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Westfield clerk claims office raided

Computers confiscated by IT after Monday council meeting

The REPORTER

Westfield Clerk Treasurer Cindy Gossard spoke to the city council Monday night, updating them on alleged spyware found on her office's computers last month. Less than three hours later, city IT personnel confiscated several laptop computers from the Clerk's Office, then sent an email to Gossard about the confiscation. Gossard has since filed a report with sheriff's department about the missing computers.

Gossard says shortly after the presentation her office was "raided" and computers belonging to the city and a private forensic IT company, hired by Gossard, were confiscated by city officials. The incident prompted Gossard to file a report with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department.

According to the Sheriff's Department, "On July 27th, 2021, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office opened an investigation with the City of Westfield. The investigation is still ongoing, and no information is being released at this time."

During the Monday night council update, Gossard told members the software, known as BeyondTrust, placed on her computers by the city's IT department was originally discovered in June, and that she was "deeply concerned" as to who had access to city financial and employee records. Gossard also told council members the user could potentially change data in a way that it would appear as if her office made the changes.

In June, Westfield Mayor Andy Cook said, "The BeyondTrust software (or predecessor) is a program that the Clerk is well aware of and



has used dozens of times. It allows the IT department, upon request and with permission, to remotely access a computer while it's in operation to assist with issues raised by individuals throughout the city. It's on every city computer and has been used for 10 years. This technology is standard in almost all industries."

Westfield's IT Director Chris Larson told council members Monday that BeyondTrust software has the ability to access a city employee's computer without their knowledge.

Gossard explained to council members that she hired a forensic investigator to determine who has been accessing city data and to determine if any systems had been compromised. "It shouldn't be a surprise to the administration that I hired a forensic investigator. We've had previous communication about this," Gossard said.

Gossard told The Reporter she became aware that computers had been confiscated when she received an email from the city's IT Director late Monday night, a couple of hours after the council meeting concluded.

The email said the computers were confiscated by IT personnel to protect the data stored on them, and that two of computers found in the office were not city owned

and were running unknown software. Gossard said those computers belonged to the forensic investigator hired by Gossard and were running software attempting to determine if city data had been breached.

"At no time did I authorize or otherwise give permission to any administration employee to enter my office. This raid by the Mayor's employee into the office of a separately elected and independent City official, is highly disturbing. The administration removed staff computers and computers and equipment from the investigator in a brazen attempt to stop my investigation," said Gossard.

"While I am deeply concerned about this incident, I can assure the public that I will not be intimidated. I am committed to fully investigating this incident, as well as continuing to ensure that City's financial and confidential data is protected and remains protected."

The City of Westfield told The Reporter, "In a media report the Westfield Clerk Treasurer indicated that she does not know what information was accessed or downloaded. She admitted, however, that the third party copied the entirety of city computers' hard drives. That is troubling."

City officials said they see this as a serious matter because "the clerk has access to personal information for all city employees, all city financial accounts, and more. The city is taking all appropriate action to address this issue and safeguard its data."

Attorney representing Westfield claims theft allegations 'trumped-up'

Editor's note: After Westfield Clerk Treasurer Cindy Gossard filed a report with the Hamilton County Sheriff about laptop computers taken from her office late Monday night, the following letter was sent from Blake J. Burgan, an attorney representing the City of Westfield, to Gossard and her attorney, William Webster, on Tuesday.

As you no doubt know, Chris Larsen stopped an active cyber security breach at the Clerk's office last night. He observed laptops running a then-unknown software. He also observed that city laptops were dismantled, with the hard drives removed. With all of the sensitive information on the city's systems, including financial information, confidential vendor documents, confidential police and other data, Mr. Larsen was forced to take immediate action to preserve that information.

Mr. Larsen informed the Clerk-Treasurer of his actions last night, noting that "This appeared to be unauthorized third-party access to City systems and is considered a cyber-security threat . . . There also appeared to be other laptops that were opened and the hard drives removed."

This is unprecedented.

For the Clerk-Treasurer to act with such brazen disregard for the integrity of the city's data is not only reckless, it is a clear breach of her duties. We need immediate answers about what occurred last night and what information was removed from city property and systems. We also need the contact information of the third party and the alleged "contract" the Clerk-Treasurer entered into with that party. This is of the utmost urgency. After my numerous invitations and attempts to meet regarding this issue, it is unfortunate that we are at this stage because of your and your client's refusal to come to reason.

Finally, I understand that the Hamilton County Sheriff's office was reviewing this issue based on a trumped-up theft allegation. It's truly unfortunate that the Clerk and you have stooped so low to defame and sully the good name of a dedicated city employee.

Take notice to preserve all communications and documents related to this matter, whether via text message, private social media message, email, or otherwise.

Blake J. Burgan
Taft Law

Checking it off the bucket list It's just a thing

Noblesville family to run in New York City Marathon

By STU CLAMPITT
ReadTheReporter.com

Jamie and Amy Shinneman met at Noblesville High School in 1989. Amy was born with an undiagnosed neuromuscular disease that causes very weak muscles and affects her ability to walk. A rare form of Muscular Dystrophy called Bethlem Myopathy means that she has never had the opportunity to run in her life.

Nonetheless, this November, Amy and Jamie will participate together in the famed New York City Marathon.

The Reporter spoke to Amy and Jamie about checking the New York City Marathon off their bucket list.

"I am an ambassador for the MDA [Muscular Dystrophy Association]," Amy said. "I was the Indiana State Ambassador and I am also an advocate for them. I do a lot of work for them and I also write a blog, so I stay very busy."

In October 2019, the Shinnemans completed the Chicago Marathon in a duo bike



Photo provided

Luke, Jamie and Amy Shinneman are planning to run in the 50th New York City Marathon thanks to this duo chair.

chair, which is how they will enter the New York marathon this year.

"We did the Chicago mara-

thon in 2019 and we had plans to do other things, but then of course COVID hit, so the only other long one we have done

was the Chicago Virtual Half Marathon this spring," Amy told The Reporter. "This is a big bucket list item for us to do together."

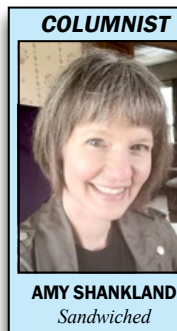
As a significant bonus, one of their two sons, Luke, will be joining the couple on their run.

"We're all set to participate in our second marathon together," Jamie Shinneman said. "Amy and I got a coveted spot in the 50th New York City Marathon in November as a duo team. This is one of our bucket list marathons to run together, and can be hard to get into, so needless to say we are over the moon. We will be running again with MDA's Team Momentum and raising funds for the fight against neuromuscular disease. The icing on the cake is that Luke is joining our team for this exciting race."

Their son Luke is a senior at Noblesville High School who runs both cross country and track, and he is the reason his parents are now marathoners.

"My husband was a soccer

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COLUMNIST
AMY SHANKLAND
Sandwiched

My son Jonathon, his friend Ayden, and I spent the day at one of my happy places last Saturday – Lake of the Woods in Bremen, Ind. I've written about this place in previous columns. One of my families (I always say I have three of them – the one I grew up in, the one I married into, and the one that helped raise me) has had a cottage there since 1949.

We met my brother-in-law Mike, my niece, my nephew, and their families for a day of swimming and boating. Mike took one look at Jonathon and Ayden and declared that the day would be perfect for removing the raft for the season later that afternoon. With school starting soon, it wouldn't be used much. And having strong young men around certainly helps!

The raft is secured by an anchor and is always a hit for everyone. You can easily dive and jump off of one side.

When it got close to dinnertime, my nephew Brian dove down below the raft to start the moving process . . . and promptly lost his wedding ring. He recently lost a lot of weight and the ring slipped right off of his finger. The lake has a mucky bottom. Brian immediately knew it was gone forever.

When he came back to the pier and told us the news, we gasped. His wife, Lisa, was sitting in the nearby pontoon boat. I looked over at her and felt terrible.

After recovering from the initial surprise, she told Brian, "It's okay. I'm not mad."

A few minutes later, Lisa and Brian were discussing the situation a little more and Brian pointed out that they had insurance and that the ring could be replaced.

"It's just a simple gold band," Lisa said wisely. "After 21 years of marriage, it's not something I'm going to get upset about." I nodded.

"It's just a thing," I replied.

This story illustrates something my own family and I have been saying a lot lately. I think with the pandemic and some of the bad things that have happened

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Shop local in Sheridan this Saturday

The REPORTER

Main Street Sheridan will hold a Merchants & More Summer Sidewalk Sale from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. this Saturday, July 31.

There you will find everything from one-of-a-kind crafted items, antiques, and art of various types. There will be plenty food, drinks, and goodies available as well.

Booths and vendors present at the Sidewalk Sale will include the following:

- Legacy Images – custom laser frames and gifts

- Puzzle Nook – original puzzles
- Keever Hardware
- Declaration of Independence – Sheridan T-shirts
- Spectacular Spaces – furniture, flowers and décor
- Mainstreet Market – local food and deli sandwiches
- Mad Max food trailer
- Spear-Huff Studio – some of the best art in the Midwest by Melinda
- Creekside Chiropractic
- First Christian Church – Cutco knife fundraiser

fundraiser

- Grapevine – clearance sale with all kinds of items including table sets

The soon-to-open Monon CT&I will offer iced, hot and cold-brewed coffee, donuts, and ice cream at 7:30 p.m.

Whatever you may be looking for might be at the Sidewalk Sale . . . and so much more. In total there will be close to 30 participants. Support local.

Thanks to Main Street Inc. for the signage and to Mary Ann Cooper for organizing.

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player, but he was never really a runner,” Amy said. “Our son, Luke, who is doing the marathon with us, started running when he was eight. He was a distance runner at that young of an age. He just had a natural ability for it. He’d want to do these really long runs and we didn’t want him going by himself, so the solution was that my husband would run with him. It just took off from there. He started doing 5ks, then half marathons, then marathons, and now we are running together.”

The 50th running of the New York City Marathon is set for Nov. 7, 2021 with only 33,000 runners instead of the usual 55,000. With a reduced field of runners this year, getting a spot in the world’s most famous marathon means even more. The Shinnemans know there is a possibility that this year’s marathon will be canceled, as last year’s was, due to COVID-19.

“The New York City Marathon is notoriously hard to get into and we entered a lottery this time,” Amy told The Reporter. “Since we are running for the MDA, that’s how my son got in too because he is going to be raising money for the MDA. They only allow a very small number of these duo bikes in these marathons. We will just have to take it day by day and follow whatever precautions they are going to have there. I feel like New York is not going to do it if it is not going to be a safe environment for everyone.”

If you would like to support the Shinneman’s fund raising efforts for the MDA and their upcoming marathon run, you can donate online at [this link](#).

To follow their journey to the marathon, you can visit Amy Shinneman’s [Facebook page](#), where she documents and posts videos of their training runs. You can also follow her on [Instagram](#).

JUST A THING

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recently in our family, we’ve gained a lot of perspective.

Sure, it’s great to have a nice home, cars, furniture, clothes, jewelry, etc. But we’ve come to realize that none of that is what is important in life. When we eventually go – and let’s face it, no one gets out alive – none of that stuff really matters. And of course, the old saying is true – you can’t take it with you. They’re just things.

What’s truly important is loving others and being loved. Helping people. Showing everyone kindness. Spending time with family and friends.

And, it’s important to remember that no object is more important than a loving relationship – especially a long marriage. I learned a lot from my nephew and his wife that day. I hope you do as well.

Hello, Hamilton County With Mr. Weatherman, Paul Poteet



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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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Center's annual gala to stream live Sept. 18

Public can view free online; on-site VIP event includes food and more

The REPORTER

For the first time in its decade-plus history, the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel will stream its annual gala live online for free viewing across the nation and beyond.

All Together Now! is the theme for the Saturday, Sept. 18 fundraiser, presented by Krieg DeVault, celebrating the return of on-site audiences for the Center's 2021-22 season. Highlights will include inspirational stories and live entertainment streamed from the Palladium stage, including Center Artistic Director Michael Feinstein and his piano trio, led by New York-based musical director Tedd Firth; New York based singer-dancer Melissa Schott; a chorus choreographed by Kenny Shepard; a gospel choir; and other special guests. Donations and auction proceeds will benefit the Looking Forward Fund, which supports the Center in securing a sustainable future.

The free livestream event will air from 8 to 9 p.m. through the Center's website, YouTube and Facebook. Viewers will have opportunities to donate to the Center and participate in the online auction, with luxury vacations, collectible sports memorabilia and other items available for bidding. More infor-

mation and registration for news updates is available at TheCenterPresents.org/2021GalaLivestream.

In addition, the Center will host an in-person event, the *All Together WOW!* VIP Experience in the Palladium's newly renovated Founders Club for guests who are ready to celebrate together. A limited number of on-site attendees will watch the main event via closed-circuit video and also enjoy a 7 p.m. cocktail reception with small plates and an open bar, as well as a 9 p.m. after-party with desserts and more music from Feinstein. Reservations for the upgraded experience can be made at TheCenterPresents.org/Gala or by calling (317) 819-3534. The cost is tax-deductible.

"We are so pleased to be welcoming our patrons and supporters back to campus after being pre-empted by the pandemic, and we also realize some of them are not yet ready to return," said Jeffrey C. McDermott, President/CEO of the Center and the Great American Songbook Foundation. "This hybrid format allows us to gather with our longtime friends while reaching new and broader audiences online with the Center's mission to engage and inspire."

This year's Gala Committee is co-chaired by Car-



Photo provided

Michael Feinstein performs with the chorus during the Center's 2019 gala at the Palladium in Carmel.

mel residents and Center supporters Eric and Leah Payne and Ron and Suzanne Mencias.

More information is available at TheCenterPresents.org/Gala.

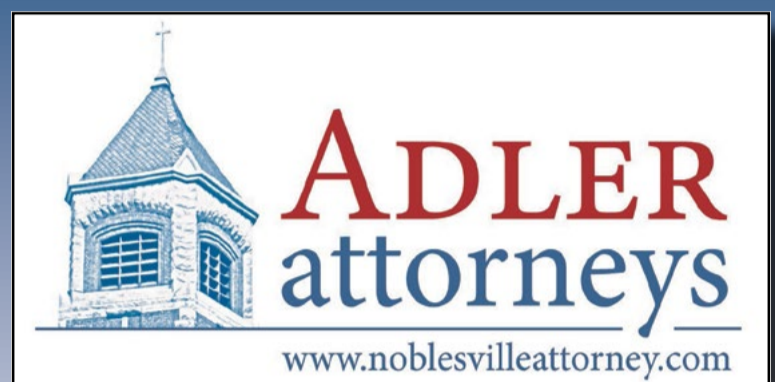
About the Center for the Performing Arts

The mission of the non-profit Center for the Performing Arts is to engage and inspire the Central Indiana community through enriching arts experiences. Its campus in Carmel includes the 1,600-seat Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington proscenium theater and the black-box Studio Theater. The Center presents and hosts hundreds of events each year, including the Center Presents performance series, featuring the best in classical, jazz, pop, rock, country, com-

edy and other genres. Educational and experiential programming for all ages includes children's concerts and camps, book clubs,

lectures, and classes in music and dance. The Center is home to the affiliated Great American Songbook Foundation and provides

space and support services for six resident arts companies. More information is available at TheCenterPresents.org.



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A look at Indiana State Fair food vendors, ride inspection process

By **DAVID WILLIAMS**
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The excitement is bubbling over for the 2021 Indiana State Fair.

“We are so excited to welcome Hoosiers back to the great Indiana State Fair. It’s our 164th Indiana State

Fair,” Sharon Smith, communications director for the Indiana State Fairgrounds, said Thursday.

It wouldn’t be the fair without the food, and this year, there are a few new items on the menu. Jeanne Bragg will be serving up fresh Bavarian cream puffs

at her food truck, The German Corner.

“It’s a pastry shell,” Bragg said. “It’s got a pudding cream custard middle. And of course, we can top it with either powdered sugar or chocolate sauce.”

It’s a family friend’s recipe.

“Well, we’re going to feed everybody that comes up to that booth, so whether it’s one or 1 million, we’re gonna feed every single one of them,” Bragg said.

It’s also Derrick Slack and his wife’s first time serving at the fair. They own Black Leaf Vegan.

“We’re making history, because we are the very first in 165 years of the Indiana State Fair, we’re the first all-vegan food vendor,” Slack said.

They will prepare dishes like their vegan brats.

“Vegan food is food,” Slack said. “Just like you can like more than one color, you can like more than one type of food. We just happen to be vegan. And vegan just means no animal products, no milk, no cheese, no dairy.”

The BBQ Suga Momma is another new food option.

“That is a blend of our pulled BBQ turkey on a Jack’s doughnut, in between two big Jack’s doughnuts,” said Alfarena McGinty, the owner of the Gobble Gobble Food Truck. “You’ve got to have that meat and that doughnut. So, you’ve got that sweet and salty all together.”

This is Alfie’s 20th year at the state fair.

“It is great to be back. It is great to see our fans and our followers,” McGinty said.

Over at Triple T Concessions, Fabien Johnson said even though this is his third or fourth time coming to the state fair, this year is extra special.

“It is really good because when the economy shut down for a very long time, we’ve been in for so long,” Johnson said. “It’s just ... you have to pop out.

To be outside, it’s a great feeling to be around people.”

After a snack, you may want to head to the midway to check out the rides, including the new double-decker carousel. All rides have been inspected by the Indiana Department of Homeland Security.

“We’re making sure that anything that buckles or clips or keeps the person inside locked where they’re supposed to be while riding,” said Matthew Cronley, the section chief of Amusement Ride Safety for the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. “We’re also making sure that the ride is installed to manufacturers’ instruction. We’re also looking at if it’s rotating, or anything like that, that it’s going to its minimum speeds, like the minimum RPMs. We’re also making sure that the data plate is there. We’re also making sure that the ride operators are knowing how to go through the start-up procedures and any sort of emergency shut down procedures.”

The department’s job is to meticulously inspect the State Fair’s roughly 46 rides.

“We take our time with every single one of these rides to make sure they’re installed and they’re level. They’re shored up, they’re secure. We will not let a ride operate if we find a single violation, no matter how minor,” Cronley said. “All violations must be compliant before we allow the riding public to get on it. So, after our inspections are complete and we’ve cleared any violations, I can say with confidence that the riding public should be safe at the Indiana State Fair.”

The Indiana State Fair runs 18 days this year, starting today and running through Aug. 22. The fair will be closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

[Click here](#) for more information on the Indiana State Fair.



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• 2108-SE-02; 2909 E State Road 32; Next Gear Auto Sales requests an extension for an existing Special Exception for a Very High Intensity Retail Use (Auto Sales) on 1.93 acres +/- in the GB: General Business District and State Highway 32 Overlay District (Articles 4.16(B) & 13.2);
• 2108-VU-03; 217 Mill Street; 4E by WKRP Indy requests a Variance of Use to permit a Low-Intensity Retail Use (Gift and Coffee Shop with bakery and limited seating) on 0.32 acres +/- in the MF1: Multi-Family Low Density District (Article 13.2);
• 2108-VS-27; 15718 Towne Road; Dannon and Andrea Brown request Variances of Development Standard to modify the Minimum Lot Frontage from 250 feet to 220 feet and modify the Minimum Lot Area from 3 acres to 1.3 acres +/- to permit the subdivision of a 2.77 acre +/- parcel in the AG-SF1: Agriculture/Single-Family Rural District (Articles 4.2(C) and (D));
• 2108-VS-28; 15500 Viking Crusader Court; Heather Hohla requests a Variance of Development Standard to encroach ten (10) feet into the twenty-five (25) foot Minimum Rear Yard Setback on 0.57 acres +/- in the Viking Meadows PUD District to accommodate a swimming pool, deck, and associated accessory structure;
• 2108-VS-29; West Side of Freemont Moore Road, approximately ¼ mile south of 206th Street; Mark Zielinski by Northern Commercial requests a Variance of Development Standard to modify the Minimum Lot Frontage from 250 feet to 233 feet for two (2) lots and 40 feet for one (1) lot on 18.11 acres +/- in the AG-SF1: Agriculture/Single-Family Rural District;
• 2108-VS-30; East Side of Lamong Road, approximately ¼ mile north of 193rd Street; Miller Surveying requests a Variance of Development Standard to modify the Minimum Lot Frontage from 250 feet to 214.9 feet on 3 acres +/- in the AG-SF1: Agriculture/Single-Family Rural District (Article 4.2(D));
• 2108-VS-31; 17112 Towne Road; Michael A. Johnson requests Variances of Development Standard to modify the Minimum Lot Size from 3 acres to 1.43 acres, the Minimum Lot Frontage from 250 feet to 140 feet, the Minimum Front Yard Setback from 100 feet to 77 feet, and the Minimum Side Yard Setback from 30 feet to 10 feet for the north and south lot lines on 1.43 acres +/- in the AG-SF1: Agriculture/Single-Family Rural District for building additions and a future accessory building (Articles 4.2(C), (D), (E)(1), and (E)(2)); and
• 2108-VS-32; 19400 Tomlinson Road; Westfield Washington Schools by Cripe requests a Variance of Development Standard to modify the maximum height of an Accessory Building from eighteen (18) feet to twenty-five (25) feet on 86.77 acres +/- in the AG-SF1: Agriculture/Single-Family Rural District (UDO 6.1(F)).
Specific details regarding the cases may be obtained from the Westfield Economic and Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3170.
Westfield-Washington Township Board of Zoning Appeals
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RL4788 7/30/21

Common Council of the City of Westfield	
Event:	Executive Session Common Council of the City of Westfield
Date:	Tuesday, August 3, 2021
Time:	6:00 PM
Location:	City Services Center 2728 E 171st Street Westfield, IN 46074
The Common Council will meet to discuss pending or threatened litigation, as authorized under Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B). Executive Sessions are closed to the public and the press. RL4789 7/30/21	

Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Commission on Public Records will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 19, 2021, to discuss the PR-1 forms that were submitted by various agencies requesting destruction of specified records. This meeting will be held in the Hamilton County Clerk’s Conference Room, Suite 106, in the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly Capital and Construction committee meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 2, 2021, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.

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The REPORTER

Round Room LLC, the nation's largest Verizon authorized retailer, announces that its **TCC** and **Wireless Zone** stores are donating 140,000 backpacks full of school supplies to children across the U.S. during its ninth annual School Rocks Backpack Giveaway. Since 2013, TCC has donated 1.2 million backpacks filled with supplies to students nationwide to ensure children are well prepared for the start of the school year.

TCC will also award three students each \$10,000 college scholarships.

Nearly 750 participating TCC and Wireless Zone stores are inviting local families to their locations from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 1 to pick up a backpack filled with pencils, paper, a pencil box, a ruler, folders and glue. One backpack per child present will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. Each store location will adhere to local and CDC guidelines to provide a safe environment for event attendees and TCC employees.

"The start of the school year is an exciting time, and we are thrilled to support

the education of the youth in our communities through our School Rocks Backpack Giveaway," said Scott Moorehead, CEO of Round Room, parent company of TCC. "By providing families across the country with essential school supplies, we're easing the back-to-school shopping burden and helping set children up for success."

According to the **National Retail Federation**, American families with school-aged children spent an average of \$789.49 on school supplies in 2020 – totaling \$33.9 billion spent in America last year on school supplies alone. TCC is working to ease the strain of rising school supplies costs through its annual program.

For a list of TCC stores participating in the School Rocks Backpack Giveaway or to find a store near you, visit locations.tccrocks.com. Each participating TCC store will donate up to 150 backpacks with all leftovers being donated to local schools.

Supporters of the School Rocks Backpack Giveaway are encouraged to use hashtags #SchoolRocks and #BetterTogether

on Instagram and Twitter to help spread the word.

TCC is a Culture of Good, Inc. company and makes ongoing investments in the local communities where it operates. Recently, the company donated \$50,000 to in-person children's summer camps as part of its annual Kids Rock program. Additionally in

2021, TCC donated more than 500 appreciation boxes to schools nationwide honoring teachers juggling education hurdles caused by the coronavirus pandemic. The company's nonprofit organization, TCC Gives, recently surpassed \$2.5 million in donations to local nonprofits across the country as well.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

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2 Corinthians 1:23-24 (NIV)

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First-ever state championships for the Greyhounds... . . .

Carmel's 1970, '71 boys golf teams reunite

Submitted

The incredible tradition of team championships at Carmel High School started in 1970, when the Boys Golf Team won the school's first-ever State Championship. The Carmel team repeated its State Championship in 1971.

Members of the two teams celebrated 50 years by gathering at Crooked Stick Golf Club on Friday, July 23 to enjoy a round of golf, renew old friendships, tell many stories and to reminisce of those two great State Championships.

Members of the 1970 state champion team that attended were Pete Holm, Doc O'Neal, Russ Craig, Don Currise, Bill Gardner and Bob Wright. In 1970 Carmel won by one shot over archrival North Central at Old Oakland Golf Club.

Members of the 1971 State Championship team were Doc O'Neal, Russ Craig, Billy McDaniel, Steve Norris, Gary Duke and Bob Allen. The team won by four shots in 1971.

The team gathered to also pay tribute to Coach Don Huffer, who passed away this past year. Coach Huffer directed a record five IHSAA golf State Championships. In Coach Huffer's name the two teams raised \$10,000 to donate to the Carmel Greyhound Booster Club.

Athletic Director Jimmy Inskeep noted that Carmel High School currently owns 177 State Championships of which 161 were IHSAA State Championships. The Carmel Boys Golf Team is responsible for seven of those State Championships, an IHSAA record.

Those additional Carmel High School graduates who attended the reunion were 1970 Mr. Basketball, Dave Shepherd, Randy Craig (1969 CHS golfer), Doug Perry, CHS golfer Tim Massey, Dan Chapman, Paul Rivest (member of the third-place 1972 team), and past Carmel Coach and Teacher, Tom Meeks, who spent 34 years in the game of golf as Coach, Executive Director of Golf in Indiana, and as the Director of Rules, Competitions and Tournament Set Up for the United States Golf Association.

A special thanks to Crooked Stick Golf Club PGA Director of Golf, Tony Pancake, 1st Assistant PGA Professional Nate Holm, and Pete Holm for bringing everyone together to celebrate the wonderful tradition of state championships in Carmel, Indiana.

Photos provided

The Carmel boys golf team won back-to-back state championships in 1970 and 1971. Those victories were the first-ever state championships for the Greyhounds, who have gone on to win 177 of them, including seven in boys golf.



GC's Leo Wessel wins Junior Masters

Two Guerin Catholic players made an impact at the Indiana Golf Foundation Junior Tour's Masters Tour Championship, which took place early this week at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel.

Leo Wessel, a sophomore-to-be for the Golden Eagles, played a consistent 36 holes and won the Masters Boys division of the tournament. Wessel carded a five

under par 139 for his two rounds, starting with a two-under 70 in Sunday's first round.

Wessel went one better in Monday's second round, carding a three-under 69. He had seven birdies total for the tournament, and also played bogey-free in the first round.

Two more Hamilton County players

finished in the top five. Cole Starnes, an incoming junior at Hamilton Southeastern, tied for second with a four-under 140 for the tournament. Starnes and Bloomfield's Happy Gilmore both went one-under 71 during first-round action, then both carded three-under 69s in the second round. Starnes totaled nine birdies during the event.

Sam Booth, a recent Carmel graduate, finished fourth with a one-under 143. Booth, who has committed to Valparaiso University, played even in the first round with a 72, then had a one-under 71 in the second round. He also had nine birdies for the event, including

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Tampa Bay	61	42	.592	1.5
N.Y. Yankees	53	48	.525	8.5
Toronto	51	48	.515	9.5
Baltimore	35	66	.347	26.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. White Sox	60	43	.583	-
Cleveland	50	49	.505	8.0
Detroit	50	55	.476	11.0
Kansas City	45	56	.446	14.0
Minnesota	43	60	.417	17.0
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	63	40	.612	-
Oakland	58	46	.558	5.5
Seattle	55	48	.534	8.0
L.A. Angels	51	51	.500	11.5
Texas	36	66	.353	26.5

National League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Mets	54	47	.535	-
Philadelphia	51	51	.500	3.5
Atlanta	51	52	.495	4.0
Washington	47	55	.461	7.5
Miami	44	58	.431	10.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	61	42	.592	-
Cincinnati	54	49	.524	7.0
St. Louis	51	51	.500	9.5
Chi. Cubs	50	54	.481	11.5
Pittsburgh	38	64	.373	22.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Francisco	64	38	.627	-
L.A. Dodgers	62	42	.596	3.0
San Diego	60	45	.571	5.5
Colorado	44	59	.427	20.5
Arizona	32	71	.311	32.5

JUNIOR MASTERS

seven in the second round.

In the Masters Girls division, Christina Pfefferkorn, a senior-to-be at Guerin Catholic, finished a narrow second. Pfefferkorn and Newburgh's Hailey Kirkland each finished with 146s, sending the action into a playoff, which Kirkland won.

Pfefferkorn scored 74 during her first round and was even at 72 in the second round. She had five birdies for the tournament.

Two Carmel players reached the top four. Michaela Headlee, an incoming Greyhounds sophomore, took third by scoring a 148. That included a one-under 71 for her first round. Headlee finished with four birdies.

Sydney Longstreth, recently graduated from Carmel and soon to be at Ohio University, placed fourth with a 149. She totaled six birdies for her round.

Here is a list of Hamilton County finishers. More golf results will appear in

Saturday's edition.

MASTERS BOYS

1. Leo Wessel, Indianapolis (Guerin Catholic) 70-69=139, T2. Cole Starnes, Fishers 71-69=140, 4. Sam Booth, Carmel 72-71=143, T11. Owen Sander, Carmel 69-78=147, T13. Jake Cesare, Westfield 68-80=148, T15. Connor McNeely, Noblesville 77-72=149, T23. Nolan Hall, Westfield 76-76=152, T36. Will Harvey, Westfield 78-78=156; Joseph Armfield, Carmel 77-79=156, T41. Connor Hedrick, Carmel 79-79=157, T45. Joe Sawyer, Westfield 81-80=161, 47. Connor McMullan, Fishers 82-81=163, 49. Timmy Leonard, 80-85=165.

MASTERS GIRLS

2. Christina Pfefferkorn, Carmel

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(Guerin Catholic) 74-72=146, 3. Michaela Headlee, Carmel 71-77=148, 4. Sydney Longstreth, Carmel 75-74=149, T13. Ava Hedrick, Carmel 80-75=155, T16. Ava Nguyen, Carmel 79-78=157; Becky Williams, Zionsville (University High School) 81-76=157, T19. Marissa Spreitzer, Fishers 77-83=160, T21. Claire Swathwood, Carmel 83-79=161.



Richie Hall/File photo

Leo Wessel, pictured here playing for Guerin Catholic during June's state finals, won the Indiana Golf Association Junior Tour's Masters Tour Championship, which took place early this week at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel. Wessel finished the event with a score of 139, putting him five under par for the two rounds.

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