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I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault - it wasn't something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County (nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children). Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don't often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we're breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.

- **Mike Bragg**, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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# Big snow leads to big fun in Noblesville



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# Atlanta shows street crews how it's done



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# ‘Just unbelievable’: National Guard soldier describes storm response

**By GARRETT BERGQUIST**  
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An Indiana National Guard soldier on Thursday said road conditions were so treacherous, even Humvees had trouble.

Sgt. Benjamin Campbell is one of about 240 Indiana National Guard soldiers who have been called up to help rescue

stranded drivers. The soldiers are staging out of their armories scattered around the state, including the Lawrence armory. Campbell, an eight-year veteran of the Guard whose previous deployments included a stint in Afghanistan, says he got his callup orders around 10 a.m. Wednesday.

The soldiers are organized into 60

teams of four soldiers in two Humvees each. Campbell says his team alone helped three drivers in the Indianapolis area Thursday morning and afternoon. Each team carries tow straps and other gear to help drivers get back on the road.

“It’s like skating on ice even with these big vehicles,” Campbell said of the Humvees. “We’re using a lot of our

up-armored vehicles. And even with them being as heavy as they are, they’re still getting pushed around with the wind. The snow and the roads are just unbelievable.”

Campbell says he expects he will be on duty through at least Monday and feels honored to be part of the storm relief effort, noting National Guard service comes with both state and federal missions.

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# Shamrock Shoutout: Substitute teachers

## Submitted by Westfield Washington Schools

This week's shout out goes to all the substitute teachers and other people who are going beyond the call of duty to help Westfield Washington Schools (WWS) continue in-person learning.

Heather Kirkley, an instructional coach at Westfield Middle School, gives a shout out to two people in particular: Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Safety Chris Baldwin and eighth-grade math teacher and curriculum coordinator Paula Smith.

"This recent COVID surge has made in especially difficulty to fill substitute teaching needs," Kirkley said. "As a team we have come together and helped step up and fill the gaps. This team includes our central office Human Resource Director, Chris Baldwin. Mr. Baldwin happily stepped in to teach math, a subject that is oftentimes hard to fill in a sub role. He took his job with pride and students were not only

## Become a substitute!

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Photos provided by Westfield Washington Schools

(Left) Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Safety steps in to substitute a middle school math class. (Right) Eighth grade math teacher and curriculum coordinator, Paula Smith, teaches two classes at once inside the Large Group Instruction room at Westfield Middle School. Please note that these pictures were taken prior to the district mask mandate.

ordinator. She not only gave up her prep multiple days but even took on two classes at one time because the school was short on teachers. This teacher taught over 50 kids each hour so they could have a math teacher

helping answer questions.

With the added impact of COVID-19, staffing substitute teachers has become a crucial factor in school systems' ability to keep kids in the classroom. If you would like to help continue in-per-

son instruction, sign up to be a substitute teacher in WWS and help make an impact on the community. WWS offers competitive pay, flexible schedules, bonuses and employee discounts based on time worked. You

don't need teaching experience, just a desire to help Rocks students get a great education.

Are you interested in helping by becoming a substitute teacher? [Click here](#) for more information.

## Indiana Donor Network increases number of organ transplants by 43% since 2019

Looking back at 2021, I can't help but reflect on where Indiana Donor Network has been, where we are now and where we're going. When I started with the organization 22 years ago, I would've never imagined the massive growth and incredible achievements we've experienced.

As the federally designated organ recovery organization for 85 of Indiana's 92 counties, Indiana Donor Network has increased the number of organ transplants by 43 percent since 2019. Transplants in 2021 were 10 percent higher than in 2020, which was also a record-setting year.

In 2021, despite the challenges of a persistent global pandemic, Indiana Donor Network facilitated donation for 276 organ donors, a record-breaking amount. We transplanted 949 organs to save the lives of more than 800 patients – that's a record number of organ transplants for this organization in its 34-year history.

During this record-breaking year, we demonstrated

we're a catalyst of innovation by utilizing our new Organ and Tissue Recovery Center to better serve families and hospitals throughout Indiana. We deployed a state-of-the-art kidney

perfusion program that includes eight kidney pumps to better assess the health of a recovered kidney and ensure better transplantation results. Indiana Donor Network is a leader among U.S. organ procurement organizations in utilizing these innovative kidney pumps.

In 2021, Indiana Donor Network also:

- Cared for 1,357 tissue and cornea donors.
- Supported 2,345 family members of organ and tissue donors through its aftercare program.
- Conducted 109 organ recovery surgeries at Indiana Donor Network's onsite Organ and Tissue Recovery Center, which opened in 2020.
- Added more than 120,000 new Hoosiers to the national donor registry.
- Flew a record 677 organ

transport flights through Tx-Jet, our nonprofit subsidiary aviation service.

Also, Hoosier advocates for organ and tissue donation volunteered 12,857 hours on behalf of Indiana Donor Network in 2021. In communities throughout Indiana, we led 851 school and community educational presentations and activations, engaging more than 145,000 Hoosiers.

We have more than 250 mission-driven team members at our headquarters in Indianapolis, in our offices in South Bend, Fort Wayne and Evansville, and in communities throughout Indiana. Each team member contributed to our organization's successes in saving and healing lives in 2021. Indiana Donor Network remains dedicated every day to growing, improving and challenging each other to think big, serve well and be remarkable.

My gratitude for our team, as well as for the donor heroes who saved and healed lives, cannot come close to matching the appreciation of all the patients who received a lifesaving organ transplant in 2021 and the countless more who received a healing

tissue transplant through Indiana Donor Network.

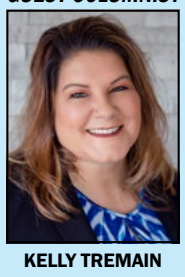
Organ donation saves lives. Nationwide, more than 106,000 people are on the national waiting list for a lifesaving organ transplant and more than 1,000 of those patients are Hoosiers. Every nine minutes, another person is added to the waiting list. Unfortunately, about 16 people die in the U.S. each day because the organ they needed did not become available in time.

If you are registered to become an organ donor, thank you. If you aren't a registered donor yet, talk with your family and loved ones. If the decision is right for you, register online at [DonateLifeIndiana.org](https://DonateLifeIndiana.org), at your local Bureau of Motor Vehicles branch or when you purchase your hunting or fishing license through the state's Department of Natural Resources.

Thank you so much for supporting Indiana Donor Network's mission.

Kellie Tremain is president and CEO of Indiana Donor Network. You can reach her at (888) 275-4676 or email at [ktremain@INDonorNetwork.org](mailto:ktremain@INDonorNetwork.org).

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## Carmel Police welcome four more to the force



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Carmel Police Chief Jeff Horner held a swearing-in ceremony on Tuesday for the city's new police Lieutenants and Sergeants. They include (from left) Sgt. Theis, Lt. Flaming, Lt. Rush, and Sgt. Gilbert.



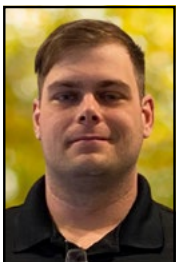
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## The Veridus Group hires five

### The REPORTER

The Veridus Group, an Indianapolis-based firm that specializes in owner's technical representation, civil engineering, building forensics, community and economic development, and facilities management services has announced several new hires.

**Jennifer M. Lasch** joins Veridus Group as the Director of Civil Engineering. With over 26 years of experience, Lasch has led a wide variety of projects ranging from the civil design of park and recreational facilities to the civil design and planning of K-12 schools, healthcare facilities, office buildings, higher education, and corporate campuses. She lives in Fishers.

**Alaina Shonkwiler** is a Project Executive on the Community and Economic Development team. She

previously served as District Director and Director of Outreach for Congresswoman Victoria Spartz. Shonkwiler's experience includes Workforce Development Coordinator for the Noblesville School District and working in local government as the City of Noblesville's Assistant Director of Economic Development. She lives in Noblesville.

**Jack Woods** is a Project Analyst on the Community and Economic Development team. Woods spent five years in economic development consulting helping clients quantify trends and create plans to achieve development-oriented goals. His areas of focus include opportunity zones, economic development strategic planning, recovery and resiliency planning, quantitative analysis, target industry studies, and sector specific

market analyses.

**Michael McCorkle** joins Veridus Group as a CAD Technician. McCorkle is a Ball State Graduate with a well-rounded experience in various design fields. He says he values the importance of accuracy, commitment and communication after being involved in various aspects of the design process.

**Katerina Myers** is an Office Administrator for the Veridus Group. She has a variety of experiences and skills in operational tasks that will help as a member of the Veridus Group's Administrative team. Her desire to learn and grow while challenging herself is evident through her work. She has the eagerness to contribute to and continue the Veridus Group's reputation for building and growing genuine relationships.

## Rokita, Braun issue statements regarding 2022 Olympics

### The REPORTER

*On Wednesday, Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita issued the following statement regarding the upcoming Olympic games in Beijing, China.*

With the 2022 Winter Olympics set to begin on Friday, Feb. 4, I offer my strongest support for the 223 athletes who will represent the United States in Beijing this year.

I will also be loudly cheering for two of our own Hoosier skiers from Lawrenceburg, Nick Goepper and Justin Schoenefeld, who grew up skiing at Perfect North Slopes in southern Indiana. At just 27 years of age, Nick is already a two-time Olympic medalist, and he has an incredible opportunity to become the first native Hoosier to medal at three Olympics in more than a century. I wish you both the best of luck!

While I am excited to root for American athletes to bring home the gold, I continue to have grave concerns about the country that will be hosting the Olympics.

As we speak, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) continues to show aggression toward Taiwan and enslave more than one million Uyghurs against their will. They are actively robbing U.S. companies of our intellectual property, stealing our patents, and then attempting to replace U.S. firms in the global mar-

ketplace using this stolen technology. Moreover, to this day, they remain unwilling to allow for any transparent investigation into the origins of the China Virus.

This all comes just a few months after the CCP made Peng Shuai, a former No. 1-ranked doubles tennis player, disappear – simply because she publicly accused a former vice premier of China of sexual assault.

I hope that over the next few weeks, we can focus on the remarkable achievements of our athletes, their successes and their triumphs. But we must also remember that China is not our friend, they are our adversary, and until they start behaving differently, they should be treated as such.

*On Friday, U.S. Senator Mike Braun released the following statement.*

I wish the best of luck to the athletes competing on behalf of the United States in the 2022 Winter Olympics beginning today in Beijing. I am proud of their accomplishments and look forward to watching them succeed in this year's Olympic games.

However, I remain disappointed in the International Olympic Committee for maintaining the decision to hold the Olympic games in a country that continually commits



Rokita



Braun

egregious human rights violations against its own citizens. The Chinese Communist Party must be held accountable for the censorship of its citizens and repeated repression of ethnic and religious minorities.

## 2022 Winter Reading Challenge underway at Cicero, Atlanta libraries

### The REPORTER

The Winter Reading Challenge is on now at the Hamilton North Public Libraries.

The 2022 Winter Reading Challenge is for all ages and is all digital. To participate, use the Beanstack Tracker App or go to [hnpl.beanstack.org](http://hnpl.beanstack.org).

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Winter is a time for staying warm and reading a good

book. Readers of all ages are encouraged to choose books and stories from an array of diverse authors and topics and to celebrate the transformative power of seeing oneself and others reflected in a book.

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# Fishers business among top places to work in U.S.

## Verizon authorized retailer wins employer recognition for second year in a row

**The REPORTER** Fishers-based **TCC**, one of the nation's largest Verizon authorized retailers with nearly 850 locations in 39 states, has earned the 2022 Top Workplaces USA award, issued by Energage. This is the second consecutive year TCC has been honored as a USA Top Workplace.

"We are incredibly honored to be named a USA Top Workplace again," said Scott Moorehead, President and CEO of **Round Room**, TCC's parent company. "We take employee engagement very seriously and understand that our employees want to feel connected to our company and the people they serve. We are committed to making a positive and sustainable impact in the lives of our employees, customers and communities nationwide."

The Top Workplaces USA award is built on the program's 14-year history, surveying more than 20 million employees across 54 markets for national and regional Top Workplaces awards. More than 1,100 organizations nationwide participated in the 2022

Top Workplaces USA survey. Winners of the Top Workplaces USA list are chosen based solely on employee feedback gathered through an employee engagement survey, issued by Energage. Results are calculated by comparing the survey's research-based statements, including 15 culture drivers that are proven to predict high performance against industry benchmarks.

TCC's longstanding commitment to company culture began in 2013 when Moorehead created an internal culture centered around driving connection, purpose and meaning for its employees and communities through giving back on the local level. Through its 2021 community events, TCC purchased holiday gifts for 25 veteran families, donated more than 140,000 backpacks filled with school supplies, donated \$50,000 to in-person children's summer camps, and provided teacher appreciation kits to more than 500 schools nationwide.

TCC is a Culture of Good, Inc. company and makes ongoing investments in the local communities where it operates. TCC Gives Community Grants, a private foundation of TCC operated under Round Room Gives which provides grants in cities across the nation, recently surpassed \$3.3 million in donations to local nonprofits across the country.

To learn more about TCC, visit **TCCRocks.com**. Customers can also connect with the company at **Facebook.com/tccTalk** and **Twitter.com/tccTalk**.

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## Hot shows for a cold month at Carmel's Center for the Performing Arts

**The REPORTER**

For obvious reasons, February is generally not the busiest month in the Midwest concert business, but the Center's upcoming schedule illustrates the unique value of nonprofit arts and entertainment venues: We book artists based on quality and variety, resulting in shows you are unlikely to see anywhere else in Central Indiana. For example, our Center Presents concerts alone include:

**The Company Men**  
8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18

This snazzy vocal group weaves today's Top 40 hits with reimagined classics of the past, blending songs by such artists as Sam Smith, the Four Tops, Michael Jackson, Katy Perry, Adele, the Temptations, Bruno Mars, Billy Joel and more.

**Polish Wieniawski Philharmonic Orchestra**  
8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 25

On its first U.S. tour, the esteemed Polish orchestra is featuring violin soloist Sara Dragan in a program of Rossini, Wieniawski and Schubert. Ball State Professor Heather Platt leads a preconcert Classics in Context discussion at 7:15 p.m.

**Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis**  
7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 27

World-renowned trumpeter and jazz ambassador Wynton Marsalis leads a 15-member big band dedicated to preserving America's jazz heritage. Also, don't miss his appearance on Tuesday, Feb. 8 in **the next JazzTalk online discussion**. It's free.

**Zach Brock Quartet**  
8 p.m. tonight!

Hailed as "the pre-eminent improvising violinist of his generation," Zach Brock has scored two Grammy Awards for his work with the jazz-rock instrumental supergroup Snarky Puppy.

**Piaf! The Show**  
7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 10

Acclaimed vocalist Nathalie Lhermitte is accompanied by live musicians and historical images as she portrays legendary French chanteuse Edith Piaf in a multimedia experience inspired by the award-winning film *La Vie en Rose*.

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## Merchants Capital promotes two executive VPs to lead tax credit equity division

**The REPORTER**

Merchants Capital on Wednesday announced the promotion of Julie Sharp and Linda Hill to Executive Vice Presidents.

Sharp and Hill lead Merchants' tax credit equity division and previously served as Senior Vice Presidents. Since launching the division in late 2020, Sharp and Hill have overseen the creation of a robust equity platform with unprecedented growth. In its first full year, the team successfully completed an equity raise of more than \$248.3 million in both proprietary and multi-investor funds that will create or preserve more than 3,200 units in 13 states.

"Julie and Linda are two of the most talented professionals in the affordable housing industry and are even better leaders," said Michael R. Dury, President and CEO of Merchants Capital. "These well-deserved promotions signal our company's commitment to the tax credit equity space and our trust in Julie and Linda leading our equity division. In just over a year, they have built our equity division from the ground up into a national platform."

Sharp joined Merchants in 2020 after serving at one of the nation's largest tax credit equity syndicators where she was involved in raising capital and structuring fund investments valued at more than \$1 billion across the U.S. In 2021, she was appointed to the Board of Directors for the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Coalition (AHTCC), a national advocacy group based in Washington, D.C., and is also a board member for the Indiana chapter of the Women's Affordable Housing Network.

"The success of our equity division is a direct reflection of our team and a testament to the commitment, culture and creativity at Merchants Capital," Sharp said. "I am grateful for the opportunity to lead our team's efforts alongside Linda and look forward to carrying our platform forward to address the critical need for affordable housing



**Sharp**



**Hill**

across the United States."

Hill is an accomplished and recognized leader in the industry with a career spanning more than 25 years at two of the nation's top syndicators and investment platforms. She joined Merchants in April 2021 and is responsible for managing equity relationships with top affordable housing sponsors across the country.

"Our success in 2021 truly speaks to the talent of the entire equity division, and I feel privileged to be able to continue leading this team alongside Julie as we move into the new year," Hill said. "We hold a unique position in the industry as a full-service financing provider for affordable housing, and I am confident in our team's ability to continue executing high-quality deals for our clients across the country."

To learn more about Merchants Capital and its services, visit **[merchants-capital.com](http://merchants-capital.com)**.



**Keith Reed Stewart**

April 8, 1929 – January 22, 2022

Keith Reed Stewart, 92, Wolcottville, Ind., died on Saturday, January 22, 2022, at Parkview Randallia Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born on April 8, 1929, in Hamilton County to Walter and Freda B. (Southard) Stewart.

On July 1, 1951, in Noblesville, he married Barbara J. Rasler. She preceded him in death on March 5, 2015.

He lived in Noble County for 34 years, DeKalb County nine years, and was formerly from Hamilton County.

Mr. Stewart was a farmer and drove for Klink Trucking in Ashley, Ind.

He served in the National Guard for 12 years.

Surviving are a daughter, Victoria (Kirk) Cheesman of Corunna, Ind.; two sons, Christopher K. (Karen) Stewart of Indianapolis, and Daniel L. (Linda) Stewart of Noblesville; six grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Carolyn Endicott of Columbus, Ind.

He was also preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth Stewart.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Young Family Funeral Home, Kendallville Chapel, 222 S. State St., Kendallville, Ind., is assisting the family with arrangements.

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

**Travis Roy Edwards**

September 4, 1972 – February 2, 2022

Travis Roy Edwards, 49, Coal City, Ind., passed away on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at IU Health University Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born on September 4, 1972, to Frank and Susan Ann (Brantlinger) Edwards in Indianapolis.

Travis was a brick mason for many years. He enjoyed learning history. Travis loved his friends, family, and especially his children.

He is survived by his wife, Jennifer Edwards; son, Justin Edwards; daughter, Shelby Edwards; dog, Bella; sister, Cindy (Ted) Turner; five stepchildren; step-grandchildren, Arabella and Hazel Tanksley, Arlo Carter and Landon Noland; five nieces; two nephews; seven great-nieces; and one great-nephew.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his nephew, Josh Turner.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Randall & Roberts Funeral Home to help the family with funeral expenses.

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

**TODAY'S BIBLE READING**

*You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not without results. We had previously suffered and been treated outrageously in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in the face of strong opposition. For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you. On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts. You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed—God is our witness. We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority. Instead, we were like young children among you.*

*1 Thessalonians 2:1-7 (NIV)*

**Judith Ann Prater**

November 9, 1946 – February 1, 2022

Judith Ann Prater, 75, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at her home. She was born on November 9, 1946, to Harold and Edith (Durr) Prater in Elwood, Ind.

She is survived by her siblings, Patricia (Larry) Mullins, Bill (Carrie) Prater, Steve (Hazel) Prater, and Harold (Deanne) Prater, Jr.; sister-in-law, Sheila Prater; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Mike Prater and Doug Prater.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to the time of service at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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**Max Hoffer**

February 8, 1923 – February 3, 2022

Max Hoffer, 98, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at Green House Senior Living in Carmel. He was born on February 8, 1923, to Idyl and Faye (Leiter) Hoffer in Claypool, Ind.



Max proudly served his country in the United States Army during WWII, spending two years in the U.S. and one year in the South Pacific and Japan, earning three Bronze Stars. He married Wilma Troxel on July 3, 1942. Max worked for 34 years for Kimble Glass Co. in Warsaw, retiring in 1980 as a production manager. Wilma and Max lived at Palestine, Ind., for 38 years before moving to Lake Placid, Fla., in 1988. They moved to Noblesville in 2005 to be near family. Max was a lifetime member of American Legion Post 49 of Warsaw and a member of Refuge Christian Church of Noblesville. He enjoyed reading, hunting, gardening, and yard work. An avid fisherman, his biggest catches were a 13-pound bass and a 9-pound, 10-ounce walleye.

Max is survived by his daughters, Jan (Stan) Sutton and Kris (Kim) Akers; grandchildren, Angela Sutton, Greg (Heather) Sutton, and Kevin Akers; and his great-grandchildren, Makenzie Sutton, Makayla Sutton, twins Emma and Aiden Sutton, Caleb Akers, Bradley Akers, Laila Grace Akers and Beckett Akers.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Wilma Hoffer; sister, Jean Kolar; brother, Rex Hoffer; and stepfather, Joe Stickler.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 6 p.m., with services at 6 p.m., on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Rev. Stanley R. Sutton will officiate. Burial with military rites will be at Oakwood Cemetery in Warsaw at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Refuge Christian Church, 11772 E. 196th St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

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Girls basketball Sectional 8 semi-finals



LEFT: Fishers' Talia Harris (left) had an outstanding performance from the free-throw line during the Tigers' Sectional 8 semi-final game with host Westfield on Friday, and it helped Fishers win 46-35 and advance to tonight's championship game. Harris was 12 of 14 from the line, including 10 of 10 during the game's final minutes. Also pictured is the Shamrocks' Olivia Robey, one of five seniors on the Westfield team.

RIGHT: Westfield senior Alyssa Crockett scored 18 points for the Shamrocks. She will play for the University of Michigan this fall.

Solid defense sends Tigers past 'Rocks

By **RICHIE HALL**  
**WESTFIELD** - Practice makes perfect, especially if it involves foul shots. That came into focus during the fourth quarter of the Fishers-Westfield Class 4A Sectional 8 girls basketball semi-final Friday night at the Shamrocks' CSI Gymnasium. The Tigers' Talia Harris went to the free-throw line 10 times during the game's final 2 minutes and 24 seconds, and she made all 10 of her shots. Those free throws helped No. 7 Fishers clinch a 46-35 victory over No. 6 Westfield, and sent the Tigers to tonight's championship game. Fishers will play No. 5 Noblesville, who beat Carmel 57-48 in Friday's second semi-final (see story, page 10). Harris said she shoots "a bunch of free throws when we're practicing," so she was ready when it was time for her moment. "I'm always confident in myself, so no matter what, I think I'm going to hit it," said Harris. "In my head, I was saying I'm going to hit these." Fishers used a solid defensive effort to advance to the championship. That first meant getting out of a tight first quarter, which the Tigers did with a 10-9 lead. Olivia Smith scored five points for Fishers; both she and Harris made a 3-pointer. Chesney Tebbe scored four points for the Shamrocks. The Tigers then clamped down on defense in the second period, outscoring Westfield 10-3 for a 20-12 halftime lead. Fishers opened the quarter on a 6-0 run, with Joirdyn Smith, Olivia Smith and Hailey Smith

all scoring during that spurt. The 'Rocks got back-to-back layins from Hailey Remaks and Olivia Robey to start the third quarter, cutting the Tigers' lead to 20-16. Hailey Smith got Fishers back in front by seven with a three-point play, but Westfield kept chipping away at the lead. Free throws from Emmrey Collinsworth and Alyssa Crockett got the 'Rocks within 25-22 at the end of the third quarter. "We knew that they would come out strong and we knew that we had to come out and try to match their intensity, and they did," said Fishers coach Lauren Votaw. "Crockett really started to try to take over, and we knew that that was a possibility. She's obviously very talented." Crockett started to get going in the fourth quarter, as she made a layin, then a putback to get Westfield within three again, at 29-26 with 5:07 left. Neither team would score for the next two minutes, but then Fishers would make a momentum-changing play. Harris stepped up to the line for two free throws. She made the first one, but missed the second one. No worries: Alycia Triplett grabbed the rebound, then the ball was sent to Joirdyn Smith, who nailed a 3. The Tigers were back up by seven at 33-26. "We have plenty of guards that can handle the basketball," said Votaw. "It's just about understanding our positioning and things like that. And I thought as the game went on we did a better job of being in the right position, making the right passes, meeting our passes, just remaining poised."

Fishers led 35-30 with 2:24 left, then went on a 7-0 run. Harris went to the line three times during that span, and made 6 of 6 shots. Westfield fought to the end, with Crockett scoring five points in the last 50 seconds, but Harris went 4 of 4 from the line to finish the game. "Talia Harris was excellent," said Votaw. "And I liked her aggressiveness going towards the rim. I think in the third quarter especially, she really pushed it towards the rim." Westfield coach Ginny Smith said the Tigers are "a really good basketball team" and "they just find ways to get stuff done. They come up with 50-50 balls. Every deflection we get, they still come back up with that basketball. They hit free throws down the stretch." Harris scored 17 points, followed by Hailey Smith with 12 and Olivia Smith with 10. Harris also led the rebounds with eight, while Triplett collected six and Olivia Smith pulled five. Joirdyn Smith made four steals for the Tigers, who are now 20-4 for the season. Crockett, headed to the University of Michigan in the fall, finished her high school career with a double-double of 18 points and 10 rebounds. She was one of five seniors on the team, along with Tebbe, Mikayla Rudolph, Robey and Remaks. "It just wasn't in the cards for us, but I wouldn't change a single thing about this season with these kids, the moments we had, the time that we had together," said

Smith, whose team finished 18-5. "The chemistry was good. They're enjoyable. They liked each other. They came every day with a smile on their face. They made coaching fun. It was a great season."

FISHERS 46, WESTFIELD 35				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Alyssa Crockett	6-11	5-6	18	3
Chesney Tebbe	2-5	0-0	4	2
Mikayla Rudolph	1-2	0-1	3	2
Olivia Robey	1-12	0-0	2	4
Hailey Remaks	1-3	0-0	2	3
Aubrey Crockett	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ellie Kelleher	1-3	0-0	2	1
Emmrey Collinsworth	0-2	4-4	4	5
Totals	12-38	9-11	35	20
Westfield 3-point shooting (2-20)	Al. Crockett	10		
1-3, Rudolph 1-2, Robey 0-8, Collinsworth 0-2, Tebbe 0-2, Remaks 0-2, Kelleher 0-1.				
Westfield rebounds (21)	Al. Crockett	10		
3, Kelleher 2, Rudolph 2, Collinsworth 1, Robey 1, Remaks 1, team 1.				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Joirdyn Smith	2-8	0-0	5	2
Talia Harris	2-5	12-14	17	1
Alycia Triplett	1-3	0-0	2	3
Hailey Smith	5-11	2-3	12	4
Olivia Smith	4-4	1-3	10	2
Morgan Roberts	0-0	0-0	0	0
Kate Thomas	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ava Carter	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	14-32	15-20	46	12
Fishers 3-point shooting (3-10)	J. Smith	1-4		
Harris 1-2, O. Smith 1-1, Carter 0-1, Triplett 0-1, H. Smith 0-1.				
Fishers rebounds (26)	Harris	8		
Triplett 6, O. Smith 5, H. Smith 4, J. Smith 1, team 2.				
Score by Quarters				
Westfield	9	3	10	13 - 35
Fishers	10	10	5	21 - 46

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LEFT: Noblesville's Reagan Wilson broke the Millers' Friday sectional game with Carmel wide open by hitting two third-quarter 3-pointers. Noblesville went on to win 57-48 and advance to tonight's championship game with Fishers.

RIGHT: Carmel's Kate Clarke scored 18 points for the Greyhounds. She will play at the University of Michigan this fall.

Wilson's 3-pointers give Noblesville a spark . . .  
Millers break away from 'Hounds with third-quarter run

By RICHIE HALL  
NOBLESVILLE - When Noblesville needed a big basket, Reagan Wilson delivered. Twice.

The Millers were in a tough semi-final battle with Carmel at Class 4A Sectional 8 at Westfield Friday night, as the Greyhounds were within 27-25 with around three minutes to go in the third quarter. But back-to-back 3-pointers by Reagan Wilson launched a 19-0 run, and Noblesville was soon in the championship game, beating Carmel 57-48.

The Millers notched their 20th win of the season, improving to 20-4, and will play Fishers tonight in the final. Carmel finished its season 15-8.

While Noblesville never trailed in the game, the 'Hounds kept it close for the first half and the majority of the third quarter. The Millers led 10-3 after Ashlynn Shade made a rare four-point play - she was fouled while draining a 3-pointer, then made the subsequent foul shot.

Carmel cut the lead to 10-8 after Mack-

enzie Thomas hit a layin and Kate Clarke threw in a triple. Kaitlyn Shoemaker added five points for Noblesville (a 3 and a layin) to get them ahead 15-10 by the end of the first quarter.

The 'Hounds held the Millers to four points in the second period, which kept Carmel within 19-18 at halftime. Emily Roper scored four points for the 'Hounds, while Dani Mendez's layin and two free throws from Shade accounted for Noblesville's scoring.

The Millers started the second half with an 8-2 run, including four points from Shade, to increase their lead to 27-20. But the University of Michigan-bound Clarke quickly cut that advantage to 27-25 with a 3 and a basket off a steal.

Someone needed to step up for Noblesville, and it was Wilson. She nailed her back-to-back triples, and the run was on.

"I think we were all excited to come out and get a win," said Wilson. "I think in the first half, we were disappointed in how we played, so just being able to pick it up in the

second half is what got us going."

"Her energy and intensity is phenomenal," said Buckley. "It changes everything for us."

Shade pushed the lead up to double digits with a layin, Wilson added two free throws, Shoemaker threw in her own 3, and Wilson's jumper ended the quarter. Suddenly, the Millers led 42-25.

"We just talked about at halftime, trusting each other and executing our offense, and our kids did that," said Millers coach Donna Buckley.

The coach also said her defense was "pretty awesome" in the half.

"We went to a 3-2," said Buckley. "We've played a lot of our 1-3-1 this year, but we've also put in that 3-2."

Buckley freely admitted that she was using the same 3-2 that Carmel coach Erin Trimpe used, saying she "loved their 3-2. We tweaked it to fit our personnel. But I really like their 3-2," she said.

"I thought we'd run into them in the sectional, and the first time we played them, we struggled against their 3-2, so we wanted to emulate that and it actually turned out something that we've utilized quite a bit," said Buckley.

"We had watched them do it, so we were prepared," said Trimpe. The coach said her team was doing things it worked on in practice, saying "we really stretched them out, got some good looks, hit some good shots, got some good cuts down the lane, and really cut into our scoring opportunities, which we liked. As we went away from that, turnovers and things just stopped going our way."

Another Wilson 3-pointer and an Ava Shoemaker free throw gave Noblesville its biggest lead of the game at 46-25. Clarke ended the run with a jumper, but the Millers were able to stay comfortably ahead for the remainder of the game, although the Greyhounds did make a 7-0 run late in the fourth.

"They really believed that they were going to fight back," said Trimpe, who also

said her team gave everything it had in order to do that. "It just fell a little bit short," she said.

Shade finished the game with 20 points, six assists, four rebounds and four steals. Wilson totaled three 3-pointers for 13 points, while Meredith Tippner had four rebounds and four steals.

Clarke made four triples on her way to 18 points, with Roper scoring 10 and collecting 10 rebounds for a double-double. Clarke had seven rebounds.

NOBLESVILLE 57, CARMEL 48				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Laura Valiente	1-1	0-0	3	2
Kate Clarke	6-20	2-2	18	0
Hannah Lach	1-3	0-0	3	3
Mackenzie Thomas	4-6	0-1	8	4
Emily Roper	5-10	0-2	10	4
Mackenzie Woods	0-3	0-0	0	2
Jamie Elliott	1-1	0-0	2	1
Ava Carter	0-0	0-0	0	0
Maya Berglund	1-1	0-0	2	1
Taryn Fisher	0-0	0-0	0	0
Sophie Shepherd	1-1	0-0	2	0
Bethany Ducat	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	20-46	2-5	48	17
Carmel 3-point shooting (6-13) Clarke 4-10, Lach 1-2, Valiente 1-1.				
Carmel rebounds (26) Roper 10, Clarke 7, Ducat 3, Lach 3, Berglund 1, Shepherd 1, Thomas 1.				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Kaitlyn Shoemaker	3-5	1-3	9	0
Ashlynn Shade	7-15	5-5	20	2
Reagan Wilson	5-11	0-2	13	0
Meredith Tippner	1-2	2-4	4	2
Brooklyn Smitherman	1-1	0-0	2	0
Ava Shoemaker	0-2	5-6	5	1
Dani Mendez	2-4	0-0	4	4
Brooklyn Ely	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	19-41	13-20	57	9
Noblesville 3-point shooting (6-22) Wilson 3-9, K. Shoemaker 2-4, Shade 1-5, A. Shoemaker 0-2, Ely 0-1, Tippner 0-1.				
Noblesville rebounds (22) Shade 4, Tippner 4, Mendez 3, K. Shoemaker 2, A. Shoemaker 2, Wilson 2, team 5.				
Score by Quarters				
Carmel	10	8	7	23 - 48
Noblesville	15	4	23	15 - 57

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Name	School	Year			
Gabe Arambales	Westfield	Freshman	Caleb King	Westfield	Senior
Zach Bales	Sheridan	Sophomore	Jaedon King	Carmel	Senior
Winston Berglund	Carmel	Junior	Jake Long	Noblesville	Senior
Gavin Bramel	Hamilton Heights	Senior	Colin McPeck	Fishers	Senior
Dom Burgett	Hamilton Southeastern	Junior	Dom Oliverio	Fishers	Senior
Aden Cannon	Guerin Catholic	Senior	Zach Osborne	Carmel	Senior
Peyton Cross	Sheridan	Junior	Drew Page	Noblesville	Junior
Ben Decker	Noblesville	Junior	Jackson Reece	Carmel	Senior
Nic Depasquale	Westfield	Senior	Gavin Reners	Sheridan	Senior
Tyler Dikos	Westfield	Junior	Jacob Ricci	Sheridan	Senior
Desmond Duffey	Carmel	Junior	Dawson Scally	Fishers	Senior
Carson Dunn	Fishers	Junior	Evan Sherrill	Hamilton Southeastern	Junior
Trey Ehman	Hamilton Heights	Junior	Jeffrey Simmons	Fishers	Senior
Alex Geroulis	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	Lawson Sinnis	Carmel	Senior
Ryan Glenn	Guerin Catholic	Senior	Scott Smith	Guerin Catholic	Senior
Jack Greer	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	Grady Stanley	Fishers	Junior
Guy Griffey	Hamilton Heights	Senior	Will Strahm	Westfield	Senior
Ethan Hall	Carmel	Senior	Sam Steinhof	Noblesville	Senior
Trevon Hatchett	Westfield	Senior	Louden Sundling	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Micah Hauser	Westfield	Senior	Dillon Thieneman	Westfield	Junior
Will Heldt	Carmel	Junior	Ethan Trent	Carmel	Junior
Jalen Herron	Sheridan	Junior	Isaac Tuma	Hamilton Heights	Senior
Harrison Hochstedler	Hamilton Heights	Senior	Jackson Wasserstrom	Westfield	Senior
Gabe Holler	Sheridan	Senior	Maximus Webster	Westfield	Senior
Nate Hulen	Hamilton Heights	Senior	Blaine Wertz	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Sam Jacobs	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	Popeye Williams	Westfield	Senior
Jacob Jones	Sheridan	Junior	Zach Williams	Westfield	Senior
Owen Jones	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	Ryan Zimmerman	Guerin Catholic	Sophomore

The All-County football team is being rerun to add a name to the list.

## Friday sectional girls basketball scores

Courtesy John Harrell's website  
www.johnharrell.net

### CLASS 4A

#### Munster

Lake Central 68, Hammond Central 6  
Highland 61, Hammond Morton 28

#### Crown Point

Merrillville 64, Chesterton 27  
Valparaiso 62, Hobart 42

#### Mishawaka

Mishawaka 57, Michigan City 50  
Plymouth 49, LaPorte 37

#### Fort Wayne Snider

Fort Wayne Snider 79, Carroll (Fort Wayne) 64  
Fort Wayne Northrop 68, East Noble 39

#### Huntington North

Homestead 62, Columbia City 51  
Fort Wayne South 75, Fort Wayne Wayne 57

#### Westfield

Fishers 46, Westfield 35  
Noblesville 57, Carmel 48

#### Warren Central

Indianapolis Cathedral 49, Lawrence Central 45

North Central (Indianapolis) 57, Indianapolis Attucks 17

#### Perry Meridian

Pike 55, Perry Meridian 27  
Ben Davis 53, Indianapolis Roncalli 41

#### Franklin Central

Franklin 56, Center Grove 49  
Greenwood 28, Franklin Central 24

### CLASS 3A

#### Griffith

River Forest 34, Hanover Central 28  
Griffith 52, Calumet 10

#### Knox

Culver Academy 64, Wheeler 32  
Kankakee Valley 47, Knox 43

#### South Bend Washington

Mishawaka Marian 72, South Bend Clay 15  
South Bend Washington 80, South Bend St. Joseph 32

#### NorthWood

West Noble 61, Lakeland 53  
Tippecanoe Valley 42, Wawasee 41

#### Woodlan

Garrett 40, Angola 32  
Fort Wayne Dwenger 42, Leo 32

#### Mississinewa

Bellmont 53, Mississinewa 36  
Norwell 62, Fort Wayne Luers 32

#### Danville

Crawfordsville 34, North Montgomery 31  
Danville 54, Monrovia 20

#### Indian Creek

Indian Creek 79, Indianapolis Herron 22  
Speedway 85, Indianapolis Washington 28

### CLASS 2A

#### Lake Station

Andrean 53, Lake Station 31  
Hammond Noll 64, Whiting 27

#### Rensselaer Central

North Newton 50, Westville 44  
South Central (Union Mills) 41, North Judson 36

#### Fairfield

Bremen 72, South Bend Career 17  
Fairfield 53, Westview 17

### CLASS 1A

#### Morgan Twp.

Kouts 48, Covenant Christian (DeMotte) 38  
Marquette Catholic 51, Gary 21st Century 7

#### Bethany Christian

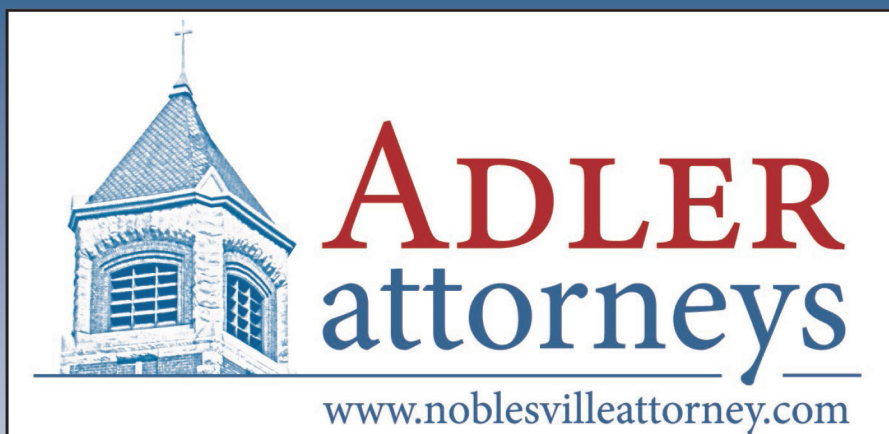
Fort Wayne Blackhawk 51, Lakewood Park 35  
Fremont 71, Hamilton 23

#### Northfield

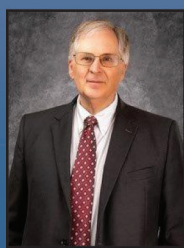
North Miami 49, Lakeland Christian 34  
Northfield 53, Southwood 50

#### Indianapolis Lutheran

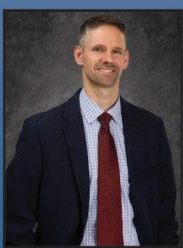
Greenwood Christian 75, Indianapolis Tindley 35  
Indianapolis Lutheran 67, Providence Cristo Rey 10



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# NBA standings

<b>Friday's games</b> Cleveland 102, Charlotte 101 Boston 102, Detroit 93 Chicago 122, Indiana 115 Toronto 125, Atlanta 114	San Antonio 131, Houston 106 Utah 125, Brooklyn 102 New Orleans 113, Denver 105 Dallas 107, Philadelphia 98 Oklahoma City 96, Portland 93
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Eastern Conference					Western Conference				
<b>Atlantic</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Northwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Philadelphia	31	21	.596	-	Utah	32	21	.604	-
Brooklyn	29	23	.558	2.0	Denver	28	24	.538	3.5
Toronto	28	23	.549	2.5	Minnesota	27	25	.519	4.5
Boston	29	25	.537	3.0	Portland	21	32	.396	11.0
New York	24	28	.462	7.0	Oklahoma City	17	34	.333	14.0
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Chicago	33	19	.635	-	Phoenix	41	10	.804	-
Cleveland	32	21	.604	1.5	Golden State	40	13	.755	2.0
Milwaukee	32	21	.604	1.5	L.A. Clippers	27	27	.500	15.5
Indiana	19	35	.352	15.0	L.A. Lakers	25	28	.472	17.0
Detroit	12	40	.231	21.0	Sacramento	19	35	.352	23.5
<b>Southeast</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Southwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Miami	33	20	.623	-	Memphis	36	18	.667	-
Charlotte	28	25	.528	5.0	Dallas	30	23	.566	5.5
Atlanta	25	27	.481	7.5	New Orleans	20	32	.385	15.5
Washington	24	27	.471	8.0	San Antonio	20	34	.370	16.0
Orlando	12	41	.226	21.0	Houston	15	37	.288	20.0

# Late run sends Bulls past Pacers

**By WHEAT HOTCHKISS**  
**Courtesy nba.com/pacers**

The Pacers hung tough with the East-leading Bulls on Friday night at Gainbridge Fieldhouse. Caris LeVert's brilliant first quarter helped Indiana keep pace with their Central Division rivals, the Blue & Gold took a brief lead in the third quarter, and trailed by just one point with under 10 minutes to play.

But the Bulls (33-19) used a 15-4 run midway through the fourth quarter to push their lead back to double digits, then narrowly held on down the stretch for a 122-115 win.

The loss spoiled a sensational night for LeVert, who surpassed the 40-point mark for the first time in a Pacer uniform, scoring 42 on 19-of-26 shooting. He scored 22 in the first quarter and 12 more in the fourth while also tallying five rebounds and eight assists.

"My teammates they put me in great positions tonight," LeVert said. "I think I got it going a little early and my teammates were just finding spaces for me to get to my spots. They made it easy for me."

But the Bulls had a trio of standout performances of their own. Nikola Vucevic scored a season-high 36 points on 16-of-21 shooting to go along with 17 rebounds and four assists. DeMar DeRozan added 31 points, five boards, and seven assists, while rookie guard Ayo Dosunmu recorded a double-double with 15 points and 14 assists and made the victory-sealing play in the closing seconds.

The Pacers had cut the deficit to 95-94 following Chris Duarte's jumper two min-

utes into the final frame, but couldn't get over the hump. The Bulls pieced together a 15-4 surge to build their lead back to 12, capped by Dosunmu's three with 4:52 remaining.

Still, Indiana mounted one last charge. Duane Washington Jr. dished to Terry Taylor for a baseline slam that made it a 112-108 game with 2:38 to play. DeRozan answered, however, with a mid-range jumper on the other end.

Washington's fastbreak slam with 1:29 remaining trimmed the margin back to four, but Green answered with a floater 22 seconds later.

LeVert knifed through the defense for his 41st and 42nd points of the night with 58.8 seconds left, only for Vucevic to bully his way to two points on the block with 41.1 seconds remaining.

After a timeout, LeVert dished to Justin Holiday, who drilled an open three on the left wing, making it a one-possession game with 36.4 seconds to play.

Bulls head coach Billy Donovan took a timeout and put the ball in Dosunmu's hands. The rookie ran down the shot clock, then exploded past Oshae Brissett to the rim, where he threw down a thunderous one-hand slam over Taylor with 16.3 seconds left. Holiday missed on the other end to seal the outcome.

"It looked like a keeper play," Pacers head coach Rick Carlisle said of the fateful Bulls basket. "Dosunmu's very quick, a great explosive right-hand driver...He just exploded and we made a mistake."

It was an inauspicious start for Indiana,

as Bulls center Vucevic slapped the opening tip forward to Javonte Green, who outraced the Pacers to the ball and scored on an easy layup. More of the same followed, as Chicago scored on its first five possessions and the Blue & Gold did not on their first four. Dosunmu's halfcourt alley oop to Green at 10:11 in the first quarter gave the Bulls a startlingly fast 10-0 lead.

The Pacers finally found some offense thanks to LeVert. The combo guard caught fire, making 10 of 11 shots over the final 9:15 of the opening quarter. He scored the Blue & Gold's final nine points in the frame, driving baseline for an and-one at 2:06, blowing by Troy Brown Jr. and throwing down a two-hand slam on Matt Thomas at 1:43, knocking down a floater over two defenders at 1:20, and finally drilling a step-back jumper over Brown with 12.2 seconds left in the frame.

But despite LeVert's outburst, the Bulls kept scoring on the other end. Chicago led throughout the opening frame and took a 40-33 lead into the second quarter.

Indiana managed to cut the deficit to 42-38 on a jumper by the newly signed Reggie Perry, who inked a 10-day hardship contract with Indiana earlier on Friday. But the Bulls responded with an 11-4 surge to push the margin back to double digits.

The Pacers clawed their way back over the remainder of the quarter. They twice cut the deficit to four and then got within three on LeVert's drive and dish to Taylor, who missed his initial look but tapped it back in through contact, then hit the ensuing free throw to cap a three-point play with 15.5

seconds left in the half. Dosunmu missed on the other end and the Pacers headed to the locker room at halftime trailing just 65-62.

Once again, the Bulls started the half strong, this time scoring four straight baskets in the paint to open the scoring in the third quarter.

The Pacers came charging back, however. Rookie guard Washington scored eight points during a 16-6 Indiana run. Holiday's 3-pointer with 5:39 left in the frame capped the sequence and cut Chicago's lead to 79-78.

Indiana eventually tied the game at 83 on Duarte's 3-pointer with 3:32 remaining. The Bulls retook the lead on a pair of Green free throws before Lance Stephenson swished a 32-foot shot at the shot clock buzzer to give the Pacers their first lead of the night. The home crowd erupted as the fan favorite did his trademark air guitar celebration while skipping back on defense.

The good vibes were brief, as Chicago retook the lead on two DeRozan free throws on the other end and led for the remainder of the frame, taking a 93-90 advantage into the fourth quarter.

Taylor finished with 21 points, 14 rebounds, and five assists in his first career start. Washington added 17 points, seven boards, and four assists off the bench, while Duarte scored 12 on 5-of-11 shooting.

Green had 16 points for Chicago, while Thomas added 10 off the bench.

Indiana hits the road for a pair of games in Cleveland on Sunday and Atlanta on Tuesday before returning to the Circle City to host the Cavs on Friday.

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