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TODAY'S WEATHER Today: Mostly cloudy. Scattered showers, mainly in the morning. Tonight: Partly cloudy.

HIGH: 56 LOW: 44



"Beaver Stadium" chosen as name for new facility at Noblesville High School

The REPORTER

Noblesville Schools unveiled this week "Beaver Stadium" as the name for Noblesville High School's new multipurpose stadium facility. The naming rights deal between Noblesville Schools and Beaver Materials is valued at \$250,000 over five years.

The stadium will open for track in April 2022 and host a grand opening on July 29, 2022.

The district will seek a new naming partner for the existing Beaver Materials Field, which will continue to be used for lacrosse, rugby, and band.

Highlights of the new stadium include:

• 50 percent more seating to provide needed space for fans and visitors

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Don't be the dealer ...

The REPORTER

A drug take-back event will take place from 9 a.m. to noon today in the east parking lot at Riverview Health Noblesville, 395 Westfield Road. Drop off any expired or unused prescription and over-the-counter medications. Vape devices can also be dropped off.

Please note that no liquids, sharps or needles will be accepted.

The event is set up as a drive-thru with a police officer taking donations from the

The drug take-back is sponsored by the Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs, the Hamilton County Health Department, Breathe Easy Hamilton County, the Fishers Health Department, and National DEA RX Take Back Day.

Change your thinking, cut down on stress

COLUMNIST

SHARON McMAHON

"The world we have created today is a product of our thinking; it cannot be changed without changing our thinking." – Commonly attributed to Albert Einstein

Aren't we all so very wearied by the political rhetoric and now the potential

maiming or worse that has been attempted toward high-profile political individuals in our country and contemplating how different is the world now compared to that in which many of us grew up? How these headlines relate to our health and well-being (my usual topics) can be summed up in one word: STRESS!

It is a word familiar to many of us – pandemic stress, job stress, health issues stress, family stress, traffic stress (!) and on and on. These are what we would consider our "ordinary" stressors. However, the worldwide atrocious acts invade our private worlds as well. With 24-hour news cycles on cable news, radio, and the internet, these horrible acts are with us constantly. I certainly do not have the skill or ability to even guess why these atrocities are taking place; nor why our leaders and those who wish to be our leaders cannot display some

See Stress . . . Page 2

Meals on Wheels raises over \$62K

Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County recent Dancing with Our Stars seventh annual fundraising event held at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Noblesville exceeded previous year's fundraising totals with \$62,850 raised.

Established in 1975, Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County supports individuals who are elderly, disabled and homebound by delivering nutritious meals, reducing hunger, improving health and promoting independence. Meals are prepared in state-approved healthcare facilities and designed by a certified registered dietitian under a physician's prescribed supervision according to the client's specific dietary needs.



enable clients to remain infor as long as possible. For more on Wheels at (317) 776-7159.

Nearly 200 meals are de- dependently living within the information on receiving serlivered daily by volunteers to community in their own homes vices or to volunteer, call Meals

Glynn considering run for state legislature

By FRED SWIFT

ReadTheReporter.com

Hamilton County Councilman Fred Glynn is considering Clay and Delaware a run for state legislature in the townships and a few newly-created House District 32. Glynn, a 19-year resident of Marion County. The Carmel, says he has not made a decision, but has been "talking lican, but with no to people" in the Republican Party about the possibility.

To date there has been no competitive.

one announcing intentions to run in the district, which includes portions of precincts in northern district leans Repubincumbent is consid-



ed to the County re-elected in 2018. He made a spirited, for Carmel mayor against incumbent 2019 GOP primary. The councilman con-

ered by political experts to be siders himself a conservative. He is a graduate of Emb-council ends on Dec. 31, 2022.

Glynn was elect- ry-Riddle Aeronautical University and claims experience in Council in 2014 and banking and insurance. Glynn and his wife are parents of one daughter, and he is a member but unsuccessful run of St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church in Carmel.

Filing for the legislature be-Jim Brainard in the gins on Jan. 8 for the May 2022 primary with the winner advancing to the November general election. Glynn's term on the

Fishers Veterans Day Ceremony set

The REPORTER

The City of Fishers invites residents and veterans to the Veterans Day Ceremony, set for 10 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 11, to honor the brave service members in the community and nationwide who have served in the armed forces.

The ceremony is open to the public and will be held at Liberty Plaza (south of City Hall, 1 Municipal Drive). Be sure to check out the pole banners around the Nickel Plate District that feature local veterans. Learn more about the event, and see how you can honor a local hero here.

Public invited to attend groundbreaking for 'The Signature' development in Carmel



Rendering provided by City of Carmel Carmel city officials invite you to attend the groundbreaking ceremony for The Signature, a new mixed-use development on the northeast corner of Old Meridian and Main streets in Carmel. The groundbreaking will take place at 2 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 1. Mayor Jim Brainard and Carmel Redevelopment Director Henry Mestetsky will join representatives with Tegethoff Development and Great Lakes Capital. This future mixed-use development will include 295 residential units for rent, including studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments, along with eight condominiums for sale. Two-bedroom condos start at \$399,000. Also available is retail for lease. Project amenities will include a resort-style pool, golf simulator, 4,000-plus square-foot fitness center, private event space, high-tech offices, pickleball court, garage parking and more. Groundbreaking event parking will be available west of the project site at Genesis Church, 13200 Old Meridian St.

Go Purple ith Prevail!



Thank you to our local law enforcement agencies for partnering with us to end domestic violence! We are grateful for the work you do each day. Thank you Arcadia PD, Carmel PD, Cicero PD, Fishers PD, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, Noblesville PD. Sheridan PD, and Westfield PD. #GoPurplePrevail **#Prevailinc #DVPM**

STADIUM

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Rendering provided by Noblesville Schools

- and restrooms
 - On-site parking
- It is now part of the ing high school campus to allow for safe access to the field
- Redesigned crowd home and away teams to better monitor
- Expanded concessions and manage large student technology capabilities groups

 - Band director stand
 - Locker rooms for
- - Practice fields which · Enhanced LED light- are already being used by NHS PE classes and band
 - Athletic training space Additional storage

Click here for more de-• Up-to-date broadcast tails on Beaver Stadium.



along the way.

tionary gives us one defi- ble. nition of mental stress as strong feelings of worry or anxiety." That worry and anxiety can be linked to causing both physical and emotional issues for many people, including those who do not routinely watch/lisoccurrences. This stress can lead to sleeplessness, poor digestion, exhaustion, chest pain, fatigue, overeating (or not eating) and may not necessarily "feel"

parents to have discussions If you are a "news junkie"

level of civil discourse with their children, answer perhaps you can try limiting their questions, and make Merriam-Webster dic- them feel as safe as possi-

Can we choose to turn "something that causes off/turn away from the news and alleviate the resulting stress? To a point, yes. But unless you are planning to live in a cave underground, you will be exposed to the news cycle and its effects.

However, you can limit ten/read about these world as much as possible by not and national tragedies and tuning in to the media reports and the chatter associated with all those reports. You can increase your exercise, get outside (pulling weeds is great for stress!) even illness. Effects of this and surround yourself with stress can be insidious, we as much peace as possible. stressed but be affected by it cup of tea! Watch ... a funny movie! Deep breathing The news of violence can also help you deal with and the constant ill-advised anxiety. One of my favorite rhetoric that our children pastimes I find works wonare exposed to will, in my ders ... pet a dog! (Possibly opinion, have long-lasting a cat as well, on their terms, effects on their lives. It is of course!) My dogs always impossible to complete- love to be brushed and petly protect young people; ted and they really could not however, it is important for care less about bad news!

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your time and incorporate some of the lifestyle change suggestions noted above. A nutritious diet, in-

creased exercise and focus on relaxation can help us deal with the stress, but unfortunately, we seem to be living in a world today that few of us understand or have experienced in our lifetimes. A pandemic is something none of us alive today has endured; let's all do what we can to move beyond it. I hope we can change our thinking, focus on how much we have in common as human beings and look out for each other.

¹Mayo Foundation for Read ... a book! Drink ... a Education and Medical Research

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The opinions expressed in this article are not intended to replace advice of your personal physician or licensed health professional. Please consult your physician for any issues you may have related to nutrition or fitness activity.





Thanks for reading!

Victims of Crime and Abuse prevailinc.org

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

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

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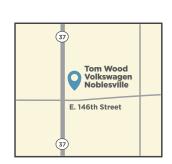


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Support local artisans and get your Christmas shopping finished in one stop at this year's holiday open house at Sheridan's Creekside Chiropractic.

Support local artisans at Sheridan's Creekside Chiropractic on Nov. 3

The REPORTER

rill Macy and Sheridan's and festive holiday snacks in our community," said Creekside Chiropractic at 306 S. Main St., Sheridan, your #supportlocal one "Supporting each other for the 10th annual funfilled night of local artisan holiday shopping. The event will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 3.

Join Dr. Erin Mer- es. Light refreshments local female entrepreneurs will be on hand. Make this Dr. Erin Merrill Macy. stop shop this holiday sea- and shopping locally is so son. Additional space has important in our commubeen added to keep the nities, especially after the holiday shopping safe and hard couple years we've socially distant.

"I love being able to ic." Holiday shoppers will provide a fun space for our find selections from over annual holiday shopping tails on Facebook.

30 local small business- open house and support all had with the pandem-

Find more event de-

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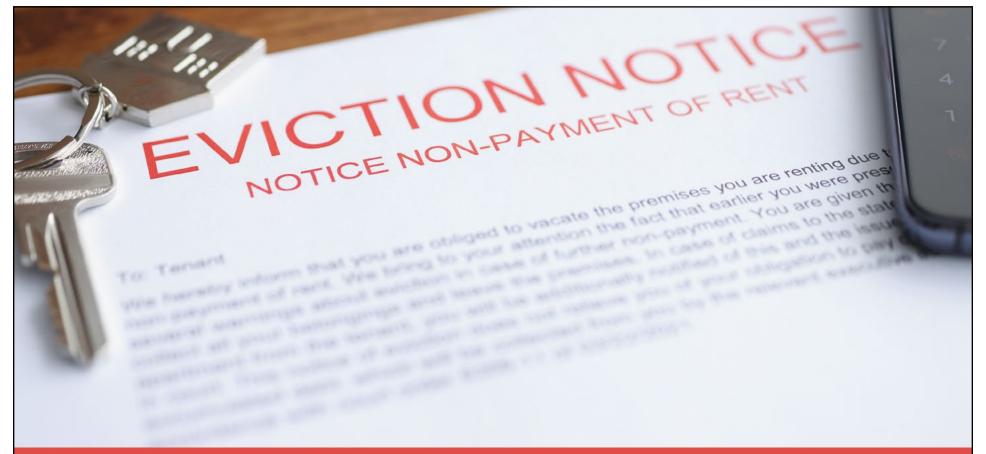
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Coffee cup confessions of a so-called writer

"If I could just get it on paper, I might make some sense of it all." – Jimmy Buffett I AM

WRITER.

Says so in all caps on a coffee cup gifted by my





It serves as a sentinel ing to find I AM A FRAUD near my laptop, staring me lasered on its side; when down while I struggle to a painfully familiar and live up to its bold proclama- brilliant line from Bruce

visions of grandeur. one drop of coffee. It's man who doubts what he's THAT coffee cup, the coffee sure of." I have been hauntcup of cool, the one too precious from which to drink. It serves a more important purpose than lending itself as a ceramic vessel held aloft and slightly tilted between coffee pot and coffee-breathed mouth. I have college graduation, the then dozens of other coffee cups drafted to deliver my java me she had learned that "rejolt, but none try to fuel me with a sense of purpose like this bone-dry I AM A

WRITER cup.

words during the good days, when the connectivity between mind and fingertips short – three years at three is undammed and true, and the keyboard clacks like a train undeterred from its bang for the buck" expectdestination; when there is ed of me based on story no distraction, only traction; samples that had prompted when clear thought arises as steam within the brain's boiler, percolates belches determined bursts of black font through the imagination's smokestack, effortlessly populating the white field before me with a journey charted by letters, words, sentences and paragraphs that hopefully entice you to chuckle, nod or stifle a yawn while in the comforting presence of your own cherished, truth-telling coffee cup: World's Greatest Golfer; #1 Grandma; Wor- It took getting kicked out kin' Harder Than An Ugly of newspapers to find my Stripper; or There's A Good place in them. The Perry Chance This Is Whiskey.

good, I feel most grand, the umns, then The Herald little engine that could. I can The Evansville Courier and almost tolerate myself. I am Press runs them. And somea writer. I don't need a cup times, so does the Hamilton to prop me up.

But then come those the computer monitor displays only a blank glow, and when I sheepishly glance at yond every bend. the coffee cup, fully expect-

tion or, more so, to my own Springsteen's "Brilliant Disguise" comes to mind, It has yet to hold even "God have mercy on the ed by these Springsteen syllables since their release in 1987, the same year I embarked on a newspaper career that guaranteed I would be paid to write – by paid, I mean minimally paid. Near "love of my life" informed porters don't make a lot of money." I had no Plan B. My muse, unamused, vanished into oblivion. My first I am worthy of the cup's of many lessons in the economics of love.

My life as a reporter was papers, the final one firing me for not "delivering the them to hire me, making me feel like a limp writing hack carried on some heroic copyeditor's back. Specific lyrics from Harry Chapin's epic dream-crusher song, "Mr. Tanner," spoke loud and clear: "Full time consideration for another endeavor might be in order." With bruised ego and blighted byline, I exited newspapers, but the desire to write a column, a dream dating from my early double-digit years, remained. County News first paid for \$16.27 and break even. When the writing is my freelance humor col-County Reporter.

You would think that dreaded, damning days: by virtue of a byline, I when the train jumps track, would not question the cofand the keyboard clack is fee cup. I AM A WRITER. muted by clock tick; when Four words I never dare say aloud, from fear of both failure and feelings of I am derailed by self-doubt; fraudulency awaiting be-

writer. Each of my five self-published column collections represents a slice of humble pie. Last night, their Amazon "best-seller" rankings were: "Nose Hairs Gone Wild" (5,216,777); "Will Write For Food" (6,774,204); "Mr. Serious" (7,392,322); umn Writing is Not Pretty" (7,950,125); "What Are You Going to Write About When I'm Gone?" (3,542,351). My life's work commingles with the millions.

Last night, I bought a copy of "Will Write For Food" to test the rankings system. Overnight, it climbed more than six million notches to the 393,883rd position. A book with a bullet – a mere \$8.07purchase prompting a butterfly effect in book sales rankings.

Sadly, I have purchased my own titles at other times, too, suckered by the dreaded "boomerang book," a copy I once sold to someone only to see the same copy being resold on Amazon. I buy it just to see who I originally sold it to, hoping to unmask the unimpressed.

I recently paid \$31.22 for a "Nose Hairs Gone Wild" boomerang book that I originally sold for \$14.99 to someone who gifted it to someone for Christmas in 2012. With the orphaned book back in my loving hands, I read the nine-yearold inscription: "For Joan ... I hope you enjoy my Nose Hairs." Apparently, Joan

Maybe I can sell it for

I AM A WRITER. Says so in all caps on a coffee cup gifted to me by my boss.

Maybe I should lighten up on myself. Believe the cup. If you can't trust your coffee cup, what can you trust?

Scott Saalman also writes columns for the Dubois County Herald and the Evansville Courier & Press. He is now a proud Fishers resident. You can reach him I am not a successful at scottsaalman@gmail.com.

Rep. Spartz: President Biden lacks legal authority for vaccine mandate

The REPORTER

This week, the Subcom- woman mittee on Civil Rights of questioned the House Education and witnesses about Labor Committee held a the constitutionjoint hearing on President ality and legali-Biden's vaccine mandate on ty of the federal employers with 100 or more mandate raising employees. This directive concerns with the is included in President ability of the fed-Biden's "Pathway out of the eral government the Occupational Safety losing their private-sector and Health Administration job, presidential authority to (OSHA) to implement the

ACCURATE BALANCED **LOCAL NEWS** Congress-

Pandemic" plan and directs to mandate an individual ernment approaches do not issue a broad vaccine mandate without action from the legislative branch, and OSHA's misinterpretation of the statute dealing with "toxic substances."

> "The issue of President Biden's employer vaccine mandate was raised by many of my constituents during my town halls last weekend," Rep. Spartz said. "We need to remember



that this mandate not only raises questions about constitutionality and presidential authority but will also have a direct effect on people's lives and livelihoods. Generally, top-down gov-

work and backfire."

You can watch Congresswoman Spartz's full line of questioning here.

In addition to this week's joint subcommittee hearing, Congresswoman Spartz also signed a Sept. 29 letter to U.S. Secretary of Labor Marty Walsh requesting that the Department of Labor immediately suspend work on the national vaccine mandate. Read the full letter here.

Letter to the Editor-

Westfield senior invites you to Red Ribbon Week Scavenger hunt today

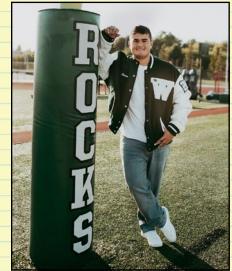
A lot of people, including many of my peers, think vaping is a safe alternative to smoking cigarettes. They don't realize flavored vaping liquids are loaded with nicotine that cause the user to become addicted. The tobacco industry has purposely created enticing flavors to appeal to young consumers.

With Halloween coming up, I'd like to compare vaping with candy:

Kit Kats are an easy candy to share. Just break off a stick and give it to a friend. Like Kit Kats, vapes are also easy to share. Sharing is how most kids get hooked, and it's the precursor to purchasing one's own vapes. According to the National Youth Tobacco Survey, 71 percent of youth reported borrowing a vape, and 81 percent of youth have borrowed one from a friend.

Skittles are deceiving, just like vapes. They don't seem especially exciting; but, it's impossible to only eat a few, because they're sweet and flavorful. Like Skittles, E-cigarettes are deceiving (they're thought to be harmless) and have nuflavored vape, you want to try them all! Did you know that there are over 17,000 flavors of e-cigarettes? The flavorings vape products.

Vaping alters your brain, and it makes Indiana and sign up today. you want to vape more and more. The tobacco industry needs young people to become addicted to replace tobacco quitters and those who die of tobacco-related illnesses.



I'm a member of the Hamilton County VOICE team. I work to engage, educate, and empower my peers to become or remain tobacco free. I also support eliminating flavored vaping and tobacco products, and I want to ensure that kids don't have access to these harmful products.

I invite all youth to educate themselves merous tasty flavors. Once you try one at our Red Ribbon Week Scavenger hunt at Cool Creek Park, from 1 to 2 p.m. this Saturday, Oct. 30. You can get the details on our Instagram page at TheActionFive. make it easier to start using tobacco or If you can't make it Saturday, please join our VOICE Action Team. Search VOICE

> I pledge to remain tobacco free and challenge my friends to do the same.

Will Strahm

Westfield High School Senior Proud Hamilton Co. VOICE Member

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Noblesville Police Department offers these Halloween safety tips

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Police Department (NPD) reminds residents that the official designated hours for Trickor-Treat this year in the City of Noblesville will be from day, Oct. 31.

Officers from NPD will be paying particular attention to motorists who are not obeying traffic laws in and around residential areas walk, not run. Be careful where children are expected to be walking. Motorists are urged to exercise care as children sometimes make sudden or unexpected movements such as darting between parked vehicles and crossing streets in locations that are not properly marked, illuminated or designated for pedestrian crossing.

All citizens should observe these safety tips that will help to make this an enjoyable evening for all:

Parents

- Make sure an adult or older responsible youth will be supervising the outing for younger children.
- Instruct your children to travel only in familiar areas and along an established
- Teach your children to stop only at houses or apartment buildings that are darting out from between ville Police Department well-lit and never enter a stranger's home.
- not to eat any treat until they dians, and curbs.

return home.

- Review all the appro-
- priate trick-or-treat safety precautions, including pedestrian/traffic safety rules.
- 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. on Sun- walk on sidewalks, not in dren will be walking. the street. If no sidewalk is available, have children walk on the left side of the road, facing traffic.
 - Remind children to crossing yards and lawns where unseen objects or uneven terrain can present tripping hazards.

Costumes and face design

- Only fire-retardant materials should be used for costumes.
- Costumes should not be so long that they are a tripping hazard. (Falls are the leading cause of unintentional injuries on Halloween.)
- If children are allowed out after dark, outfits should be made with light colored materials. Strips of reflective tape should be used to make children more visible.
- Avoid masks that may obstruct a child's vision. Use facial paint instead.

Motorists

- Watch for children parked cars.
- Watch for children • Tell your youngsters walking on roadways, me-

- Enter and exit drive-• Establish a return time. ways and alleys carefully.
- · Travel at a reduced speed (10 to 15 mph below the posted speed limit) especially in residential areas • Remind children to where it is obvious that chil-

Residents

- Leave your exterior lights on near your front door if you are participating in handing out candy. Parents/children will use this as a means to identify your willingness to participate.
- Secure any pets (outside and inside) that may become startled because of the costumes, noise, or overall increase in activities on that evening.
- Make sure that children have a clear path to and from your front door. Decorations or other Halloween displays can sometimes impede or present a tripping hazard for unsuspecting children.

Additional considerations

- Carrying flashlights will help children see and be seen more clearly.
- When in doubt about a specific treat that your child has brought home, simply throw it away. It is not worth the risk.
- · Contact the Noblesimmediately if you suspect that your child's candy/treat has been compromised in any way.

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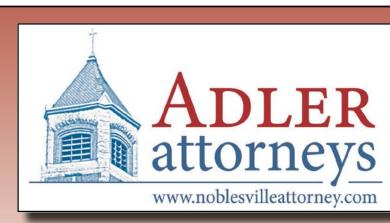
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Joe E. Collar July 23, 1939 - October 27, 2021

Joe E. Collar, 82, Sebring, Fla., passed away on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at Riverview Health in Noblesville. He was born on July 23, 1939 to Francis E. and Edna Pearl (Wenger) Collar in New Philadelphia, Ohio.



Joe proudly served in the United States Air Force. He worked for Indiana Mills manufacturing which became IMMI in Westfield. Joe was also a bookkeeper for Griffin Construction in Noblesville. He attended Lighthouse Fellowship Church of God in Noblesville and was a member of Sebring Church of God in Florida. Joe was a member of the Highland Wood Carving Club and an avid golfer. He enjoyed watching his grandchildren in all of their different activities and loved to eat ice cream.

He is survived by his children, Carla (Mark) Eckstein, Darren (Marianne) Collar, and Matthew (Allysun) Collar; grandchildren, Summer (Kyle) Frandsen, Bobbi (Brandon) Hornaday, Justin (Chelsey) Collar, Kristen (Kyle) Blackford, Quinn Collar, Ana Collar, Jayce Collar, Talon Collar, and Breeze Collar; great-grandchildren, Jeremiah, Keagan, Fitch, Lillyan, Delainey, Ivan, Otto, and Greyson; great-great-

grandchild, Felix; brother, Russ (Shirley) Collar; and sisters, Virginia and Juaruta. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Carol A. Collar; and

his beloved dog, Shadow.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at Freedom Church, 1361 Christian Ave., Noblesville, with Pastor Kenneth Lee officiating, with an additional visitation starting at noon. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, November 1, 2021 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Burial will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

A volleyball scholarship at IWU is being established by the Collar Family. Memorial contributions may be made to Indiana Wesleyan University, c/o Advancement, 4201 S. Washington St., Marion, IN 46953. Please list "In memory of Joe Collar" in the memo line.

Condolences: randallroberts.com



TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To God's holy people in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ephesisans 1:1-2 (NIV)

Dia de los Muertos afterschool program set for Monday, Nov. 1

The REPORTER

Celebrate "Dia de los Muertos" or the "Day of the Dead" from 3 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 1 at Nickel Plate Arts, located at 8th and Maple streets in downtown Noblesville. This annual holiday tradition brings together cultural crafts, stories, and education to celebrate life and creativity.

This festive Mexican holiday with ancient roots honors and celebrates the memory of friends and family members who have passed away. The Nickel Plate Arts afterschool celebration will explore Mexican art and culture by learning about the holiday's traditions and partic- Esperanza Alonzo ipating in hands-on crafts and activities.

celebrated Dia de los Muertos, we've added to our knowledge and appre-



ciation for this amazing can food and treats celebration," said Aili Mc-Gill, Executive Director of Nickel Plate Arts. "It's not a sober event but truly a celebration. Both young and old find something new and profound in this event."

The afterschool program features many \$5 crafts but also many free activities.

- · Craft a Day of the Dead bracelet with artist los Muertos can be found
- Stamp and decorate a clay skull ornament with "Each year that we've artist Darlene Patterson • Make 'offrendas' for the
 - community memorial altar Taste authentic Mexi-

- Help break open piñatas at 4 and 6 p.m.
- Dance and sing with music by The Mariachi Solo
- Enjoy face painting with Adrienne Maynard from Fabulously Fun Company, stories, and crafts
- Costumes are highly encouraged

More details on Dia de at fb.me/e/54wUenGYJ or visit nickelplatearts.org to find information on other events and classes offered by Nickel Plate Arts and partners throughout Hamilton County.



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Friday night football - Sectional semi-finals

HSE wins over Tigers to reach final

By RICHIE HALL

FISHERS - The last time Hamilton Southeastern won a football sectional game, senior running back Blaine Wertz was an elementary school student.

It had been nine years since the Royals had gotten a sectional victory, and Wertz and his teammates decided that was long enough. Southeastern triumphed in a Class 6A Sectional 4 semi-final game at the Royals' TCU Field Friday night, beating district rival Fishers 34-0 in a rainfilled game.

"It's a huge step for this program," said Wertz. He played a huge part in the win, scoring four of Southeastern's five touchdowns in the game. The Royals' defense also did its job well, throwing HSE's first shutout of the season.

'We play fast, we play physical, and a great job to our defensive coordinator," said Royals coach Michael Kelly. "Coach (Jordan) McCaslin does a phenomenal job getting them ready. And then our kids believe in what we're doing. And they go out and execute. We tell them all week long, 'Do your job. Just do your job, read your keys, do your job, play with great fundamental technique' and that's what they did tonight."

It took until the second quarter for Southeastern to get on the board, but it did with just under four minutes when Wertz pushed the ball into the end zone from the one-yard line. The defense was starting to get going as well: Noah Wolf made a quarterback sack, and Dylan Conner ended the half with an interception, stopping a Fishers drive.

If it was beginning to feel like the momentum was going HSE's way, Owen Jones confirmed that on the first play of the second half. Jones took the opening kickoff 78 yards to the Tigers' nine-yard line. A few plays later, Wertz scored his second touchdown with a three-yard run.

"He did a phenomenal job," said Kelly of Jones. "That just blew the game open. You start to feel a little life in them and our guys did a phenomenal job just pouncing on it."

The Royals scored 21 points in that quarter. Wertz punched in another touchdown from the one with 7:09 left in the



Reporter photos by Kirk Green

Hamilton Southeastern's Blaine Wertz got very familiar with the end zone during Friday night's Sectional 4 semi-final game between the Royals and Fishers. Wertz scored four touchdowns during Southeastern's 34-0 win over the Tigers. The win sends the Royals into next Friday's Sectional 4 championship game, where they will play next Friday at Westfield.

quarter.

Southeastern scored one more time, early in the fourth quarter when Wertz

quarter, then Jones took off on a 48-yard went on a 50-yard run to get his fourth said Tigers coach Curt Funk. "They run to the end zone with 2:25 left. Alex touchdown of the game. Wertz finished played hard. Against a good team, you Geroulis kicked all three extra points, with 159 yards on 29 rushed; the Royals need to convert, catch some breaks. Unadding to the one he kicked in the second had 319 yards total rushing. Quarterback fortunately, when we caught a break, we Sam Jacobs was next in line with 87 yards just couldn't convert on that.' rushing, followed by Jones with 49 yards.

> Fishers quarterback Lucas Minns was 10-of-23, totaling 98 yards. Colin McPeek collected three receptions, while Carson Dunn led the rushing with 39 yards.

"Our kids played 'til the very end,"

Fishers finished its season with a 6-4 record, improving its victory total by 100 percent from last year, when the Tigers finished 3-8. Southeastern, meanwhile, is 8-2 and travels to Westfield next Friday

to play for the Sectional 4 championship.



Fishers' Carson Dunn (33) led the Tigers in rushing this season, including 39 yards during Fishers' Friday game with Hamilton Southeastern. The Tigers finished the season 6-4, doubling their win total from last year.

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HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 34, FISHERS 0

Score by Quarters 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 7 21 6 - 34 **Fishers**

| 1 21 0 | - 34 |
|-----------|--|
| FHS | HSE |
| 7 | 17 |
| 3 | 13 |
| 4 | 2 |
| 0 | 2 |
| 32-38 | 49-319 |
| 136 | 55 |
| 10-25-2-0 | 3-8-1-0 |
| 2-1 | 2-2 |
| 4-33 | 5-53 |
| 8-34.8 | 4-29.0 |
| | FHS 7 3 4 0 32-38 136 10-25-2-0 2-1 4-33 |

Scoring

Second Quarter

HSE, 3:59 - Blaine Wertz 1-yard run (Alex Geroulis kick) Third Quarter

HSE, 11:06 - Wertz 3-yard run (Geroulis

HSE, 7:09 - Wertz 1-yard run (Geroulis HSE, 2:25 - Owen Jones 48-yard run

Fourth Quarter HSE, 10:21 - Wertz 50-yard run (kick

(Geroulis kick)

Fishers individual stats

Rushing: Carson Dunn 19-39, Khobie Martin 3-22, Luke Valerio 1-0, Lucas Minns 8-minus 9, Noah McPeek 1-mi-

Passing: Minns 10-23-98, Dunn 0-1-0. Receiving: Colin McPeek 3-29, Dunn 2-33, Joe Syrus 2-13, Aidan Zimmer 1-11, Jeffrey Simmons 1-8, Valerio 1-4.

Southeastern individual stats Rushing: Wertz 29-159, Sam Jacobs 7-87, Jones 5-49, Kobe Dade 2-13, Ty Bradle 2-12, Jalen Alexander 2-1, team

2-minus 2. Passing: Jacobs 3-8-55. Receiving: Dylan Conner 1-37, Jack Wafford 1-13, Wertz 1-5.



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'Rocks beat Millers, advance to championship game

Westfield opened up play in Class 6A Sectional 4 Friday with a 49-6 win over Noblesville in what was the final game at the Millers' Beaver Materials Field.

Noblesville scored first, using a long eight-and-a-half-minute drive to march down the field. The drive culminated in a one-yard touchdown run by Alairic Rogers-Walton.

"It was the best start that we've had all season long with a long, clock-chewing drive, and to see the joy in the kids faces going up 6-0 with about three minutes left in the first qurter was pretty exciting," said Millers coach Dave Sharpe.

The Shamrocks got on the board with under a minute left in the first quarter. Micah Hauser scored the first of what would be four consecutive touchdowns by punching the ball in from the one.

That put Westfield up 7-6, and the Shamrocks' lead would become 21-6 by halftime. Hauser jogged into the end zone from four yards midway through the second quarter, then took an 11-yard scoring run with under a minute in the half.

"We played amazing," said Westfield coach Jake Gilbert. "They scored first. Then we stopped them the rest of the way. They averaged under four yards a carry. Their offense is made for a night like this, playing in that rain. But I was thoroughly impressed by us rallying. But then our offense scored every time we had the ball, so it was an incredible offensive performance by us."

The 'Rocks continued to cruise in the third quarter with three more touchdowns. Hauser got the first one on a five-yard run with 10:51 left. Maximus Webster connected with Ian Bruch for a 17-yard pass play score a couple minutes later. Westfield then got another last-minute touchdown when Trevon Hatchett made a 22-yard run into the end zone.

Reece Weyer completed the Shamrocks' scoring with a seven-yard run in the fourth quarter. Caleb King made all seven extra-point kicks.

Sharpe said Westfield is "so good on offense, it's quite ridiculous how good they are and they made us look silly at times defensively. It was very hard to match them drive for drive. But we tried our best, we played our hearts out."

As for the Shamrocks' defense, Gilbert said his team "did a better job at the line of scrimmage. Just staying stout, hanging in there and tackling over and over, like you got to do against that team. It's not a fun offense to defend, so very happy with our overall performance."

Gilbert pointed out how efficient his team's offense was. Webster completed all seven of his pass attempts for 135 yards, then averaged 13.3 yards per carry.



Reporter photos by Kent Graham

Westfield's Micah Hauser (22) follows a lead from lineman Will Strahm (56) during the Shamrocks' Sectional 4 win at Noblesville's Beaver Materials Field on Friday. Hauser scored four touchdowns for Westfield.

Hauser had just over nine yards per carry, totaling 109 yards in 12 rushes. Hatchett had 82 yards in six carries, an average of 13.7 yards per rush. Gabe Aramboles made three catches.

Logan Shoffner led Noblesville's rushing with 64 yards, followed by Conner Meinerding with 41 yards. Meinerding was one of many seniors on the Millers' team, a group that Sharpe said Noblesville is "absolutely going to miss."

"It's just going to feel like a diferent place wihtout those guys walking through the locker room every day," said Sharpe. "We had a lot of fun with them."

"I'm super proud to be a part of the Miller family and super proud to represent those kids," said Sharpe.

Noblesville finished the season 2-8. Westfield is now 9-1 and will host Hamilton Southeastern next Friday for the Sectional 4 championship.

Noblesville's Connor Meinerding was one of many seniors on the Millers

team during the 2021 season.

Thanks for reading the Reporter

WESTFIELD 49, NOBLESVILLE 6

Score by Quarters

| Westfield | 7 14 21 | 7 - 49 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| Noblesville | 6 0 0 | 0 - 6 |
| | | |
| Team Stats | WHS | NHS |
| First Downs | 19 | 17 |
| By Rush | 12 | 12 |
| By Pass | 5 | 3 |
| By Penalty | 2 | 2 |
| Rushes-Yards | 28-271 | 51-179 |
| Yards Passing | 135 | 33 |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 7-7-0-1 | 3-8-0-0 |
| Fumbles-Lost | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| Penalties-Yards | 1-10 | 3-25 |
| Punts-Average | 0-0.0 | 2-30.5 |

Scoring

First Quarter
NHS, 3:30 - Alairic Rogers-Walton
1-yard run (pass failed)
WHS, 0:24 - Micah Hauser 1-yard run
(Caleb King kick)

Second Quarter WHS, 6:51 - Hauser 4-yard run (King kick) WHS, 0:58 - Hauser 11-yard run (King

kick)

Third Quarter WHS, 10:51 - Hauser 5-yard run (King

kick) WHS, 8:17 - Ian Bruch 17-yard pass from Maximus Webster (King kick) WHS, 0:54 - Trevon Hatchett 22-yard

run (King kick)
Fourth Quarter
WHS, 5:03 - Reece Weyer 7-yard run
(King kick)

Westfield individual stats

Rushing: Hauser 12-109, Hatchett 6-82, Webster 3-40, Jackson Wasserstrom 2-25, Weyer 4-15, team 1-0. Passing: Webster 7-7-135.

Receiving: Gabe Aramboles 3-71, Wasserstrom 1-23, Bruch 1-17, Nic Depasquale 1-16, Mikeah Webster 1-8.

Noblesville individual stats

Rushing: Logan Shoffner 16-64, Connor Meinerding 9-41, Rogers-Walton 11-40, Sevin Barringer 5-26, Parker Bell 1-3, Brayan Goméz Sànchez 1-3, Jack Skomp 1-3, Gage Gulley 7-minus 1. Passing: Meinerding 3-8-33.

Receiving: Gulley 2-22, Aiden Brewer 1-11

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Carmel

Team Stats

tra-point kicks.

tions, at the goal line.

Avon

Carmel holds off Avon to reach Sectional 5 final

tory at Avon Friday night will definitely go down as one of the more interesting victories in the storied history of Greyhounds football.

"It was an odd game, very odd," said Carmel coach John Hebert as he headed home after his team beat the Orioles 35-21. It was the first-ever meeting between and never trailed in the game, but Avon's explosive offense kept it within shouting distance.

Carmel got a defensive stop on the Orioles' first drive. Avon had to punt, and Greyhounds freshman Nate Williams took the return in for a touchdown, a 51-yard trip to the end zone. Williams became the first freshman in Carmel football history to score a punt return touchdown.

The Orioles tied the game minutes later on a 10-yard run, and the score would stay 7-7 through the end of the first quarter. The 'Hounds pulled away for good early in the second period when Zachary Osborne rushed 75 yards into the end

Carmel's Sectional 5 semi-final vic- Beidl punched the ball in from the one to get Carmel ahead 21-7. Ethan Hall's 80yard run set up the score.

> "Our offense scored on mostly big plays," said Hebert. "Our offensive drives were just a play, or two or three plays. and then our defense would be right back out there again."

Hebert pointed out that Carmel ran 29 the teams. The 'Hounds took an early lead total offensive plays, while the Orioles ran 86 plays.

> "I've never seen that kind of an imbalance," said Hebert.

Avon scored right before halftime when Crishon McCray, the Orioles' standout receiver, caught a three-yard touchdown pass, keeping Avon within 21-14 at the break.

Neither team scored in the third quarter, but Carmel opened the fourth quarter with Beidl making a 35-yard touchdown dash. Avon answered with a nine-yard touchdown run, but Osborne responded to that with his own nine-yard run into the end zone. That came with 4:01 left in the game, and the 'Hounds held on from zone. Midway through the quarter, Nick there. Ben Sponsler made all five ex-

CARMEL 35, AVON 21

Score by Quarters 14 0 14 - 35

CHS

AHS

| First Downs | 9 | 25 |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|
| By Rush | 8 | 15 |
| By Pass | 0 | 8 |
| By Penalty | 1 | 2 |
| Rushes-Yards | 24-288 | 59-336 |
| Yards Passing | 2 | 149 |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 1-5-1-0 | 10-27-2-1 |
| Fumbles-Lost | 0-0 | 4-2 |
| Penalties-Yards | 4-50 | 8-105 |
| Punts-Average | 2-23.0 | 3-29.3 |
| | | |

'Our defense made plays," said He-

bert The coach said Carmel had sever-

al sacks, two interceptions and a forced

fumble, crediting his team with being

able to stop drives when it had to. Win-

ston Berglund had one of those intercep-

Carmel Scoring First Quarter

9:56 - Nate Williams 51-yard punt return (Ben Sponsler kick) **Second Quarter**

9:46 - Zachary Osborne 75-yard run (Sponsler kick) 6:10 - Nick Beidl 1-yard run (Sponsler

Fourth Quarter 11:50 - Beidl 35-yard run (Sponsler kick)

4:01 - Osborne 9-yard run (Sponsler

Carmel individual stats Rushing: Ethan Hall 7-115, Osborne 8-94, Beidl 9-79. Passing: Osborne 1-5-2. Receiving: Beidl 1-2.

it, and we'll watch the film tomorrow," said Hebert. "We got to get some things fixed for sure."

Hall finished the game with 115 yards, followed by Osborne with 94 and Beidl

Carmel improved to 9-1 with the win and travels to Brownsburg next Friday to "It's a weird game, really glad we won play for the Sectional 5 championship.

Golden Eagles fall to WeBo

SENIOR FITNESS MYTH #1:

"I'm too old to start getting fit now."

Guerin Catholic dropped its Class 3A tunities, we just didn't capitalize." Sectional 28 semi-final game at Western Boone Friday, 23-6.

Neither team scored in the first quar- run in the third quarter. ter, with Golden Eagles coach saying neither team "could do much early. We certainly had a couple wasted opportunities."

The Stars scored 17 points in the second period on a field goal and two touchdowns, and that would carry WeBo through the second half.

"We moved the ball pretty decent in the first half, we just stalled out at critical times," said Dilley. "We had some opporpress time.

Ryan Zimmerman scored Guerin Catholic's lone touchdown on a one-yard

The Golden Eagles finished their season 3-8, although they won two consecutive games before going up against Western Boone.

"I give the seniors a ton of credit for keeping the team moving in the right direction," said Dilley. "We got better as the season went on. I think that says a lot about the seniors and their leadership."

Complete stats were not available at

Courtesy John Harrell's website www.johnharrell.net

CLASS 6A Sectional 1

Merrillville 29, Crown Point 13 Lafayette Jeff 54, Lake Central 6 Sectional 2

Chesterton 16, Portage 0 Penn 21, Elkhart 7

Sectional 3

Carroll (Fort Wayne) 21, Homestead

Sectional 4

Westfield 49, Noblesville 6 Hamilton Southeastern 34, Fishers 0 Sectional 5

Carmel 35, Avon 21

Brownsburg 37, Pike 0

Sectional 6

Ben Davis 41, Southport 14 Indianapolis Tech 25, Perry Meridian

Sectional 7

Lawrence North 41, North Central (Indianapolis) 21

Lawrence Central 13, Warren Central

Sectional 8

Center Grove 35. Franklin Central 7 CLASS 5A

Sectional 9

Munster 23, Hammond Central 0 Valparaiso 30, Hammond Morton 0 Sectional 10

Michigan City 42, South Bend Adams

Mishawaka 35, Concord 7

Sectional 11

Fort Wayne Snider 21, Fort Wayne Northrop 17 Fort Wayne Dwenger 10, Fort Wayne North 7

Sectional 12

Zionsville 42, Harrison (West Lafayette) 21

Kokomo 35, Anderson 6 Sectional 13

Indianapolis Cathedral 54, Plainfield

Decatur Central 49, Terre Haute South 14

Sectional 14

Whiteland 31, Columbus East 7

New Palestine 29, Franklin 7 **Sectional 15**

Friday night football scores

Bloomington South 16, Castle 14 Bloomington North 35, Evansville North 30

Sectional 16

New Albany 28, Floyd Central 7 Seymour 18, Bedford North Lawrence 10

CLASS 4A **Sectional 17**

Lowell 51, Gary West 14 Hobart 55, East Chicago Central 0 Sectional 18

South Bend St. Joseph 21, Kankakee

Valley 0 New Prairie 23, Culver Academy 7

Sectional 19

Leo 44, DeKalb 14 Northridge 35, Columbia City 21

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Sectional 21 Connersville 42, Richmond 36

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field-Central 34 Sectional 22

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Sectional 23 Martinsville 38, South Dearborn 7

East Central 52, Mooresville 26

Sectional 24

Evansville Memorial 35, Evansville

Northview 49, Evansville Reitz 28

CLASS 3A

Sectional 25

Hanover Central 41, Benton Central 0 Knox 39. River Forest 14

Sectional 26

Jimtown 22, John Glenn 3

Mishawaka Marian 29, Tippecanoe Valley 0

Sectional 27 Norwell 27, Fort Wayne Concordia 0

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Sectional 28 Brebeuf Jesuit 35, North Montgomery

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NBA standings

Eastern Conference

| Atlantic | W | L | PCT. | GB |
|--------------|---|---|------|-----|
| New York | 4 | 1 | .800 | - |
| Philadelphia | 3 | 2 | .600 | 1.0 |
| Toronto | 3 | 3 | .500 | 1.5 |
| Brooklyn | 3 | 3 | .500 | 1.5 |
| Boston | 2 | 3 | .400 | 2.0 |
| Central | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Chicago | 4 | 1 | .800 | - |
| Milwaukee | 3 | 2 | .600 | 1.0 |
| Cleveland | 3 | 3 | .500 | 1.5 |
| Indiana | 1 | 5 | .167 | 3.5 |
| Detroit | 0 | 4 | .000 | 3.5 |
| Southeast | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Miami | 3 | 1 | .800 | - |
| Washington | 4 | 1 | .800 | - |
| Charlotte | 4 | 2 | .667 | 0.5 |
| Atlanta | 3 | 2 | .600 | 1.0 |
| Orlando | 1 | 5 | .167 | 3.5 |

Friday's games Toronto 110, Orlando 109 Brooklyn 105, Indiana 98 Miami 114, Charlotte 99

Sacramento 113, New Orleans 109 Denver 106, Dallas 75 Portland 111, L.A. Clippers 92 L.A. Lakers 113, Cleveland 101

Western Conference

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|---------------|---|---|------|-----|
| Northwest | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Utah | 4 | 0 | 1.00 | - |
| Minnesota | 3 | 1 | .750 | 1.0 |
| Portland | 3 | 2 | .600 | 1.5 |
| Denver | 3 | 2 | .600 | 1.5 |
| Oklahoma City | 1 | 4 | .200 | 3.5 |
| Pacific | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Golden State | 4 | 1 | .800 | - |
| Sacramento | 3 | 2 | .600 | 1.0 |
| L.A. Lakers | 3 | 3 | .500 | 1.5 |
| Phoenix | 1 | 3 | .250 | 2.5 |
| L.A. Clippers | 1 | 4 | .200 | 3.0 |
| Southwest | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Dallas | 3 | 2 | .600 | - |
| Memphis | 3 | 2 | .600 | - |
| Houston | 1 | 4 | .200 | 2.0 |
| San Antonio | 1 | 4 | .200 | 2.0 |
| Now Orloans | 4 | _ | 167 | 2.5 |

Pacers fall to star-studded Brooklyn

By BRENDAN ROURKE Courtesy nba.com/pacers

Playing in their fourth road game of the season, the Pacers traveled to the Barclays Center to take on an experienced Brooklyn Nets squad. Although Indiana (1-5) showed some fire after a of the game. tough outing against the Toronto Raptors, the squad ultimately fell to the star-studded Nets (3-3), 105-98, after giving up a 16-point first-half lead.

With 5:15 remaining, Indiana battled back to tie the score at 90. However, James Harden ignited an 8-0 Brooklyn run to grab the lead for good. Coming into Friday, Harden was averaging 16.6 points per game. The 11-year star scored a game-high 29, including 16 from the free-throw line alone.

Torrey Craig had a career night for Indiana, scoring 28 on 9-of-16 shooting and hauling in 11 boards off the bench. Chris Duarte continued his impressive rookie campaign by adding 18, while Domantas Sabonis added 16. The Nets have won five straight in the series.

"We had to be more aggressive," Craig said postgame. "Malcolm (Brogdon) is out, Caris (LeVert) is out, we're missing a lot of key guys. So I knew somebody had to step up, and it was an opportunity for me to step up. That's what I tried to do."

a 13-5 lead with 7:43 left in the first. Justin Holiday anchored the surge with two crisp pull-up triples in transition, while Duarte then ended the drought at the 4:01 Indiana's defense held Brooklyn to just two field goals over the first five minutes

Brooklyn quickly closed the gap to 13-10, but Indiana responded with six unanswered to stretch the advantage to 19-10 with 5:25 to play. During the run, Sabonis used quick hands to poke the ball away from Harden twice, leading to easy transition buckets.

From there, Indiana kept the Nets at arm's length for the remainder of the period. The squad's reserves did a solid job limiting the Nets' offensive looks. Craig connected on three of his first four shots, including a pair of treys, to cap a 10-point first quarter. Indiana led 38-26 after one.

Craig carried his energy over to the second, running in to secure a putback layup after Jeremy Lamb's floater went long. The fifth-year player then dished a feed to Myles Turner for an easy bucket and found four points himself to push Indiana's advantage to 46-30 with 9:17 remaining.

But the Nets found their stride. In a 1:45 span, the hosts rattled off a 10-0 run to close Indiana's comfortable lead to 46-Indiana broke a 3-3 tie with a 10-2 40. 15-year NBA veteran Paul Millsap start of the fourth and trailed 85-74 enter-

run, including seven unanswered, to take tallied five points of the Brooklyn run.

Indiana continued to hang tough but scored just three points over a 3:31 span. mark with a nifty reverse layup to extend the Pacers' lead to 51-46.

However, the Blue & Gold's cold streak continued. The defense did all they could, but Harden finally grabbed the Nets' first lead with a 25-foot, step-back three with 2:24 to play.

As the Pacers attempted to regain their footing, Harden did what he does best to close out the frame. The veteran got to the foul line multiple times to grab a 58-55 edge at the break.

third, using a 10-2 run to extend its lead to 68-57 with 8:45 to go in the third. The hosts used the charity stripe once again for four points during the run.

However, after a timeout, Indiana appeared to find momentum. Sabonis tallied five of a 10-0 Pacers run to close the deficit to one with 5:32 to play. But, Patty Mills responded with a trey to push the Nets' lead back to four.

Mills' three initiated another swift Brooklyn run. In the blink of an eye, the Nets pushed the lead back to 81-69 with 2:37 to play. The Blue & Gold failed to chip into the lead significantly before the

ing the final frame. They scored just 19 points in the third.

The Pacers' defense started hot in the fourth, holding Brooklyn scoreless over the first 4:05. During that span, Indiana notched six straight — four from Lamb — to cut the deficit to 85-80. Bruce Brown finally put the Nets on the board and ended the run at the 7:55 mark.

But the bucket did not stop Indiana's charge. Trailing 89-82, the Blue & Gold used an 8-1 spree to knot the score at 90 apiece with 5:15 to go. McConnell led the charge during the run by scoring four points and pushing the pace up the floor.

However, once again, Harden showed Brooklyn continued rolling to start the his talent. The veteran hit a floater through a foul on the Nets' next possession to earn a lead. After McConnell missed a 3-point attempt, he found his way to the free-throw line for two more. Joe Harris would add a cutting layup to push the Nets' lead to 96-90 and force a Pacers timeout with 4:06 to play.

> Indiana cut the lead to six after Mc-Connell's layup fell at the 2:51 mark. However, they could not find the buckets needed to come back. The Nets then tallied five straight to put the game away.

> Indiana hopes home-court advantage will give the squad a boost as they take on the Toronto Raptors again on Saturday

SCORES

Western Boone 23, Guerin Catholic 6 Sectional 29

Tri-West 35, Indianapolis Ritter 2 Danville 39, Indian Creek 6 **Sectional 30**

Vincennes Lincoln 28, Edgewood 0 Owen Valley 34, Brown County 0 **Sectional 31**

Brownstown Central 28, Batesville 14 Lawrenceburg 15, Greensburg 7

Sectional 32 Heritage Hills 36, Evansville Bosse

Gibson Southern 56, Salem 21

CLASS 2A Sectional 33

Andrean 28, Rensselaer Central 2 Whiting 6, Boone Grove 0

Sectional 34

Pioneer 18, Delphi 0 LaVille 14, Bremen 6

Sectional 35

Eastside 38, Central Noble 6

Fort Wayne Luers 44, Prairie Heights 7

Sectional 36

Eastbrook 46, Lapel 13

Tipton 44, Alexandria 18

Sectional 37

Lafayette Central Catholic 27, Southmont 0

Speedway 12, Monrovia 6

Sectional 38 Indianapolis Scecina 34, Shenan-

doah 0

Centerville 21, Northeastern 0

Sectional 39

Paoli 28, Providence 14 Triton Central 42, Clarksville 7

Sectional 40

North Posey 41, North Knox 18 Evansville Mater Dei 28, Linton-Stockton 27

CLASS 1A

Sectional 41

Culver 18, South Central (Union Mills)

North Judson 40, Winamac 13

Sectional 42

Clinton Prairie 44, Tri-County 14 Carroll (Flora) 25, Traders Point Christian 7

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Sectional 44 Triton 22, Northfield 13

Union City 59, Taylor 26

Adams Central 56, Southwood 0

Sectional 45

Parke Heritage 38, South Putnam 6 Riverton Parke 14, Covington 12

Sectional 46

Covenant Christian 35, Indianapolis Tindley 0

Indianapolis Lutheran 25, Park Tudor

Sectional 47

North Decatur 26, Milan 12 Tri 79, Knightstown 0

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