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# Welcome to Basile Westfield Playhouse

## Learning to live by 10/10/80 rule

**By STU CLAMPITT**  
*ReadTheReporter.com*

Westfield Playhouse has a new name. In honor of a sizable donation from philanthropists Frank and Katrina Basile, the Main Street Productions (MSP) board of directors has decided to rename the building “Basile Westfield Playhouse.”

At a press conference Wednesday afternoon, several MSP board members had the opportunity to thank the Basiles in person and on the record.

“This is absolutely wonderful and thank you very, very much for the donation,” MSP Vice President Bill Miller said. “In honor of the donation, we on the board have decided that we are going to change the name of the physical building of our home here from the Westfield Playhouse to the Basile West-



Reporter photo by Stu Clampitt

**(From left) Current and founding Board Member Teresa Skelton, Community Relations Vice President Thom Johnson, Frank Basile, Katrina Basile, Treasurer Kevin Shadle, Board Member Tom Smith, and Vice President of Business Bill Miller.**

field Playhouse. We are already three-quarters of the way to getting [the new signage] up, so you will see it on the front of the building very soon.”

Frank Basile said he was the one who should be thanking MSP for the change to help pro-

In previous columns we talked about goal planning, smarter goals, and life goals. Today we talk about an extremely important topic: money goals. When it came to money, my father, a hardworking teacher/farmer, had one simple rule. He called it 10/10/80. His theory under 10/10/80 was to give away 10 percent, save 10 percent, and live off 80 percent.

As a Christian, my father believed that we are made in God’s image and specifically designed to worship Him. As an act of worship to God and in recognition that all our blessings come from Him, we give 10 percent back to Him. Even if you do not believe in God, giving away 10 percent, be it a non-profit or other charity, has positive practical consequences. When we freely give, it prevents us from obsessing about money and becoming greedy. For money is not itself an end, but merely a means to an end. Moreover, giving spreads your influence. As we discussed in the column on [LIFE Goals](#), giving enables us to build lasting connections and relationships, and may provide unforeseen opportunities and blessings.

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# Lt. Gov. Crouch takes tasty tour, hands out accolades across county

**By STU CLAMPITT**  
*ReadTheReporter.com*

Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch spent most of her day in Hamilton County on Wednesday. From Fishers to Westfield to Cicero, Crouch covered the county to hand out well-deserved accolades to local restaurants and one very important non-profit project.

The Reporter caught up with Crouch at Portillo's Hot Dogs, 870 State Road 32, Westfield, to talk about her various stops around the county.

**Westfield's Shamrock Project**

Thanks to a grant program begun by Crouch, The Shamrock Project is making a difference in the lives of residents with unique challenges. Last year they received a big boost in the form of grant money from

the federal CARES Act and other sources.

“The pandemic has disrupted the lives of all Hoosiers,” Crouch said. “But our citizens with disabilities have become more isolated and the unemployment rate among that population is over 70 percent. This federal CARES Act funding to these non-profits helps remove some of the social divide COVID-19 has caused.”

The Community Connections for People with Disabilities (CCPWD) grant program, which was offered through a partnership between the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) and the Indiana Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS), is where the Shamrock Project got its assistance.

Through two rounds of grant applications, CCPWD has given out more than \$3 million to help



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

**One success story from the Shamrock Project is a young man named Finn McKenna, who was working at Portillo's when Crouch and Cook were there. (From left) Melissa Rhodes with The Shamrock Project, Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Finn McKenna, and Westfield Mayor Andy Cook.**

Hoosiers with disabilities deal the grants was that the city had with their unique challenges to partner with a non-profit,” during the pandemic.

“One of the requirements for

How school districts consider wind chill when delaying, closing

**By HANNA MORDOH**  
*WISH-TV | [wistv.com](http://wistv.com)*

Dangerous wind chill values hit central Indiana on Wednesday morning. Nearly 100 schools delayed or went to virtual learning due to the cold weather.

[Click here to view a list of closings and delays.](#)

Most school districts in Indiana said they factor in the wind chill when making their decision and don’t allow students to stand outside if the “feels like” temperature is -19 degrees. Many school districts follow guidance from the National Weather Service wind chill chart. It breaks down when frostbite will happen after a certain amount of time outside.

Beech Grove officials said if the wind chill is -19 degrees or below at 7 a.m., they delay school for two hours.

**See Wind Chill . . . Page 3**

# Heights to hold architecture, engineering, construction job fair

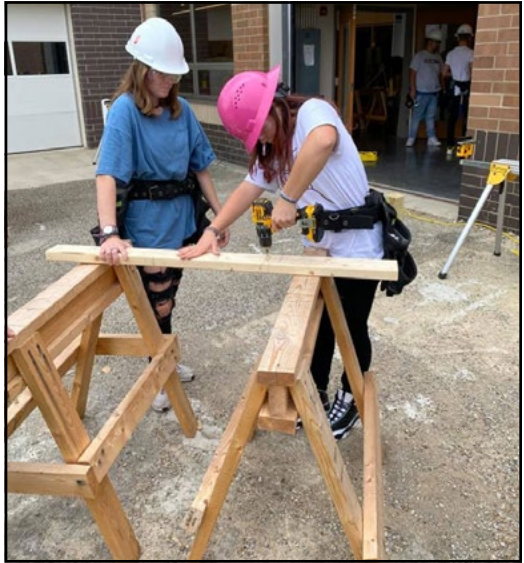
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Do you have a student who is looking towards a career, summer apprenticeship, or internship in the local construction trade industry? Are they a junior or senior in high school? If so, you will want to attend the inaugural Architecture, Engineering, and Construction Job Fair for area students enrolled in CTE programs and their parents next month.

This event gives students (and their parents), employers, and not-for-profit adult education support organizations a chance to meet, establish professional relationships, and discuss potential job and/or internship and apprenticeship opportunities while developing relationships that can open doors to potential employment upon graduation this spring.

Nearly 50 companies have registered to participate at this time. These companies have apprenticeship and internship opportunities and are looking to hire young, local talent. These employers know that schools with strong CTE programs are teaching the necessary employability skills, technical knowledge, and training students need to make valuable contributions and thrive in the workforce right away. In addition, there will be not-for-profit adult education specialists on hand to share their programs and services that support post-graduate career aspirations.

This complimentary networking, information sharing, and recruiting event will take place from 6 to 7:30



**Junior and senior high school students can get the competitive advantage in the marketplace this spring by connecting with a strong pool of companies and post-graduation support organizations serving the greater Indy Metro area and beyond at the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction Job Fair at Hamilton Heights High School. Graduate Saturday. Jobsite Monday!**

p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at Hamilton Heights High School gymnasium, located at 25802 State Road 19, Arcadia. For questions or more information, contact event organizer Eric Fisher at [efisher@bhschuskies.org](mailto:efisher@bhschuskies.org).

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CROUCH

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Crouch told The Reporter. “The non-profit is within the Westfield Schools. We had two rounds and we awarded over \$3 million. We only had 20 cities in those two rounds actually apply.”

The City of Westfield partnered with Westfield Washington Schools and the Shamrock Project to apply for their CCPWD grant.

“Kudos to you, Mayor Cook, for your leadership and putting a priority on that,” Crouch said.

Westfield Mayor Andy Cook told The Reporter the thanks should go to the state for their fiscal responsibility.

“Thank you, Lt. Governor, for putting together a state that can generate the kind of funds that you and the legislature are willing to reinvest back in our communities,” Cook said. “That is wonderful.”

The Shamrock Project is an after high school graduation transition program for young adults with disabilities that focuses on full community integration for a successful life after high school. The program does this by providing real-life work experience combined with training in employability and independent living skills to help students with disabilities make successful transitions from school to a productive adult life.

Best Tenderloins in Indiana

Lt. Governor Crouch was also touring Hamilton County for a very delicious duty of the office.



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**Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch’s first stop on Wednesday in Hamilton County was at Four Day Ray Brewing in Fishers to sample one of the state’s Top 5 breaded tenderloins. (From left) Matt Keller with Indiana Soybean Alliance, Jeanette Merritt with Indiana Pork, Amy Howell with Visit Indiana, Four Day Ray Brewing owner Brian Graham, Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, and Lindsey Skeen with Indiana Foodways Alliance.**

Last October, Crouch, the Indiana Culinary Trails Taskforce, Indiana Destination Development Corporation, and the Indiana Foods Alliance promoted the ‘Tenderloin Trail’ to celebrate Hoosier pork production during ‘Porktober.’

Part of that promotion involved a contest to determine who had the best breaded pork tenderloin in the state. When the results were in, two of the five best tenderloin sandwiches in Indiana were found right here in Hamilton County.

“It has been our sort of unofficial state sandwich since the early 1900s,” Crouch said. “Having two of the top five restaurants with breaded pork tenderloins being from Hamilton County

just speaks to how popular it has become. It was very regional to southern Indiana for a long time, but now everybody wants breaded pork tenderloin.”

Four Day Ray Brewing, 11671 Lantern Road, Fishers, and Erika’s Place, 40 W. Jackson St., Cicero, each won tops spots on the Tenderloin Trail contest.

“They each get a \$1,000 cash prize from the Indiana Pork Association, they get \$1,000 worth of high-quality cooking oil from the Indiana Soybean Alliance, then they get all the accolades and promotion from the Indiana Foodways Alliance, which touts the Tenderloin Trail,” Crouch said.

According to Crouch, Four Day Ray’s tenderloin

was not the massive item where the meat is larger than the plate. She spoke highly of the flavor, texture and thickness of their offering.

Later in the afternoon she visited Erika’s Place in Cicero to sample their offering as well.

County Councilman Steve Schwartz met Crouch in Cicero to share his pride in Hamilton County cooking and his love of small, family-run restaurants.

“That’s were some of the best tenderloins comes from – small shops,” Schwartz told The Reporter. “They take the extra time. Unlike the big box stores, these small shops take the extra time and they enjoy what they’re doing to help create the best tenderloin around.”



Photo provided by Rhonda Gary, Town of Cicero

**Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and Hamilton County Councilman Steve Schwartz took time for a photo while picking up some award-winning tenderloins from Erika’s Place in Cicero.**



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

**Lt. Gov. Crouch speaks with Westfield Mayor Andy Cook and Reporter Publisher Stu Clampitt.**



Advocating for Victims of Crime & Abuse

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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PLAYHOUSE

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This rendering by Main Street Productions Vice President Bill Miller clearly shows how the new signage will look once approved by the city of Westfield.

“I want to thank you and the board and the theater for giving Katrina and me the opportunity to do this – to use our resources for something that is this important in the community,” Basile said. “One of the factors that motivated us to do this is the fact that this is a hands-on board that does the work. They are passionate about it and I love it. It what’s most larger organizations do that have paid staff, but here you have board members doing it, which is even better, in our opinion. And of course, working with you, Bill, I’ve seen the many hats that you wear with it. From the business part of it to the design work, the writing including the press release and everything else. I really appreciate that.”

Miller and the rest of the board are looking forward to being able to offer even more to Hamilton County because the donation comes with no strings.

“The donation that they have given us is going to let the theater go to the next level,” Miller said. “One of the very important things is that this is an unrestricted gift, so we are going to take

a large part of that and put it into operations. As most of you know, community theaters have very limited budgets. It was not that long ago that we were hand to mouth. Everything we took in from the plays we turned around and spent for the plays.”

MSP Board Member Tom Smith, who Miller called MSP’s “anchor to the community” interjected, “It was August of 2020 when Kevin [Shadle] said we have \$19 in the operations account.”

Thanks to the Basile donation and the level of community support for the new playhouse, MSP is on much more solid ground now than they were before the pandemic.

According to MSP President Brandi Davis, “The donation from Frank and Katrina Basile will help guarantee that we will continue to be able to produce the high-quality entertainment that Westfield has come to expect from MSP.”

The Basiles told The Reporter they prefer to donate to smaller organizations so they can see that they are helping make a tangible impact.

“We like to be involved in organizations where we can help to make a difference,” Basile said.

One reason they chose Westfield Playhouse is because they are both fans of live theater.

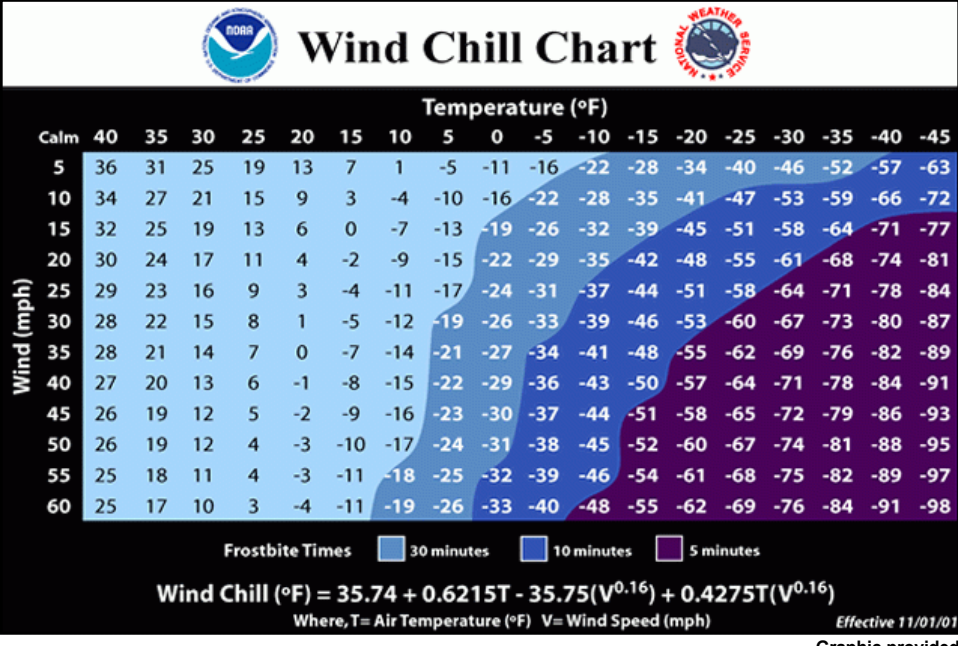
“With this new building, I can see where this is going to make a difference in Westfield – in the entire area – to give the residents here another arts option: that is plays,” Basile said. “Plays are Katrina’s and my first love. We donate to other organizations, but our first love is the theater. And you guys really do it right.”

Frank and Katrina Basile thanked the MSP board repeatedly for the opportunity to be a part of the Westfield and Hamilton County arts community. The gratitude for this new partnership clearly goes both ways.

“It was a joy to work with Mr. Basile on this donation,” Miller said. “He believes strongly in our mission and wanted to help us take our theater to the next level. In the coming several months you will see new improvements to our home to enhance your experience while at our playhouse.”

WIND CHILL

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If it’s expected to be that cold at 9 a.m. they consider closing.

Carmel Clay Schools has a similar delay and closure procedure. Hamilton Southeastern Schools also follows the wind chill rule of -19 degrees, especially since elementary kids get on the buses first, at around 6:30 a.m.

“As a school district, what we pay attention to is the length of time our students are at those bus stops,” said Zach McKinney, the Director of Transportation for HSE Schools. “When that wind chill is a factor. What the National Weather Service says is a factor as they are standing at the bus

stop. What is too long and when does that wind chill really start to impact frostbite opportunity.”

Hamilton Southeastern Schools said in general if it’s below 10 degrees outside, there is a team that comes in early to start the buses to be sure they’re warm inside when the kids get on.

10/10/80

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It was my father’s goal to save enough money to cover his own expenses and to leave an inheritance for his children and grandchildren as his parents and grandparents had done for him. Thus, he was committed to saving 10 percent of his earning. At the dinner table one night, I asked when do you spend the 10 percent that is saved? He had an easy, five step response:

1. Do you want it? If not, don’t buy it.
2. If you want it, do you need it? If you don’t need it, don’t buy it.
3. If you want it and need it, do you have money in savings to purchase it? If you don’t have money in the saving account, don’t buy it.
4. If you want it, and you need it, and you have money set back to buy it, you ask could you really do without it?
5. If you want it, and you need it, and you have the money set back to buy it, and

you can’t do without it, then go ahead and buy it. Otherwise keep the money in the bank!

My father’s theory on saving certainly takes discipline and self-control, yet, from my observation, served him well and enabled him to leave an inheritance for both me and my children.

Finally, are you willing to live off the 80 percent? In an age of credit cards, the internet, and Amazon Prime; where anything and everything you desire can be dropped on your doorstep within a matter of days, living within your means has become increasingly difficult. Our society values excess over temperance, extravagance over moderation. Living off the 80 percent requires discipline and perseverance. It requires budgeting. It requires saying “no” even when all the other neighbors say “yes.” Are you willing to try?

The beauty of 10/10/80 is it’s simplistic. It does not involve financial gurus, and there are no expensive classes to be taken. 10/10/80 can be understood by children and adults alike. I have strived to implement 10/10/80 in my life, and so far, it appears to have been a fruitful endeavor. To any person looking to conquer their finances, get out of debt, or even simply begin saving money, I would implore you to give 10/10/80 a try. You will certainly not become wealthy tomorrow but will be amazed at the financial transformation that occurs over time. 10/10/80 is about living proportionately, recognizing the Lord’s provision, and building a legacy day by day.

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# Salute to Sheridan's own Ron Stone

A few weeks back, I wrote a tribute to some of Sheridan's important women who have helped to hold our community together over the years. I would like to take this opportunity to honor one of the men who has played a key role in keeping this community ongoing.

Ron Stone has been a friend as well as a stalwart supporter of the Sheridan community for years. I first met and worked with Ron during the Sheridan sesquicentennial celebration year of 2010. Ron was heavily involved in the celebration as the co-chair. His primary job was organizing the high school class reunion program, but he was also involved in other activities, most notable for me the Sesquicentennial Time Capsule project, which he and I cooperated on putting together.

One of 10 children, Ron has lived in the Sheridan community all his life. When he graduated from high school, he decided he wanted to continue his education, so he went to Indiana Wesleyan in Marion and earned a degree in education. Ron and wife Mary, whom he met

in college, were both hired as teachers at Hamilton Heights. Both were elementary teachers, and Ron did an eight-year stint as a principal before returning to the classroom. He retired in 2009 after many enjoyable years as a fourth-grade teacher as well as a few years teaching fifth and sixth grades, as well as the aforementioned principalship.

Ron has been the president of the Sheridan Historical Society for 11 years. During his presidency, the Society has experienced growth and stability. His most important project to date has been to oversee the transition from the old museum at 308 S. Main to the newer and larger museum across the street at 315 S. Main. Ron was instrumental in the purchase and remodeling of what was a formerly a motorcycle repair shop, doing most of the work himself along with a little help from some skilled trades people such as electricians, plumbers, HVAC, and others.

The museum is nearly complete now and Ron's attention is turning to the rescue, restoration, and repurposing of the old Sheridan Monon Train Depot. He is also currently completing his second term on the Adams Township Advisory Board and one of his duties as a member of that Board is to serve as the Adams Township Coordinator for the Hamilton County Bicentennial Committee.



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**Ron Stone serves as the President of the Sheridan Historical Society and takes seriously his commitment to making the Sheridan community better.**

I would like to take my hat off to Ron Stone. Over the years as both an educator and Sheridan resident and supporter, he has done a whole lot of things to hold Sheridan together and help us grow into the strong, vibrant community that we are today. His life should serve as a beacon of achievement for others to follow. Considering his previous accomplishments, there is no doubt in my mind he will be successful in all these pending and future endeavors.

## Elaine McGuire given Rampart Award by County Commissioners



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**The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners recently honored Elaine McGuire with the Rampart Award. The award recognizes citizens who have an "attitude of teamwork, a generosity of spirit, and a desire to tirelessly support their communities." McGuire is retiring after 42 years with Janus. She has been a fierce advocate for transportation and helped develop what is widely known today as Hamilton County Express.**

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## HSE, Carmel high schools raise over \$3,000 for injured wrestler

By CHRISTINA MOLINARI  
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Sportsmanship was on full display on Jan. 19 in Fishers as rivals teamed up to raise thousands of dollars to help a badly-injured high school wrestler.

As first reported in the pages of the Reporter, **Hamilton South-eastern sophomore Harrison Rich** suffered a severe spinal cord injury



Rich

during a match in December. He is currently at Riley Hospital for Children, waiting to be transferred to a hospital in Chicago.

Last Wednesday, HSE and Carmel squared off in a meet but came together in **collecting more than \$3,200 in donations**. The money will go to help offset travel costs for the family.

As of Jan. 26, a **GoFundMe** page has also collected nearly \$20,000.

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# Major safety improvements coming to Main Street in front of Carmel High School

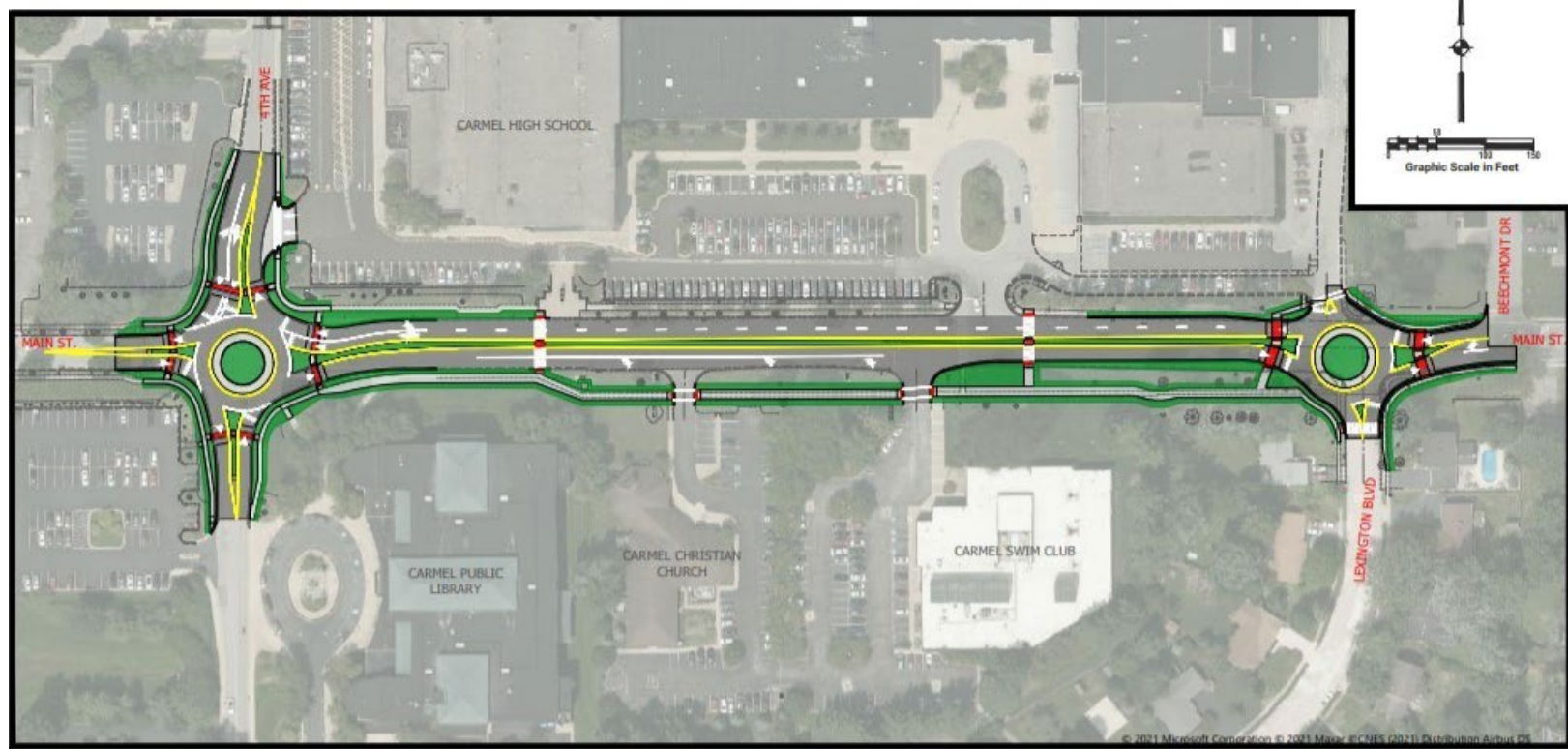
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A busy stretch of Main Street in front of Carmel High School and the new Library building will see major changes this summer. The City of Carmel, Carmel Clay Public Library and Carmel Clay Schools have been working closely together to develop a plan for these new intersections to slow traffic and enhance safety at crosswalks used primarily by students.

The new Main Street will feature two new roundabouts – at Lexington Drive and 4th Avenue East (soon to be renamed Richland Avenue) – both of which will have raised pedestrian crossings and enhanced lighting. The four lanes of Main Street will be reduced to two (one in each direction) and a new landscaped median will be installed in the middle of the roadway. In addition, there will be two new mid-block crossings with rapid flashing beacons and pedestrian refuges, safety areas in the median for pedestrians crossing the road.

Work is expected to begin on or after May 26 after school is out for summer break. Substantial completion is expected prior to the start of school in August.

"I want to thank our partners at the School and Library for working with our Engineering staff to develop a plan that will en-



Rendering provided by City of Carmel

hance the safety of students and patrons of the new library," said Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard. "We believe these changes will help make this area more walkable and sustainable for all pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists who use Main Street on a daily basis."

During construction, Main Street will be closed to thru traffic from 4th Avenue East to Lexington Boulevard, just east of the high school. Detours will be posted, and the following provisions will be made for local traffic:

- Access to the Lexington Concord neighborhood will be maintained from City Center Drive, Blairsden Avenue and Carlin Drive.
- Access to Carmel Elementary school will be possible via Elm Street and Carmel View.
- Carmel High School will be accessible from Smoky Row as well as 2nd Street Northeast from the west during the summer months.
- Pedestrian routes will be defined and marked.
- Vehicular detour routes around this closure will use

Smoky Row, Range Line Road, Keystone Parkway and City Center Drive.

The project will go out to bid soon. The bid will be awarded to the lowest responsive bidder, at which time the project budget will be known.

## Mobile COVID testing, vaccine clinic in Carmel thru Saturday

### The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Health (IDH) is once again holding a free mobile testing and vaccination clinic in West Carmel as part of its ongoing efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The mobile clinic will operate from noon to 8 p.m. each day through Saturday, Jan. 29 at the Jill Perelman Pavilion, 3000 W. 116th St., Carmel.

Register online by visiting [ourshot.in.gov](https://ourshot.in.gov) or call 211 (866-211-9966) and a representative will schedule an appointment for you from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. Appointments are encouraged, but walk-ins are accepted.

"We are incredibly grateful to the State Department of Health for its help," said Chris Walker, emergency preparedness coordinator with the Hamilton County Health Department. "The mobile crew administered 1,582 tests and 243 vaccines over the course of four days. Our limited staff simply won't allow us to test that many people, so we're especially grateful for the extra help."

"This mobile vaccination site is one more way we are working to give all Hoosiers convenient access to COVID-19 vaccine in their communities," said State Health Commissioner Kris Box, MD, FACOG. "I encourage everyone who hasn't been vaccinated yet to take advantage of this safe, effective vaccine, which is the best protection we have against this virus."

If you are 18 or older, you may choose to receive either the single-dose Johnson & Johnson (Janssen), Moderna or Pfizer vaccine, which requires a second dose to be fully protected. This will be scheduled at the time of your first dose. You can also get the booster dose of your choice.

Individuals aged 5-17 must receive the Pfizer vaccine. An adult must accompany children aged 5-15 to the vaccine appointment. If the adult present is not the parent or guardian, consent must be submitted in advance. For anyone aged 16 or 17, it's preferred that a parent or guardian accompany the minor to the vaccination site. Of course, this may not always be possible. In those

cases, the parent or guardian can provide written or verbal authorization.

Here are some more facts:

- The vaccine is available at no cost, but insurance information is requested, because an administration fee may be charged.
- Each individual will need to schedule an appointment, even if they live in the same household.
- This site offers the Pfizer and Moderna vaccine, which require a second dose to be fully protected. This will be scheduled at the time of the first dose.
- Proof of age will be required at the appointment.
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### cdc.gov.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, if you've been fully vaccinated, you do not need to stay away from others if you've been around someone who has COVID-19 or get tested, unless you have symptoms.

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# Binding the wounds of war

## Workshop explores how to make a difference in lives of veterans

**The REPORTER**  
In 2020, the suicide rate in the military hit a record high as 580 service members in all four branches took their lives. This disturbing fact is one of many that underscores the toll a decade of wars has had on the hearts, souls and minds of our all-volunteer force. Yet the battles have just begun for many veterans and their families as they come home. The need for community caregivers has never been greater. Bethel Lutheran Church will host a workshop, Binding the Wounds of War, to help clergy, family members and friends, and counselors and caregivers understand the invisible wounds of war. Trained counselors from the Fort Wayne-based Lutheran Military and Families Ministries will facilitate the workshop from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Feb. 3 at the church, located at 20650 Cumberland Road, Noblesville. Light refreshments will be served, and a freewill offering will be accepted. For more information, call Bethel Lutheran Church, (317) 773-4315 or email [missions@bethellutheranchurch.com](mailto:missions@bethellutheranchurch.com).

# Updates to Sheriff’s Office website make it easier to see upcoming sheriff’s sales

**The REPORTER**  
Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush has announced new improvements to the Sheriff’s Office website, specifically the Sheriff Sale section. A Sheriff’s Sale is a public auction at which property that has been defaulted on is repossessed. The proceeds from the sale are used to pay mortgage lenders, banks, tax collectors, and other litigants involved who have lost money on the property. **The website’s new developments** will enhance the viewers ability to navigate, read and understand. The public will no longer need to come to the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office to see the properties. With the new updates, the necessary information is available on the website. When opening the website, the different information pertaining to the properties are now linked together, i.e., documents, tax reports and mapping for the property locations. On the day of Sheriff Sales, the bid sheets will still be placed in the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office lobby at 10 a.m. and the auction will begin at noon. [Click here](#) to access the new site.



# Indiana State Senate approves new restrictions on nonprofit bail groups

**By GARRETT BERGQUIST**  
*WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)*  
The mother of a murder victim on Tuesday said she is certain **new legislation** would have saved her son’s life. Nikki Sterling’s son, **Dylan McGinnis**, was murdered Oct. 1. Police said the suspect was out on bond at the time while awaiting trial for possession of cocaine, a level 6 felony. Court documents show his \$5,000 bond was paid in January 2021 by The Bail Project, a national nonprofit. It was the second time in three months a suspect had murdered someone in Marion County after The Bail Project covered their bond. After McGinnis’ death, Sterling began lobbying lawmakers to tighten the rules for such groups. On Tuesday afternoon, the state Senate approved legislation to impose new rules on nonprofit bail organizations. Under the bill, nonprofits could only cover bail for misdemeanors, and then only if the courts set the amount at \$2,000 or less. In addition, any person or organization that bails out more than two people in a six-month period would have to be licensed and regulated by the Indiana Department of Insurance, much the same as traditional bail bond agencies are. Sterling said her advocacy since her son’s death has given her a sense of purpose. She said blocking nonprofits from bailing out felony suspects will prevent other families from facing what she has gone through. “If I can impact somebody else’s life, help another mother, stop another mother from getting the same phone call I received that night, then I’ll feel like I fulfilled [McGinnis’] legacy of helping others,” she said. The Bail Project’s operations director, David Gaspar, said the organization has made changes after McGinnis’ death but writing new rules into state law is the wrong way to address the problem. He said a traditional bond agency covered the surety bond for the suspect in that case and The Bail Project simply covered the rest. Gaspar said the regulations will be moot anytime a suspect’s family has the means to bail them out on their own. “Without our work here, there’s not a level playing field for those who are impoverished,” he said. “The question is not about The Bail Project’s work. It’s about the process here in Indiana and across our nation of a constitutional right to bond.” Earlier in the day, before the Senate’s vote, both Gaspar and Sterling spoke to a House committee which approved a similar bill. The Senate’s vote sends the upper chamber’s version of the bill to the House.

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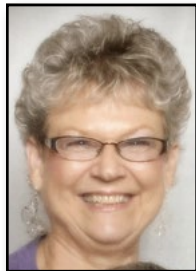
Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Colossians 3:12-14 (NIV)

### Peggy Ann Hebner

July 6, 1946 – January 24, 2022

Peggy Ann Hebner, 75, Springville, Tenn., died on Monday, January 24, 2022, at her residence.



She retired after many years from Hughes Aircraft in El Segundo, Calif., where she worked as a secretary. Peggy loved being a grandmother. She enjoyed collecting vaseline glass, stained glass, and loved butterflies.

Peggy was born on July 6, 1946, in Tipton, Ind., to the late Richard Boyer and the late Phyllis Gullion Boyer Copas.

She was married April 9, 1994, to William G. Hebner, who survives, of Springville, Tenn.

Along with her husband, she is also survived by one son, Michael L. Barker of Springville, Tenn.; one brother, William Boyer of Noblesville; and six grandchildren, Michael Barker, Andrew (Heather) Barker, Codey Barker, Emily (Zac) Jones, Masen (Mindy) Barker, and Abigail Barker.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by one son, John R. Barker; and her twin sister, Sally Anne McFall.

Arrangements are being handled by Ridgeway Funeral Home, 201 Dunlap St., Paris, Tenn. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, February 4, 2022, at Ridgeway Funeral Home, with the funeral service beginning at 1 p.m. at Ridgeway Funeral Home, with David French officiating.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Park in Paris, Tenn.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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## Who's on my ballot for the May 2022 Primary Election?

Candidate filings current as of Wednesday, Jan. 26

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### County Recorder

Trini K. Beaver (R)

### County Sheriff

Dennis Quakenbush (R)

### County Coroner

Jeff Jellison (R)

### County Assessor

Kevin W. Poore (R)

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**District 1**  
Christine Altman (R)

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**District 1**  
Fred Glynn (R)

**District 2**  
Amy Elizabeth Massillamany (R)

**District 3**  
Steve Schwartz (R)

**District 4**  
Mark F. Hall (R)

**District 5**  
Ken Alexander (R)

### Adams Twp. Trustee

Michelle Junkins (R)

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Ron Stone (R)

John (Danny) Christian (R)

Gail E. Godby (R)

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### Delaware Twp. Board

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Kim Logan (R)

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**Clay 28**  
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**Clay 42**  
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**Clay 68**  
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**Fall Creek 35**  
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Boys basketball

# Full-strength 'Blazers beat Trojans in OT

By **RICHIE HALL**  
**CARMEL** - When it's at full strength, the University boys basketball team is a pretty good team.

The Trailblazers have been dealing with injuries all season, but have had their entire lineup ready to go over the past week.

"We've been banged up all season and we haven't played a lot of games with all nine guys," said University coach Brandon Lafferman. "This is two in a row where we've had everyone out there."

It's not a coincidence that the 'Blazers have picked up two big wins in those last two games, including one of its biggest victories of the season Wednesday night. University defeated Bishop Chatard 65-63 in an overtime game at the U Center. The Trojans are ranked No. 6 in the Associated Press Class 3A poll and had only lost once prior to their meeting the Trailblazers.

"They're the highest-ranked team, other than Brebeuf, that we've played all year," said Lafferman. "Watching them on film, they're the most disciplined team I think we've played all year. So that's a fantastic win for us, and I couldn't be more excited and proud of my kids."

It was a close game for the entire 36 minutes. University's biggest lead was six points, which it achieved a three times in the first quarter and once in the extra period. Chatard's largest advantage was four points, including a 54-50 lead midway through the fourth quarter.

Sabien Cain cut that lead to 54-53 with a 3-pointer, then Robert Russell's free throw tied it up at 54-54 with 3:30 left. Neither team scored again until the Trojans' Sylvester Williams hit two foul shots with 40.4 seconds to go.

University quickly tied the game with a daring play. On the inbound, Seth Hogg launched the ball across the time line to Larry Pierce, who collected it and laid it in. That made the score 56-56. Neither team scored again and it was on to overtime.

"Great pass by Seth and that was nothing designed," said Lafferman. "We were just trying to get the ball in. I think Larry made a good read and Seth's a really good passer, made a nice play."

The 'Blazers blasted out to a 6-0 run to get up 62-56 with 2:32 left in the extra period. Pierce scored on a putback, Andre Ozlowski made a three-point play, then Pierce's free throw got University back up six.

Williams made two free throws, which



Reporter photo by **Richie Hall**  
**University's Robert Russell scored 13 points for the Trailblazers in their overtime victory against Bishop Chatard on Wednesday. Russell was one of five University players to reach double figures.**

Ozlowski answered with a layin to give the Trailblazers a 64-58 lead. Chatard made one last push, with a Williams basket cutting the lead to four, then A.J. Roseman's and-1 put the Trojans within 64-63. Hogg made a free throw with 26.5 seconds left, and Chatard's final shot was no good.

Lafferman said University's win came down to two things.

"First, I thought our defense really showed up when it mattered," said Lafferman. "We got a huge stop to end regulation, and then obviously, we get a huge stop to end the game. And in between, I was really impressed with just how we handled their pressure and trapping. We made the right decisions that led to layups and a lot of free throws, which unfortunately, we didn't make. Just glad we were able to defend and make a stop there at the end."

Chatard's Robert Davidson made two free throws for the first points of the game, but University used an 8-0 run to take an early 8-2 lead. Cain hit a triple and a layin, then Hogg nailed a 3.

The 'Blazers led 21-19 after one quarter, with Ozlowski pouring in 11 points during that period. Cain's layin got University ahead 24-19 early in the second, but a 6-0 run by the Trojans put them ahead 25-24. The back-and-forth continued for the remainder of the game.

Chatard led 36-34 at halftime, then the contest was tied at 47-47 after three quarters. Williams scored eight points for the Trojans in the third period, while Hogg drained two 3s for the 'Blazers in the quarter.

Both teams had incredible depth in the game. University had all five of its starters reach double figures. Ozlowski led with 14 points, Russell and Cain each added 13 points, and Pierce and Hogg both contributed 10 points.

Roseman led Chatard with 19 points, followed by Williams with 16, then Davidson and Carter St. John both added 11.

The Trailblazers are 9-6 for the season and play Friday at Anderson Prep Academy in a Pioneer Academic Athletic Conference North Division game.

UNIVERSITY 65, BISHOP CHATARD 63					
University	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Robert Russell	5	2-2	13	1	
Sabien Cain	5	0-0	13	4	
Andre Ozlowski	4	5-5	14	1	
Larry Pierce	4	2-5	10	3	
Seth Hogg	3	1-2	10	0	
Bryce Gray	0	0-0	0	1	
Nate Jeffrey	0	0-0	0	0	
Kahmi Bracey	2	1-4	5	3	
Totals	23	11-18	65	13	
Score by Quarters					
Bishop Chatard	19	17	11	9	7 - 63
University	21	13	13	9	9 - 65
University 3-pointers (8) Cain 3, Hogg 3, Russell 1, Ozlowski 1.					

Girls basketball

# Blackhawks fall to Mounties, 58-52

# Millers sail past Pendleton Heights

Sheridan's girls basketball team dropped a 58-52 game to Southmont Wednesday at Larry Hobbs Hall.

The Blackhawks had a nice start against the Mounties, leading 10-5 after the first quarter. Kenzie Garner scored four points during that period. Southmont came back to tie the game at 27-27 by halftime, pouring in 22 points in the second quarter. Riley Reed helped keep Sheridan in it with seven points during the quarter.

The Mounties led 41-39 after three periods and added another 17 points in the fourth to get the win. Garner led the 'Hawks with 12 points, while Reed scored nine. Eight different Sheridan players scored.

The Blackhawks are 12-5 and finish their regular and Hoosier Heartland Confer-

ence seasons Friday by hosting Taylor in a girls-boys doubleheader.

SOUTHMONT 58, SHERIDAN 52				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ashley Webel	2	2-2	6	0
Cecilia Timme	2	2-3	6	4
Chaney Smith	3	0-0	7	5
Jacquellynne Bates	2	0-0	4	3
Taylor Bates	2	2-2	6	1
Lilly Chesney	0	2-4	2	1
Shelby Shaw	0	0-0	0	0
Kenzie Garner	4	2-2	12	2
Berkley Williams	0	0-0	0	0
Riley Reed	3	3-4	9	2
Totals	18	13-17	52	18
Score by Quarters				
Southmont	5	22	14	17- 58
Sheridan	10	17	12	13- 52
Sheridan 3-pointers (3) Garner 2, Smith 1.				

Noblesville finished the regular season with a victory on Wednesday, sailing past Pendleton Heights 73-56 at the Arabians' gym.

The Millers, ranked No. 5 in the ICGSA Class 4A poll and No. 6 in the IBCA one-class ratings, slowly built a lead in the first half, going up 16-13 in the first quarter, then holding a 36-29 advantage at halftime, with Reagan Wilson stepping up at the end of the second quarter. Noblesville then pulled away in the third period, outscoring Pendleton 26-13.

"Reagan made a big play right before the half to put us up seven and gave us momentum going into the half," said Millers coach Donna Buckley. The coach said

her team was "pretty awesome in that third quarter" and "just dominated" on both ends of the floor.

Freshman Meredith Tippner led Noblesville with 24 points, six steals and five rebounds.

"She was pretty awesome," said Buckley. "She had four and-ones. She went hard to the basket, finished pretty well. She was big time tonight."

Ashlynn Shade added 21 points, led the rebounds with seven and dished out four assists. Wilson totaled 14 points, including three 3-pointers, and had six steals. As a team, the Millers made 22 steals.

"That's a lot of steals," said Buckley. "Our kids were just flying around and doing a great job on defense, just very active."

Dani Mendez collected five rebounds and Brooklyn Smitherman had two blocked shots.

Noblesville is 18-4 and plays Zionsville Tuesday in the first round of the Westfield sectional.

NOBLESVILLE 73, PENDLETON HEIGHTS 56				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Kaitlyn Shoemaker	2-7	0-0	5	2
Ashlynn Shade	9-17	2-2	21	3
Reagan Wilson	5-14	1-2	14	3
Meredith Tippner	9-15	6-7	24	1
Brooklyn Smitherman	2-2	0-0	4	4
Brooklyn Ely	0-2	2-2	2	0
Ava Shoemaker	0-2	0-0	0	4
Dani Mendez	1-3	1-3	3	3
Aubrey Novinger	0-1	0-0	0	1
Kate Rollins	0-0	0-0	0	1
Carly Motz	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	28-63	12-16	73	22
Score by Quarters				
Noblesville	16	20	26	11- 73
Pendleton Heights	13	16	13	14- 56
Noblesville 3-point shooting (5-27) Wilson 3-9, Shade 1-7, K. Shoemaker 1-3, Tippner 0-3, Ely 0-2, A. Shoemaker 0-2, Novinger 0-1.				
Noblesville rebounds (30) Shade 7, Tippner 5, Mendez 5, K. Shoemaker 3, Smitherman 3, Wilson 1, team 4.				

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# Hamilton County Reporter Cross Country Runners of the Year

Kole Mathison, Jamie Klavon, and Alivia Romaniuk, Carmel



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The Hamilton County Reporter has named three Carmel runners as its Cross Country Runners of the Year for 2021. Greyhounds junior Kole Mathison is the Reporter's Boys Runner of the Year. Mathison had another dominant season for Carmel, winning the Hamilton County meet, then breezing to regional and semi-state titles. Mathison finished fourth at the state meet, the highest placement of any county runner.

Two Greyhounds seniors, Alivia Romaniuk and Jamie Klavon, are the Girls Runners of the Year. Both won a significant title during the season, with Romaniuk triumphing at the Hamilton County meet and Klavon winning the sectional. Romaniuk went on to place 10th at the state meet, with Klavon finishing 15th.

## Hamilton County Reporter All-County Boys Cross Country Team 2021

Name	School	Year	Tate Meaux	Fishers	Junior
Caylor Ash	Hamilton Southeastern	Junior	Alec Moor	Noblesville	Sophomore
Thomas Biltimier	Carmel	Sophomore	Garrett Mowry	Westfield	Senior
Caden Carpenter	Fishers	Junior	Joel Mumaw	Noblesville	Senior
Caden Click	Noblesville	Sophomore	Asher Propst	Noblesville	Junior
Alexander Cole	Noblesville	Senior	Nick Pulos	Fishers	Senior
Kai Connor	Westfield	Senior	Sam Quagliaroli	Fishers	Freshman
Bennett Dubois	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	Ian Ross	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Alec Foster	Fishers	Senior	Connor Sarkovics	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Connor Heagy	Carmel	Senior	Nolan Satterfield	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Garrett Hicks	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	Charlie Schuman	Carmel	Senior
Ethan Hines	Guerin Catholic	Junior	Luke Shinneman	Noblesville	Senior
Charlie Leedke	Carmel	Junior	Colin Simons	Fishers	Senior
Lucas Lemme	Carmel	Senior	Jack Strong	Noblesville	Freshman
Will Marquardt	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	KJ Sweeney	Carmel	Junior
Kole Mathison	Carmel	Junior	Austin Wilson	Fishers	Junior

## Hamilton County Reporter All-County Girls Cross Country Team 2021

Name	School	Year	Grace Newton	Hamilton Southeastern	Junior
Kennedy Applegate	Noblesville	Sophomore	Hannah Pensyl	Westfield	Senior
Elizabeth Barrett	Fishers	Senior	Nadia Perez	Noblesville	Sophomore
Elizabeth Butler	Hamilton Southeastern	Freshman	Kelly Pesyna	Westfield	Senior
Raya Chauhan	Carmel	Freshman	Maggie Powers	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Brinkley Cooper	Noblesville	Freshman	Summer Rempé	Noblesville	Sophomore
Paige Hazelrigg	Noblesville	Junior	Alivia Romaniuk	Carmel	Senior
Elise Herman	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore	Anna Runion	Fishers	Senior
Ciara Kepner	Hamilton Southeastern	Freshman	Vera Schafer	Fishers	Senior
Jasmine Klopstad	Carmel	Junior	Robyn Schemel	Westfield	Junior
Jamie Klavon	Carmel	Senior	Alyssa Schleper	Westfield	Senior
Sydney Klinglesmith	Westfield	Junior	Addison Smith	Hamilton Southeastern	Freshman
Charlotte Konow	Carmel	Freshman	Elizabeth Smith	Westfield	Sophomore
Brooke Lahee	Noblesville	Junior	Evelyn Taller	Carmel	Senior
Allie Latta	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	Samantha Taylor	Westfield	Senior
Olivia Mundt	Carmel	Freshman	Ella Wirkner	Noblesville	Freshman
Megan Mybeck	Fishers	Senior			

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# NBA standings

## Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Brooklyn	29	19	.604	-
Philadelphia	28	19	.596	0.5
Boston	25	24	.510	4.5
Toronto	23	23	.500	5.0
New York	23	26	.469	6.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	30	17	.638	-
Cleveland	30	19	.612	1.0
Milwaukee	30	20	.600	1.5
Indiana	17	32	.347	14.0
Detroit	11	36	.234	19.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	31	17	.646	-
Charlotte	27	22	.551	4.5
Washington	23	25	.479	8.0
Atlanta	22	25	.468	8.5
Orlando	9	40	.184	22.5

## Western Conference

Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Utah	30	19	.612	-
Denver	26	21	.553	3.0
Minnesota	24	23	.511	5.0
Portland	20	28	.417	9.5
Oklahoma City	14	33	.298	15.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Phoenix	38	9	.809	-
Golden State	35	13	.729	3.5
L.A. Clippers	25	25	.500	14.5
L.A. Lakers	24	24	.500	14.5
Sacramento	18	32	.360	21.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Memphis	33	17	.660	-
Dallas	28	21	.571	4.5
New Orleans	18	29	.383	13.5
San Antonio	18	31	.367	14.5
Houston	14	34	.292	18.0

<b>Wednesday's games</b> Cleveland 115, Milwaukee 99 Charlotte 158, Indiana 126 L.A. Clippers 111, Orlando 102 Atlanta 121, Sacramento 104 Miami 110, New York 96	Denver 124, Brooklyn 118 Chicago 111, Toronto 105 Memphis 118, San Antonio 110 Phoenix 105, Utah 97 Dallas 132, Portland 112
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# Hornets erupt for 158 points in win over Pacers

By BRENDAN ROURKE  
Courtesy nba.com/pacers  
After a four-game road trip, the Pacers returned home to host the Charlotte Hornets for the fourth and final time this season.

After the squads battled to a one-point game at halftime, the Hornets erupted in the second half with blazing-hot shooting. Charlotte scored 87 points over the final 24 minutes to set a new franchise record for total points in a game. Indiana fell in regulation, 158-126.

It is the most points scored by a Pacers opponent in franchise history.

Four Hornets (27-22) finished with 20 points or more. Kelly Oubre Jr. led the way with a game-high 39 points, including 10 made 3-pointers. As a team, Charlotte made 24 treys (45 attempts).

On a bright note, eight Pacers (17-32) finished in double figures for the first time this season. Despite having foul troubles, Goga Bitadze and Isaiah Jackson both finished with 17 points apiece. Jackson also tallied a steal and a block. Lance Stephenson had an impressive game off the bench, recording 14 points and 10 assists in 28 minutes. But, it turned out to be not nearly enough as Charlotte ignited in the second half.

“They came out and attacked a lit-

tle harder,” said Rick Carlisle. “Their shot-making was really on point tonight.”

“Obviously, they were making shots,” Torrey Craig (14 points) said. “So, we have to do a better job defensively...we started getting stagnant (offensively), started turning the ball over, and that fueled their break.”

The Hornets had the edge in the first few minutes. After forcing three Indiana turnovers, Charlotte’s speedy offensive pace kept Indiana’s defense on its heels. At the 8:52 mark, Terry Rozier knocked in a trey to stretch the visitors’ lead to 12-3 and force an early timeout from Rick Carlisle.

The break appeared to fix a few things for Indiana. Soon after, the squad mounted a 14-7 run to close the gap to 19-17 with 5:49 left. Bitadze and Craig combined for nine points of the spree.

Despite a Hornets timeout, Indiana continued to roll. Two triples from Justin Holiday and Bitadze’s three-point play in the paint gave Indiana a slim lead with just over four minutes remaining.

With Lance Stephenson running point and dishing seven dimes, Indiana remained ahead the rest of the period. They led 36-33 after one, finishing 14-of-21 (66.7 percent) from the field.

The squads battled in close combat

during the early moments of the second. But, the visitors earned the upper hand after hitting a few shots from deep. Tied at 43, Kelly Oubre Jr. canned his second triple of the frame to give Charlotte the lead. PJ Washington’s hook shot at the 8:17 mark then widened the gap to five.

However, the lead never grew. Instead, Indiana climbed back to tie the score on four occasions over a 2:29 span. A pair of LeVert free throws gave Indiana a 56-54 lead with 5:35 left.

Over the next few minutes, the Hornets’ speed caused Indiana to commit several fouls. By the three-minute mark, the Pacers had collected its 17th team foul of the game, and three each for Bitadze and Isaiah Jackson. Forced to play the smaller Oshae Brissett at center, the squad trailed by a small margin for a spell.

Duarte earned a brief 64-63 Pacers lead on a steal-and-slam. But, Charlotte recorded five unanswered to snag a four-point advantage with 1:44 remaining.

Stephenson did his best to grab a lead before the break, hitting two free throws with 29.1 seconds remaining. But, Rozier got the lucky bounce on a late triple to earn a 71-70 edge.

Then, everything changed.

Out of the break, Charlotte mounted a 13-2 run. The spree snagged an 84-72 advantage before Carlisle called his second timeout of the frame at the 8:47 mark. Several times, the young Hornets’ speed burned the Pacers in transition.

While Indiana found its offensive footing, the Pacers defense had trouble stopping LaMelo Ball on the other end. The dynamic guard countered Indiana’s buckets with

eight straight Hornets points, including a deep four-point play. The run maintained a solid double-digit lead (97-82) for the visitors as the midway point of the third passed.

Charlotte’s margin reached 20 points (102-82) after Oubre connected on a trey with 4:47 left in the third. The former Kansas guard knocked the bucket in after the Pacers committed their 23rd team foul. However, Stephenson remained steadfast for Indiana.

The Pacer legend knocked in three straight buckets in 36 seconds to cut the Hornets’ lead to 104-88 with 3:44 to play in the third.

Stephenson’s stretch started a 10-2 Pacers run that trimmed the deficit to 14 with 1:53 remaining. However, the Hornets’ quick hands forced several Indiana miscues. In a blink, Charlotte’s lead grew to 112-92 after another Oubre three. The visitors finished the third with 42 points and led by 19 heading into the final frame.

The story remained the same as the fourth started. Charlotte stayed red hot. Ball, Oubre, and James Bouknight hit triples in a 13-0 run that pushed Charlotte’s lead to 129-100 with 9:12 remaining.

With Charlotte running away, Terry Taylor earned his first significant minutes for Indiana. Coming off a 39-point night with the Fort Wayne Mad Ants, he tallied his first NBA points on a finger-roll with 8:14 left.

Bridges’ triple with 5:14 left eventually set Charlotte’s new franchise record of points scored in a game. Charlotte added 12 more to their total before time expired.

Indiana travels to Oklahoma City to play the Thunder on Friday night.



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