go.

“Josh did a little bit of everything,” said Carmel coach Ryan Osborn. “He hit some big free throws, but he’s shooting over 80 percent for the year. Just a mental toughness thing. You can credit his defense in the same manner.”

Gunn hit a 3-pointer with 30 seconds left to get LN back within 47-46, but the Wildcats would score no more. They immediately fouled Waddell out of a timeout, and he made both his free throws. Waddell finished a perfect 8-of-8 from the line.

Two more foul shots by Whack sealed the game with 17.9 seconds left in the OT. That brought Whack to 11 points on the night.

“Credit to LN, they played a heck of a game,” said Waddell. “I had faith in our guys throughout the whole time, even when we were down, we were going to find a way to pull it out.”

Lawrence North came out hot in the opening minutes of the game, quickly going up 6-0. Carmel called a 30-second timeout with 5:57 left in the first quarter.

“We kind of anticipated they would come out swinging, come out ready to play,” said Osborn.

But his team would quickly absorb that early run, and go off on an 11-2 run of its own. Whack got the Greyhounds on the board with a floater. Hughes made a dunk to push LN ahead 8-2, but Carmel ran off the next nine points: Waddell and Gioia both made 3s, then Waddell turned a putback into an and-one at the 2:53 mark of the quarter. Neither team would score again in the period, but now the Greyhounds were up 11-8.

“After the timeout, I think we settled in, took what the defense gave us,” said Osborn.

Suder made a basket to open the second quarter, giving Carmel a 13-8 lead. Gunn cut the advantage to 13-12 with back-to-back baskets, but the ‘Hounds used a stretch of free throws (5 of 6) to get back ahead 18-14 at the 5:01 mark.

Donaven McCulley scored twice to tie the game at 18-18, then Gioia nailed a 3. The Wildcats again made consecutive baskets for a 22-21 advantage, but Whack finished the half with a basket, putting Carmel up 23-22 at the break.

Waddell finished the game with a double-double of 20 points and 10 rebounds, followed by Whack’s 11. Gioia’s three 3-pointers gave him nine points.



Carmel's Connor Gioia won the Arthur L. Trester Mental Attitude Award after the game. Gioia is the third consecutive Greyhounds player to win the prestigious award.

Suder and Williams each collected six rebounds, with Whack getting five rebounds. Williams also had three blocked shots.

Gunn led Lawrence North with 18 points, with Hughes adding 12 and McCulley scoring 11. Shamar Avance handed out six assists and Hughes made three blocks.

After the game, Gioia was named the Arthur L. Trester Mental Attitude Award winner. This makes Gioia the third consecutive Carmel player to receive the prestigious award, after John-Michael Mulloy in 2019 and Jalen Whack in 2018.

Gioia's memories of playing for Carmel stretch back to third grade. Even then they were dreaming of wearing the blue ribbons of state champions, and those dreams came true Saturday night.

“It’s been a journey with these guys and it’s been great to finish with a state

championship,” said Gioia.

Carmel finished its season with a 26-2 record, making this the second time in the past three years that the ‘Hounds have reached the 26-win mark. In addition, Carmel claimed its fifth boys basketball state title. Only three schools have more: Marion and Muncie Central with eight each, and Washington with seven.

The Greyhounds also picked up their 159th IHSAA state championship in school history and their fifth of the school year. Carmel has also won boys tennis, girls cross country, girls swimming and boys swimming state championships in 2020-21.

| | | | | |
|--|--|-------|----|----|
| Brian Waddell | 5-10 | 8-8 | 20 | 2 |
| Charlie Williams | 0-3 | 5-8 | 5 | 4 |
| Samuel Orme | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wil Leary | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nick Frische | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 13-31 | 20-25 | 51 | 14 |
| Carmel 3-point shooting (5-11) | Gioia 3-4, | | | |
| Waddell 2-5, Whack 0-1, Frische 0-1. | | | | |
| Carmel rebounds (31) | Waddell 10, Suder 6, Williams 6, Whack 5, Frische 1, team 3. | | | |
| Lawrence North | FG | FT | TP | PF |
| Kayden Beatty | 1-5 | 0-0 | 2 | 3 |
| CJ Gunn | 6-18 | 4-4 | 18 | 4 |
| Shamar Avance | 1-6 | 1-4 | 3 | 1 |
| DJ Hughes | 6-11 | 0-5 | 12 | 5 |
| Donvaen McCulley | 5-5 | 1-4 | 11 | 4 |
| David Batie | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 |
| MaCoyon Brown | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 19-46 | 6-17 | 46 | 18 |
| Lawrence North 3-point shooting (2-12) | | | | |
| Gunn 2-8, Beatty 0-4. | | | | |
| Lawrence North rebounds (21) | Beatty 4, Gunn 4, Avance 4, Hughes 4, McCulley 3, Batie 1, team 1. | | | |
| Score by Quarters | | | | |
| Carmel | 11 | 12 | 9 | 6 |
| Lawrence North | 8 | 14 | 5 | 11 |

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Adams' walkoff sacrifice fly clinches Millers victory over Tigers . . .

Noblesville baseball splits games at own Invitational

The Noblesville baseball team split its two games at the Noblesville Invitational on Saturday.

The Millers fell to Zionsville 6-5 in their first game, then won a marathon contest with Fishers 14-13 in nine innings. Noblesville's Bryce Adams hit a walkoff sacrifice fly to clinch the Millers' first win of the season.

The Noblesville-Fishers game was a roller coaster. The Millers scored three runs in the bottom of the first inning; Kolbi Kazmierski hit an RBI single into center field for the first run, then Adams got home on a wild pitch and Kazmierski later scored on an error.

The Tigers loaded the bases in the top of the third inning. JP Preston drew a walk to get the first run home, then Fishers added two more runs when Jack Braun and Jack Brown were both hit by pitches. The game was now tied at 3-3, and two more bases-loaded walks from Caulin Brown and Zach Cox, put the Tigers in the lead.

Matt Bryant then smacked a single into center field for two more runs, and Cox later scored on a passed ball. With that, Fishers led 8-3. Noblesville got two of those runs back in the bottom of the third, with Mason Bohland getting home on an RBI groundout by Jacob Weiler. Adams then scored on the next at-bat.

Both teams added a run in the fourth inning. Fishers' Caulin Brown singled home Preston, then the Millers' Keegan Speek got home from Bryce Riggs' RBI groundout; Speek came into run for Conner Bloss, who got on base with a triple. The score was now 9-6, Tigers.

Fishers added four more runs in the top of the sixth. Jack Braun doubled in Dom Oliverio, then was batted in by Caulin Brown. Grant Moritz came up next and blasted a two-run home run, scoring himself and Tate Warner, who came in to run for Caulin Brown.

But Noblesville stormed back in the bottom of the sixth, scoring seven runs to tie the game at 13-13. Riggs drew a bases-loaded walk for the first score. Drew Niswonger sent a two-RBI hit into right field. Kazmierski smacked a two-RBI double into center field, Adams scored on a wild pitch, then Weiler's RBI single tied the game.

The score stayed tied at 13-13 until the bottom of the ninth. Dean White got on base with a single, then moved to third base on an error. Two walks loaded the bases, then Adams hit a fly to center field. It was caught, but White made it home.

White, Kazmierski and Weiler all had two hits, with Kazmierski and White each hitting a double. Kazmierski totaled three RBIs.

Bryant was 3-for-5 at the plate for the Tigers, with Caulin Brown batting in three runs. Kyle Manship came into pitch during the later innings and threw five strikeouts. Starter Gavin Kuzniewski struck out four.

In the earlier game, Zionsville got up 2-0 on the Millers in the top of the first inning. Noblesville scored its first run in the bottom of the second inning, with Caden David's sacrifice fly sending Adams home.

The Eagles added a run in the top of the third, but Noblesville came back to tie it with two runs in the bottom of the fourth. Speek and Kazmierski both scored on separate wild pitches.

The Millers jumped ahead 5-3 in the

fifth inning when Kazmierski hit a two-RBI double, scoring Bohland and Adams, who got on base with a double. But the Eagles came back and scored three runs in the top of the sixth, and held the lead from there.

Kazmierski finished the game 3-for-3 with two RBIs. Michael Stremlaw pitched four and two-thirds innings, striking out four.

Both Noblesville and Fishers are 1-3 for the season.

| ZIONSVILLE 6, NOBLESVILLE 5 | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| Noblesville | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Dean White | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Drew Niswonger | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Mason Bohland | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Bryce Adams | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Jacob Weiler | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Kolbi Kazmierski | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Josh Kern | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Caden David | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Bryce Riggs | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Keegan Speek | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Luke Wilson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 26 | 5 | 6 | 3 |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| Zionsville | 201 | 003 | 0 - 6 | 8 0 |
| Noblesville | 010 | 220 | 0 - 5 | 6 5 |
| 2B: Adams, Kazmierski. SB: Kazmierski, Kern. SAC: David. HBP: Kern, Riggs. | | | | |
| NHS pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| Michael Stremlaw | 4.2 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| Nick Golden | 0.1 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Niswonger | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Strikeouts: Stremlaw 4, Niswonger 2. Walks: Stremlaw 4, Golden 1. | | | | |

| NOBLESVILLE 14, FISHERS 13 (9 innings) | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|----------|------|
| Fishers | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Joey Brenzewski | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Dom Oliverio | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| JP Preston | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Jack Braun | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Jack Brown | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Caulin Brown | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Zach Cox | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Grant Moritz | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Matt Bryant | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Carson Dunn | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kaden Gorak | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Tate Warner | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 35 | 13 | 11 | 12 |
| HR: Moritz. 2B: J. Braun, Oliverio. SB: Bryant 3, Dunn 2, Brenzewski, Oliverio, Warner. SAC: Dunn. HBP: Dunn 2, Braun, J. Brown, Oliverio | | | | |
| Fishers pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| Gavin Kuzniewski | 3.0 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| Joey Wilmoth | 2.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Evan Allbright | 0.0 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| Oliverio | 0.2 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Kyle Manship | 3.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Strikeouts: Manship 5, Kuzniewski 4, Wilmoth 4, Oliverio 1. Walks: Kuzniewski 4, Manship 4, Allbright 3, Oliverio 2. | | | | |
| Noblesville | | | | |
| | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Dean White | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Drew Niswonger | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Mason Bohland | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Bryce Adams | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Kolbi Kazmierski | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Jacob Weiler | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Josh Kern | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Conner Bloss | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Bryce Riggs | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Keegan Speek | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Luke Wilson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 35 | 14 | 8 | 10 |
| 3B: Bloss. 2B: Kazmierski, White. HBP: Adams. | | | | |
| NHS pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| Jared Crandall | 2.2 | 7 | 7 | 1 |
| Nick Golden | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Nolan Decker | 3.1 | 5 | 5 | 8 |
| Lucas Stephen | 3.0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Strikeouts: Stephen 3, Decker 2, Crandall 1. Walks: Crandall 4, Golden 1. | | | | |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| Fishers | 008 | 104 | 000 - 13 | 11 4 |
| Noblesville | 302 | 107 | 001 - 14 | 8 0 |

Hamilton Southeastern split a pair of games at its own Royals Classic on Saturday.

In their first game, the Royals beat DeKalb 10-7. The Barons hit a grand slam in the top of the first inning to immediately go up 4-0. Southeastern scored one run in the bottom of the inning, with Jason Dettman getting home.

DeKalb scored on a two-run double in the top of the second. The Royals answered with their own two-RBI double, with Payton Hilfiker hit into right field. Hilfiker later scored on a wild pitch, cutting the Barons' lead to 6-4.

Southeastern tied the game in the third inning. Hunter Dilts got home on Landon Riekhof's RBI groundout, then Peyton Lusby doubled in a run to make the score 6-6. HSE added another run in the fourth inning when J.T. Mutchner hit an RBI single.

DeKalb tied the game at 7-7 in the top of the sixth by hitting an inside-the-park home run. But the Royals took the lead for good in the bottom of the inning when Dilts blasted a three-run homer. Dilts finished the game 3-for-3 at the plate.

Mutchner and Colin St. Clair both had two hits, with Dilts and St. Clair each scoring two runs. Dettman scored three runs and also got the pitching win, striking out six in four innings.

In its evening game, Southeastern lost to McCutcheon 5-1. The Royals scored their run in the third inning, with Hunter Dilts batting in Landon Riekhof.

John McCall threw three innings, striking out eight. Colin St. Clair also pitched three innings, tossing six strikeouts.

| HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 10, DEKALB 7 | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|--------|------|
| Southeastern | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Noah Wolf | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Jason Dettman | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Hunter Dilts | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| J.T. Mutchner | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Landon Riekhof | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Colin St. Clair | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Peyton Lusby | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| J. Bush | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Payton Hilfiker | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Griffen Haas | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 28 | 10 | 11 | 8 |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| DeKalb | 420 | 001 | 0 - 7 | 6 0 |
| Southeastern | 132 | 103 | x - 10 | 11 6 |
| HR: Dilts. 2B: Lusby, Dettman, Wolf, St. Clair, Hilfiker. SB: Wolf 2, Dettman. HBP: Bush, Dettman. | | | | |
| HSE pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| Cam Howard | 2 | 6 | 3 | 3 |
| Dettman (W) | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Sam Reagan | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Strikeouts: Dettman 6, Howard 1. Walks: Howard 2, Dettman 1, Reagan 1. | | | | |

| MCCUTCHEON 7, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 1 | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| Southeastern | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Peyton Lusby | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Noah Wolf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Colin St. Clair | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J.T. Mutchner | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hunter Dilts | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Payton Hilfiker | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Landon Riekhof | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Christian Beal | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Griffen Haas | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 25 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| McCutcheon | 021 | 011 | 0 - 5 | 3 1 |
| Southeastern | 001 | 000 | 0 - 1 | 5 5 |
| SB: Wolf. HBP: Beal. | | | | |
| HSE pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| St. Clair | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Logan Callaghan | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John McCall | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| Strikeouts: McCall 8, St. Clair 6. Walks: St. Clair 2, Callghan 2, McCall 1. | | | | |

Hamilton Heights dropped a 6-4 game to Christian Academy of Knoxville Saturday in the Huskies' final game of the DeMarini Tennessee Tournament.

The Huskies scored two runs in the top of the first inning. Sam Allen got home on Nate Hulen's RBI groundout, then Jared Michael singled in Erik Malott. Christian Academy got on the board

with a three-run triple in the bottom of the first inning and led the game from there.

Heights scored its other two runs in the sixth inning. Malott got on base with a single, then moved to third on a double by Hulen. Malott scored on Michael's RBI groundout, then Hulen got home on a dropped third strike.

Michael pitched a complete game, tossing three strikeouts.

| CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 6, HAMILTON HEIGHTS 4 | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| Heights | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Sam Allen | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Brayden Elkin | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Erik Malott | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Nate Hulen | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Jared Michael | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Drew VanOeveren | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Guy Griffey | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Lucas Letsinger | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dean Mason | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Harrison Hochstedler | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Isaac Tuma | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 25 | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| Heights | 200 | 002 | 0 - 4 | 5 3 |
| Christian Academy | 301 | 002 | x - 6 | 6 1 |
| 2B: Hulen. SB: Michael. SAC: Elkin 2. | | | | |
| Heights pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| Michael | 6 | 6 | 4 | 6 |
| Strikeouts: Michael 3. Walks: Michael 4. | | | | |

The University baseball team dropped their final games at the Super Prep Tournament on Saturday.

First, the Trailblazers fell to Lafayette, the No. 14-ranked team in Kentucky, 7-0. Lafayette held University to three hits: Doubles from Tyler Galyean and Matt Moore and a single by Jake Hooker.

In their second game, the 'Blazers lost to North Oldham 4-2. North Oldham scored two runs in both the first and fifth innings. University got its runs in the sixth inning when Adam Oxley hit a two-run home run, also scoring Galyean.

Oxley also hit a double, making him 2-for-2 at the plate.

| LAFAYETTE (KY.) 7, UNIVERSITY 0 | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| University | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Jake Hooker | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Seth Hogg | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tyler Galyean | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Thomas Price | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Matt Moore | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Adam Oxley | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brady Redman | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Weber Morse | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cam Greenawald | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Owen Schellhase | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Zane Kampmeier | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grayson Knight | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jasper Owens | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson Bledsoe | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grady Hay | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Quincy Harper | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 25 | 0 | 3 | x |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| University | 000 | 000 | 0 - 0 | 3 1 |
| Lafayette | 401 | 200 | x - 7 | 8 0 |
| 2B: Galyean, Moore. | | | | |
| University pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| Galyean | 3.1 | 7 | 5 | 6 |
| Price | 2.2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Strikeouts: Galyean 5, Price 5. Walks: Price 1. | | | | |

| NORTH OLDHAM 4, UNIVERSITY 2 | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| University | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Jake Hooker | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Seth Hogg | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tyler Galyean | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Matt Moore | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Adam Oxley | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Thomas Price | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Grayson Knight | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jasper Owens | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Weber Morse | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grady Hay | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Quincy Harper | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 27 | 2 | 5 | 2 |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| University | 000 | 002 | 0 - 2 | 5 1 |
| North Oldham | 200 | 020 | x - 4 | 5 1 |
| HR: Oxley. 2B: Oxley. | | | | |
| University pitching | | | | |
| | IP | R | ER | H |
| Hooker | 4.1 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| Oxley | 1.2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Strikeouts: Hooker 3, Oxley 3. Walks: Hooker 3. | | | | |



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NBA standings

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| Saturday games Dallas 109, Washington 87 New York 125, Detroit 81 | Miami 115, Cleveland 101 Philadelphia 122, Minnesota 113 Indiana 139, San Antonio 133, OT | Utah 137, Orlando 91 Portland 133, Oklahoma City 85 Milwaukee 129, Sacramento 128 |
|--|---|---|

Eastern Conference

| Team | W | L | PCT. | GB |
|--------------|----|----|------|------|
| Philadelphia | 34 | 15 | .694 | - |
| Brooklyn | 34 | 15 | .694 | - |
| Milwaukee | 32 | 17 | .653 | 2.0 |
| Charlotte | 25 | 23 | .521 | 8.5 |
| Miami | 26 | 24 | .520 | 8.5 |
| Atlanta | 25 | 24 | .510 | 9.5 |
| ----- | | | | |
| New York | 25 | 25 | .500 | 9.5 |
| Boston | 24 | 25 | .490 | 10.0 |
| Indiana | 22 | 26 | .458 | 11.5 |
| Chicago | 19 | 28 | .404 | 14.0 |
| ----- | | | | |
| Toronto | 19 | 30 | .388 | 15.0 |
| Washington | 17 | 31 | .354 | 16.5 |
| Orlando | 17 | 32 | .347 | 17.0 |
| Cleveland | 17 | 32 | .347 | 17.0 |
| Detroit | 14 | 35 | .286 | 20.0 |

Western Conference

| Team | W | L | PCT. | GB |
|---------------|----|----|------|------|
| Utah | 38 | 11 | .776 | - |
| Phoenix | 34 | 14 | .708 | 3.5 |
| L.A. Clippers | 32 | 18 | .640 | 6.5 |
| L.A. Lakers | 31 | 18 | .633 | 7.0 |
| Denver | 30 | 18 | .625 | 7.5 |
| Portland | 30 | 19 | .612 | 8.0 |
| ----- | | | | |
| Dallas | 27 | 21 | .563 | 10.5 |
| San Antonio | 24 | 23 | .511 | 13.0 |
| Memphis | 23 | 23 | .500 | 13.5 |
| Golden State | 23 | 26 | .469 | 15.0 |
| ----- | | | | |
| Sacramento | 22 | 28 | .440 | 16.5 |
| New Orleans | 21 | 27 | .438 | 16.5 |
| Oklahoma City | 20 | 29 | .408 | 18.0 |
| Houston | 13 | 35 | .271 | 24.5 |
| Minnesota | 12 | 38 | .240 | 26.5 |

Major League Baseball standings

American League

| East | W | L | PCT. | GB |
|----------------|---|---|------|-----|
| Baltimore | 2 | 0 | 1.00 | - |
| Tampa Bay | 2 | 1 | .667 | 0.5 |
| N.Y. Yankees | 1 | 1 | .500 | 1.0 |
| Toronto | 1 | 1 | .500 | 1.0 |
| Boston | 0 | 2 | .000 | 2.0 |
| Central | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Detroit | 2 | 0 | 1.00 | - |
| Kansas City | 2 | 0 | 1.00 | - |
| Minnesota | 1 | 1 | .500 | 1.0 |
| Chi. White Sox | 1 | 2 | .333 | 1.5 |
| Cleveland | 0 | 2 | .000 | 2.0 |
| West | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Houston | 3 | 0 | 1.00 | - |
| L.A. Angels | 2 | 1 | .667 | 1.0 |
| Seattle | 2 | 1 | .667 | 1.0 |
| Texas | 0 | 2 | .000 | 2.5 |
| Oakland | 0 | 3 | .000 | 3.0 |

National League

| East | W | L | PCT. | GB |
|---------------|---|---|------|-----|
| Philadelphia | 2 | 0 | 1.00 | - |
| Miami | 1 | 2 | .333 | 1.5 |
| N.Y. Mets | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1.0 |
| Washington | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1.0 |
| Atlanta | 0 | 2 | .000 | 2.0 |
| Central | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Chi. Cubs | 1 | 1 | .500 | - |
| Cincinnati | 1 | 1 | .500 | - |
| Milwaukee | 1 | 1 | .500 | - |
| Pittsburgh | 1 | 1 | .500 | - |
| St. Louis | 1 | 1 | .500 | - |
| West | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| San Diego | 3 | 0 | 1.00 | - |
| L.A. Dodgers | 2 | 1 | .667 | 1.0 |
| Colorado | 1 | 2 | .333 | 2.0 |
| San Francisco | 1 | 2 | .333 | 2.0 |
| Arizona | 0 | 3 | .000 | 3.0 |

Fishers softball drops two to Southern Indiana teams

The Fishers softball team dropped two games on Saturday to Southern Indiana teams.

The Tigers first lost to Bloomington South 4-3. Both teams scored all of their runs in the third inning. Fishers’ Olivia Latimer started the top of the inning with a double, then moved to second when Karyn Trice drew a walk.

Kaylee Kardash reached on error to load the bases. That brought up Hannah Mays, and she sent Latimer and Trice home with a double. Later, a single by Abby Gavin scored Kardash. The Tigers now held a 3-0 lead, but the Panthers took over in the bottom of the third, grabbing the lead with a two-run home run.

Emily Walsh also hit a double for Fishers. Latimer and Trice both had two hits.

In their second game, the Tigers fell to Columbus East 6-3. The Olympians

scored two runs in each of the first three innings for a 6-0 lead.

Fishers mounted a fierce comeback in the top of the seventh. Latimer hit a double to score Ashtin Grubb, then she was sent home when Kardash smacked a center field double. Kardash scored on an RBI hit from Mays to cut the score to 6-3, but that would be all.

Latimer, Kardash and Walsh all had two hits, with Latimer hitting two doubles and Kardash and Walsh both getting one.

| BLOOMINGTON SOUTH 4, FISHERS 3 | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----|---|---|-----|
| Fishers | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Olivia Latimer | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Karyn Trice | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Kaylee Kardash | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Hannah Mays | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Sophie Schoch | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Emily Walsh | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

| Abby Gavin | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|--|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| Hannah Abbott | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sydney Abel | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nyah Duplessis | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ashtin Grubb | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jenna Grubb | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brooke Johnson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 29 | 3 | 7 | 3 |
| Score by Innings | | | | |
| Fishers | 003 | 000 | 0 - 3 | 7 2 |
| Bloom. South | 004 | 000 | x - 4 | 4 1 |
| 2B: Latimer, Mays, Walsh. SB: Latimer. HBP: Abel, Gavin. | | | | |
| Fishers pitching | | | | |
| IP | R | ER | H | |
| Kamara Walker | 4 | 4 | 0 | 3 |
| Mays | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Strikeouts: Mays 4, Walker 3. Walks: Walker 2, Mays 1. | | | | |

| COLUMBUS EAST 6, FISHERS 3 | | | | |
|----------------------------|----|---|---|-----|
| Fishers | AB | R | H | RBI |
| Olivia Latimer | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Karyn Trice | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| | | | | |
|----------------|----|---|----|---|
| Jenna Grubb | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kaylee Kardash | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Hannah Mays | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sophie Schoch | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Emily Walsh | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Abby Gavin | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Brooke Johnson | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sydney Abel | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hannah Abbott | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Emma Venus | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ashtin Grubb | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Nyah Duplessis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 31 | 3 | 10 | 3 |

| Score by Innings | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-------|------|
| Fishers | 000 | 000 | 3 - 3 | 10 1 |
| Columbus East | 222 | 000 | x - 6 | 5 1 |
| 2B: Latimer 2, Kardash, Walsh. SB: Gavin. HBP: Schoch. | | | | |
| Fishers pitching | | | | |
| IP | R | ER | H | |
| Duplessis | 1.2 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| Kamara Walker | 4.1 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Strikeouts: Duplessis 4, Walker 4. Walks: Duplessis 4, Walker 1. | | | | |

McConnell's OT jumper lifts Pacers past Spurs

By WHEAT HOTCHKISS
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

The deck was seemingly stacked against the Pacers on Saturday night in San Antonio. They had lost three straight, were on the second night of a back-to-back, and were without three key players, including their two leading scorers.

But undermanned Indiana put together a complete team effort with key contributions from virtually every healthy player. T.J. McConnell capped the night with a game-sealing jump shot with 17.8 seconds left in overtime to lift the Pacers (22-26) to a 139-133 win over the Spurs (24-23).

The Pacers led 124-121 with two minutes remaining before Caris LeVert found a cutting Edmond Sumner for a layup to build Indiana's cushion back to five points. Rudy Gay answered with a layup with 1:30 remaining, however, and after LeVert was whistled for a double-dribble, Gay drew a foul on Sumner and hit both free throws to make it a one-point game with 50.2 seconds to play.

Jakob Poeltl then intercepted a LeVert pass on the other end before Sumner was whistled for a foul on DeMar DeRozan with 29.1 seconds left. Pacers head coach Nate Bjorkgren tried to challenge the call, but the replay review determined the call stood. DeRozan hit the first foul shot to move to 12-for-12 from the charity stripe up to that point in the game, but his second came up short.

Both teams had a chance to win in the closing seconds of regulation, but Mylles Turner missed a three from the top of the key on one end and DeRozan missed a pull-up jumper at the buzzer on the other.

The two teams traded baskets twice to start overtime. DeRozan again hit one of two foul shots with 2:47 remaining before

McConnell's jumper gave Indiana a one-point lead with 2:32 to play. Three Turner free throws on two subsequent possessions pushed the lead to 135-131 before Gay's dunk with 1:12 remaining made it a two-point game.

LeVert missed a jumper, but Sumner stole Gay's pass on the other end. McConnell then drove right before pulling up from 17 feet to seal an impressive Indiana win.

LeVert led seven Pacers in double figures with 26 points on 10-of-19 shooting and nine assists. McConnell added 18 points on 9-of-14 shooting, seven rebounds, and eight assists, while fellow reserve Aaron Holiday also scored 18 while going 7-for-11 from the field and 3-for-5 from 3-point range.

All 10 Pacers players who played in the game scored at least seven points as the Blue & Gold overcame several key absences and snapped a three-game skid.

All-Star forward Domantas Sabonis missed his first game of the season after spraining his left ankle in Friday's loss to Charlotte. He joined starting point guard Malcolm Brogdon, who missed his second straight game with a sore right hip, and reserve guard Jeremy Lamb, sidelined for the third consecutive contest with a sprained right toe, on the inactive list.

"We just wanted to come out and kind of just have fun with the game again," LeVert said. "I think we were letting the losses kind of take away from the fact that we get to play basketball for a living. I think today we just got back to having fun and it showed out there on the court."

LeVert carried Indiana's offense early on Saturday, hitting his first four shots and scoring eight of the first 14 points for the Blue & Gold. Neither team led by more than two over the first six minutes of the

game before the Spurs used a 12-2 run to open up a 28-18 lead.

Indiana answered with 10 straight points, tying the game on a rare 3-pointer from JaKarr Sampson with 1:10 remaining in the opening frame. Patty Mills knocked down a trey on the other end to put San Antonio back in front and the hosts took a 33-32 lead into the second quarter.

The Pacers started the second quarter with a lineup featuring five reserves and they quickly retook the lead thanks to a 9-3 spurt early in the frame. The second unit maintained a small advantage before passing the baton to the starters. The first unit then put together a 9-0 run to open up a 56-46 lead with 3:24 remaining in the first half.

An impressive three-point play by Sumner and a 3-pointer and a jumper by LeVert helped the Blue & Gold maintain a cushion heading into halftime, as the visitors took a 67-59 lead into the intermission.

LeVert buried a triple on the opening possession of the second half to push the Pacers' lead to 11, but the Spurs responded with a 13-2 run to tie the game.

DeRozan and San Antonio continued to roll from there. DeRozan scored 12 points in the first eight minutes of the second half — including eight straight for the Spurs in one stretch — as the Pacers had no answer for San Antonio's offense.

The hosts reeled off 11 unanswered points to cap a 31-10 run to open the third quarter, giving them a 91-80 lead at the 4:05 mark.

Out of a timeout, the Pacers regrouped. Aaron Holiday knocked down back-to-back 3-pointers to get the Blue & Gold back within striking distance.

Indiana trailed 97-90 entering the final minute of the third quarter, but sel-

dom-used reserve Kelan Martin knocked down two straight triples of his own.

"My job was just to go in there and just impact the game in different ways," Martin said after the win. "Obviously I can't control the makes and misses, but I can control my energy and effort."

Then after a Luka Samanic miss, McConnell threw the ball ahead to Goga Bitadze who drew a foul with 3.9 seconds remaining. The second-year center knocked down both foul shots to give the Pacers an unexpected 98-97 lead entering the fourth quarter.

The Pacers' reserves preserved the lead in the early minutes of the fourth quarter. Back-to-back baskets from McConnell extended Indiana's advantage to 115-108 with 5:44 remaining before a dramatic finish.

"Our bench made some big plays," Bjorkgren said. "T.J. and Aaron coming off the bench and Kelan hitting some big threes and JaKarr and Goga doing some things inside and out."

Turner finished with 18 points, seven rebounds, and four blocks. Sumner added 15 points on 6-of-9 shooting, six rebounds, and three assists, while Justin Holiday (10 points, four rebounds, and three steals) and Doug McDermott (10 points on 4-of-8 shooting) also reached double figures.

DeRozan had 25 points, four rebounds, and six assists for San Antonio. Keldon Johnson added 20 points and 10 rebounds, while Dejounte Murray finished with 20 points, five boards, and five assists.

The Pacers now have two days off before returning to Bankers Life Fieldhouse to host two games on back-to-back nights. The Chicago Bulls visit Indianapolis on Tuesday and the Minnesota Timberwolves come to town on Wednesday.