

THURSDAY, DEC. 30, 2021

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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy.  
Tonight: Partly cloudy.

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## Sheriff applauds Citizens Academy fall graduates

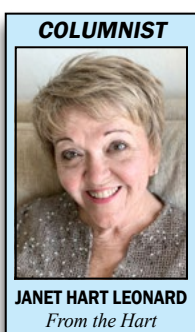


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Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush has announced that an exceptional group of students recently graduated from the Fall Citizens Academy. The group learned about corrections, firearms, alcohol offenses, investigations, K-9s and more. The Citizens Academy is designed to promote positive community relations and to provide communications between citizens and law enforcement officials. The Sheriff's Office is now accepting applications for the spring class. [Click here](#) to sign up. Most sessions consist of classroom discussions along with demonstrations and hands-on practical experiences, so participants can better understand the many roles and functions of the Sheriff's Office. Classes typically meet from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday nights at the Sheriff's Office in Noblesville.

## Crying over spilled water

*We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character; and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.*  
Romans 5:3-5 NLT



JANET HART LEONARD  
From the Hart

I needed to read those words this week as I felt my endurance hit the wall. Literally, with a SPLAT!

Not sure if it was the letdown after all the Christmas celebrations, my heart still processing grief after the one-year anniversary of my mother's passing or dealing with nearly two years of COVID.

Probably a combination of all these things ... and more.

Life is hard. I have a new bracelet that I wear every day. It says, "I can do hard things." Truth is I have been doing them for so many years that I have come to realize those hard things will catch up with me.

This past week, they did. While putting the Christmas decorations away and making homemade banana pudding, I made a huge mess in the kitchen when a large bowl fell over and water went all over the floor, the sink, the rug, the countertop. I mean everywhere.

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## 'Pizza and Punchlines' in-person returns to Westfield in February

### The REPORTER

A bit of laughter is surely what we all need these days.

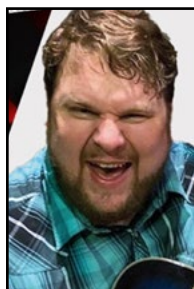
The sixth annual Pizza and Punchlines FREE Comedy Event will be held on Saturday, Feb. 5, 2022, at the Westfield High School auditorium, 18250 N. Union St. Pizza will be served at 6 p.m. and the comedy show will start at 7 p.m.

The comedy is family friendly with four nationally known entertainers. Local Indy comedian Dave "the King" Wilson will host the event. The show features Greenwood resident Hoss Ridgeway, June Colson from Bowling Green, Ky., and headliner Daren Streblov from Ely, Minn.

Streblov's unique style of observational stand-up comedy has been entertaining hundreds of thousands of people throughout the United States and



Wilson



Ridgeway



Colson



Streblov

around the world. With an off-beat style that has earned him the title "The King of Uncool," he now is part of the syndicated *Daren Streblov Comedy Show* providing a weekly dose of classy comedy to the United States and overseas.

Ridgeway uses standup comedy, impressions, crazy sound effects and musical comedy to bring his unique style to crowds all over the USA. He has recorded a DryBar special and is a regular at the Mike Huckabee show.

Colson is a comedian, writer, and podcaster born in Indi-

ana and raised in the Bluegrass State. June holds the prestigious title as 2020's Nashville Clean Comedy CHAMPION.

Wilson, a world-renowned stand-up comedian, has been an Indianapolis radio listeners' companion, first from 1983 to 1995 with Bob & Tom on Q95 and then as the longtime host of the WIBC afternoon show. He has become a huge part of the Indy landscape.

Pizza and Punchlines is part of CrossRoads Church's For Our Neighbor strategy to serve the people of the local community. CrossRoads' lead

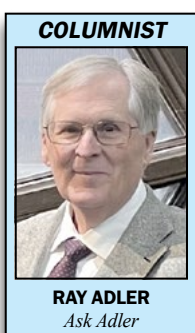
pastor Eric Lohe said, "In our world, sometimes it seems like people have lots working *against* them. What if we choose to be *FOR* one another? What if we seek to understand one another and care for our neighbors who have needs? What if we give each other *hope and a reason to live*?"

CrossRoads Church at Westfield provides FREE Pet Food every first Saturday of the month from 9 to 11 a.m., FREE Zumba every Tuesday at 7 p.m., and Celebrate Recovery – a faith-based recovery program – every Thursday night from 6:15 to 9 p.m. on the campus at 19201 Grassy Branch Road, Westfield.

Go online at [ForOurNeighborLife.com](http://ForOurNeighborLife.com) for more information about CrossRoads Church's "For Our Neighbor" community outreach, or email [ForOurNeighborInfo@gmail.com](mailto:ForOurNeighborInfo@gmail.com).

## Attorney v. Lawyer, read all about it

Do you have a favorite law-related TV show? Maybe you like to read John Grisham's books about lawyers. It is interesting to see how lawyers, and the rule of law, are portrayed in the media, both good and bad. No matter your opinion of lawyers, the law itself plays a vital part in our society. There's got to be a reason there are so many lawyer jokes, right?



RAY ADLER  
Ask Adler

As lawyers, we are fascinated by the law. How should it work? What is its purpose? How does it actually work? Part of a lawyer's job is to apply law to the facts of a client's situation. This is not always simple, which is why the client needs a lawyer. Lawyers give both legal advice and practical counsel, helping the client make informed decisions. Lawyers also serve as an advocate on behalf of a client, a vital role.

As part of the legal profession, we are excited to regularly share our thoughts on the law and how it impacts our community through this column. We plan to provide an overview of common legal needs and issues we all encounter in daily life. We hope to provide information that is practical and helpful.

Of course, because we are lawyers, we have to offer a disclaimer: The facts of every case are unique and the information we provide is not legal advice, but for general educational purposes. If you have a legal issue, we encourage you to reach out to an attorney to discuss the specifics of your case. Hamilton County is fortunate to have many good lawyers.

As we start this column, we present question number 1: Is there a difference between a lawyer and an attorney?

According to a trusted legal dictionary (*Black's Law Dictionary*), an attorney is "1. Strictly, one who is designated to transact business for another; a legal agent. 2. A person who practices law; Lawyer." A lawyer is "One who is licensed to practice law."

This is one of those scenarios where the adage (a/k/a T-shirt slogan) "don't confuse your Google search with my law degree" may be appropriate. A Google search will certainly confuse on this issue. For example, a search returned several results that said the exact opposite of the Black's Law definition (e.g., that an attorney has taken and passed the bar exam while a lawyer may or may not have). The internet credits Abraham Lincoln with the saying: Don't trust everything you read on the internet. That's probably a good "law" for life.

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## Prevail Winter Staff Spotlight: Stephanie Holmes-Gullans

### Submitted by Prevail, Inc.

*Prevail's Winter Staff Spotlight features Stephanie Holmes-Gullans, Adult Advocacy Supervisor at Prevail, Inc.*

#### How long have you been at Prevail?

I have had the privilege to do this work at Prevail for over seven years.

#### What do you like most about working for Prevail?

At Prevail there is feeling of community and connection. We have a staff that is supportive, empathetic, and kind. This sense of community extends to those we serve. Humans are hard-wired for connection. At Prevail we foster an environment that encourages and supports connection. The feeling of connection shows up in individual work as well in our support groups.

#### Who is your hero?

My heroes are those who show up for others and do the hard work. They are the ones who walk the walk. I happen to be surrounded by these heroes at Prevail. Walking through the doors of Prevail is a brave step, and to me, heroes are brave.

#### What is your favorite quote?

"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning how to dance in the rain." – Vivian Green



What would you sing at Karaoke night?

I am not a singer, but I will certainly dance along and provide backup vocals during Karaoke night.

#### What motivates you the most to serve others?

I'm passionate about supporting others to feel empowered to live strong, independent, and authentic lives.

#### If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life,

#### what would it be?

I'm pretty sure I could eat ice cream for every meal.

#### What is your proudest accomplishment?

My proudest accomplishment is my son, William. He is kind and smart. He is a boy with a beautiful heart.

#### What animal do you most identify with, and why?

I probably identify with dogs the most. They are playful, loyal, loving, like to play, and stand by their humans unconditionally.

#### Favorite Prevail memory?

My favorite memories at Prevail include all of the times we come together to collectively share the joy and divide the sorrow. I am so lucky to work with such amazing humans. Any interaction, collaboration, and times of relationship are treasures to me.

#### Favorite self-care practice?

My favorite self-care practice is walking. Walking allows my body to get moving and reset. I like to be outside and breathe fresh air. I also enjoy connecting with the person with whom I am walking. Many meaningful conversations happen while on a nice walk.



# Four local artists help strengthen communities with fellowships from Indiana Arts Commission

## The REPORTER

The Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) recently announced it has awarded a total of \$204,000 to 102 creative entrepreneurs to fund arts projects around the state through the agency’s On-Ramp Creative Entrepreneur Accelerator program.

Each funded project will support the pursuit of a clearly defined business goal that also supports the entrepreneur’s community.

“The projects that are taking place around the state are reflective of the diverse talents of Indiana’s creative entrepreneurs,” said Paige Sharp, IAC Deputy Director of Programs. “This fellowship allows On-Ramp par-

ticipants to grow in their career while strengthening the fabric of their community.”

Read below for more about local artists from Carmel, Fishers and Noblesville.

**Kay Bae (Carmel)**  
*Visual Art*

“I am Midwest-based creative exploring organic, deeply textured, and delicate beauty while drawing inspiration from Eastern and Western cultures. My creativity is fueled by the beauty of lines, shapes, colors, and space in both the natural and manmade world. Most of my work can be characterized by its linear rhythm, dynamic movement, and use of varied materials that,

along with vibrant colors, create bold compositions. Something I find that distinguishes my art is the attention paid to time, color, and methodology. Because of my wide-ranging interests, my work explores a number of mediums including acrylic, oil, watercolor, silk painting, collage, mixed media, drawing, ceramics, jewelry, textiles, sewing, crochet, and felting.”

**Janet Chilton (Carmel)**  
*Visual Arts*

“Painting is my most successful studio art. While I had my studio at the Stutz in Indianapolis, I painted large-scale, expressive work that drew on my life-long study of color. I also created a series of expressive drawings set to music using Sumi ink and brushes of my

own design. Several of my paintings from that era are in private and commercial collections. Currently, I am attempting to bring my skills (maker, educator, community facilitator and small business owner) together to create a practical business model that will sustain me.”

**Max Drury (Fishers)**  
*Design*

“I am a designer at heart. Whether that means using vector graphics for a logo design, writing drafts for a novel, sculpting board games pieces, paneling comics, or leading creative teams – these are the things that get me excited to learn and work. After hundreds of hours studying the game nights of friends and family, I have been investing time in self-publishing a unique board game. This

is the first step in a broader ambition to make a business that reaches young people and their families with meaningful creative content.”

**Korie Pickett (Noblesville)**  
*Interdisciplinary*

“I describe myself as an overall creative committed to creative movements that save lives. I pursue a lot of different mediums in my creative living journey. I created an online magazine in 2018 called Queen Spirit Magazine that showcased my photography, design, and writing abilities. In 2019, I was able to move the magazine into a print publication. Each issue features creatives that submit their works of poetry, visual arts, storytelling, etc. in order to have an

opportunity at being published every quarter.”

**About the Program**

On-Ramp is a three-day accelerator course for Indiana-based creative entrepreneurs to foster their business skills, followed by a funded fellowship to put the learning into action. According to new research performed by the Indiana Arts Commission and course leader Elaine Grogan-Luttrull of Minerva Financial Arts, individuals from the inaugural cohort developed business knowledge and sustained skills following their participation in the program.

Applications to take part in the 2022 On-Ramp Creative Entrepreneur Accelerator are open through 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2022. [Click here](#) to learn more.

## ASK ADLER

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So, what's the answer? The classic lawyer/attorney answer is "it depends." For all practical purposes, it appears to be a distinction without much of a difference. That's one lawyer's opinion. If you ask another lawyer, you might (okay, likely will) get a different opinion. The terms are largely used interchangeably in today's world.

Our hope is that these articles will cause you to think deeper about the purpose of the law. We get great questions from friends and we welcome questions from readers. Maybe we can answer a question you've always wanted to "Ask Adler."

*Educational material and not legal advice, written by the team at Adler attorneys. Email [andrea@noblesvilleattorney.com](mailto:andrea@noblesvilleattorney.com) with questions or comments.*

## WATER

I burst into tears. Who cries over spilled water?

My dear and oh, so caring husband put his arms around me as I wept. I mean I ugly wept. I told him I was just tired of hearing ... family tested positive ... maybe flight cancellations ... family is quarantined ... don't forget your mask ... maybe we should cancel or postpone. COVID has become a five-letter curse word.

After two years of doing the COVID shuffle I AM TIRED. My endurance is frail. And yet ...

I remembered how time and time again in years past, God walked beside me through times of disappoint-

ments. Times when life was not only hard, but it made no sense. Times when I felt overwhelmed and broken and tired.

I went back to that scripture and read the first verse of Romans 5. *Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. NLT*

I can sleep in heavenly peace because I have a history with God. I was designed for such a time as this. Scripture reminds me of this.

That night, after my come apart, as I pulled the covers up to my chin, I re-

membered the times when I wanted to pull the covers up over my head and not wake up until the hurt went away. Eventually it did. One time it took eight years. You read that right. Eight years.

It is during that time that I found who God really was in my life. He wasn't the magician who waved a wand and made everything better, the way I wanted it and when I wanted it, but ... He walked the hard times with me. He brought people into my life that spoke words of encouragement and hope into my heart. I learned to search the scriptures and read my Bible in a new way. "Seek and ye shall

find" took new meaning.

I learned so much while sitting, not in a church pew but in my car at Potters Bridge. It was a sacred place for me.

And so it is, as I look toward the New Year, I have a confidence and a hope that God will give me the strength to endure whatever the new year brings. I can rejoice and find joy in knowing that little baby that was born so long ago is still changing lives today ... He's still changing mine.

There is still joy in the world because the Lord has come.

May God bless us, everyone!

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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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Carmel Symphony Orchestra presents specially-priced family concerts

**The REPORTER**  
Carmel Symphony Orchestra (CSO) under Artistic Director Janna Hymes is presenting three family-oriented events packaged together at one special price during the new year’s first quarter, all at the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

**Family Fun Concert**  
3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 23

An extraordinary, interactive introduction for children to some of the world’s greatest orchestral classics.

**Beethoven Lives Upstairs:  
A Classical Kids Live! Event**  
4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 19

A youngster learns the genius of Beethoven, the torment of his deafness, and the beauty of his music.

**Side-by-Side with  
Fishers High School**  
4 p.m. on Sunday, March 6

A music mentoring experience as CSO musicians perform advanced symphonic music alongside members of the Fishers High School orchestra. Additionally, this year’s Young Artist Competition winner, Carmel High School senior violinist Abigail Ko, will perform with the CSO at this concert.

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All three performances are priced at just \$10 for students (including college-aged) and \$30 for adults. Tickets are on sale now at [CarmelSymphony.org](http://CarmelSymphony.org).

# Why only the rich can hang on to a Medicare Supplement Plan

Medicare Supplement Plans F and G are the most popular plans in the nation. Plan F was the workhorse for the past 50 years until the Obama Administration closed it off to new people turning 65 after Jan. 1, 2020. Plan G has taken over the role as the “Cadillac Plan” for those wealthy enough to afford this plan. With only a \$233 annual deductible in 2022, the reason this plan is so coveted is because you can see any doctor, go to any hospital, and have \$0 out of pocket after you pay your monthly premium and the one-time \$233 deductible.

Yes, you could go to the doctor three times per day and have no extra charge. Have chemo, get a transplant or go on dialysis, still not additional cost. So why doesn’t everyone want a Plan G? They do. But a Plan G is expensive. Just like everyone may want a Cadillac (or so my 87-year-old dad tells me) not everyone can afford one. Actually, at age 65 a Plan G isn’t too pricey. You can get a plan under \$150 per month. It isn’t the cost at age 65 that is troubling. It is the fact that a Plan G – with every company in the nation – will go up in price between 5 to 10 percent per year, every year regardless how much you use it.

I had a couple in today who are 70 years old. They were very happy with Plan G five years ago but struggle to afford it after five years of rate increases, with no end in sight for rate relief in the future. The rates will

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keep going up and 2022 is going to see some horrible rate increases. Many people want to keep their Plan F or G, but simply cannot afford it. Medicare Advantage is a great option and often the only option at that point.

If you are not on a budget, purchase a Plan G. Ignore the annual rate increases and if you are healthy enough, plan to call me every three years to see if you are eligible for the same plan and benefits with another company, at a lower rate. Usually, after three years, this is an option. I have a handful of wealthy clients who are not fazed by Plan G rate increases, but the majority of my clients are on a very fixed income, and annual rate increases in Medicare Part B (going up 14.5 percent for 2022), Medicare Part D and drug copays in general out pacing inflation, coupled with 5 to 10 percent increase in Medicare Supplement Plan F and G is just too much.

While you can switch to another Medicare Supplement at any time of year (as long as you can answer the health questions), you can only switch Medicare Advantage plans from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7. That window just closed, but there is period known as Open Enrollment Period that allows for one

change if you are unhappy with your Medicare Advantage Plan. OEP runs January through March. If you haven’t heard about it, that is because the government forbids us from marketing to you about OEP.

People are confused with the non-stop Medicare Advantage TV ads that run from October through Dec. 7. People erroneously assume that they can only change their Medicare Supplement plan during that same window. That is untrue. You can change your Medicare Supplement plan any time of the year, and as often as you like. The only stipulation is that you are able to answer all the health questions with “No” on the application. You may have high blood pressure, cholesterol and type 2 diabetes all well-controlled and think you are ineligible to change your Medicare Supplement plan. But you would be surprised how many companies would still accept you.

Find a professional Medicare agent who can show you options if the plan you have is getting too expensive for your budget. There may be attractive options you can afford.


*Sylvia Gordon is the president of Gordon Marketing, headquartered in Noblesville, where she trains on Medicare and Social Security in all 50 states. You can contact her at [sgordon@gordonmarketing.com](mailto:sgordon@gordonmarketing.com).*

Meeting Notices	
The Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety will meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022, in the Council Chambers at Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel. The meeting will be presented live on local access television and at <a href="http://carmel.newswagit.com/events/10972">carmel.newswagit.com/events/10972</a> .	The Hamilton Heights School Corporation Board of Trustees will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022, in the Board Room at the Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center, 420 W. North St., Arcadia.
The Clay Township Board will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022, at the John W. Hensel Government Center, 10701 N. College Ave., Carmel.	TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold a joint Personnel and Benefits Committee/Board of Trustees meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.



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## Leona Ilene Zetterberg

February 6, 1923 – December 26, 2021



Leona Ilene Zetterberg, 98, Arcadia, passed away on December 26, 2021, at Harbour Manor Health & Living in Noblesville. She was the older of two daughters born February 6, 1923, to Avery R. and Mary Elsie (Belzer) Bowman.

During her early years, she lived with her family on a farm east of Cicero. As a teenager she received limited piano instruction from an aunt. Her interest and desire to play the piano caused her to teach herself how to play.

She became engaged while still in high school a year before she married. She graduated on April 16 and married William C. Zetterberg on April 26, 1941. When William was drafted into the U.S. Army, she and their first child moved for those two years into the home of her parents who now lived east of Arcadia.

Leona had five children and was a devoted wife, mother, and homemaker. Loving music, she saw that music was prevalent in their home. Each one of the children played a band instrument and as a family or individually, they sang and played instruments at church services or at community functions in the area with their mother at the piano.

When most of her children were gone from home or were in their teenage years, she began working at a local grocery store in Arcadia as a cashier. She worked there for a number of years, then retired to work at helping her husband maintain their home and farm near Arcadia. For years gardening was a large part of their lives during the spring and summer growing seasons. This effort provided fresh vegetables for their table in season and a substantial supply of produce that they canned for themselves and family members during the winter months.

She was a woman of faith and belonged to the Trinity United Methodist Church in Arcadia as long as her health permitted.

Surviving her is a daughter, Wilma VanWinkle of Smithville, Ark.; sons, Donnie Zetterberg of Jefferson, Md., Edgar Zetterberg of Noblesville, and Dwight Zetterberg of Sheridan; a sister, Esther Fay Beard of Atlanta; 14 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband, William C. Zetterberg; and a son, Dennis C. Zetterberg.

Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at Hartley Funeral Home Cicero Chapel, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero, with burial to follow at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, 9700 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis. A time of visitation will be from 10 a.m. until time of the services.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cicero United Methodist Church, 100 E. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034. Donations envelopes will be available at the Funeral Home.

You may send condolences at [hartleyfuneralhomes.com](http://hartleyfuneralhomes.com).

## TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

*All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. Only let us live up to what we have already attained. Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.*

*Philippians 3:15-21 (NIV)*

## Wanda C. Lacey

October 12, 1947 – December 29, 2021

Wanda C. Lacey, 74, Noblesville, loving wife of Robert L. Lacey, passed away on Wednesday, December 29, 2021, with her family by her side. She had two wonderful daughters, Deanna Lacey and Robin Anderson, who she greatly adored.

Wanda was born in Muncie, Ind., on October 12, 1947, to Marvin and Mary (Templin) Shreves. Her parents precede her in death.

Wanda worked for 22 years at CVS as a pharmacy technician, and then worked for TJ Maxx for five years. She loved to travel and vacations by the ocean. Wanda also enjoyed visiting casinos and playing her computer games.

In addition to her husband and daughters, Wanda is survived by her sisters, Tree (Mike) Merwin and Vicki (Robert) VanPelt; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, December 31, 2021, at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, 9700 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis.

Condolences: [randallroberts.com](http://randallroberts.com)



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### LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT

DES. # 1901694

The Hamilton County Commissioners have developed preliminary plans and environmental documentation for a proposed bridge replacement on 106th Street over Mud Creek, approximately 1.25 miles East of I-69 in Hamilton County, Indiana.

The project proposes the replacement of the existing bridge with a continuous steel plate girder bridge. The new bridge and approach roadway will provide two 12-foot-wide travel lanes bordered by 6-foot-wide paved shoulders on the south side of the bridge and a 2-foot-wide curb and gutter on the north side of the bridge. Termini for this project will be approximately 700 feet west of the end of the proposed bridge and approximately 480 feet east of the end of the proposed bridge. On the north side of the roadway, the two existing wooden pedestrian bridges over Mud Creek and Sand Creek will be removed, and the 8-foot-wide paved pedestrian path will be moved to follow adjacent to 106th Street and will utilize the new 106th Street bridge to cross Mud Creek, creating a longer-lasting and more serviceable pedestrian facility. The removal of the pedestrian bridges will remove obstruction in the channel and improve the site hydraulics and help alleviate flooding. Curb and gutterwork will be utilized along the paved pedestrian path as needed. Road work will extend 700 feet west of the end of the proposed bridge and 480 feet east of the end of the proposed bridge.

The Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan for the project will require of closure of 106th Street at the project area and will utilize a detour that will route traffic through 96th Street and Molkenkopf Road. The detour route is 2.8 miles in length and will last from approximately Spring 2024 to Fall 2024. Provisions will be made for local traffic. There are several existing roadways that would provide access into the area for emergency vehicles. The closure will pose a temporary inconvenience to traveling motorists (including school buses and emergency services); however, no significant delays are anticipated, and all inconveniences will cease upon project completion.

Construction of the project will require approximately 1.00 acre of permanent right-of-way and 0.03 acre of temporary right-of-way with an estimated cost of \$3,395,250. Federal and local funds are to be utilized for the construction of the project. Construction is anticipated to be in the Spring of 2024.

The Federal Highway Administration and INDOT have agreed that this project falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 2 environmental document with no significant impacts to wetlands.

Preliminary design plans, along with the CE document are available for review at the following locations:

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All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or submit comments to the attention of Brian Shaw by email at [bshaw@b-l-n.com](mailto:bshaw@b-l-n.com), by phone at 317-806-3028, or by mail at 8320 Craig Street, Indianapolis, IN 46250 on or before **January 6, 2022**. In addition, project information, including the environmental document, may be mailed to interested persons upon request. Persons with limited internet access may request project information be mailed, please contact Brian Shaw by email at [bshaw@b-l-n.com](mailto:bshaw@b-l-n.com), by phone at 317-806-3028, or by mail at 8320 Craig Street, Indianapolis, IN 46250.

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## Phil Cox Memorial Tournament . . .

# 'Blazers, GC drop close openers

The University boys opened play in the Phil Cox Memorial Holiday Tournament by dropping a tight 63-61 contest to the host Kokomo Wildkats.

The Trailblazers had no answer for Kokomo's 6-10 foreign exchange student Flory Bidunga. The sophomore had 32 points, 17 rebounds and five blocked shots. Bidunga made 14 of 15 field goal attempts.

Sophomore Sabien Cain paced University with 19 points. Senior Larry Pierce had 17 points and six rebounds with sophomore Robert Russell adding 15 points on 6 for 7 shooting.

The first half was a back and forth affair with neither team leading by more than six points. The Trailblazers led 16-15 after one quarter, before the Wildkats used a 9-0 run early in the second period to take a 24-19 lead. Cain had an old fashioned three point play with two seconds left in the half to pull University within 35-32 at the break.

The Blazers got off to a quick start in the third quarter. Russell score and when Cain found Nate Jeffrey ahead of the pack for an easy basket the Kokomo lead was just 37-36. After Kokomo's Zion Bellamy hit a three pointer, baskets by Pierce and Russell knotted to score at 40. University took their last lead of the night at 42-40 on a Pierce basket with 3:52 left in the third quarter, but the Trailblazers did not score again in the period and trailed 46-42 entering the final quarter.

Kokomo had a 53-46 lead with five min-

utes remaining. Russell scored on a driving basket and Kahmi Bracey stole the inbound pass and scored to get University within 53-50. The Blazers trailed by 59-52 with less than two and a half minutes remaining before they mounted a final charge. Cain scored and Russell added two foul shots to make it 59-56.

University had the ball down just three with over a minute left but couldn't convert. Bellamy made two free throws with 48 seconds left before Cain answered with 37 seconds left. Kokomo missed the front end of a one-and-one with 24 seconds left, but Bidunga was there for the offensive rebound and kicked it back outside. Bellamy split two foul shots with 20 seconds left for a 62-58 Kokomo lead.

University came right back and Pierce hit a three pointer with seven seconds on the clock. Kokomo split a pair of foul shots with 3.7 seconds remaining. The Trailblazers pushed the ball up the court, but lost the ball out of bounds as the final horn sounded.

University coach Brandon Lafferman was proud of his team's effort. "Overall our team showed a lot tonight about how we are going to hopefully compete for the rest of the season, regardless of who we are playing. I was proud of our effort and execution for the majority of the game. I thought we had a couple of hiccups offensively late third quarter, early fourth quarter that caused us to get in a seven-point hole, which in this game was big enough lead for them to hold

on. I thought Robert Russell really grew up tonight as a sophomore point guard playing against a 4A team. He was fantastic."

The result left both teams with a 6-3 record. University will play two games in the consolation bracket on Thursday. At noon, University will play South Bend Riley. The Blazers' second game will be at 4 p.m. against either South Bend Adams or county foe Guerin Catholic.

### GC FALLS IN CLOSE GAME

Guerin Catholic also dropped a close game in their opener at the tournament, falling to Warren Central 52-50.

The Golden Eagles led 12-6 after the first quarter before the Warriors cut that advantage to 17-15 at halftime. Guerin Catholic held on to a 33-30 lead after three quarters, but the Warriors scored 22 points in the fourth period to get the win.

Will Grissom scored 15 points to pace the Golden Eagles, with Lucas Parker making four 3-pointers for 12 points. Grissom and Josh Holba each collected six rebounds, while Jack Cherry had five rebounds and five assists.

Guerin Catholic will play South Bend Adams in a 10 a.m. consolation game. Both the Golden Eagles and the Trailblazers will play their morning games at Indiana University-Kokomo. The seventh-place game also will be played at IU-Kokomo at 4 p.m., with the fifth-place game to be played at Kokomo's Memorial Gym, also at 4 p.m.

### WARREN CENTRAL 52, GUERIN CATHOLIC 50

Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Cherry	1-4	0-0	2	2
Robert Sorensen	4-10	0-0	8	2
Will Grissom	6-14	3-7	15	2
Josh Holba	2-5	1-1	5	4
Lucas Parker	4-7	0-0	12	1
Aden Cannon	0-2	1-2	1	3
Kamea Chandler	3-3	0-0	7	0
Matthew Etchison	0-0	0-1	0	0
Totals	20-45	5-11	50	14

#### Score by Quarters

Warren Central	6	9	15	22	52
Guerin Catholic	12	5	16	17	50
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (5-14) Parker					
4-7, Chandler 1-1, Sorensen 0-4, Grissom 0-2					
Guerin Catholic rebounds (28) Grissom 6, Hol-					
ba 6, Cherry 5, Sorensen 4, Parker 3, Cannon					
1, Chandler 1, team 2.					

### KOKOMO 63, UNIVERSITY 61

University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Nate Jeffrey	2-7	0-0	4	5
Kahmi Bracey	2-4	2-2	6	4
Robert Russell	6-7	2-2	15	1
Larry Pierce	7-14	0-1	17	0
Seth Hogg	0-4	0-0	0	5
Sabien Cain	7-14	3-3	19	2
Bryce Gray	0-1	0-0	0	0
Steven Scott	0-0	0-0	0	1
Totals	24-51	7-8	61	18

#### Score by Quarters

University	16	16	10	19 - 61
Kokomo	15	20	11	17 - 63
University 3-point shooting (6-18)	Pierce 3-3,			
Cain 2-7, Russell 1-2, Jeffrey 0-3, Hogg 0-2,				
Bracey 0-1.				
University rebounds (24)	Pierce 6, Russell 5,			
Hogg 5, Jeffrey 2, Cain 2, Bracey 1, team 3.				

## Fishers boys cruise to final at Huntington North Tournament

Fishers rolled to the championship game at the Huntington North Tournament on Wednesday with two lopsided wins.

In their first game, the Class 4A No. 4 Tigers beat New Haven 82-49. Fishers outscored the Bulldogs in each quarter, leading 18-13 after one period and 36-22 at halftime. Jalen Haralson scored eight points in the first half.

The Tigers took their offense up another notch in the second half, pouring in 46 points. Jeffrey Simmons got going, scoring 15 points. He would lead all scorers with 21 points, one of four Fishers players in double figures. Haralson had 14 points, Aidan Zimmer threw in four 3-pointers (three in the third quarter) for 12 points and Matt Brewer added 11 points.

The win sent the Tigers to the semi-finals, where they cruised past Merrillville 74-28. Fishers held a 20-5 lead after one quarter and were up 39-14 at halftime, then put in 27 points in the third.

Haralson dominated that third period, scoring 13 points. He finished as the scoring leader with 27 points. Charlie Smith was next in line with 13 points.

The Tigers are 10-1 and play Fort Wayne Snider at 4 p.m. today in the championship game.

### FISHERS 82, NEW HAVEN 49

Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Myles Stringer	1	2-2	4	3
Jalen Haralson	5	4-4	14	0

Bryce Williams	2	0-0	5	0
Charlie Smith	3	0-0	7	0
Jeffrey Simmons	8	4-4	21	0
Sean Millsaps	2	0-0	5	0
Josh Forbes	0	0-0	0	2
Aidan Zimmer	4	0-0	12	1
Matt Brewer	5	1-2	11	4
Payton Weemer	1	0-0	3	0
JonAnthony Hall	0	0-0	0	0
Carter Jones	0	0-0	0	0
Grant Haworth	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	31	11-12	82	10

#### Score by Quarters

Fishers	18	18	24	22 - 82			
New Haven	13	9	15	12 - 49			
Fishers 3-pointers (9)	Zimmer	4,	Millsaps	1,			
Williams	1,	Smith	1,	Simmons	1,	Weemer	1.

### FISHERS 74, MERRILLVILLE 28

Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Myles Stringer	0	0-0	0	0
Jalen Haralson	11	4-7	27	2
Bryce Williams	2	0-0	4	1
Charlie Smith	6	0-0	13	0
Jeffrey Simmons	2	0-0	4	0
Sean Millsaps	3	0-0	9	0
Josh Forbes	2	0-0	4	0
Aidan Zimmer	0	0-0	0	1
Matt Brewer	2	0-0	4	2
Payton Weemer	4	0-0	9	1
JonAnthony Hall	0	0-0	0	0
Carter Jones	0	0-0	0	0
Grant Haworth	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	32	4-7	74	7

#### Score by Quarters

Fishers	20	19	27	8 - 74
Merrillville	5	9	8	6 - 28
Fishers 3-pointers (6)	Millsaps 3,	Haralson 1,	Smith 1,	Weemer 1.

## HSE girls win again at Loggan Classic

Hamilton Southeastern won its second game at the Paul Loggan Memorial Classic Wednesday at North Central, beating Gibson Southern 65-42.

The Royals outscored the Titans in each of the four quarters, leading 16-9 after one period and 33-21 at halftime. Riley Makaluskus had a dominant first half, scoring 11 points. Makaluskus added seven more points in the third quarter, which finished with Southeastern on top 48-33. The Royals pulled away even more in the fourth, outscoring Gibson Southern 17-9. Maya Makaluskus stepped up for HSE with nine points in the fourth.

Riley Makaluskus finished with 22 points, followed by Maya Makaluskus with 15 and Makayla Hinshaw with 10. Olivia Brown handed out 14 assists to go with eight points and six steals. Teegan Acres collected nine rebounds and Maya Makaluskus pulled five.

The Royals are 10-6 and host Warren Central next Thursday, Jan. 6.

### HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 65, GIBSON SOUTHERN 42

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maya Makaluskus	4-7	7-11	15	3
Makayla Hinshaw	4-5	2-3	10	3
Riley Makaluskus	10-15	1-3	22	2
Olivia Brown	4-9	0-0	8	2
Zoe Bolding	0-2	0-0	0	3
Teegan Acres	3-4	1-2	7	3
Caleigh Scott	0-1	0-0	0	0
Lauren Stewart	1-2	0-0	3	2
Gabi Layman	0-0	0-0	0	0
Kayla Brinley	0-1	0-0	0	0
Zoe Lawless	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	26-46	11-19	65	18

#### Score by Quarters

Southeastern	16	17	15	17 - 65
Gibson Southern	9	12	12	9 - 42
Southeastern 3-point shooting (2-7)	R. Makaluskus	1-2	Stewart	1-2, M. Makaluskus
0-3.				
Southeastern rebounds (22)	Acres	9,	M. Makaluskus	5,
Makaluskus	5,	Brown	3,	Hinshaw
Makaluskus	1,	Stewart	1,	Bolding
				1.

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Wrestling

# Carmel wins Mooresville Classic

The Carmel wrestling team won the Mooresville Holiday Classic, which took place Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Greyhounds finished with a team total of 224 points, ahead of runner-up Castle's 213.5. Delta finished third with 188 and Hamilton Southeastern placed fourth by scoring 182 points. Guerin Catholic was 20th with 58 points.

Carmel freshman Michael Major won the 132-pound division with an 11-2 major decision.

The Royals got a win from Ryan Cast at 170 pounds; he triumphed with a 12-4 major decision in the championship bout. Southeastern's Dom Burgett won at 285 pounds with a 3-1 decision in the final. Guerin Catholic's Peter Nguyen finished third at 113 pounds.

**Hamilton County placings**

- 106: 4. Tamir Halevi (C)
- 113: 3. Peter Nguyen (GC), 4. Jackson Elliott (C), 5. Nick Anderson (HSE)
- 120: 8. Caleb Mattingly (C)
- 132: 1. Michael Major (C)
- 138: 3. Trevor Gallagher (C)
- 145: 5. Nayl Sbay (C), 7. Ryan Hartig (HSE)
- 152: 2. Eitan Halevi (C)
- 160: 2. Nathan Powell (C)
- 170: 1. Ryan Cast (HSE)
- 182: 6. Zach Wagner (HSE)
- 195: 2. Max Broom (HSE), 4. Samuel Johnson (C)
- 220: 4. Charlie Irish (HSE)
- 285: 1. Dom Burgett (HSE), 3. Jack Miligan (C)

Sheridan had an excellent time at the Eastern Holiday Tournament this week, finishing with a winning team record and crowning four undefeated champions.

The Blackhawks went 6-3 as a team, improving their record to 18-5 for the season. Those 18 dual wins are a new school record. The four unbeaten Sheridan wrestlers - Austin Bond at 126 pounds, Noah Ehrie at 145, Jacob Jones at 182 and Peyton Cross at 220 - all finished the event with perfect 9-0 records. Bond was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the meet.

Presten Weir went 7-2 at 152, while Jace Warren was 6-3 at 160 pounds. Trai Fitzgerald (at 120) and Gabe Holler (at 170) both finished the event with 5-4 records.

A complete list of team results appears below.

**TEAM RESULTS**

- Sheridan 54, Northwestern 18
- Sheridan 54, Taylor 21
- Fremont 48, Sheridan 33
- Sheridan 42, Tri-Central 36
- Sheridan 48, Eastbrook 30
- Sheridan 42, Carroll 24
- Eastern 45, Sheridan 34
- Alexandria 49, Sheridan 36
- Sheridan 45, Tipton 18

Noblesville competed in the North Montgomery Duals, and had some place-winners in the individual portion of the tournament on Wednesday.

Gage Gulley (at 145 pounds) and Austin Hastings (at 195) both finished as runners-up in their respective weight classes. Keaton Sepiol took third at 132, while Carter Richardson (at 152) and Jacob Long (at 220) both got fourth-place finishes. Jacob



Photo provided

The Sheridan wrestling team had four individual champions at the Eastern Holiday Classic, which took place Tuesday and Wednesday. Pictured are Austin Bond (126 pounds, named Most Outstanding Wrestler), Peyton Cross (220 pounds), Noah Ehrie (145 pounds) and Jacob Jones (182 pounds).



Photo by Si DeVaney III

Sheridan's Presten Weir finished with a 7-2 record at 152 pounds in the Eastern Holiday Classic.

Etchison took fifth at 285.

In the team portion of the duals on Tuesday, Noblesville finished in ninth place. The

Millers lost to Whiteland 41-30 and Western 54-30, then beat North Montgomery 64-16, West Vigo 51-27 and North Central 42-30.

Gulley and Hastings both went 5-0 on Tuesday, with Long and Richardson both finishing 4-1. Etchison was 3-2 on the day.

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# NBA standings

## Eastern Conference

	W	L	PCT.	GB
<b>Atlantic</b>				
Brooklyn	23	9	.719	-
Philadelphia	18	16	.529	6.0
New York	17	18	.486	7.5
Boston	16	19	.457	8.5
Toronto	14	17	.452	8.5
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Chicago	22	10	.688	-
Milwaukee	23	13	.639	1.0
Cleveland	20	14	.588	3.0
Indiana	14	21	.400	9.5
Detroit	5	28	.152	17.5
<b>Southeast</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Miami	22	13	.629	-
Charlotte	19	17	.528	3.5
Washington	17	17	.500	4.5
Atlanta	15	19	.441	6.5
Orlando	7	28	.200	15.0

## Western Conference

	W	L	PCT.	GB
<b>Northwest</b>				
Utah	25	9	.735	-
Denver	17	16	.515	7.5
Minnesota	16	18	.471	9.0
Portland	13	21	.382	12.0
Oklahoma City	12	22	.353	13.0
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Golden State	27	7	.794	-
Phoenix	27	7	.794	-
L.A. Clippers	18	17	.514	9.5
L.A. Lakers	17	19	.472	11.0
Sacramento	15	21	.417	13.0
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Memphis	22	14	.611	-
Dallas	16	18	.471	5.0
San Antonio	14	19	.424	6.5
New Orleans	13	22	.371	8.5
Houston	10	25	.286	11.5

<b>Wednesday's games</b> New York 94, Detroit 85 Charlotte 116, Indiana 108 L.A. Clippers 91, Boston 82 Chicago 131, Atlanta 117	Memphis 104, L.A. Lakers 99 Phoenix 115, Oklahoma City 97 Utah 120, Portland 105 Sacramento 95, Dallas 94 Miami at San Antonio, postponed
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# Rozier’s 35 points leads Hornets past Pacers

By BRENDAN ROURKE  
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

Hoping a Star Wars-themed night would bring good fortunes to Indiana, the Pacers took on the Charlotte Hornets for the third time this season.

However, the Hornets proved why they are one of the top-scoring teams in the league. Terry Rozier continued his hot streak for the visitors and tallied 35 points to lead Charlotte (19-17) to a 116-108 victory over the Blue & Gold. He finished 13-of-23 from the floor, including 5-of-9 from deep.

The Pacers (14-21) saw an early lead fall by the wayside and never return. After trailing by as many as 18 in the first half, the squad battled back to cut the deficit to as few as four. But Rozier stifled any comeback attempts with the 3-ball.

“It’s difficult to play from behind,” Rick Carlisle said postgame. “If you’re unable to start out the right way, it makes it tough.”

In total, six Pacers finished in double figures. Caris LeVert led the way with 27 points, seven rebounds, and six assists. Myles Turner and Oshae Brissett added 14 apiece, and Domantas Sabonis added 15 and a game-high 18 boards.

Early in the first, the Hornets erased Indiana’s slim lead by crashing the offensive glass. With Indiana ahead 7-3, the visitors mounted a 16-3 run over a 3:40 span to grab a 19-10 advantage with 6:13 to play.

A pair of triples by Justin Holiday and Brissett helped Indiana cut the deficit to five

for a brief moment. However, the Pacers had trouble stopping Rozier.

Coming off a 27-point performance, including seven made 3-point shots, the six-year veteran knocked in seven unanswered points to extend the Hornets’ lead to 28-16 with 4:28 left. Over his past three games, Rozier has been shooting nearly 50 percent from beyond the arc.

Down the stretch of the first quarter, the Pacers managed to cut into Charlotte’s lead. Trailing 33-20, Chris Duarte tallied four of a 7-1 Indiana run in the final 1:34 of the frame to cut the deficit to 34-27.

After Sabonis knocked in a pair at the charity stripe, Charlotte responded with six straight to extend their lead to 40-29 at the 9:46 mark. During the run, Indiana appeared to have trouble stopping the visitors in the paint.

Over the next few minutes, the Pacers kept Charlotte’s lead between seven and 11, finding constant success on the offensive end. However, the Hornets kept finding answers from nearly every area from the floor. A three-point play from Nick Richards then pushed Charlotte’s advantage to 56-42 with 6:17 remaining.

From there, the Hornets kept a comfortable double-digit lead over Indiana until the end of the half. The Blue & Gold had a chance to go into the break with some momentum after notching five straight in the final 37.6 seconds. But Ball dropped in a turnaround jumper with 1.3 seconds re-

maining to give the visitors a 71-57 edge at halftime.

Indiana kept up the pressure in the early moments of the third, cutting the lead to 10 on two occasions. At the 9:47 mark, Sabonis attempted to energize the squad with a powerful left-handed slam over the head of Mason Plumlee.

However, the Hornets calmly extended the lead again, using a 5-0 spree to earn an 80-65 edge with 7:20 remaining.

As the midway mark passed, Indiana had several chances to shrink the lead to single digits but came up empty. With 5:31 remaining, Brissett could not convert the free-throw on a three-point play. 0:32 later, LeVert connected on 1-of-2 free-throw attempts to cut the lead to 84-74. Then, with 4:06 left, Sabonis missed the mark on two more free-throw attempts, leaving the score stagnant.

Finally, with a roar from the crowd, Kellan Martin knocked in his first bucket of the game — a triple from the left side — to cut the deficit to 84-77 with 3:02 remaining.

With less than a minute to play, the Pacers kept on fighting. Trailing 87-77, Brissett added five unanswered, including a clean three from the right elbow, to cut Charlotte’s lead to five with 33.9 seconds remaining. However, Hayward earned the last laugh for the Hornets. The Indianapolis native banked in an errant triple with 13.6 seconds left to give the visitors a 90-82 lead entering the final frame. It was the only triple of the frame

for Charlotte.

The Pacers quickly cut the deficit to four behind a pair of threes from Brissett and Martin, followed by a wide-open flush from Torrey Craig with 9:50 to play. However, Hayward and Kelly Oubre Jr. teamed up for five unanswered quickly to push the visitors’ lead back to 99-90 with 8:32 left.

As the midway mark passed, the Pacers continued to keep Charlotte within sight. Ball’s tip layup pushed Charlotte’s edge to 101-92, but LeVert responded with three free throws to cut the lead to six. With 5:33 remaining, Craig added two more from the charity stripe to make it a 101-97 ballgame.

After Charlotte pushed the lead back to eight, Martin’s trey from the right corner cut the lead back down to 105-100 at the 4:21 mark.

With 3:12 to play, Indiana earned a jump ball after the big men clogged the paint. Turner attempted to tip the ball to LeVert, but Caleb Martin stepped in front and snagged it. Martin found Rozier beyond the arc, and Rozier drilled the bucket, pushing the lead back to eight. LeVert responded with a triple of his own. But 16 seconds later, Rozier drained another from long range.

Turner’s three at the 1:13 mark trimmed the Hornets’ lead to 111-106 and gave Indiana one last chance. However, Ball fired a dime to Plumlee for a dunk, pushing the lead back to seven with 50.5 seconds remaining. The flush essentially put Indiana’s comeback hopes to bed.

# IBCA announces Players of the Week

With Christmas Eve falling on a Friday and Christmas Day falling on a Saturday, last week left us just four days with opportunities to play games. While a number of schools chose to take the week off entirely, there were still several memorable performances, and six players were selected as their district’s IBCA/Franciscan Health Players of the Week.

Fort Wayne South Side Senior Ashton Johnson, Mount Vernon (Fortville) Senior Armon Jarrard, Barr-Reeve Senior Hagen Knepp, Warsaw Senior Kacilyn Krebs, Zionsville Junior Laila Hull, and Bedford North Lawrence Sophomore Chloe Spreen have been selected as recipients for Dec. 20-Dec. 25 in the recognition program co-ordinated by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association. Johnson is the boys’ winner, while Krebs is the girls’ winner in District 1. Jarrard and Hull are the boys’ and girls’ recipients, respectively, in District 2. Knepp takes home boys’ honors, while Spreen takes home girls’ honors in District 3.

The Archers of Fort Wayne South Side participated in the Summit Conference Classic on Tuesday, taking on South Bend’s John Adams, and finishing the day with a nice 62-47 victory. Senior Ashton Johnson was key to their success, as he scored 22 points on 9-14 shooting, plus he was 2-4 from deep and made both free throw attempts. The 6-2 guard also snagged three rebounds, found teammates for seven other

scores, and collected six steals in success.

The Warsaw Lady Tigers took on IBCA No. 7 Lake Central Wednesday night, upsetting the Lady Indians in impressive fashion, 66-39. Senior Kacilyn Krebs was a big catalyst in the win, knocking down 9-16 from the floor, including a superb 6-10 from behind the arc, as she scored 24 points to help her Lady Tigers. The 5-9 wing, committed to the University of Indianapolis, also managed to grab seven rebounds, hand out five assists, and pick off a steal in the effort.

Senior Armon Jarrard and the Mount Vernon Marauders picked up a huge Hoosier Heritage Conference win Thursday night, as they went into the New Castle Fieldhouse and won 63-52. The 6-2 point guard was everywhere, scoring 16 points, collecting eight caroms, dishing out four assists, picking off a pair of steals, and blocking three shots in the triumph. The IUPUI commit was also an efficient 6-11 from the field and 4-5 from the charity stripe.

The Zionsville Eagles managed to find a way to play three games last week, and Junior forward Laila Hull put forth three nice efforts, with double-doubles each time she took the floor. Monday evening, the Eagles traveled to Tri-West, where they took care of the Lady Bruins, 65-45. Hull began her week with a nice 21-point, 11-rebound performance, plus she added four assists and a pair of blocked shots.

Then on Wednesday, Zionsville and

Hull headed South to the Walt Raines Classic in Franklin, Indiana. In their first game of the day, they dispatched of Terre Haute North Vigo, 49-34. The 6-1 forward scored 20 points, grabbed 14 rebounds, handed out three assists, and nabbed a pair of steals, as the Eagles advanced to the championship game.

In that final game of the day, Zionsville ran into the host school, 16-0 and IBCA No. 2 Franklin Community, falling 65-48 in the evening tilt. The Junior Hull did her best to give the Eagles a chance, scoring 26 points and collecting 11 rebounds, while also picking up two more steals and two more blocked shots in defeat.

Barr-Reeve headed to Northeast Dubois Tuesday night for a Blue Chip Conference game just before Christmas, and the Vikings took care of the host Jeeps, 66-43. Senior Hagen Knepp was outstanding in the effort, making 14-21 shots, knocking down a pair of triples, while also burying four of his five free throw attempts, scoring 34 points in total. The 6-3 wing nearly posted a double-double with his nine rebounds, but he also contributed a pair of assists, four steals, and a blocked shot, helping the Vikings to a 2-0 start in conference play.

Wednesday, the Bedford North Lawrence Lady Stars hosted their own tournament, with an impressive field of four highly ranked teams taking the floor throughout the day. The IBCA No. 4 Lady Stars began their day with a hard-fought, 47-40 win over the 17th ranked East Central Lady Trojans. Talented Sophomore Chloe Spreen managed 15 points, six rebounds, and a trio of assists for the Lady Stars in the low-scoring, tough win.

Later, in the championship game, Bedford North Lawrence took on IBCA No. 5 Noblesville in a battle of elite backcourts. The 5-9 Spreen was dialed in, knocking down 12-17 shots from the field, 3-6 from long range, while adding a point from the line, scoring 28 points in total. The Sophomore guard added six rebounds, three assists, a steal, and two blocked shots, as the Lady Stars won convincingly, 59-40.

This is the 14th season for the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association Player of the Week program, but just the second season it is being presented by Franciscan Health, a corporate sponsor of the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association.

Player of the Week winners are cho-

sen each week from each of the IHSAA’s three districts. Girls’ winners will be chosen through the Monday following the IHSAA Girls State Finals. Boys’ winners will be chosen through the Monday following the IHSAA Boys State Finals.

**Other Top Nominees for Week 8**

**District 1 Boys:** Luke Andree, Kankakee Valley; Brayden Betzner, Maconaquah; Ben Garwood, LaCrosse; Tyvon Henry, South Bend Career Academy; Chris Hood, East Noble; Ben Keil, Lakeland; Fletcher Loyer, Homestead; Isaiah Malone, Prairie Heights; Reece Marrs, Hebron; Trey Schoch, South Adams.

**District 1 Girls:** Allison Capouch, Kouts; Jessica Carrothers, Crown Point; Sidney Elijah, Hebron; Eva Fisher, Northridge; Ellia Foster, Bremen; Ella Hauptert, Southwood; Bailey Kelham, Garrett; Kennedy Kugler, Prairie Heights; Kate Thomas, Kankakee Valley; Zoe Willems, Bethany Christian.

**District 2 Boys:** Landon Biegel, Oak Hill; Javan Buchanan, Lafayette Jefferson; **Will Grissom, Guerin Catholic;** Logan Imes, Zionsville; Jonah Lucas, West Lafayette Harrison; Chrishon McCray, Avon; A.J. Roseman, Bishop Chatard; **Braden Smith, Westfield;** Javon Tracy, Decatur Central; Jackson Ullom, Monroe Central.

**District 2 Girls:** Sydney Argo, Faith Christian; Asiah Baxter, Warren Central; Riley Flinn, West Lafayette Harrison; McKenna Layden, Northwestern; Ally Madden, Blue River Valley; Jaelynn Murray, Pike; Mady Rees, Liberty Christian; Ashlee Schram, Tipton; **Ashlynn Shade, Noblesville;** Adrienne Tolen, West Lafayette.

**District 3 Boys:** Connor Agler, Evansville Memorial; Zach Cole, Southwestern (Hanover); Chad Cox, Franklin County; Raedhyn Foust, Northeastern; Cameron Gelhausen, Evansville North; Ian Hall, Orleans; Mason Harvey, Seton Catholic; Sam King, Columbus North; Brandon Northern, Silver Creek; Trent Sisley, Heritage Hills.

**District 3 Girls:** Madi Allen, North Decatur; Jenna Donohoo, Tecumseh; Kylee Edwards, Shelbyville; Lauren Foster, Indiana Creek; Jaidn Green, Evansville North; Keylee Hudson, Eastern Greene; Kencia Levasseur, Washington; Madelyn Poe, Hauser; Josie Trabel, East Central; Ava Weber, Corydon Central.

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