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Meet Mario Massillamany

Hamilton County Republican Party selects next chair

Voice ... to express thoughts with words

By **DENISE MOE**
ReadTheReporter.com

On Saturday at 502 East Event Centre, 502 East Carmel Dr., Carmel, the Hamilton County Republican Party held a caucus to officially vote in its new party Chairman, Mario Massillamany.

Acting Chairman (and former Vice Chair) Will Riley started the morning off and announced that he will be stepping down in his role as Vice Chair. As the new chairman, Massillamany will appoint a replacement after a short transition period.

Riley then presented Outgoing Chairwoman Lau-



Reporter photo by Denise Moe
(From left) Outgoing Vice Chair Will Riley, Treasurer Raju Chinthala, incoming Chair Mario Massillamany, outgoing Chair Laura Campbell, and Secretary Lisa Everling.

ra Campbell with an award for her six years of volunteer service as party chair. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Westfield Mayor Andy

Cook. Outgoing Chairwoman Campbell then took a vote to suspend the rules, and 160 voting members of the caucus verbally voted

in Mario Massillamany by acclamation. While Massillamany ran unopposed, the

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She had a voice. She prayed every morning before her feet found their way out from underneath the covers.

"Please Lord, let my words make a difference."

She knew that the people read her words and took them to heart.

She knew how they felt. Those who had the worst of the "what ifs" happen. Those whose midlife crisis was not of their choosing. Those who knew, all too well, that life was not always fair.

Many times, she had wondered if she should dare share her journey.

She had struggled. She had been made to feel less than. She had picked the last petal of a flower and it told her: He loves you ... not.

She had heard that bets were made, bets that she would fail in a man's world. She had to make sure she knew the rules. She had so much to learn.

She was nice and they began to teach her the game. Slowly the deck that was stacked against her began to lean in her favor. She was given a seat at the men's ta-

ble. She was even given the deck to shuffle. She would teach others the game.

She was the one who ended up winning the bet.

For years she was the fifth chair at dinner parties.

She knew the loneliness of asking for a table for one, while sitting amongst a sea of couples.

She had looked into the face of fear and took a deep breath and told fear to get out of her way. She had a life to live and to live it abundantly.

Love came gently knocking. Would she take another chance? What if her heart was shattered ... again? What if love could be found in this chapter? Did she dare take the risk? She did.

She knew what it meant to hear the gentle voices, encouraging her to not give up. Those voices were like a choir which would eventually sing the Hallelujah Chorus. Actually, she heard Pachelbel's *Canon in D Major* as she walked down the aisle at her wedding.

She continued to write

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COLUMNIST

JANET HART LEONARD
From the Hart



Photos provided
(Left) Lion George Long, Pie Committee Chairman. Also on committee are Steve Shaw, Mark Bachar, and Tim Baker. (Right) Last year's top pie sellers were Joe Arrowood, Steve Craig, and Mark Cook.



Noblesville Lions selling Wick's pies for March 14 'Pi Day' fundraiser

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Lions are taking orders for Wick's frozen pies to be distributed by March 14, Pi Day. Funds will be used for Lion projects in the area for kids and handicap vision needs.

Pies cost \$12 each and include the following flavors: Sugar Cream, Pecan, Peanut Butter, German Chocolate, Pumpkin, Pumpkin Spice and Coconut Cream.

The deadline to order is

noon on Feb. 9. To place order, call or text George Long at (317) 213-7631 or talk to any Noblesville Lions Club member.

All orders must be paid for in advance with cash or check made out to Nobles-

ville Lions Club.

Pies will be distributed between 1 and 4 p.m. on Friday, March 11.

The Lions Club gives special thanks to Jeff DeMasia of the White River Food Pantry for his assistance.

Fishers welcomes ABC Prep Academy

By **JOHN GEIGER**
For The Reporter

Associated Builders and Contractors of Indiana/Kentucky (ABC) Commercial Construction Prep Academy held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday for the grand opening of its new location at 11837 Technology Lane, Fishers. Gibson Commercial Construction renovated the new location.

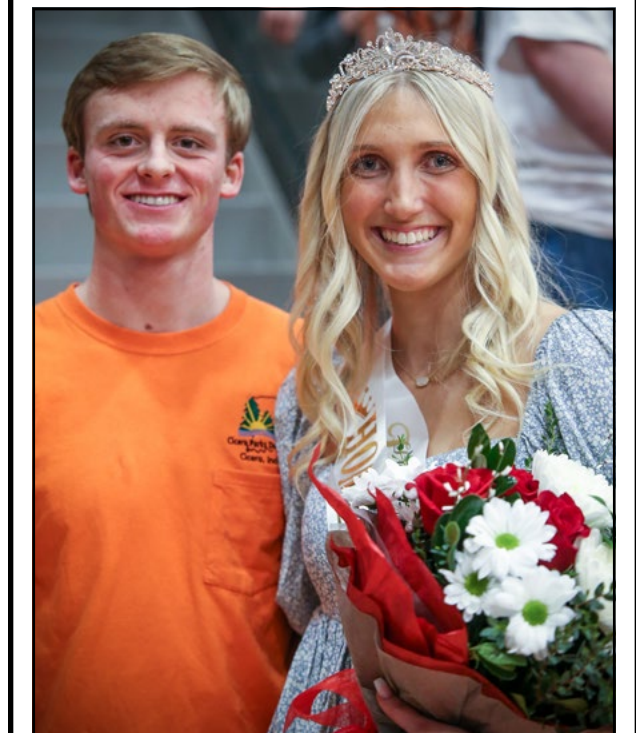
According to ABC Prep Academy Director Robert Kneberg, the ABC Prep

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(From left) Gibson Commercial Construction President Jake Gibson, OneZone Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Jack Russell, ABC Prep Academy Director Robert Kneberg, Gaylor Electric President & CEO and State Rep. Chuck Goodrich, and Gaylor Electric Director Jeff Bryant.

VanHaaren, Runyan crowned Heights homecoming royalty



Reporter photo by Kirk Green
Hamilton Heights celebrated its winter homecoming Friday night. Seniors Eli VanHaaren and Sydney Runyan were crowned king and queen.

Celebrate Valentine's weekend with Curiosity, fantastical steampunk science fiction love story performed by EnPointe Indiana Ballet

The REPORTER

On Feb. 11 and 12 at the Noblesville High School Auditorium, En Pointe Indiana Ballet will bring to the stage a fantastical steampunk science fiction love story set in the romantic Victorian era featuring a synthesis of dance genres, peculiar characters and breathtaking ar-

tistic entertainment.

Curiosity, the annual original performance of the Noblesville-based dance school, is inspired by Cirque du Soleil and features the perfect blend of curious surprises and a fast-paced playful score.

"Due to the pandemic, it's been two years since *Curiosity*



has been performed on stage for an in-person audience," said En Pointe Indiana Ballet Co-Artistic Director Robert Moore. "Last

year, we pivoted to the historic Diana Theatre in Tipton with a very special cinematic version of *Curiosity* filmed and produced by Caleb Blair, owner of Magnum Veritas Productions, LLC. This year, we're thrilled to be back on stage and bringing one of our most beloved annual performances to Central Indiana just in time

for Valentine's weekend."

Curiosity is a jazz-inspired piece set in the romantic Victorian era, where the Industrial Revolution was new and fantastical. The original piece is En Pointe's own take on the fantasy world of steampunk science fiction

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party still needed to hold the caucus to officially elect him as the new chairman.

All Precinct Committee-men and Vice Committeemen on the official Hamilton County Republican Precinct list were eligible to vote. Massillamany’s ex-wife and mother to his children and sitting Hamilton County Councilor Amy Fuson Massillamany introduced Mario, and then Mario addressed the crowd.

The following is a message from new County Republican Party Chairman Mario Massillamany.

“The year was 1984. Carl Lewis was golden in Los Angeles; the movie *Red Dawn* was showing a generation of young Americans how to beat communism, and Ronald Reagan was sailing to a 49-state victory in his reelection to the Presidency of the United States. America was indeed ‘a shining city on a hill,’ as our fortieth president described. For that reason and in that same year, my parents risked everything to bring me to this nation as a seven-year-old boy.

“Each day, I thank God for my parents’ decision to bring me and my sister

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Mario Massillamany was joined by his parents, his sons Sullivan and Jackson, and his ex-wife, County Councilor Amy Massillamany.

to America. As I raise two sons of my own, I could not imagine living anywhere but right here at the crossroads of our great nation. My parents toiled night and day doing jobs too numerous to count, as they worked to raise our family and provide the quintessential American dream. They worked tirelessly to ensure we received a Catholic education because faith was primary in our home. Faith, along with hard work, achievement and treating people fairly were all paramount in our house. With these core values and a firsthand lesson on the power of freedom, there was no other place for me than the Republican Party.

“Upon graduating from Cathedral High School and Wabash College, I earned my law degree at the University of Denver College of Law. After moving back to the state, I labored tirelessly for countless city, state and political leaders who shared my values of faith, family, and personal responsibility.

“After years of hard work and some hard knocks, I am now proud to own and operate my own law firm

right here in Hamilton County. I am also still proud to be involved with state and local Republican leaders to share a ‘Freedom First’ agenda with our friends and neighbors. As I look out at our state and nation, I can’t help but notice that America is a little less like the 1984 of my childhood and a little more like the Orwell *1984* novel. Restrictions on speech, government overreach and the growing disrespect for the rule of the law should concern every American. I, for one, will not stand by and watch while America is destroyed by the leftists and status quo politicians. That’s why I am running for Hamilton County Republican Party Chairman.

‘If we lose freedom here, there is no place to escape to. This is the last stand on earth.’
– President Ronald Reagan

“I look forward to working with each and every one of you.”

For more information about the Hamilton County Republican Party and to sign up for their newsletter and meeting notices, please visit hamiltoncountygop.org.

VOICE

and share her thoughts and her heart with her community. She was always so surprised when people recognized her as that lady who wrote for the newspaper.

She kept the notes, tucked away, that people sent to her. They reminded her that she was making a difference when she took the dare to start sharing her thoughts in her writings.

She never wanted to be found judging others as she could never know the rest of their story. She knew how important it was to listen with her heart before voicing her opinion. She also knew that just because she had an opinion it did not mean she had to voice it.

She sifted her words with

kindness. She knew that harsh words would never be heard like those uttered or written with kindness and gentleness. She knew all too well what harsh words sounded like and how they hurt.

She knew that the wrong words voiced, at the wrong time, in the wrong way, could do more harm than any weapon of mass destruction. The effects are long lasting. She has learned to be silent when she wanted so badly to speak.

One of the great truths is that you cannot erase a word once it is written. She knows what it feels like to read hurtful words. She has been the victim of them and has their scars engraved on her heart, scars that will nev-

er completely heal.

She wrote with passion. She felt the need to write. That need came from deep down in her soul.

Her journals told her story. The good. The bad. And yes, the ugly.

Would anyone ever want to read her thoughts as she put them together in a book? She doesn’t know, but ... she begins to write it.

“Please Lord, let my words make a difference.”

This just might be in a chapter of the book I am writing ... just saying.

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CURIOSITY

and showcases all genres of dance including modern, swing, contemporary, jazz and tap. The 2022 performance features two fantastical acts, over 60 dancers and local aerialist, Taylor Moss.

“We can’t wait to entertain audiences this February,” Moore said. “*Curiosity* is always evolving from year to year with new elements, choreography, costuming and dramatic theatrical face and body paint by local artist Tabitha Wilbanks. It is an exhilarating theater experience for all audiences and ages – a date night, a friends outing, a family-fun excursion or even a solo night out treat.”

Curiosity premieres at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb 11. A matinee performance will take place at 2 p.m. on Sat-



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urday, Feb. 12. Tickets are available at enpointe.yapsody.com.

About En Pointe Indiana Ballet

En Pointe Indiana Ballet is a Noblesville-based classical ballet school led by co-artistic directors Pollyana Ribeiro and Robert Moore. En Pointe offers high-quality training to students ages

3-22 and serves Noblesville, Fishers, Carmel, Westfield, Geist, Zionsville and the surrounding area dance students. Additionally, En Pointe is proud to have pre-professional dancers from the across the globe study with the studio and prominent guest instructors visit annually. Learn more at enpointeindiana.com.



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 author ABC to release first youth fantasy novel on Feb. 8

The REPORTER

Literary newcomer Dave Maruszewski of Carmel will start a multi-book series for middle graders beginning with the exciting *The Dark Beast*. *The Dark Beast* is the first book of the Raven, Romda and Ravai series. This trio will embark on journeys of epic fantasy while dealing with everyday challenges that most youth face.

This story is about three friends (Raven, Romda and Ravai) who are recently knighted. Their first mission seems like a simple task of helping a kingdom priest. However, it starts to spiral as they cross paths with the Dark Beast. They realize the Beast's plans to destroy an entire town. As they journey to this town, they meet people who tell large tales about the Beast. Each person tells a little more of his story. How much of it is true? The three will find out when they finally face the Dark Beast.

"With a fast-moving plot and exciting action scenes, *Raven, Romda and Ravai: The Dark Beast* will grab the attention of even the most restless young readers."

—*The Book Review Directory*
"The narrative is told in a readable, chronological manner, and the squires are appealing characters, as is their comical banter."

—*BlueInk Review*

The book series will premiere on Feb. 8 and is focused on creating an enjoyable experience to those youth who normally don't like to read. Shorter paragraphs, higher dialogue and focusing on interactions are some of the devices that are employed to encourage non-traditional readers. Parents can feel comfortable as this book avoids mature

themes and language. It is suggested, but not reserved, for ages 8-14.

Maruszewski plans to make this series ongoing, although each book will be a self-contained story. He currently has planned out the first eight books, and he says he hopes to go well beyond that. The second volume is written

and going through the early stages of publishing. It is presently scheduled to be out between July and November.

As a person of a varied background, Maruszewski tries to employ aspects of all of his past pursuits in his writing. He is a former/current detonation physicist, teacher, painter, 3D modeler, animator, video game maker, software engineer, comic book dealer and engineering analyst. He maintains that all of these are useful in writing ... at least for a paragraph.

Dave Maruszewski moved to the Carmel area last year and says he is enjoying this great area with his family. He didn't have to move for his or his wife's job. No! They picked Carmel and Indiana out of all other areas in the whole country. They haven't regretted it for a minute, and they say they both hope to earn their "Hoosier" titles sometime soon.

The Dark Beast is published by BookBaby. It is available on [Amazon](#), [Barnes and Noble](#), [Bookshop.org](#), [Booktopia](#), [Bulk-Bookstore](#), [Indigo](#), [Kindle](#), [thrifbooks](#) and [BookBaby](#). Most of these outlets have pre-order copies available now. Official sales start on Feb. 8, and at that time stores will make all forms of the book accessible.

Learn more about the series at [ravenromdaandravai.com](#).



Maruszewski

Academy is currently serving students from seven high schools and three homeschool groups. The academy is currently accepting junior and senior enrollments for the 2022-2023 school year.

"The mission of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Indiana/Kentucky Commercial Construction Prep Academy is to develop skilled and employable individuals and serve as an effective pipeline to aligned summer internships, employment, and ABC apprenticeship opportunities leading to essential careers in the construction trades," Kneberg said.

ABC is a national construction industry trade association providing the availability of apprenticeships for individuals who want to begin a career in the trades. ABC President JR Gaylor said the academy represents around 700 contractors and employs 175,000 construction workers.

"The industry needs young people," Gaylor said. "There are many, many openings and we hope that you continue in the pipeline towards further training, employment, and a great career. The Indiana workforce and development has said that construction is a high-wage and high-demand industry, so there is a future for each of you with great careers and opportunities. This program is and has always been about you the students and their career and opportunities."

Kneberg said the ABC prep academy is designed for students to discover what the trades are available, and which might be the right fit for each of them.

According to OneZone Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Jack Russell, local high schools were not providing these types of experiences and opportunities for those students who needed and wanted them citing the schools don't have the resources and expertise that the community does.

"After forming this partnership, there were only 10 kids in the first class eight



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to nine years ago," Russell said. "This year we have 60 now, and next year will have 75 students."

With the ABC program, a student can come from high school, go directly into the workforce, work for four years as an apprentice, get an associate degree

from Vincennes University, and then move on to a bachelor's degree. While earning six college credits and moving from junior to journeyman, students can also earn OSHA 10, First Aid/CPR, automated external defibrillator (AED) as well as other certificates

valuable to the trade. "We're just trying to give you some hope for the future," Gaylor said. "We could all use a booster shot of hope."

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Laura Campbell awarded for service to county GOP



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On Saturday at 502 East Event Centre, 502 East Carmel Dr., Carmel, Laura D. Campbell was presented with an award as outgoing Chair of the Hamilton County Republican Party. Elected in 2016 and reelected in 2020, Campbell put in countless hours in this volunteer position and led the Hamilton County Republican Party to many election victories and several smooth and organized elections. The award read, “WITH OUR GREATEST APPRECIATION Presented to: Laura D. Campbell, In recognition of your years of outstanding leadership and service as Chairman of the Hamilton County Republican GOP. Your vision, dedication and guidance have been an inspiration to so many, and you have truly made Hamilton County a better place to live. Thank you from your friends in the Hamilton County Republican Party and Hamilton County Republican Central Committee.” (Above, from left) Executive Director Lisa Elmore, Treasurer Raju Chinthala, outgoing Vice Chair Will Riley, outgoing Chair Laura Campbell, Secretary Lisa Everling, and incoming Chair Mario Massillamany.

Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra celebrates unheard voices in “Welcome Back to the United States of America”

The REPORTER

In honor of Black History Month, the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra (ISO) pays homage to African American composers with an energetic and insightful program for “Welcome Back to the United States of America” on Feb. 4 and 5. Canadian American conductor Peter Oundjian explores the music of North America with the ISO, starting with William Grant Still’s *Poem for Orchestra*, which Still’s wife says was “inspired by the concept of

a world being reborn spiritually after a period of darkness and desolation.” Florence Price – the first Black woman to have her music performed by a major U.S. orchestra – honors her African American heritage with a movement of her String Quartet, arranged for orchestra by Oundjian. Barber’s unbroken *Symphony No. 1* releases its titanic strength and energy, and the ISO commissions a new work by young African American composer Joel Thompson, recently

celebrated in the New York Times for his moving work “Seven Last Words of the Unarmed.” Through the ISO’s **Unheard Voices** initiative, generously supported by the Eli Lilly and Company Foundation, the 2021-22 season celebrates contemporary and historical composers whose works are often underrepresented in orchestras today. **About Conductor Peter Oundjian** Peter Oundjian is renowned across the globe for his vibrant collaborative

spirit and engaging musicality. He began his career as a solo violinist, and first violinist of the Tokyo String Quartet, followed by an international conducting career leading orchestras in virtually every major musical center in the world. After a 14-year tenure as the Music Director of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, and six years at the helm of the Royal Scottish National Orchestra, Oundjian was recently named Music Director of the Colorado Music Festival. Oundjian became a visiting professor at the Yale School of Music at the age of 25, and has mentored young violinists, conductors, and chamber groups at Yale for 38 years. In 2016, he was appointed Principal Conductor of the Yale Philharmonia, leading the orchestra in engaging performances of works from across the orchestral canon. He also oversees the training of graduate-level orchestral conducting students. Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 4 and at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5. Per the ISO health and safety guidelines, proof of vaccination and face masks are mandatory. For more information regarding the policies of the Hilbert Circle Theatre, please visit indianapolisysymphony.org.

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Pros & cons of 21st century media

Editor’s Note: The Sheridan Student Column is brought to readers by Sheridan High School’s 10th grade English class, taught by Abby Williams.

The definition of media is “the main means of mass communication (broadcasting, publishing, and the internet) regarded collectively,” according to dictionary.com.

The media is the main source of information in an average person’s life. This is bad and good at the same time. For example, it can inform you about important events, but on the other hand it can be used to misinform you and spread hate. I understand this is a bit of an ironic topic, especially since you are reading this in a newspaper, so take what I say with a grain of salt, but I will be explaining the pros and cons of having such advanced media technology.

Let’s start with the pros of having such an advanced media.

First, mostly everyone has access to different types of media, whether it’s the news or a social media platform. This is important because if something significant happens you can find out about it and not have the uneasy feeling of unknowing. Although everything you read may not be significant, it is still information you can collect. Without the news you might miss out on issues or events going on in your part of town or even on the other side of the planet. Having a source to inform you about relevant topics is useful, especially in a pandemic.

Using social media is helpful for keeping up and connecting with your friends and family, which is very convenient. Although social media is fairly new, it seems to have everyone’s attention, which is useful for transmitting information. Using social media, you can connect with other people. This has the potential for making new friends and opening your horizons and meeting new people. Although this doesn’t seem that significant, try and live a week without social media like Instagram or Facebook, and you will realize how important it is to your



day-to-day life. Although the media is helpful, it can be super dangerous at the same time. The media uses tricks to try to manipulate what you think. Whatever media you watch or use is mostly one-sided. The media does this on purpose, trying to connect with one’s beliefs or opinions which corners the market and gets them better ratings or views.

Although it may seem like this has no truth at all, think how many times you agree with the media you watch and use. I can guarantee that you will not disagree a lot because that’s how they pull you in and keep you watching. This isn’t good for people because being able to create an opinion with unbiased material is a great skill to have. But nowadays, people seem to believe all the information that is fed to them.

Social media also has some pretty sketchy things besides the regular information. For example, people can make different accounts and catfish random strangers online. This can end up in loss of money or even kidnapping. Nowadays, people are always on social media, which can result in lack of emotional connection. If you are looking at your phone 24/7, then you will forget how to interact with people, which is one of our biggest traits as human beings (socially existing). Social media also gives people the chance to criticize and just be mean to other people without having to reveal their face or identity. Another reason social media isn’t that great is because it can give people a skewed self-image.

All in all, social media is good and bad for all the reasons above. In my opinion, you just have to be wary of the way you use the media in today’s day and age. Most of the time, if you use the media carefully then you have a very low chance of being harmed by it. But if you’re not careful, then you could be in for a real treat. So my message to you is to be cautious when browsing social media and not be totally manipulated by somebody else’s opinion.

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Coroner welcomes two new deputies to department

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Coroner John Chalfin recently welcomed the addition of two new deputy coroners: Bruce Gipson and Ashley Taylor.

Gipson, a Westfield resident, comes to the coroner's office after serving nearly 11 years as a police officer in Cobb County, Ga., and in Carmel. In addition, Gipson worked 14 years as a firefighter/paramedic for the Carmel Fire Department, during which time he served as a SWAT paramedic for the Carmel Police Department. Gipson's paramedic experience also includes one year with Cicero Fire Department. Gipson has an associate's degree in Paralegal Studies and a bachelor's degree in Fire Administration and Fire Investigation.

Taylor, a Madison County resident, is a certified Medical-Legal Death Investigator with 11 years of experience with the Madison County Coroner's office prior to joining Hamilton County. Taylor has also served as a volunteer firefighter with Center Township in Muncie, EMT with Lifeline and Pendleton Fire Department, and as a funeral director.



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(From left) Deputy Coroner Ashley Taylor, Coroner John Chalfin, and Deputy Coroner Bruce Gipson.

New analysis finds Indiana's medical costs in line with neighboring states, insurance premium increases driven by other factors

The REPORTER

A new analysis of recently published insurance data found Indiana's medical claims costs (spending on hospitals, physicians, and other medical providers) are in line with neighboring states. The report, authored by Kaufman Strategic Advisors, analyzed publicly available data on insurance premiums and claims costs for fully insured plans from 2015 through 2020 to understand the critical drivers of premium increases for Hoosier employers and consumers.

According to the report, medical claims costs in Indiana were roughly equal to or below those in Illinois and Ohio from 2015 to 2020. In addition, the growth rate in medical claims costs over the six-year period was slower in Indiana than in Illinois and Ohio.

The analysis also found that the growth rate in average premiums over the six-year period for the fully insured health plans in Indiana, Illinois, and Ohio rose at significantly faster rates than incurred medical claims, contributing to the profitability of fully insured health plans in those states. Gross prescription drug claims, which determine the cost of patient copayments, grew faster in Indiana than the other three states, according to the report. In addition, the analysis identified health care administrative costs and pharmacy costs as the main driver of health care cost inflation to Hoosier employers.

"The data reveals that Indiana is far from the

high-cost outlier for medical services that some have portrayed it as," said Nate Kaufman, managing director of Kaufman Strategic Advisors. "For fully insured plans, insurance companies in Indiana raised premiums faster than total claims costs, which resulted in higher profits, not lower premiums. Also, since patients' deductibles and copayments for drugs are based on gross drug costs, which nearly doubled in fully insured plans in Indiana from 2015-2020, patients paid more out-of-pocket while health plans benefited from ever-increasing rebates from pharmaceutical manufacturers."

From 2015 to 2020, medical claims costs on a per member per month (PMPM) basis for fully insured plans in Indiana increased 20 percent. During this same period, health plan administrative costs and profits PMPM increased by 73 percent and gross prescription drug costs PMPM increased by 90 percent. Prescription drug rebates retained by the health plans increased by more than 200 percent during this time.

The report also found that Michigan had lower medical claims costs and gross and net prescription drug costs than its three neighboring states. Unlike Michigan, for-profit health insurance companies comprise a significant share of the fully insured markets in Indiana, Ohio, and Illinois.

"One likely reason for Michigan being a low-cost outlier compared to its three nearby states is the nature of its insurance market,"

Kaufman said. "The dominant health plan in Michigan is Blue Cross Blue Shield, a not-for-profit health plan known for its collaborative relationship with hospitals and other providers that successfully balances healthcare affordability with quality and sustainable access for Michiganders."

"This analysis demonstrates that rankings by unit price and comparisons to government-set rates like Medicare do not accurately reflect the total cost of care in Indiana," said Brian Tabor, president of the Indiana Hospital Association. "Policymakers must look at all components of the health care dollar, and we're pleased to see legislation this session focused on insurer transparency to ensure employers and all Hoosiers better understand why their premiums have increased."

About the Indiana Hospital Association

The Indiana Hospital Association serves as the professional trade association for more than 170 acute care, critical access, behavioral health, and other specialized hospitals in Indiana. IHA advocates on behalf of its members in Indiana's General Assembly, U.S. Congress, and with multiple regulatory agencies at the state and federal levels. Dedicated to improving quality, patient safety, and Hoosiers' health status, IHA holds numerous grants and facilitates collaboration among hospitals to improve outcomes. IHA also provides members with the data analytics that they need to ensure access to quality, cost-effective

health care services across the state of Indiana. To learn more about IHA, visit IHAconnect.org.

Carmel encouraging residents to save water

The REPORTER

Carmel Utilities and the city's WaterSense partners at the United States Environmental Protection Agency remind you that Saturday, Feb. 5 is a national day to exercise water efficiency through your shower usage.

Please consider celebrating the day by practicing and educating others on the

importance of water efficiency.

For example, if each residence in Carmel eliminated one shower on this day (or equivalent water volume), the approximate reduction in usage is close to 1.3 million gallons. That's enough water to fill the Carmel Utilities 146th Street Water Tower twice.

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14 local students at Franklin College make president's, dean's lists

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Franklin College has announced the president's and dean's list for the fall 2021 semester.

Students named to the president's list have achieved academic distinction by earning a perfect 4.0 grade point average while completing a minimum of 12 credit hours during a regular semester. The following student from Hamilton County has been named to the president's list:

- Ashlynn Meadows, a junior, of Carmel

Students named to the dean's list have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours during a regular semester, earning a grade point average of at least 3.5 but less than 4.0. The following students from Hamilton County have been named to the dean's list:

- Lora Adkins, a junior, of Carmel
- Kathryn Brown, a sophomore, of Noblesville
- Nicholas Burk, a senior, of Cicero
- Justin Case, a junior, of Westfield

- Kaitlyn Hewitt, a sophomore, of Westfield

- Jonathan Hicks, a freshman, of Westfield

- Colleen Kincaid, a junior, of Fishers

- Timothy Leonard, a freshman, of Westfield

- Makenna Mundy, a freshman, of Noblesville

- Owen Ogle, a sophomore, of Carmel

- Victoria Simmons, a junior, of Carmel

- Jada Tooley, a sophomore, of Noblesville

- Mara Wilson, a junior, of Fishers

Two Cicero police officers recognized

*Holdan Sanford saves a life,
Doug Grishaw completes 20 years*



Photo provided
Cicero Police Chief Jeff Rednour recently recognized Officer Holdan Sanford (left) and Major Doug Grishaw (right). Officer Sanford was recognized for his lifesaving response to a medical emergency and performed CPR until medics arrived. Major Grishaw recently completed 20 years with the Cicero Police Department.

Employment Opportunity

The Town of Sheridan has an immediate full-time Accounts Payable/Utility Clerk position available in the Clerk's Office.

You may pick up a job description and application at the Sheridan Town Hall located at 506 South Main Street, Sheridan, IN 46069

Or you may mail your resume to the same address

The job description is available at www.sheridan.org.

The deadline to apply is Friday, February 11, 2022, by 4:00 p.m.

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Fishers road construction updates, week of Jan. 31

The REPORTER

State Road 37 & 146th Street

All left-turn lanes are currently restricted on SR 37 and on 146th Street with

traffic moved to the interior lanes. Thru traffic and right turns on SR 37 and 146th Street will remain open. Drivers are encouraged to seek alternate routes for all left-turn access. View an al-

ternate route map [here](#).

State Road 37 & 131st Street

131st Street east of SR 37 is currently closed as work progresses on the interchange. SR 37 will remain open both northbound and southbound. [Click here](#) to view the detour map.

131st Street west of SR 37 is now open. This will allow right-in/right-out access for southbound SR 37 until the bridge is fully complete later this year.

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

116th Street & Maple Street

The westbound outside lane of 116th Street between Maple Street and Municipal Drive will be restricted between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 3 and Friday, Feb. 4 for concrete work. Arrow boards will be in place.

Technology Drive (Northeast Commerce Park)

The inside lane of Technology Drive is currently closed to traffic to allow for construction of new pavement in the inside lane. One-way traffic will be in place in the outside lane as shown [here](#). Access to all businesses will be maintained during the construction.

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Hamilton Co. Bicentennial Commission’s spotlight on Fall Creek Township

Submitted by the Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission

During the Hamilton County Bicentennial, each of the county’s nine townships will get special treatment for one full month. In this post, we are priming the pump for Fall Creek Township to shine extra brightly in September 2023. (Visit our [FAQs](#) to see when your township will be the star.)

If you’re a Fall Creek Township resident or have a special place in your heart for the area, we encourage you to connect to its history and get to know your Bicentennial Commission representative.

So here we go!

Township Trivia

- Population: An estimated 61,239 people call Fall Creek Township home.
- Boundaries: Covering an area of 35.77 square miles, Fall Creek Township is the most southeastern township in Hamilton County. Its boundaries run from Cumberland Road to the west to the Hancock/Madison county line east, just shy of downtown Fortville. Its northern edge is 146th Street, and 96th Street marks Fall Creek’s southern boundary.
- Cities: Include mostly Fishers (eastern half) and part of Noblesville (southeastern and far eastern edges).

History Nuggets

Some of the highlights from history for Fall Creek Township include:

- Fall Creek Township was formed in 1833.
- The first frame house and frame barn in Fall Creek Township was erected by Thomas Arnett.
- The first election in Fall Creek Township was held at a cabin on the farm of Francis Wheelchel.

Now it’s your turn. Contribute your favorite story of Fall Creek Township history to “Celebrating Hamilton County, Indiana.” [Click here](#) to get details on how to submit your story.

Suzanna Hobson, Fall Creek Twp. Bicentennial Commission

The Bicentennial Commission has members from each of the nine townships to help celebrate and commemorate the history of the county. The representative for Fall Creek Township is Suzanna Hobson.

Suzanna’s family relocated to Fishers in 2014, and she has been working as Outreach Coordinator and Project Manager for Fall



Hobson

Creek Township since 2017.

“With so many new residents moving into our community, it is exciting to be involved in the Bicentennial Commission to share the history of our community,” she said.

Fall Creek Township is joining forces with Delaware Township, since they share boundaries and the city of Fishers, to develop plans for the Bicentennial. Some of those ideas include:

- Engaging with schools and students to create a historical visual art exhibit
- Partnering with Conner Prairie on programing that celebrates history
- Getting community organizations involved in programs or events celebrating history

If this list excites you and you want to get involved, contact Suzanna at suzanna@fallcreektwp.com. If you live outside of Fall Creek Township but you’re inspired to think about projects for your own township, please email us at info@hamcoturns200.com or call (317) 674-3150.

We know Suzanna and the other township representatives are excited to get involved in the planning process. We hope you are too!

Don’t miss *Piaf! The Show* at The Palladium in Carmel

The REPORTER

There’s still time to get your tickets for *Piaf! The Show*, set for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 10 at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

Inspired by the award-winning film *La Vie en Rose*, this program celebrates the life and career of legendary French chanteuse Edith Piaf through her most popular songs.

Internationally acclaimed vocalist Nathalie Lhermitte, who has portrayed Piaf in this and other stage productions, is accompanied by live musicians and historical images for an



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unforgettable multimedia experience.

The story spans from Piaf’s early years, singing on the streets of Paris, to legendary concerts at Paris’ Olympia Theater and New York’s Carnegie Hall, where she gave historic performances in the 1950s.

Conceived and directed by French theater maverick Gil Marsalla, *Piaf! The Show* has been presented in over 50 countries. The current world tour marks the upcoming 60th anniversary of Piaf’s death in 1963.

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Representative Victoria Spartz

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

Candidate filings current as of Friday, Jan. 28

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Trini K. Beaver (R)

County Sheriff

Dennis Quakenbush (R)

County Coroner

Jeff Jellison (R)

County Assessor

Kevin W. Poore (R)

County Commissioner

District 1

Christine Altman (R)

County Council

District 1

Fred Glynn (R)

District 2

Amy Elizabeth Massillamany (R)

District 3

Steve Schwartz (R)

Mark F. Hall (R)

District 4

Ken Alexander (R)

Adams Twp. Trustee

Michelle Junkins (R)

Adams Twp. Board

Floyd H. Barker (R)

Ron Stone (R)

John (Danny) Christian (R)

Gail E. Godby (R)

Bryan Will (R)

Clay Twp. Trustee

Paul D. Hensel (R)

Clay Twp. Board

Matthew J. Snyder (R)

Mary Eckard (R)

Paul K. Bolin (R)

Delaware Twp. Trustee

Debbie R. Driskell (R)

Delaware Twp. Board

Rick Fain (R)

Marilyn A. Schenkel (R)

Kim Logan (R)

Fall Creek Twp. Trustee

Doug Allman (R)

Nicole Tredup (D)

Fall Creek Twp. Board

Brian Baehl (R)

Jason W. Meyer (R)

Joe Weingarten (D)

Rachna Greulach (D)

Jackson Twp. Trustee

Robyn Cook (R)

Jackson Twp. Board

Jeff Roberts (R)

Glen Schwartz (R)

Randy Hill (R)

Noblesville Twp. Trustee

Theresa Caldwell (R)

Noblesville Twp. Board

Peggy R. Pfister (R)

Joe Arrowood (R)

Perry Williams (R)

Mary Sue Rowland (R)

Terry L. Busby (R)

Charlie McMillan Jr. (R)

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White River Twp. Board

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Rachel Hyde (R)

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District 3

Doug Grishaw (R)

Atlanta Town Council

At Large

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Cicero Town Council

At Large

Heidi Wilcox (R)

Eric Hayden (R)

Joe Cox (R)

Sheridan Town Council

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Eric D. Gifford (R)

Daniel A. Bragg (R)

Democratic Precinct

Committeemen

Clay 3

Susan K. Ring

Clay 6

Debra L. Grace-Johnson

Cheryl Hubbell

Clay 9

Heather Slith

Clay 17

Jim Blessing

Clay 20

Matthew Stone

Clay 28

Edwin Russell

Clay 42

Jeremy Eltz

Clay 51

Missy Eltz

Clay 62

Mark Taber

Clay 65

Rosemary Noel

Clay 68

Annette Gross

Delaware 6

Janice Kavensky

Delaware 9

Sara Schmidt

Delaware 18

Kim Davison

Fall Creek 5

Julie Chambers

Fall Creek 12

June P. Levey

Fall Creek 35

Natasha Retz

Noblesville 29

Lori C. Hand

Noblesville 41

Christopher M. Davis

Westfield 3

Brandlee L. Easterday

Westfield 4

Shelly Brown

Westfield 8

Cheryl Berry

Westfield 10

Ann Raymont

Westfield 14

Andrew Kauffman

Westfield 16

Neil Koglin

Westfield 25

Jeffrey D. Atteberry

Westfield 30

Monica Cannaley

Democratic State

Convention Delegates

Clay Twp. (vote for 36)

Dallas Shelby

Matthew Stone

Annette Gross

Jim Blessing

Heather Slith

Jeremy Eltz

Missy Eltz

Stephen Ring

Susan K. Ring

Heidi Wold

Rosemary Noel

Cheryl Hubbell

Delaware/Fall Creek Twp.

(vote for 39)

Cindy Weingarten

Joe Weingarten

Sara Schmidt

June P. Levey

Noblesville Twp. (vote for 21)

Lori C. Hand

Christopher M. Davis

Washington Twp. (vote for 16)

Shelly Brown

Margaret Furniss

Neil Koglin

Jeffrey D. Atteberry

Republican State

Convention Delegates

Clay District 1 (vote for 9)

Danny Niederberger

Fred Glynn

Denise Moe

James W. Merritt, Jr.

Paul Ayers

Timothy Hensel

Corrie Meyer

Danny Lopez

Clay District 2 (vote for 9)

Mary (Dubbie) Buckler

Clay District 3 (vote for 8)

Barry S. Simich

Joshua Kocher

Clay District 4 (vote for 8)

Sue Lile

Dwight Lile

Donna Schaubley

Sue Finkam

Alexander L. Spanenberg

Carl S. Mills

Delaware District 1 (vote for 5)

Rick Fain

Debbie R. Driskell

Andrew J. (Drew) Kirages

Greg Lannan

Megan Lannan

Jenna Knepper

Delaware District 2 (vote for 5)

Barbara Layton

Toni Giffel

Wayne Nicodemus

Angela Frazier

Chase A. Wilcoxon

Jim Suess

Fall Creek District 1 (vote for 7)

Amy Elizabeth Massillamany

Angela Morris

Tiffanie Ditlevson

Rachel Quade

Susie Abshire

Fall Creek District 2 (vote for 7)

Dawn Lang

Paul Hevesy

Adam Kallick

Patricia Bratton

Al Wunder

Fall Creek District 3 (vote for 7)

Jeff Dossett

Doug Allman

Michele L. Allman

Jamie Nieves

Nancy K. Smith

Shayre Rivotto

Jackson/White River (vote for 6)

Dennis Quakenbush

Sarah L. Reed

Ray Adler

Christen J. Quakenbush

Noblesville District 1 (vote for 8)

Jason Spartz

Dianna Bradley-Lynch

Randy Gerber

Charlie McMillan Jr.

Bruce Boyd

Julie Ann Boyd

Ian Hauer

Noblesville District 2 (vote for 8)

Tim Berry

Elijah Condellone

Nick Gomillion

Lisa Hall

Mark F. Hall

Timothy (Tim) Cortrecht

Noblesville District 3 (vote for 8)

Beth Sheller

Catherine Carter

Laura Alerding

Chris Jensen

Adam M. Eichelberger

Micah Beckwith

Megan G. Wiles

Washington District 1 (vote for 8)

Dennis Lee Warner

September 1, 1961 – January 27, 2022



Dennis Lee Warner, 60, Noblesville, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at St. Vincent Hospital in Carmel. He was born on September 1, 1961, in Noblesville to Max Warner and Judy Reed.

On June 30, 1983, he married the love of his life, Ethel (Kelley) Warner, and she survives. Together they had three boys, all of whom survive, Dennis (Marissa) Warner, Derick (Hannah) Warner, Dustin (Audrey) Warner; and seven grandchildren, Clark, Jude, Finley, Evie, Atlas, Beckham, and Declan. He also had a grandson, Levi, due to arrive in April. In addition, he had three special grandkids he loved very much: Lorenzo, Mia, and Julian Rodriguez.

Dennis had a laugh that was contagious and a smile that lit up the entire room. Being a husband, father, and pappy is what made his smile shine so bright. He had room in his heart for everyone and opened the door to his home to all. He was a storyteller extraordinaire, and kids always gathered around to hear his next tale. He was always up for an adventure whether it was hiking, exploring caves, playing golf, taking his grandsons to car shows, or even just lying on the floor playing dolls with his granddaughter. He didn't care what he was doing; what made him happy was making his family smile. He had a way of making everyone around him feel needed and had a gift of being able to relate with everyone, young and old.

Most important to Dennis was his spot at Calvary Apostolic Church where he faithfully attended for 43 years. He was a prayer warrior, mentor, and father/pappy to the entire church family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, David Warner, and his sister, Laura Warner.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday February 3, 2022, at Calvary Apostolic Church, 16400 Cumberland Road, Noblesville with Pastor Bryan Tanton officiating. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday February 2, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Tychicus will tell you all the news about me. He is a dear brother, a faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. I am sending him to you for the express purpose that you may know about our circumstances and that he may encourage your hearts. He is coming with Onesimus, our faithful and dear brother, who is one of you. They will tell you everything that is happening here.

Colossians 4:1-9 (NIV)

Tommy E. Oaks

June 5, 1944 – January 23, 2022

Tommy E. Oaks, 77, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, January 23, 2022, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. He was born on June 5, 1944, to Thomas and Georgie (Atkins) Anderson in Jenkins, Ky.

Tommy worked as a chemist for Delco at Chrysler, then worked for Biddle Precision Components. For the last 20-plus years, he owned and operated Oaks Tax Service. Tommy was a 30-year member of Fox Prairie Men's Club and enjoyed bowling leagues in Noblesville.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Oaks; son, Scott Oaks; daughter, Janelle (Dean) Faulser; stepdaughter, Marie Swenor; five grandchildren, Jake, Carly, Kendal, Caleb and Eddie; and his sisters, Gail Cook and Shirley Pickard.

In addition to his parents, Tommy was preceded in death by his brother, Larry Oaks.

A Celebration of Life will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at Forest Park Lodge. Randall & Roberts Funeral Home has been entrusted with Tommy's care.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 681405, Indianapolis, IN 46268, or at cancer.org.

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What was "Electro, the Mechanical Man"?

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This week in Indiana's history ...

1862 – Jesse Bright of Madison, Ind., was expelled from the United States Senate for being a Confederate sympathizer. Before the Civil War, he had served as a state senator and lieutenant governor under Governor James Whitcomb.

1940 – Frank Sinatra was on stage at the Lyric Theater in Indianapolis. It was one of his first shows with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, the band that launched his career in music and movies.

1943 – The United States troop ship SS Dorchester was sunk in the Labrador Sea by a German U-boat. The sinking became famous for the four Army chaplains who gave away their life jackets to save others. Two of the chaplains had served in Indiana: Rabbi Alexander D. Goode from Marion and John P. Washington, a Catholic priest from Fort Harrison in Indianapolis.

1950 – Children crowded onto the fifth floor of the L.

S. Ayres Department Store to see "Electro, the Mechanical Man." Made of metal, standing seven feet tall, and weighing 265 pounds, Electro could talk, understand voice commands, move his arms, and even blow up balloons. He and his mechanical dog Sparko were built by the Westinghouse Company for an exhibit at the 1939 World's Fair.

1992 – A fire at the Indianapolis Athletic Club resulted in the deaths of two city firemen and one guest. The cause was determined to be defective wiring in a refrigerator. The tragedy caused the Indianapolis Fire Department to establish new procedures for high-rise fires.

2007 – The Indianapolis Colts won Super Bowl XLI in Miami, defeating the Chicago Bears, 29-17. The game on CBS was seen by over 93 million people, making it at the time the fifth-most watched program in TV history. The half-time show, headlined by rock star Prince, had a peak audience of 140 million viewers.

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Wrestling sectionals



The Carmel wrestling team won its seventh consecutive sectional championship Saturday at Frankfort. The Greyhounds won six individual championships and qualified 12 wrestlers on to the regional at North Montgomery.

'Hounds win seventh straight title, Huskies get first team win since 2009

Two Hamilton County schools won wrestling sectional championships on Saturday.

One of the schools continued a long dynasty, while the other school claimed a title for the first time in over a decade.

Carmel won its seventh consecutive sectional championship, scoring 267.5 points to win at Frankfort's Case Arena. The Greyhounds pulled away in the placement rounds with six wrestlers winning individual titles, and that helped Carmel finish comfortably ahead of runner-up Hamilton Southeastern's 215 points. It's the 27th sectional title for the Greyhounds in program history.

The 'Hounds started the finals with two champions, as 106-pound sophomore Tamir Halevi and 113-pound junior Gavin Thompson winning both their matches by fall. That gave Carmel bonus points. Isaac Ward was the next Greyhounds champion, taking the 126-pound match by a 3-1 decision. Carmel then had three middle weights win all in a row, and all by pin: Nayl Sbay at 145, Eitan Halevi at 152 and Nathan Powell at 160.

The Greyhounds had 12 wrestlers finish in the top four, thus qualifying them for next Saturday's North Montgomery regional. Caleb Mattingly (120) and Michael Major (132) both placed second; Luke Farling (138), Joseph Del Busto (195) and Jack Milligan (285) both finished third and Samuel Johnson (182) took fourth.

Southeastern had three individual champions and qualified 11 wrestlers on to the regional. The Royals were solid in the heavier weights, with Ryan Cast winning the 170-pound championship match by fall. Max Broom won the 195 final with a pin, and Dom Burgett toughed out a 2-1 decision for the title at 285.

Three Southeastern wrestlers finished as runners-up: Zach Lang at 138 pounds, De Shawn Ternoir at 160 and Charlie Irish at 220. Third-place Royals were Nick Anderson (113) and Ryan Hartig (145), while Tyler Jackson (106), Riley Fredericksen (132) and Nick Jakubs (152) all placed fourth.

Westfield finished a close third as a team, scoring 212 points. The Shamrocks had two champions, starting with Braxton Vest, who won the 120-pound title match by fall. Ike O'Neill then claimed the 138-pound title by a 5-4 decision in the final.

Westfield qualified 12 wrestlers out to the regional. Runners-up were Chase Camire (106), Porter Temples (113) and Mikhail Platonov (285). Four more Shamrocks finished in third place: Thadeus O'Neill (132), Jason Rooney (152), Austin McClure (182) and Charlie Woodward (220). Westfield's fourth-place finishes were Elijah Frei (160), Jackson Anderson (170) and Mikeah Webster (195).

Fishers placed fourth as a team with 114.5 points and had seven regional qualifiers. Griffin Ingalls (126) and Zachary Streuder (145) led the way with runner-up finishes. Placing third were Chayce Yant (106), Quenton Riley (120) and James Carrol (170), while Aiden Lamb (113) and Teyon Leonard (138) both were fourth.

Sheridan's team placed a strong fifth, scoring 111.5 points. Peyton Cross won the 220-pound title with a first-period fall, and he led four Blackhawks to qualify for the regional.

Jacob Jones was the runner-up at 182, while Austin Bond (126) and Noah Ehrie (145) each took fourth.

AT FRANKFORT
Team scores: Carmel 267.5, Hamilton Southeastern 215, Westfield 212, Fishers 114.5, Sheridan 111.5, Frankfort 86, Rossville 69, Lebanon 59, Clinton Central 55, Clinton Prairie 30.

Individual results
106: 1. Tamir Halevi (C), 2. Chase Camire (W), 3. Chayce Yant (F), 4. Tyler Jackson (HSE), 5. Shane Cox (S).
113: 1. Gavin Thompson (C), 2. Porter Temples (W), 3. Nick Anderson (HSE), 4. Aiden Lamb (F).
120: 1. Braxton Vest (W), 2. Caleb Mattingly (C), 3. Quenton Riley (F), 6. Ethan Berens (HSE).
126: 1. Isaac Ward (C), 2. Griffin Ingalls (F), 4. Austin Bond (S), 5. Jonathan Maynard (W).
132: 2. Michael Major (C), 3. Thadeus O'Neill (W), 4. Riley Fredericksen

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Hamilton Heights won the Elwood sectional for its first team trophy since 2009. The Huskies also qualified 12 to the Pendleton Heights regional.

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Gymnastics

Millers take second at Western Invite, Fishers' Jerrell wins all-around

For the first time in a long time, this can be said: Three Hamilton County gymnastics teams competed at the Western Invitational on Saturday.

Noblesville was there, of course. The Millers have had a successful team for years, and they had a good day at Western. Noblesville placed second as a team with a score of 89.525 points, close behind first-place Plymouth and its 89.875 points.

The Millers were led by Charlotte Moise, who placed seventh in the all-around with a score of 31.00. Moise also had the highest placing for Noblesville, taking fourth in the uneven bars. Hailey Knoll had the Millers' highest score, with an 8.35 in the vault.

"It's so far pretty good," said Noblesville coach Jody Kiovisky. "We still have lots of room to grow."

The coach said she was "very pleased with what we produced today." She noted that the Millers struggled on bars and the balance beam.

"But those are all mistakes that could easily be fixed. We add back in those falls and those missed connections, and this is a team that could easily produce a score of 95," said Kiovisky.

Fishers had several gymnasts compete at Western, and had a great day as well. Megan Jerrell won the all-around with a score of 33.725, while Samantha Inesesteinbahs took sixth with 31.15 points. Jerrell had good results in all four events, winning the uneven bars by scoring 7.85, then taking second in the vault and floor exercise and third on the beam.

Guerin Catholic's Harleigh Abbott also

competed at the meet, scoring a 26.15 in the all-around. Abbott's best score was an 8.20 on the vault.

All three teams will be back in action Tuesday when Noblesville hosts a six-team meet. New Palestine, Frankton and Lapel will be there as well.

Team scores: Plymouth 89.875, Noblesville 89.525, Southmont 88.00, Western 87.40, Crawfordsville 79.325, North Montgomery 75.00.

All-around scores: 1. Megan Jerrell (Fishers) 33.725, 6. Samantha Inesesteinbahs (F) 31.15, 7. Charlotte Moise (N) 31.00, Hailey Knoll (N) 30.125, Lyrrie Barnett (N) 28.40, Harleigh Abbott (Guerin Catholic) 26.15, Stephanie Mack (F) 23.075, Si-

erra Graue (N) 13.10.

Vault: 2. Jerrell (F) 9.00, 5. Barnett (N) 8.65, 6. Inesesteinbahs (F) 8.60, Knoll (N) 8.35, Abbott (GC) 8.20, Mack (F) 8.20, Moise (N) 8.10, Graue (N) 7.90.

Uneven bars: 1. Jerrell (F) 7.85, 4. Moise (N) 7.475, Inesesteinbahs (F) 6.575, Barnett (N) 6.525, Knoll (N) 6.075, Abbott (GC) 3.325.

Balance beam: 3. Jerrell (F) 8.15, T8. Inesesteinbahs (F) 7.675; Knoll (N) 7.675, Abbott (GC) 7.25, Moise (N) 7.125, Mack (F) 6.925, Barnett (N) 5.25, Graue (N) 5.20.

Floor exercise: 2. Jerrell (F) 8.725, T4. Inesesteinbahs (F) 8.30; Moise (N) 8.30, T6. Knoll (N) 8.025, 7. Barnett (N) 7.975, Mack (F) 7.90, Abbott (GC) 7.375.

WRESTLING

(HSE), 6. Kaden-Thomas Hicks (F).

138: 1. Ike O'Neill (W), 2. Zach Lang (HSE), 3. Luke Farling (C), 4. Teyon Leonard (F), 6. Erich Retz (S).

145: 1. Nayl Sbay (C), 2. Zachary Strueder (F), 3. Ryan Hartig (HSE), 4. Noah Ehrie (S).

152: 1. Eitan Halevi (C), 3. Jason Rooney (W), 4. Nick Jakubs (HSE), 5. Presten Weir (S).

160: 1. Nathan Powell (C), 2. De Shawn Ternoir (HSE), 4. Elijah Frei (W), 6. Jace Warren (S).

170: 1. Ryan Cast (HSE), 3. James Carrol (F), 4. Jackson Anderson (W), 5. Matthew Green (C), 6. Gabe Holler (S).

182: 2. Jacob Jones (S), 3. Austin McClure (W), 4. Samuel Johnson (C), 5. Jacob Schneider (HSE).

195: 1. Max Broom (HSE), 3. Joseph Del Busto (C), 4. Mikeah Webster (W).

220: 1. Peyton Cross (S), 2. Charlie Irish (HSE), 3. Charlie Woodward (W), 6. Seth Richardson (C).

285: 1. Dom Burgett (HSE), 2. Mihail Platonov (W), 3. Jack Milligan (C).

Hamilton Heights won its first sectional championship since 2009 at the Elwood sectional, where it pulled away in the later stages of the placement round after battling with Noblesville throughout the day. It's the 12th championship for Heights in program history.

The Huskies scored 255.5 team points to the Millers' 234.5 points. Heights also had six champions and qualified 12 wrestlers on the Pendleton Heights regional next Saturday.

Isaac Kuhn was the first Huskies winner, as he took the 120-pound championship match with a 9-0 major decision. Heights then got back-to-back wins, first at 138 when Carson Fettig won his final in an 8-4 decision and Michael Cain got a 6-5 tie-break victory at 145 pounds.

Jimmy Lacey won at 170 with a championship-round fall, and Evan Tilton scored a



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Sheridan's Peyton Cross won the sectional championship in the 220 pound division at Frankfort. Other county placers pictured are Hamilton Southeastern's Charlie Irish (second), Westfield's Charlie Woodward (third and Carmel's Seth Richardson (sixth).

technical fall win in the 182 championship. Tilton is unbeaten for the year at 39-0. Josh Brown won at 220 by a 13-6 decision.

Cooper Doucette (106) and Charles Brown (160) both finished as runners-up for Heights. Mason Moran placed third at 285. Three more Huskies placed fourth: Alex Furst at 126, Jaylan Pugh at 132 and Andy Lienemann at 195.

Noblesville had one champion and qualified 11 wrestlers out to the regional. Austin Hastings won the 195-pound title with a first-period fall in the championship match.

Five more Millers finished as runners-up: Gage Gulley (145), Caleb Dean (170), Seth Stone (182), Jacob Long (220) and Jacob Etchison (285). Noblesville had five more wrestlers take third place: AJ Kramer (106), Josh Kauzlick (113), Aidan Howell (120), Keaton Sepiol (132) and Christian James Livingston (138).

Guerin Catholic took seventh as a team by scoring 64 points. Two Golden Eagles wrestlers advanced to the regional: Peter Nguyen took second at 113 and James Brooks finished fourth at 170.

113: 2. Peter Nguyen (GC), 3. Josh Kauzlick (N), 6. Lucas Frahn (HH).

120: 1. Isaac Kuhn (HH), 3. Aidan Howell (N), 6. Nolan Scheu (GC).

126: 4. Alex Furst (HH), 5. Paxton Cook (N).

132: 3. Keaton Sepiol (N), 4. Jaylan Pugh (HH).

138: 1. Carson Fettig (HH), 3. Christian James Livingston (N).

145: 1. Michael Cain (HH), 2. Gage Gulley (N), 5. Quin Sutton (GC).

152: 2. Carter Richardson (N), 5. Isaac Richardson (GC), 6. Conner Bouman (HH).

160: 2. Charles Brown (HH), 6. Eli Hall (GC).

170: 1. Jimmy Lacey (HH), 2. Caleb Dean (N), 4. James Brooks (GC).

182: 1. Evan Tilton (HH), 2. Seth Stone (N).

195: 1. Austin Hastings (N), 4. Andy Lienemann (HH).

220: 1. Josh Brown (HH), 2. Jacob Long (N).

285: 2. Jacob Etchison (N), 3. Mason Moran (HH).

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AT ELWOOD

Team scores: Hamilton Heights 255.5, Noblesville 234.5, Pendleton Heights 158.5, Alexandria 153.5, Frankton 123, Anderson 105, Guerin Catholic 64, Lapel 62, Tipton 48, Elwood 38.

Individual results

106: 2. Cooper Doucette (HH), 3. AJ Kramer (N), 6. Joel Abraham (GC).

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LEFT: Noblesville's Cooper Bean scored 18 points for the Millers during their win over Guerin Catholic Saturday afternoon at The Mill.

RIGHT: Guerin Catholic's Robert Sorensen scored 11 points, including three 3-pointers.

Balanced Millers beat Golden Eagles

By **RICHIE HALL**

NOBLESVILLE - At the end of a busy week, the Noblesville boys basketball team has discovered its balance.

The Millers again had multiple players reach double digit scoring, and that helped Noblesville to win its second all-county home game in less than 24 hours, as it beat Guerin Catholic 67-57 on Saturday. The Golden Eagles had come into The Mill on a four-game win streak and challenged the Millers in the first quarter, but Noblesville began to pull away in the second period and stayed reasonably ahead from that point forward.

Noblesville led 18-16 after one quarter, with Luke Almodovar ending the period with a jumper. Robert Sorensen gave Guerin Catholic a 19-18 lead to begin the second quarter by hitting a 3-pointer.

Almodovar took over after that, nailing back to back triples. That put the Millers ahead 24-19 and they wouldn't trail again.

A 3 by Kamea Chandler got GC within 28-27 late in the quarter, but Noblesville scored the last seven points of the half to lead 35-27 at the break. Preston Roberts and Cooper Bean both made two free throws, then E.J. Smith drained a 3 off an Almodovar steal.

"Good win," said Millers coach Scott McClelland. "We've been talking about sharing it. I use the term 'spray it.' Share the ball, trust each other, you're going to get them back."

Noblesville extended its run to 11-0 at the start of the third quarter, with Roberts making consecutive layins. Will Grissom's putback ended the run, but Smith and Aaron Fine made baskets to give the Millers a 43-29 lead. Seconds later, Bean drained a 3 to put Noblesville up 46-31, its largest lead of the game.

"We played really good, I think," said Smith. "Passing the ball, moving, screening. I think we got to get a little bit better with offensive rebounding and just defending on the ball."

The Golden Eagles finished the quarter with a 9-1 run, getting within 47-40 as the game entered the fourth quarter. The Millers' lead was still 49-42 early in the period, but Noblesville quickly pushed the lead up to 54-42 with a Bean 3 and an Almodovar dunk. The Millers would keep its lead at least nine points for the remainder of the game.

Bean scored 18 points, followed by

Almodovar with 17; both made three 3s. Smith added 15 points.

"We always want more than one person to score in double digits," said Smith. "That's a great, solid game."

"Three in double figures tonight, one with eight, one with nine," said McClelland. "That's great balance. Last night, four in double figures, so that was really encouraging. I think we're having different guys make some shots. That's a good thing."

Almodovar and Roberts both collected six rebounds, while Bean and Hunter Walston both pulled five.

Grissom led all scorers with 26 points, while Sorensen made three 3s on his way to 11 points. Matthew Etchison dished out five assists and Aden Cannon had four rebounds.

"Noblesville's a very good team," said Guerin Catholic coach Bobby Allen. "They're well-coached. A lot of athletes, a lot of guys that can make shots. We felt like we've been playing well and this afternoon, our Achilles' Heel is, when we make mistakes, the other team capitalizes. And we made too many mistakes tonight. But our guys fought. I thought we played hard. This is not a step back for us, we're still moving in the right direction. But Noblesville's a very good team."

The Millers are 9-7 and play Thursday at Mount Vernon. The Golden Eagles are 10-7 and host North Central next Saturday.

NOBLESVILLE 67, GUERIN CATHOLIC 57

Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Cherry	0-2	0-0	0	4
Robert Sorensen	4-8	0-0	11	2
Patrick Baird	2-5	0-0	5	4
Will Grissom	10-17	5-7	26	4
Lucas Parker	1-6	0-0	3	1
Aden Cannon	0-1	1-2	1	0
Matthew Etchison	0-0	0-0	0	3
Kamea Chandler	5-5	0-0	11	2
Josh Holba	0-0	0-1	0	0
Totals	22-44	6-10	57	20
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (7-18) Sorensen 3-5, Parker 1-5, Baird 1-3, Grissom 1-3, Chandler 1-1, Cherry 0-1.				
Guerin Catholic rebounds (17) Cannon 4, Parker 3, Sorensen 2, Baird 2, Grissom 2, Etchison 1, Holba 1, Chandler 1, team 1.				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
E.J. Smith	4-7	6-6	15	3
Luke Almodovar	5-9	4-7	17	2
Aaron Fine	4-9	1-4	9	2
Cooper Bean	5-7	5-6	18	2
Preston Roberts	3-6	2-2	8	4
Hunter Walston	0-0	0-0	0	1
Cam Karns	0-1	0-0	0	0
Luke Wilson	0-0	0-0	0	0
Evan Wright	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	21-39	18-25	67	14
Noblesville 3-point shooting (7-13) Almodovar 3-6, Bean 3-4, Smith 1-3.				
Noblesville rebounds (26) Almodovar 6, Roberts 6, Bean 5, Walston 5, Smith 2, Karns 1, team 1.				
Score by Quarters				
Guerin Catholic	16	11	13	17 - 57
Noblesville	18	17	12	20 - 67

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Greyhounds cruise past FW Snider



Reporter photo by Kirk Green
Carmel's Josh Whack takes a shot during the Greyhounds' game with Fort Wayne Snider on Saturday. Carmel won 69-37, Whack scored six points.

Shamrocks make comeback, beat Lions

Westfield got past a tough Liberty Christian team 56-47 Saturday at CSI Gymnasium.

The Shamrocks, ranked No. 7 in the IBCA one-class poll and No. 10 in the Associated Press Class 4A poll, quickly fell behind in the first quarter, but recovered to get back within 12-11 after one period. Westfield pulled ahead 28-26 by halftime, but the Lions came back to lead 39-37 after three periods.

The 'Rocks took control in the fourth quarter, outscoring Liberty Christian 19-8. Alex Romack scored 15 points for Westfield, while Trey Buchanan made all four of his free throws.

Romack led all scorers with 29 points. Buchanan hit four 3-pointers on his way to 16 points.

The Shamrocks are 13-5 and play a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game Thursday at Fishers.

WESTFIELD 56, LIBERTY CHRISTIAN 47					
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Trey Buchanan	4	4-4	16	1	
Trey Dorton	0	0-0	0	0	
Nic Depasquale	2	0-0	5	0	
Kai Butterworth	0	1-2	1	3	
Alex Romack	10	9-11	29	1	
Sam Bishop	1	0-0	3	2	
Jonah Spinner	1	0-0	2	1	
Totals	18	14-17	56	8	
Score by Quarters					
Liberty Christian	12	14	13	8	47
Westfield	11	17	9	19	56
Westfield 3-pointers (6) Buchanan 4, Depasquale 1, Bishop 1.					

By **RICHIE HALL**

CARMEL - There was a big crowd at the Eric Clark Activity Center Saturday night, and they got to see a nice show from the Carmel boys basketball team.

The Greyhounds, ranked No. 3 in the IBCA coaches poll and No. 5 in the Associated Press Class 4A rankings, got stronger as the game went on and beat Fort Wayne Snider 69-37. It was the second win a row for Carmel.

"It was obviously a big game for us," said Greyhounds junior Sam Orme. Carmel got off to a good start, at one point leading 13-2 in the first quarter. Jared Bonds scored back to back baskets on a layin and a dunk, then Orme drained a 3-pointer.

The Panthers made a run that stretched into the second quarter, cutting the Greyhounds' lead to 15-10 early in that period. Snider was within 17-12 when Carmel went on a 13-0 spurt. Spencer White hit a 3, then Orme drained consecutive triples and hit a pair of free throws. Josh Whack finished the run with a layin.

"We're just trying to put quarters together," said Greyhounds coach Ryan Osborn. "Trying to string minutes together, trying to be more consistent." Osborn said he wanted to have the team "keep the same mentality throughout a 32-minute game."

Carmel led 32-17 at halftime, and went on a 15-5 run that took up most of the third quarter. Orme had seven points during that spurt, while Suder scored four. The 'Hounds finished the period with two Whack free throws and a Suder layin, giving them a 51-26 lead.

Carmel didn't let up in the fourth quarter, going on a 12-2 run to take a 63-38 lead and initiate a running clock. Charlie Williams finished the run with a dunk, then Garwey Dual made a couple layins towards the end of the quarter.

"We got guys coming along," said Osbron. "Spencer hit a shot tonight, Garwey's had a good week of practice, put two good games together. You know what you're going to get from Pete every night. Charlie's getting better. We're getting there. We're not there. We're getting there."

Orme finished with 24 points, while Suder and Bonds each had 10 points. Suder collected eight rebounds and handed out four assists, and Orme pulled five rebounds and made two blocked shots.

Carmel is 13-4 and hosts Lawrence North Thursday in a Metropolitan Conference game.

"We got a really big one next week," said Orme. "We got to take that same energy into next week at home, home conference game."

CARMEL 69, FORT WAYNE SNIDER 37				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Josh Whack	2-5	2-2	6	2
Peter Suder	5-11	0-0	10	2
Sam Orme	7-14	7-7	24	1
Charlie Williams	3-5	0-0	6	2
Jared Bonds	4-7	2-2	10	1
Garwey Dual	4-5	0-0	8	1
Spencer White	1-3	0-0	3	1
Jake Griffin	0-0	0-0	0	0
Logan Reinhart	0-1	0-0	0	0
Josh Rauh	0-0	1-2	1	0
Clay Richards	0-0	0-0	0	1
Burke Weldy	0-0	1-2	1	1
Tyler Walkey	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	26-51	13-15	69	12
Score by Quarters				
Snider	7	10	9	11 - 37
Carmel	15	17	19	18 - 69
Carmel 3-point shooting (4-15) Orme 3-7, White 1-3, Suder 0-3, Whack 0-2.				
Carmel rebounds (28) Suder 8, Orme 5, Bonds 4, White 3, Griffin 2, Whack 2, Dual 1, Walkey 1, Reinhart 1, Williams 1.				



Photo by Joshua Herd
Hamilton Southeastern's Caleb Smock (center) scored 16 points for the Royals during their 72-44 win over Pendleton Heights on Saturday. At right is Deion Miles (5), who dished out six assists for Southeastern.

Royals power past Pendleton Heights

Hamilton Southeastern stopped a four-game losing streak on Saturday by sailing past Pendleton Heights 72-44 at the Royals' gym.

Southeastern led 14-13 after the first quarter, then took control in the second period by holding the Arabians to only four points. That enabled the Royals to take a 25-17 halftime lead. Southeastern's offense dominated the second half, outscoring Pendleton Heights 47-24.

Sam Jacobs led the Royals scoring with 16 points, followed by Reph Stevenson with 12 and Donovan Hamilton with 11. Hamilton also had eight rebounds and five assists, with Michael Griffith pulling five rebounds. Southeastern had 25 team assists; Deion Miles dished out six and Smock handed out four.

The Royals are 6-10 and play a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game Thursday at Franklin Central.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 72, PENDLETON HEIGHTS 44				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Donovan Hamilton	5-12	0-0	11	3
Reph Stevenson	6-9	0-0	12	1
Deion Miles	0-0	1-3	1	1
Sam Jacobs	5-10	5-6	16	0
Alex Troutman	4-6	0-0	8	3
Michael Griffith	2-4	0-1	4	2
Kasey Ash-Simpson	1-1	2-2	4	4
Caleb Smock	1-3	0-0	3	1
Braden Totten	3-4	1-1	7	0
Tyler Lacy	1-2	0-0	3	2
Joshua Jones	0-2	0-0	0	0
Christian Pfiefer	0-0	0-0	0	0
Joseph Karwowski	1-1	0-0	3	0
Totals	29-54	9-13	72	17
Score by Quarters				
Pendleton	13	4	14	13 - 44
Southeastern	14	11	22	25 - 72
Southeastern 3-point shooting (6-12) Smock 1-3, Hamilton 1-2, Lacy 1-2, Jacobs 1-2, Karwowski 1-1, Totten 1-1, Jones 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (33) Hamilton 8, Griffith 5, Stevenson 4, Jacobs 4, Miles 3, Troutman 3, Smock 1, Lacy 1, Totten 1, team 3.				

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Boston 107, New Orleans 97		Memphis 115, Washington 95
Dallas 132, Indiana 105		Golden State 110, Brooklyn 106
Philadelphia 103, Sacramento 101		

Eastern Conference				
Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Philadelphia	30	19	.612	-
Brooklyn	29	20	.592	1.0
Toronto	24	23	.511	5.0
Boston	26	25	.510	5.0
New York	23	27	.460	7.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	30	18	.625	-
Cleveland	30	19	.612	0.5
Milwaukee	31	20	.608	0.5
Indiana	18	33	.353	13.5
Detroit	11	37	.229	19.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	32	18	.640	-
Charlotte	28	22	.560	4.0
Atlanta	23	25	.479	8.0
Washington	23	26	.469	8.5
Orlando	10	40	.200	22.0

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Utah	30	20	.600	-
Denver	27	21	.563	2.0
Minnesota	24	25	.490	5.5
Portland	21	28	.429	8.5
Oklahoma City	14	34	.292	15.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Phoenix	39	9	.813	-
Golden State	37	13	.740	3.0
L.A. Clippers	25	26	.490	15.5
L.A. Lakers	24	26	.480	16.0
Sacramento	18	33	.353	22.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Memphis	35	17	.673	-
Dallas	29	21	.580	5.0
San Antonio	19	31	.380	15.0
New Orleans	18	31	.367	15.5
Houston	14	35	.286	19.5

Girls basketball

Tipton edges out University in top five battle

A battle of top five teams lived up to its billing Saturday afternoon at The U Center as Class 2A No. 5 Tipton landed the last blow in a slugfest with Class 2A No. 4 University to come away with a 45-42 victory.

The contest featured eight ties and seven lead changes. The largest lead of the game was five (by each team) and it was a one possession game for 29 of the 32 minutes. The Lady Devils' Ashley Schram made three foul shots in the last 47 seconds to break a 42-42 tie to give Tipton the hard earned triumph.

Schram had a game-high 20 points for Tipton. University was led by Payton Seay with 15 points and nine rebounds and Patty Chikamba with 10 points and five steals.

The first quarter saw three ties and three lead changes with University taking a 13-11 lead at the end of the period on a buzzer beating three pointer by Seay from the top of the key. The teams were scoreless for the first 2:45 of the second quarter before Tipton tied the score. University scored five quick points to take a 18-13 lead with 4:05 left in the half. Kelsey DuBois scored off a Kamryn Washington assist, then DuBois scored again and was fouled. DuBois was forced to exit the game temporarily due to an injury and Chikamba entered and made the foul shot to complete the three point play. Tipton scored the last eight points of the half to take a 21-18 halftime lead.

Tipton opened the third quarter with a pair of five-point leads before University battled back in the game. Rebound baskets by Seay and Chikamba pulled University within 26-24. Chikamba hit a three pointer for a 27-26 lead and Payton Seay completed an eight point University run with an old fashioned three point play and a 30-26 lead with 3:04 left in the period.

The Lady Devils punched back to take a 31-30 lead before Payton Seay found Jordan Patterson for a basket that gave University a 32-31 lead after three quarters.

Payton Seay made a pair of free throws just five seconds in to the final period for a 34-31 University lead. Chikamba picked up her fourth foul on the next possession and Tipton scored six straight points, taking a lead of 37-34 after Schram had a basket followed by two foul shots. The Blazers knotted to score on a Jordan Patterson three pointer with 4:10 left. Patterson scored off a pass from Emily Adamowicz after a Chikamba defensive rebound.

Schram scored to put Tipton back up 39-37 before Seay answered with a basket from the foul line area to knot the game at 39 with 2:42 left. Schram gave Tipton a 41-39 lead with 1:53 remaining. DuBois and Tipton's Ella Wolfe each made one of two foul shots before Seay tied the game at 42 with 47 seconds left off a pass from Adamowicz.

Schram made on of two foul shots with 35 seconds remaining. University turned the ball over on a cut to the basket with 13 seconds. Schram was fouled with 7.2 seconds left and made both foul shots. The Trailblazers got off a three point shot that fell off the rim as time expired.

Tipton won the game at the foul line, outscoring University by ten points at the charity stripe. Schram was 8 of 14 at the foul line with the Lady Devils making just 15 of 29 free throws. University was 5 of 8 from the line.

Tipton ends the regular season at 19-4. University finishes at 18-4. The Blazers will open Sectional 43 action Tuesday night at Western Boone against Class 2A No. 9 Cascade at 7 p.m. The Cadets will bring a 18-4 record in to the contest.

TIPTON 45, UNIVERSITY 42				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Kelsey DuBois	3-5	1-2	7	5
Patty Chikamba	4-8	1-2	10	4
Kamryn Washington	0-5	0-0	0	2
Payton Seay	6-17	2-2	15	4
Jordan Patterson	2-8	0-0	5	4
Emily Adamowicz	1-1	0-0	2	2
Taylor Seay	1-2	1-1	3	2
Totals	17-46	5-7	42	23
Score by Quarters				
Tipton	11	10	10	14 - 45
University	13	5	14	10 - 42
University 3-point shooting (3-15) P. Seay 1-5, Patterson 1-5, Chikamba 1-3, Washington 0-1, T. Seay 0-1.				
University rebounds (23) P. Seay 9, Chikamba 5, DuBois 4, Adamowicz 3, Washington 2.				

Mavs pull away from Pacers, 132-105

By WHEAT HOTCHKISS
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

The Pacers hoped to pick up a win for their head coach on Saturday night in Rick Carlisle's return to Dallas. Luka Doncic, however, had other ideas.

Dallas' 22-year-old phenom racked up 30 points, six rebounds, and 12 assists as the Mavericks (29-21) led wire to wire and pulled away in the second half to knock off a Pacers (18-33) team on the second night of a back-to-back, 132-105.

It was an emotional night for Carlisle, returning to the arena where he coached the Mavericks for 13 seasons from 2008-21, leading Dallas to the only NBA championship in franchise history in 2011. Dallas honored Carlisle with a two-and-a-half minute video tribute during pregame introductions. As the crowd rose for a standing ovation at the end of the tribute, Carlisle wiped away tears.

"The only other time I've felt that kind of emotional moment was when we raised the (championship) banner the first game of the (2011-12) season," Carlisle said. "It was the same kind of feeling. But I was not expecting anything like that (tribute video)."

"It was a wonderful gesture. Very much appreciated."

Domantas Sabonis did his best to try to secure a win for his coach. Despite coming off a sprained ankle and having logged 44 minutes in Friday's overtime victory in Oklahoma City, Indiana's All-Star big man was sensational on Saturday. Sabonis tallied 21 points on 8-of-10 shooting, 15 boards, and eight assists in 29 minutes.

But Doncic was even more dominant for Dallas, a storyline that prevailed throughout Saturday's contest.

Sabonis went to work early, scoring Indiana's first eight points on Saturday night. But it wasn't enough to combat a scorching start by Doncic.

Dallas' All-NBA guard scored or assisted on eight of Dallas' first nine field goals, racking up 13 points and three assists over the first seven minutes of Saturday's contest. Doncic's third three of the night with 5:10 remaining in the opening quarter pushed the Mavs' lead to 24-12.

The Pacers fought back with seven straight points, but the Mavs built their lead back up to double digits by the end of the frame. The hosts carried a 34-23 advantage into the second quarter.

Duane Washington Jr. sparked a Pacers charge at the start of the ensuing frame. The two-way guard scored on a layup 13 seconds into the quarter, knocked down a three at 11:16, drove baseline and threw down a two-hand slam at 10:25, then drilled another trey from the left wing at 9:26. The rookie's 10-point outburst pulled Indiana within five at 43-38.

The margin hovered around that mark for most of the remainder of the first half. Indiana got within two on Justin Holiday's baseline dunk with 2:27 remaining, but Reggie Bullock answered with a three on the other end to keep the Mavs in front. Chris Duarte's hook shot made it a one-possession game again at 60-57 with 1:33 to play, but Bullock scored six more as Dallas reeled off a 9-0 run.

Caris LeVert hit a three with 6.6 seconds left to seemingly bring the Blue & Gold back within single digits at the half, but Doncic weaved his way down the floor and drilled a stepback three over Holiday in the left corner at the halftime buzzer to give the hosts a 72-60 lead.

Doncic and the Mavs picked up where they left off at the beginning of the third quarter, reeling off eight straight points early in the frame to extend their lead to 82-64.

The Pacers trailed by 14 at 94-80 following rookie Isaiah Jackson's 3-pointer with 2:12 remaining in the third quarter, but once again Dallas closed a period with a flourish. Bullock hit two more threes as the Mavs reeled off 10 straight points to close the frame.

Both Carlisle and new Mavericks coach Jason Kidd cleared their benches in the fourth quarter with the outcome seemingly determined. After Indiana got within 16, Kidd went back to Doncic and a few others with 4:09 to play and they reeled off a quick 6-0 run in less than a minute to ice the game.

Washington finished with 22 points off the bench for the Blue & Gold, going 9-for-17 from the field and 3-for-6 from beyond the arc.

"The guys believe in me, coaches believe in me," Washington said of his strong performance. "Just wanted to go out there, be aggressive, make my presence known, and just play my game."

Fellow rookie reserve Jackson added 12 points, six rebounds, and three blocks. Among the starters, LeVert tallied 14 points and four assists in the loss, while Duarte added 12.

Bullock had 23 points for the Mavericks off the bench, going 8-for-11 from the field and 6-for-8 from 3-point range. Maxi Kleber recorded a double-double with 15 points and 14 rebounds, while Jalen Brunson chipped in 13 points and eight assists.

After playing seven of their last eight games on the road, the Pacers will return to the friendly confines of Gainbridge Fieldhouse for a three-game homestand next week. Indiana will host the Clippers on Monday, the Magic on Wednesday, and the Bulls on Friday.

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