

THURSDAY, FEB. 10, 2022

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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy.  
Tonight: Partly cloudy.

HIGH: 31 LOW: 22



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(Left) Tony Vescovi (left) of McGowan Insurance Group presents a check for \$1,933.98 to Sheridan Fire Chief Travis Stern. (Right) Vescovi presents a check for \$1,936 to Sheridan Police Chief Bob Shock.

## Sheridan public safety bolstered with nearly \$4,000 in IPEP grants

### The REPORTER

The Sheridan Police and Fire departments are the recipients of two safety grants from the Indiana Public Employers' Plan, Inc. (IPEP). The purpose of the grants is to promote a safe work environment and assist with stretching each department's risk management resources.

According to Sheridan Clerk-Treasurer Elizabeth Walden, Sheridan Police received a \$1,936 grant to purchase first aid kits for police cars, AED pads, and miscellaneous safety items. Sheridan Fire's grant of \$1,933.98 was used to purchase 50 high-visibility safety vests. Each de-

partment applied for their own grants last October.

IPEP worked with Sheridan Fire Chief Travis Stern and Officer Nichole Gossman in securing these funds, along with Tony Vescovi of McGowan Insurance Group.

### About IPEP

IPEP was created in 1989 as a

risk-sharing pool for public entities as a response to the need for public employers to find affordable workers' compensation coverage. IPEP has grown to provide workers' compensation claims administration for more than 700 public entities including cities, towns, counties, and schools. Learn more at [IPEP.com](http://IPEP.com).

## Hamilton Heights to hold architecture, engineering, construction job fair Feb. 16

### The REPORTER

*Attention junior and senior high school students looking for a career, summer apprenticeship, and/or internship in the local construction trade industry: Potential opportunities await at the inaugural Architecture, Engineering, and Construction Job Fair for area students and their parents.*

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

graduation this spring.

More than 50 greater Indy metro-area companies will be on hand to share apprenticeship and internship opportunities and open the door to an exciting career in the trades industry. In addition, there will be not-for-profit adult education specialists on hand to share their programs and services that support post-graduate career aspirations.

This complimentary networking, information sharing, and recruiting event will take place from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at Hamilton Heights High School, 25802 State Road 19, Arcadia. To register to attend or for more information, contact event organizer Eric Fisher at [efisher@hhschuskie.org](mailto:efisher@hhschuskie.org).

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(Right) Hamilton Heights is opening the door to opportunity for junior and senior high school students at this spring job fair. The event connects students with a strong pool of companies and post-graduation support organizations serving the greater Metro Indianapolis area and beyond to give these students a jumpstart in their respective careers in architecture, engineering, and construction industries. Graduate Saturday. Jobsite Monday!



## GiGi's Playhouse Indy to hold "I Have a Voice" Gala in person

### The REPORTER

GiGi's Playhouse Indianapolis, a local Down syndrome achievement center, will play host to its annual "I Have a Voice" Gala on Saturday, Feb. 19. This year's theme, "Reimagined!" is a nod to the two-year hiatus the in-person gala had to take due to COVID-19.

"The gala is our largest and most important fundraiser of the year," said Executive Director Denisse Jensen. "It's what allows us to provide therapeutic, educational and career development programs for free to 557 participants in Central Indiana. Due to the pandemic disruptions to our fundraising efforts, this year's event is more critical than ever."

The Gala's fundraising goal is \$90,000, which will help fund programs like literacy tutoring and language therapy, ballroom

See GiGi's . . . Page 2



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## Voice of Indy 500 coming to Westfield

*Spend 'An Evening with Paul Page' as 500 fever heats up*

### The REPORTER

As Race Month arrives in Indy, come see the Voice of the 500 on May 15 as the Central Indiana Region of the Porsche Club of America spends "An Evening with Paul Page, Voice of the Indianapolis 500" at Basile Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St., Westfield.

Page's broadcasting career began in local radio, but it hit the accelerator when he moved to WIBC 1070 AM in 1968. There, he met the original host of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Radio Network, the legendary Sid Collins, who recruited Page to join his venerable radio team for the Memorial Day classic.

See Paul Page . . . Page 2

## Noblesville apartment fire sends one person to hospital, damage limited to one residence

Photos provided by Noblesville Fire Department Just after noon on Monday, the Noblesville Fire Department (NFD) responded to a residence fire at 14691 Dorset Lane. The first crews to arrive reported smoke coming from a second story apartment. Firefighters were able to make an aggressive interior attack and quickly extinguish the fire. One person was transported to St. Vincent Hospital on 86th Street for treatment. Damage was limited to the apartment where the fire started. The cause of the fire had not been released as of press time. NFD was assisted by the Carmel Fire Department, the Westfield Fire Department, and the Noblesville Police Department.



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PAUL PAGE

Page was mentored by Collins, who asked him to join the Indy 500 radio network in 1974. His rock-solid reporting earned Collins' respect, and Collins chose Page as his successor. Page anchored the Indy 500 radio broadcast from 1977 to 1987. Based on the quality of his work, he was tapped by ABC Sports to anchor all the INDYCAR series telecasts starting in late 1987.

It was here where Page's indelible mark on Indy 500 history was made. Joined by

former INDYCAR veterans Bobby Unser and Sam Posey, the ABC broadcasts became Emmy Award winners as well as fan favorites.

Beyond racing, Paul's career has spanned other forms of motorsports as well, including NASCAR, IROC, NHRA, and others. He was a regular fixture on NBC and ESPN over the years, covering everything from the America's Cup to the Fourth of July Nathan's Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest.

Don't miss this great night of Indy 500 nostalgia and storytelling by this Hoosier broadcasting legend.

"An Evening with Paul Page, Voice of the Indianapolis 500 presented by SONAX" starts at 7 p.m. on May 15 at Basile Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St., Westfield. Profits from this great night will go to Westfield's Heart and Soul Free Clinic.

[Click here](#) to get your tickets for only \$15.

GiGi's

dancing and GiGi Fit – programs 22-year-old Grace Burke has benefited from personally. Burke, a Fishers resident, will serve as this year's Adult Ambassador for the gala.

"I can't wait to get out there and raise money for GiGi's," Burke boasted. "Come help us support the Playhouse!"

Alexis Smith, 12, will

serve as this year's Youth Ambassador. Her mother Kendra is one of the Playhouse's founding board members and serves on the gala's planning committee.

"Every GiGi's participant has a voice, and the gala is a way to ensure their voices are heard," Smith said. "This night is about spreading awareness, celebrating achievements, and

promoting acceptance for people with Down syndrome."

Registration for the Gala is live through Monday, Feb. 14 at [gigisplayhouse.org/indianapolis/gala-indy](https://gigisplayhouse.org/indianapolis/gala-indy). Festivities will include dinner, a silent auction, and live entertainment, including a performance by GiGi's ballroom dancers.

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## ALEXIS SMITH

### Gigi's 2022 Youth Ambassador



Alexis "Lexi" Smith loves to be on stage. The 12-year-old recently performed in her school's production of Elf the Musical, Jr., but her next performance may be her most important yet. Lexi will serve as the Youth Ambassador for the "I Have a Voice" Gala benefitting GiGi's Playhouse Indianapolis on Saturday, Feb. 19.

"I want to be a Broadway star," Lexi recently said in a YouTube video. "Check out these jazz hands."

"This kid lives to perform," says Lexi's mom, Kendra. "She's very well spoken and always has a microphone in her hand. She'll be right in her element."

Kendra was also a founding board member of GiGi's Playhouse Indianapolis. She recognized early that parents like herself could benefit from the support of other parents raising children with Down syndrome.

"When you first get that diagnosis, you do research and you read books and so much of the literature is bad news," Kendra recalls. "That can be overwhelm-

ing, and you simply can't do that to yourself. Parents of children with Down syndrome need to connect with others going through the same thing; to have a community to share advice and referrals and to allow their children to grow together."

Seven years later, the Indianapolis Playhouse provides programming to more than 557 participants in Central Indiana.

"This has grown into something beyond what any of us could have imagined," Kendra said. "The number of programs that we have, the number of families that we serve. We had no idea the need would be so large."


Lexi has built an army of friends at GiGi's by taking classes that help improve speech-language, social and motor skills. When she is not at GiGi's or on stage, Lexi enjoys participating in the Best Buddies program at her school, posting videos to her YouTube channel, and hanging out with her two older brothers.

# Hamilton County Reporter

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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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# Rep. Cook's bill would offer new protections for victims of violent crimes

## The REPORTER

The Indiana House of Representatives unanimously supported State Rep. Tony Cook's (R-Cicero) legislation to help safeguard Hoosier victims of violent crimes like rape who often face harassment by their offender long after there's been a conviction.

Cook said he authored **House Bill 1137** after hearing the story of a woman from Noblesville who was raped in 2003 as a student at Butler University. After the offender was released

from prison, the victim was forced to obtain a protective order because he repeatedly harassed her. In Indiana, protective orders expire every two years, and the victim and offender must appear before a judge before it can be renewed.

"This victim had to go back to court every two years to renew their protective order, which gave her attacker another chance to



Cook

be with her and continue harassing her," Cook said. "It's not right to put this emotional burden on the victim of a violent crime. This legislation would put a stop to it by allowing victims like her to apply for a lifetime order against their attacker."

Cook said HB 1137, which now heads to the Senate for consideration, would allow for a victim to request

an indefinite protective order against their attacker if the person is listed as a lifetime sex or violent offender.

In 2020, there were 32,200 petitions for protection orders filed in Indiana courts. Currently, about 10,500 people are registered on Indiana's sex and violent offender registry.

*State Rep. Tony Cook (R-Cicero) represents House District 32, which includes all of Tipton County and portions of Hamilton, Madison, Delaware, Howard and Grant counties.*

## Carmel's 2021 budget balance exceeds \$85M

### The REPORTER

For the fiscal year that ended Dec. 31, 2021, the City of Carmel had more than \$85 million in its fund balances, \$69.3 million of which were unencumbered funds, or funds that are unspent and not obligated or committed.

These figures, released Tuesday by Carmel City Controller Ann Bingman, are what city officials call an indication of Carmel's fiscal strength.

"The year 2021 was a challenging one as we navigated the many restrictions and complications of the

COVID-19 pandemic," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "But these numbers, announced [Tuesday] by our City Controller, show that we successfully managed the public's money as we always have done."

Brainard continued, "We work very hard to manage the city's finances prudently.

We approach the budget process much like the private sector in that we perform budget forecasting 20 years out to ensure that we can accomplish our goals and keep our tax rate among the lowest in the state."



Brainard

## Garage sale season starts early in Hamilton County this weekend

By STU CLAMPITT

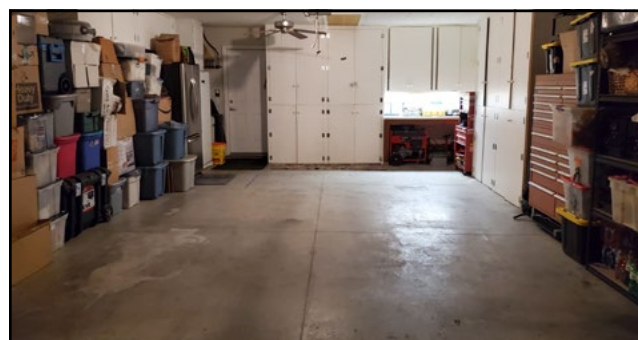
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This Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the O. V. Winks building at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville, will be the site of a massive indoor garage sale filled only with the most desirable items. The Garage Organizers are holding their first Hamilton County event in a 4,000 square-foot space that, according to Garage Organizers Representative Brandon Brooks, will be the equivalent of more than 25 garage sales in one.

"This will be our first event at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds," Brooks told The Reporter. "If you think of the traffic at a normal garage sale, we have 25 to 35 clients' worth of stuff that we are going to be selling. The item we sell are items we choose that we are confident we can sell. We don't do Christmas decorations. We don't have full tables of glassware. It's all tools and good quality items that we believe we can sell. The building it going to be pretty full."

This garage sale event is a secondary component of The Garage Organizers business. Their primary function is, not surprisingly, organizing garage storage. If your garage is too full, these are the professionals who can help you find all the space you have been missing.

"We will pull up in a 26-foot box truck and we will take out all the stuff in the garage so we have a blank slate," Brooks said. "We remove all the trash. All the items that the client no longer wants but they don't want in the trash, those items we barcode and sell on the client's behalf. Once all that is in the truck, we set up shelving, overhead storage units, peg boards and just about anything you can think of for garage storage. Then we



Photos provided

**This is a fine before-and-after example of what The Garage Organizers could do for you.**

organize all the items the client wants to keep back into the garage for them."

The unwanted items are then sold on the client's behalf at events like the one this weekend, which helps people get money back long after their garages have been organized.

"Within a couple months they usually get back a quarter or more of what they paid for the garage organization just from us selling the products they no longer wanted," Brooks said.

This process starts with an on-site consultation where professional will measure, photograph and assess the client's needs. According to Brooks, that consultation will be within one to two days of the first phone call or email.

"We have employees all over the state that can cover all of central and southern Indiana," Brooks said. "We also cover Louisville, Ky., and Cincinnati, Ohio. We can usually get someone booked to do the project within a week to a

week and a half. As spring is coming up, we will be pretty full. But even this week, after all the snow and ice, we have clients booked every single day this week."

If you have a full storage unit you have been renting, The Garage Organizers can help you get rid of that monthly bill as well.

"We also offer a service where we clean out your storage unit, bring the contents back to your garage and organize that into your garage," Brooks said. "Often, people will get rid of 50 percent of the stuff they were storing for years in that storage unit, and we can easily organize 50 percent of the storage until into the garage, which saves them \$150 to \$200 a month on storage unit rent."

You can book a consultation online at [TheGarageOrganizers.com](http://TheGarageOrganizers.com), on Facebook at [Facebook.com/garageorganizing](https://www.facebook.com/garageorganizing), or on the phone at (812) 642-7243. You can email for more information at [info@TheGarageOrganizers.com](mailto:info@TheGarageOrganizers.com).



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# Fishers Arts Council presents Embracing Black Culture exhibit

**The REPORTER**

Fishers Arts Council (FAC) will present Embracing Black Culture as its February and March Exhibit in the Art Gallery at City Hall while Judy Mintze will continue with her Hats Off exhibit in The Alcove at City Hall.

A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. this Friday,

Feb. 11, in the gallery, with live poetry readings from Eric Saunders and a special presentation at 7 p.m. The exhibit is open daily, except for holidays, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For the fourth year in a row, FAC presents the visual and written work by students from Fall Creek Junior High, along with several lo-

cal artists, including Faith Blackwell, William Minion, and Rebecca Robinson. The students from Fall Creek are under the direction of Lilly Grant recipient and art teacher Michelle Feeney.

The exhibit reflects historical figures prominent in Black history, such as Frederick Douglass, Thurgood Marshall, Dr. Martin

Luther King and Madam C.J. Walker, as well as figures from today. It includes work showcasing students' experiences, reactions to events, and their exploration and celebration of the diversity of the local community.

At the Feb. 11 Second Friday reception, there will also be a special program where attendees can interact with the student artists and local artists responsible for the visual art on display from 6 to 7 p.m. Fall Creek Junior High School's Black Student Union will showcase their photography and provide information about their club, while Eric Saunders, poet and community leader, will offer a poetry reading in the auditorium.

During the second hour from 7 to 8 p.m., there will be a special presentation emceed by guest speaker Travis Brown, CEO of Mojo Up, performances by the 31Svn Street Dance Academy, a video presentation, and more. This exhibit and presentation were made possible by a grant from the Hamilton County Community Foundation.

The artwork, reception, and presentation are in The Art Gallery at City Hall, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers. Masks are recommended.

## Mr. Confidential reading set for this Saturday in Carmel

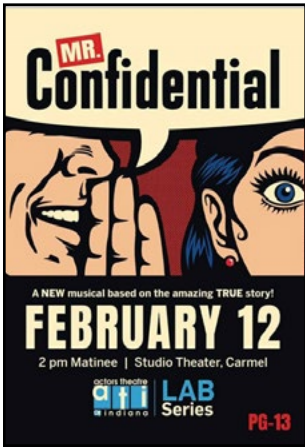
**The REPORTER**

Actors Theatre of Indiana (ATI) presents the next in their Lab Series, ATI Theatre LAB No. 3: *Mr. Confidential*.

This musical, with story and lyrics by Samuel Garza Bernstein and music by David Snyder, will be given a staged reading performance at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 12 at The Studio Theater at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

This is a story of family, dreams, innocence, love and scandal. When Bob Harrison created *Confidential Magazine* in 1952, he gave the public gossip, humor and sex. But he also offered something totally unexpected – the truth about the rich and famous. It quickly became the No. 1 selling magazine in America. Soon, Bob wasn't just telling the story, he was the story, with headlines, scandals and a wild ride of his own. Come see a giddy, vibrant tale set in New York and Hollywood at their most glamorous and dangerous.

ATI launched the Theatre LAB Series program as a commitment to nurturing new plays and playwrights. Playwrights submit their plays to ATI, and those chosen enjoy an intensive weekend of work shopping, discussion, and development with a cast of profes-



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sional actors and directors in a creative laboratory setting. Each play has a reading and a talk-back session with ATI audiences, staff, cast and the playwright.

Tickets for this next show in ATI's Lab Series are only \$10. You'll be able to say you were there when it all began as you take in the original production of the musical *Mr. Confidential*.

Check out [ATI's Facebook page](#) for more information, such as the actors who are part of this show.

As the pandemic continues, ticket buyers agree to follow all health and safety protocols in The Center's venues, including face coverings and proof of vaccination or testing.

Tickets are available at [atistage.org](#) or by calling the Box Office at The Center for the Performing Arts at (317) 843-3800.

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# Find magic with *Puffs* at The Cat in Carmel

**The REPORTER**

Christian Youth Theater (CYT) is excited to present *Puffs (or Seven Increasingly Eventful Years at a Certain School of Magic and Magic)* at The Cat, 254 Veterans Way, Carmel, from Feb. 11 through Feb. 20.

Taking place in the same world as the one featuring a certain glasses-wearing boy wizard, *Puffs* tells the story of other students at the same school of magic – the Puffs – who are not destined to save the world. It’s a story for anyone who ever felt like they weren’t the hero in their own story.

The production features two casts performing over two weekends. Cast members include students from Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville, Westfield and Zionsville.

Tickets for *Puffs* are \$15 each and are available at [cytindy.org](http://cytindy.org).

“It’s a very comedic, light-hearted show. Fans of Harry Potter will love it, but you don’t need to be familiar with the books or movies in order to enjoy it,” said Natalie Kern, who plays four different roles in the production. The Carmel High School junior’s favorite role is Leann, who “is a little dumb, but very energetic and loveable.”

Vivienne Lyon, a sixth grader at St. Maria Goretti, plays six different roles. “I love playing Debbie, who is a house elf – it’s a lot of fun acting as a creature rather than a human. House elves



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**Carmel High School junior Natalie Kern plays four parts in Christian Youth Theater’s production *Puffs*.**

**Get Your Tickets for ‘Puffs’**

**What:** Christian Youth Theater (CYT) presents *Puffs (or Seven Increasingly Eventful Years at a Certain School of Magic and Magic)*  
**Where:** The Cat, 254 Veterans Way, Carmel  
**When:** 7 p.m. on Feb. 11, 12, 18 and 19; 2 p.m. on Feb. 12, 13, 19 and 20  
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tend to be very annoying, and I’ve enjoyed the role because of that.”

With continual laughs, *Puffs* is the perfect evening or afternoon out for families looking to share a laugh. *Puffs* will appear at The Cat in downtown Carmel.

“We’re thrilled to present such a humorous play that whole families can enjoy together,” said CYT Managing Director Julie Dunlap. “Our talented cast of young area actors look forward to

bringing this magical story of underdogs to the stage.”

*Puffs* is the directorial debut of CYT veterans Jaala Berry and Abigail Drake.

**About Christian Youth Theater**

Christian Youth Theater is a nonprofit children’s theater offering theater classes, professional quality shows and summer camps across the northern Indianapolis suburbs. For information on tickets or upcoming classes, visit [cytindy.org](http://cytindy.org).

# Kimball Electronics announces second public Nature Photography Contest

**The REPORTER**

Once again, Kimball Electronics will celebrate Earth Day with a Nature Photography Contest, which will raise money for various non-profit organizations, as part of this year’s Kimball Electronics Gives employee giving circle granting effort.

Last year’s proceeds, in part, helped Kimball Electronics make donations to the Humane Society for Hamilton County and Conner Prairie.

There are four categories open to the general public: ages 5-11, ages 12-14, ages 15-18, and adult non-Kimball Electronics employees.

There is also a category for current Kimball Electronics employees.

Photos can be submitted now through March 31. Winners will be announced on April 21, the day before Earth Day.

[Click here](#) to read all the necessary details, including how to submit your photos.

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#### HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners will hold an Executive Session on Monday, February 14, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. in Conference Room 1A located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. Discussion will be regarding pending litigation pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-1(b)(2)(B).

/s/ Robin M. Mills  
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#### Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Commissioners will meet at 1 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 14, 2022, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Carmel Clay Schools Board of Trustees will meet for a workshop session at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2022, at Clay Middle School, 5150 E. 126th St., Carmel. Public comment is not on the agenda for this meeting.

# Noblesville Schools announces kindergarten open enrollment

## The REPORTER

Noblesville Schools kindergarten enrollment for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year is open now through March 18.

Children must be at least five years of age on or before Aug. 1, 2022, to enroll for kindergarten. Children who will be five after Aug. 1, but on or before Oct. 1, 2022, can be considered for early entrance.

Technology support and interpreter services are available by appointment for those who need assistance.

More information about the enrollment process, school boundary maps, and



Photos provided by Noblesville Schools

required documentation can be found at [nobl-villeschools.org](https://nobl-villeschools.org), or by calling the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center at (317) 773-3171.

# Nickel Plate Arts offers three ways to celebrate Valentine's Day

*Array of activities will help support local artists*

## The REPORTER

Nickel Plate Arts presents **Valentine's Day for All**, a set of programs to inspire adults and families to celebrate Valentine's Day with local art. The arts and culture nonprofit has partnered with Noblesville artists and arts businesses to offer Date Night stations, a family crafting event, and take-home kits full of activities and art projects for couples or families to enjoy together.

"We look forward to Valentine's Day each year because it's such a great opportunity to use the arts to inspire those we love," said Nickel Plate Arts Director Aili McGill. "Creating art together is a wonderful way to get to know someone better, whether you've been together for five minutes or 50 years. Our Valentine's

Day programs encourage couples and families of all ages to explore their creative sides together."

### Date nights

On Feb. 11, 12 and 14, Nickel Plate Arts will hold four artist-run activity stations. Each station will include a different artistic activity and the artist will help ensure success for each couple – no artistic skill is required. The stations will include activities such as intuitive painting, collage and even felting.

Sue Payne, one of the Date Night artists, says that she looks forward to Nickel Plate's Valentine's Day activities every year because "they're such a fun and unique way for couples to connect. I am really looking forward to running a station this year and meeting the couples who come in."

Reservations are recommended. Visit the [online store](https://nickelplatearts.org) to register.

### Family Valentine's crafts

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 12, Nickel Plate Arts will offer craft projects for families. These projects will range from custom Valentine's Day cards to wreaths to painting, or you can follow your own heart and make something else out of the available materials. Crafts range from \$5 to \$10 each, with an 'unlimited' version available. This opportunity will be especially great for families with el-



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ementary-aged children, but all families are welcome. No reservations required – just drop in.

### Take-out kits

Starting Friday, Feb. 11, Valentine's Take-Out Kits for adults and for families will be available for pick-up. Family-oriented kits include a craft project of your choice, plus supplies for making a special Valentine's Day card. Each adult kit supports five or more local artists or businesses and includes materials and instructions for activities ranging from pottery to make-your-own desserts.

Depending on the package selected, adult kits may include arts-infused items and activities such as:

- A do-it-yourself pottery kit from [Kiln Creations](https://kilncreations.com).
- An art project from [Caravan Classes](https://caravanclases.com)
- A voucher for jewelry from Nickel Plate Arts or NobleMade
- A pavlova dessert kit from [9th Street Bistro](https://9thstreetbistro.com)
- A special recipe for

Valentine's cocktails or mocktails

Those interested can order their choice of kits and optional add-on activities on the [Nickel Plate Arts website](https://nickelplatearts.org). Packages range in price from \$20 to \$150 and can be picked up at Nickel Plate Arts, 107 S. 8th St., Noblesville, or NobleMade, 839 Conner St., Noblesville, between Feb. 11 and 14, or shipped for an additional fee.

Nickel Plate Arts is also presenting the exhibit "Love, Lust & Poetry," which features local artists communicating feelings of affection and romance through painting, pottery and poetry. The exhibit will be on display through Feb. 26 at the Judge Stone House gallery on the Nickel Plate Arts campus.

Visit [nickelplatearts.org](https://nickelplatearts.org) to find information on other events and classes offered by Nickel Plate Arts and partners throughout Hamilton County.

# Sheridan Library's upcoming 'What's in your attic?' program open to public

## The REPORTER

What heirlooms, novelties, antiques or uniques are stashed away inside your attic or other storage spaces? Author Donna Cronk asked this question of herself when she climbed her attic's pull-down ladder during 2020.

What she found among the old prom dresses, letters, tap shoes, and childhood toys were more than treasures – they were reminders of the people, advice, and lessons that inform her life.

The career journalist and Pendleton resident wrote about her finds, resulting in a new memoir: *There's a Clydesdale in the Attic: Reflections on Keeping and Letting Go*. The book will be featured at a Sheridan Library book club meeting set for 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, at the library, located at 103 W. First St.,

Sheridan. Cronk will speak about her nonfiction book, and copies will be available for purchase and signing. They are \$15 each, which includes state sales tax.

The public is invited and encouraged to bring a special keepsake that is special to them. Items can be funny, unique, sentimental, or come with a great story. There is a limit of one item per attendee and one minute to tell about it.

Event organizer Loretta Sutherland said, "This book is so timely as many of my friends are cleaning out and downsizing their own houses in preparation for retirement. This includes my basement that I have been working on for three years! Come, share your treasures and stories and listen to Donna who laughed, cried and relived many memories."

Refreshments will be served. A time for author questions will follow the program.

Cronk is a farmer's daughter at heart and cherishes the rural roots of her youth near Liberty, Ind. She spent 37 years as a newspaper journalist, 31 of them with the *New Castle Courier-Times*.

The author currently writes a column for several Indiana newspapers. She is married to Brian, a longtime Hamilton Southeastern Schools administrator and teacher. They have two grown sons. Cronk's previous books are inspirational fiction: *Sweetland of Liberty*, *Bed & Breakfast* and *That Sweet Place: At Home* in the Heartland.

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

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## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*But, brothers and sisters, when we were orphaned by being separated from you for a short time (in person, not in thought), out of our intense longing we made every effort to see you. For we wanted to come to you—certainly I, Paul, did, again and again—but Satan blocked our way. For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? Indeed, you are our glory and joy.*  
*1 Thessalonians 2:17-20 (NIV)*

### A. Clark Harris

June 8, 1956 – February 2, 2022

A. Clark Harris, 65, Cicero, passed away on February 2, 2022, at IU Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis.



He was born on June 8, 1956, in Harlan, Ky., to Frank and Nellie Mae (Turner) Harris. He attended schools in Louisville, Ky., and graduated from Southern High School, followed by three years at Louisville University. He then joined the military and honorably served his country.

Clark, as he was fondly known, started his own business installing drywall and painting homes. When they were old enough, he involved his sons in the business, teaching them best practices and the value of work well done.

Clark always was busy. He loved to work and he loved his job. He also enjoyed doing home projects and tending his vegetable garden. His family related that he was a very giving person. He loved helping them with projects and he also loved helping others. He enjoyed just being with his family, especially his grandchildren. He also loved animals and he considered his dogs his babies.



He married Tina Marie (Glaze) Harris on October 24, 1986. She survives him. Also surviving are sons, Jerry Turner of Cicero, and Andrew Harris of Frankton, Ind.; daughters, Crystal Bannon of Cicero, and Alisia Turner of Noblesville; brothers, Mike Harris of Atlanta, and Frank Harris of Louisville, Ky.; sisters, Jenny Harris of Ohio, and Joyce Gipson of Colorado; 17 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Shelly Harris.

Funeral services will be held at noon on Friday, February 11, 2022, at Hartley Funeral Home Cicero Chapel, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero, with pastor Jody Brown officiating. Burial will follow at Cicero Cemetery. A time of visitation will be from 10 a.m. until time of the service.

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

### Barbara Lucille Barker

December 26, 1933 – February 4, 2022

Barbara Lucille Barker, 88, passed away at her home in Sheridan, surrounded by her loving family, on Friday afternoon, February 4, 2022. Born in Tionesta, Pa., on December 26, 1933, she was the daughter of the late Rev. George J. and Lucille (Topping) Rennard.



Barbara attended school in Tionesta through her junior year. Her family then moved to Kilgore, Texas, where Barbara graduated with the Class of 1951. On August 8, 1953, Barbara married Marvin L. Barker, and the two of them would set off on a lifetime of adventure, side by side for the next 58 years.

Barbara loved to travel and always found work wherever she and Marvin would settle for a little bit. During their years in Texas, she hired on as a driver with Wells Fargo, and later signed on with the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport as a shuttle bus driver. This move ultimately led her into a position as a school bus driver. It wasn't always work, work, work with Barbara; her love of animals seemed to shine wherever she was. While in Texas, she tried her hand (successfully, of course) at raising Lovebirds. In Indiana, she worked as a seamstress with Aero Drapery for over 20 years and also worked seasonally at Stuckey Farm Market, helping to handle their draft horses. And while living in Florida, she found yet another job the fit her perfectly – working in the gift shop at Busch Gardens in Tampa, Fla.

Barbara was artistic, and her creativity was spread across many different areas. There always seemed to be a project of some sort going on at any given time. She enjoyed sewing, knitting, and crocheting, as well as making doll clothes, and for many years, she had her own kiln and enjoyed making pottery. However, music was her specialty. She was kind of a one-man (or woman) band. From accordion to guitar, to various wind instruments, Barbara could play them all. She also loved singing in choirs, as well as playing the piano and organ for church. She was the church organist for the Sheridan First Christian Church for many years.

Barbara was deeply devoted to her family; however, she was also extremely committed to practical jokes, and what better target than family and friends. Her longstanding household joke was to set all the clocks in her house to different times (usually five to 10 minutes apart) so that they would constantly be chiming throughout the day. She loved watching the confused looks on the grandchildren's faces. Another favorite was Barbara's little sample bottle. She always carried around her bottle of miniature milk stools, and never missed an opportunity to ask if anyone needed to see them. Her favorite targets were doctors and nurses. "I brought a stool sample if you need one" – followed by a look of uncertainty as to what might get pulled from her purse – and an eye roll and sigh from whoever accompanied her to her appointment.

Barbara was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother whose strong faith and love for her family is a legacy that will carry on for generations.

Barbara is survived by sons, John Barker (Tracy) of Sheridan, Kenneth Barker (Bobbie) of Franklin, Pa., and Jason Barker of Sheridan; daughters, Teressa Fisher of Throntown, Marlene Pettigrew of Sheridan, Donella Corlett (Mike) of Sheridan, and Wanda Wright (Charles) of Sheridan; many grandchildren and a multitude of great-grandchildren; sisters, Lois Thompson of Oklahoma, and Sharon Sowders of Atlanta, Ga.; brother-in-law, John P. Barker (Phyllis) of Kirbyville, Mo.; sisters-in-law, Vera Barker and Connie Hambrick-Rennard; many nieces and nephews; and her Canine BFF and grand-furbaby, Koko.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, George Rennard and Ron Rennard; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; Ruth Anna Roberts and husband Leon, Rowena Barker, Esta Mae Hunter and husband Charles, Meredith Barker and wife Lillian, Don Barker and wife Hilda, and Maurice Barker; son-in law, Phillip Fisher; her grand-furbaby, Shep; and by her loving husband, Marvin Lester Barker, on April 24, 2012.

Services will be held at 7 p.m. on Sunday, February 13, 2022, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan, with Visitation from 4 p.m. until the time of service.

Pastor Rich Barker and Pastor Jeremiah Barker will be officiating.

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## Sports Editor Richie Hall

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Boys basketball



LEFT: Noblesville's Luke Almodovar scored 23 points for the Millers during their 70-46 win Wednesday at Hamilton Heights.

RIGHT: Heights' Luke Carroll scored 19 points for the Huskies.

Reporter photos by Kent Graham

# Millers run to win over Huskies

The Noblesville boys basketball team got going in the second half in its all-county game at Hamilton Heights on Wednesday, running away with a 70-46 victory over the Huskies.

The Millers, who hadn't played since Jan. 29 due last week's winter storm, held a six-point halftime lead, but then dominated in the second half, scoring 42 points and cruising to their third consecutive win.

"Really good second half for us," said Noblesville coach Scott McClelland. "I thought we had some different guys step up. I just thought we played harder."

The Millers led 11-8 after the first quarter was completed. Aaron Fine had a nice quarter, scoring eight points. The Huskies were staying with Noblesville in the second half, but the Millers stayed in front at halftime, leading 28-22. Luke Almodovar poured in 10 points for Noblesville in the second period, while Tillman Etchison had six points for Heights.

"The first half, I was pleased," said Heights coach Chad Ballenger. "We played the style that we needed."

The Millers began to open things up in the third quarter, outscoring the Huskies 20-6. Isaac Tuma started the period with a layin to cut Noblesville's lead to 28-24, but Almodovar hit two straight baskets, the second one a 3-pointer, and the Millers were up 33-24.

Noblesville later finished the third on an 11-0 run. Cooper Bean scored four points, Almodovar threw in another triple, Preston Roberts turned a steal into a dunk, and Fine made a layin. The Millers led 48-28 going into the fourth, and Bean scored to open that quarter, stretching Noblesville's run to 13-0.

"The guys responded," said McClelland.

The Millers led 56-32 midway through the period, the first of three times their lead would reach that margin. Heights' Luke Carroll made a personal 7-0 run to cut that lead to 56-39, but Noblesville answered

that with a 7-0 spurt. The Millers stayed out in front by at least 20 points until the final buzzer.

Almodovar scored 23 points, including three 3s. Fine totaled 16 points, while Bean scored 10 points.

Carroll led the Huskies with 19 points and six rebounds, while Etchison scored 11 points.

"There were a few possessions that I thought if we played a little bit different, the halftime score would've been different," said Ballenger. "We could've controlled it a little bit more. And in the second half, they hit shots."

Noblesville is 10-7 and plays a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game at Brownsburg on Friday. Heights is 8-8 and plays another all-county game Friday at Westfield.

Aaron Fine	6	4-6	16	1
Cooper Bean	4	2-2	10	3
Preston Roberts	3	0-0	6	1
Cam Karns	1	0-0	2	0
Hunter Walston	1	1-2	3	4
Evan Wright	1	0-0	2	0
Luke Wilson	2	0-0	6	2
Luke Etchison	1	0-0	2	0
Nolan Decker	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	27	11-14	70	14
Noblesville 3-pointers (5) Almodovar 3, Wilson 2.				
Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Luke Carroll	8	3-5	19	2
Cooper Vondersaar	1	2-2	4	1
Isaac Tuma	2	2-4	7	3
Tillman Etchison	5	1-4	11	4
Dean Mason	0	0-0	0	2
Maddox Bohland	1	0-0	2	4
Evan Williamson	1	0-0	3	1
Tanner Maynard	0	0-0	0	0
Colin Kuhn	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	18	8-15	46	17
Heights 3-pointers (2) Tuma 1, Williamson 1.				
Score by Quarters				
Noblesville	11	17	20	22 - 70
Heights	8	14	6	18 - 46

NOBLESVILLE 70, HAMILTON HEIGHTS 46				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Luke Almodovar	8	4-4	23	3

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Gymnastics . . .

# New Tigers team wins meet at NEMS, Millers get season-best score

Is there a renaissance beginning in the sport of Indiana high school gymnastics?

That might be the case in Hamilton County. Fishers has started a team, and this new Tigers squad is already having quite a bit of success. Guerin Catholic has entered the sport, with an individual gymnast competing for the first time in IHSAA meets.

Both those schools competed in a Wednesday night meet at Noblesville East Middle School, the most appropriate place. The Millers have kept their team thriving for years, with talented athletes and a solid foundation. Lafayette Jefferson was also at the meet, along with individual gymnasts from Rossville and West Lafayette.

Fishers was the winner of the meet, scoring a strong 99.90 points. The Bronchos took second with 96.90, while Noblesville totaled its best score of the season with a 92.80.

The Tigers had their best performances on the vault, with all six of their gymnasts scoring at least an 8.00. Megan Jerrell had the top score with a 9.025, followed by Gianna DeWald with an 8.90. DeWald also led the way on the uneven bars, scoring an 8.70.

Jerrell, a junior, led the all-around scores for Fishers with a 33.80, while the senior DeWald totaled 33.65.

"I think they did very well," said Fishers coach Susie Strange. She said that this was the first meet with all six of the Tigers' gymnasts competing.

"This is our first year with this many girls," said Strange. Her daughter Savannah Strange competed as an individual for the past two seasons; now she is part of a team.

"They're bonding quite well," said Susie Strange. DeWald and Ashlee Scarlett are the two seniors on the team.

The Millers honored their lone senior, Hailey Knoll at the meet. Her all-around total was 29.625, including an 8.20 on the vault.

Noblesville's other two all-around gymnasts had solid scores as well. Charlotte Moise finished with a 32.40; her best results were 8.30s on the vault and floor exercise. Lyrric Barnett scored 30.775 and had the Millers' highest score of the night by posting an 8.55 on vault.

"We're close to the point of the season where everything starts to count from this point forward," said Noblesville coach Jody Kiofsky. The coach said her team has a "fighting chance" to get out of the sectional this year, and her gymnasts are working towards that goal.

"They're pushing hard at this point," said Kiofsky. "They want it."

Guerin Catholic's Harleigh Abbott scored a 26.40 at the meet on Wednesday. Her best score was an 8.15 on the vault.

Noblesville and GC's Abbott will compete Saturday at the Connersville Invitational, then they will join Fishers next Wednesday for a meet with Franklin Central at the Gymnastics Company in Indianapolis.

Team scores: Fishers 99.90, Lafayette Jefferson 96.90, Noblesville 92.80.

FISHERS SCORES

All-around scores: Megan Jerrell 33.80, 3. Gianna DeWald 33.65, Samanta Steinbahr 31.70, Savannah Strange 31.075, Stephanie Mack 28.50, Ashlee Scarlett 27.10.

Vault: Jerrell 9.025, DeWald 8.90, Strange 8.50, Steinbahr 8.45, Mack 8.25, Scarlett 8.00.

Uneven bars: DeWald 8.70, Jerrell 8.475, Strange 7.575, Steinbahr 7.40, Mack 5.375, Scarlett 5.225.

Balance beam: Jerrell 8.00, Steinbahr 7.975, DeWald 7.80, Mack 6.825, Strange 6.60, Scarlett 6.10.

Floor exercise: Strange 8.40, Jerrell 8.30, DeWald 8.25, Mack 8.10, Steinbahr 7.825, Scarlett 7.775.

NOBLESVILLE SCORES

All-around scores: Charlotte Moise 32.40, Lyrric Barnett 30.775, Hailey Knoll 29.625.

Vault: Barnett 8.55, Moise 8.30, Knoll 8.20, Sierra Graue 7.725, Jessica Tret 7.30.

Uneven bars: Barnett 7.55, Moise 7.525, Knoll 6.975.

Balance beam: Moise 8.275, Knoll 7.325, Barnett 6.725, Graue 5.10, Tret 4.00.

Floor exercise: Moise 8.30, Barnett 7.95, Knoll 7.125, Tret 6.40.

GUERIN CATHOLIC SCORE

All-around score: Harleigh Abbott: 26.40. Vault: 8.15. Uneven bars: 4.525. Balance beam: 6.60. Floor exercise: 7.125.



Reporter photos by Kirk Green

ABOVE: Fishers senior Gianna DeWald scored an 8.70 on the uneven bars during Wednesday's meet at Noblesville East Middle School. The Tigers won the team competition with a score of 99.90.

LEFT: Noblesville senior Hailey Knoll helped the Millers to their best score of the season, a 92.80.

BELOW: Guerin Catholic's Harleigh Abbott scored a 26.40.





# Tigers get hard-fought win at Anderson

Fishers played its first game in 11 days on Tuesday, traveling to Anderson and returning home with a hard-fought 56-50 victory.

The Tigers, ranked No. 2 in the Associated Press Class 4A poll and the IBCA one-class rankings, jumped out to a 12-9 advantage after the first quarter, then led 28-24 at halftime. Myles Stringer scored seven points in the first half. The IBCA No. 20 Indians came back to lead 37-35 after three quarters, but Fishers regained the lead by the fourth, scoring 21 points to get the win.

Jeffrey Simmons led the way with 14 points, scoring all of them in the fourth quarter, including three 3-pointers. Stringer finished with nine points, while Jalen Haralson and Bryce Williams both added seven points. All nine Fishers players that took to

the floor scored.

The Tigers are 16-2 and play Friday at Pendleton Heights.

FISHERS 56, ANDERSON 50				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Myles Stringer	4	0-0	9	1
Jalen Haralson	2	2-4	7	1
Bryce Williams	3	0-0	7	3
Charlie Smith	1	2-5	5	2
Jeffrey Simmons	3	5-8	14	2
Sean Millsaps	1	0-0	3	1
Aidan Zimmer	1	0-0	3	2
Matt Brewer	1	0-0	2	2
Payton Weemer	2	0-0	6	0
Totals	18	9-17	56	14
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	12	16	7	21 - 56
Anderson	9	15	13	13 - 50
Fishers 3-pointers (11) Simmons 3, Weemer 2, Millsaps 1, Stringer 1, Haralson 1, Zimmer 1, Williams 1, Smith 1.				

# Royals edge out Cardinals in double overtime

Hamilton Southeastern had an impromptu 10-day break due to last week's winter storm, but the Royals made up for some it during their Tuesday game at Southport.

Southeastern and the Cardinals played a double-overtime contest, with the Royals prevailing 73-70. Southport led 13-9 after the first quarter, but Southeastern came back to hold a 23-22 advantage at halftime.

The Royals then blasted through the third period, at one point leading 44-29. Southeastern led 46-34 at the end of the quarter, but the Cardinals dominated the fourth, outscoring HSE 16-4 to tie the game at 50-50 at the end of regulation. Both teams scored six points in the first overtime, and the Royals outscored Southport 17-14 in the second extra period.

Donovan Hamilton had an outstanding game for Southeastern, draining four 3-pointers on his way to 28 points and collecting 12 rebounds for a double-double. Sam Jacobs had 17 points, while Reph Stevenson added 16 points and pulled seven re-

bounds. Michael Griffith had five rebounds and Deion Miles dished out five assists.

The Royals are 7-10 and host Carmel on Friday.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 73, SOUTHPORT 70 (double overtime)				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Donovan Hamilton	10-21	4-6	28	1
Reph Stevenson	5-8	6-9	16	3
Deion Miles	0-1	0-0	0	0
Sam Jacobs	7-14	2-3	17	3
Alex Troutman	0-1	0-0	0	0
Joshua Jones	1-2	0-0	2	3
Michael Griffith	1-4	0-0	2	3
Tyler Lacy	0-3	4-4	4	0
Caleb Smock	2-3	0-0	4	0
Totals	26-57	16-22	73	13
Score by Quarters				
Southeastern	9	14	23	4 6 17 - 73
Southport	13	9	12	16 6 14 - 70
Southeastern 3-point shooting (5-16) Hamilton 4-8, Jacobs 1-5, Smock 0-1, Lacy 0-1, Jones 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (39) Hamilton 12, Stevenson 7, Griffith 5, Miles 4, Troutman 3, Jones 2, Jacobs 2, Smock 1, team 3.				

# Shamrocks return to action, beat Raiders

Westfield was among the boys basketball teams that got an unplanned week off due to last week's winter storm, which meant that the Shamrocks' game with Harrison Tuesday at CSI Gymnasium was their first in 10 days.

Westfield made its return a winning one, as the IBCA No. 12-ranked 'Rocks beat the Raiders 63-53. Westfield led 11-10 after the first quarter, then extended its lead to 27-19 by halftime. Cam Haffner scored seven points in the second period, while Trey Buchanan made two 3-pointers in the first quarter.

The Shamrocks pulled away in the third period, thanks to a dominant performance from Alex Romack. The 6-5 sophomore poured in 16 points in the third, accounting for all but two of Westfield's points in that period, including a pair of three-point plays.

Haffner scored two points for the 'Rocks in that period, and Westfield led 45-28 after three. Harrison tried to come back in the

fourth, but the Shamrocks were able to hold off the Raider, with Romack scoring another eight points.

Romack finished the game with 27 points, while Haffner totaled 13 and Buchanan scored 10.

Westfield is 14-5 and hosts Hamilton Heights Friday in an all-county game.

WESTFIELD 63, HARRISON 53				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Trey Buchanan	3	2-2	10	1
Cam Haffner	4	4-4	13	1
Trey Dorton	0	0-0	0	0
Nic Depasquale	4	0-1	8	2
Alex Romack	9	9-12	27	3
Kai Butterworth	0	0-0	0	1
Sam Bishop	1	0-0	3	1
Jonah Spinner	0	2-2	2	0
Totals	21	17-21	63	9
Score by Quarters				
Harrison	10	9	9	25 - 53
Westfield	11	16	18	18 - 63
Westfield 3-pointers (4) Buchanan 2, Haffner 1, Bishop 1.				



Photo by Si DeVaney III  
Sheridan's David Will scored 10 points for the Blackhawks during their Wednesday game at Western.

# 'Hawks fall to Western

Sheridan dropped an away game at Western, 67-35 on Wednesday.

The Panthers outscored the Blackhawks in each of the four quarters, leading 17-13 after one period and 31-18 at halftime. David Will led Sheridan's scoring with 10 points.

The 'Hawks are 4-13 and host Carroll Friday in a Hoosier Heartland Conference game.

WESTERN 67, SHERIDAN 35				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Caleb Wright	4	0-0	9	1

Evan Grinstead	1	1-2	4	0
Tyler Garner	2	0-0	6	0
David Will	5	0-0	10	4
Ethan Moistner	0	0-0	0	3
Carlsen Aleman	1	0-0	2	0
Nathan Hinshaw	2	0-0	4	2
Evan Krupp	0	0-0	0	0
Brant Barker	0	0-0	0	0
Owen Bell	0	0-0	0	0
Dayne Voege	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	15	1-2	35	10
Score by Quarters				
Sheridan	13	5	11	6 - 35
Western	17	14	22	14 - 67
Sheridan 3-pointers (4) Garner 2, Wright 1, Grinstead 1.				

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# NBA standings

<b>Wednesday's games</b>	Utah 111, Golden State 85
Cleveland 105, San Antonio 92	Portland 107, L.A. Lakers 105
Chicago 121, Charlotte 109	Sacramento 132, Minnesota 119
Toronto 117, Oklahoma City 98	

## Eastern Conference

<b>Atlantic</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Philadelphia	32	22	.593	-
Toronto	30	23	.566	1.5
Boston	31	25	.554	2.0
Brooklyn	29	25	.537	3.0
New York	24	31	.436	8.5
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Milwaukee	35	21	.625	-
Chicago	34	21	.618	0.5
Cleveland	34	21	.618	0.5
Indiana	19	37	.339	16.0
Detroit	12	42	.222	22.0
<b>Southeast</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Miami	35	20	.636	-
Charlotte	28	28	.500	7.5
Atlanta	26	28	.481	8.5
Washington	24	29	.453	10.0
Orlando	13	43	.232	22.5

## Western Conference

<b>Northwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Utah	34	21	.618	-
Denver	30	24	.556	3.5
Minnesota	29	26	.527	5.0
Portland	22	34	.393	12.5
Oklahoma City	17	37	.315	16.5
<b>Pacific</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Phoenix	44	10	.815	-
Golden State	41	14	.745	3.5
L.A. Clippers	27	29	.482	18.0
L.A. Lakers	26	30	.464	19.0
Sacramento	21	36	.368	24.5
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT.</b>	<b>GB</b>
Memphis	38	18	.679	-
Dallas	32	23	.582	5.5
New Orleans	22	32	.407	15.0
San Antonio	20	35	.364	17.5
Houston	15	39	.278	22.0

# Westfield hires Emily Jackson as new head volleyball coach

Emily Jackson has been hired as the new head volleyball coach at Westfield High School.

Emily grew up in Seymour. She played her high school volleyball there and at the Circle City Volleyball Club. Her Sophomore year she was selected as a “Fab 50”, one of 50 best high school volleyball players in the country. While there, she had the opportunity to train at the Olympic Training Center and play overseas.

Emily earned a full ride scholarship and played collegiately for Penn State University under the winningest coach of all time, Russ Rose. While playing at Penn State, Emily’s team won the Big Ten four years in a row, made a final four appearance her sophomore year and were NCAA Championship Runners-up in both her junior and senior years. After college, she briefly played professional volleyball in France.

Emily began her coaching career leading a team for the Indy Juniors Volleyball Club and was the Assistant Varsity Coach at Heritage Christian under Michelle York. After having kids, Emily took time away from coaching to be at home. She returned to coaching in 2012 as the Westfield Junior Varsity head coach. In 2015 she began her role as the Varsity Assistant as well as a three-year run as the Director of the Westfield Feeder Club. As Director, Emily also coached a team within the program each year she ran it. Emily has additionally coached the 13-1s, 14-1s, and now coaches the 11-1s Elite teams for The Academy at Grand Park.

Coach Jackson hopes to develop a Championship program where her players all share a passion for greatness and are pursuing excellence in everything they do. She desires that her players experience being part of something much greater than themselves. She believes that pushing athletes to reach their God-given potential is something she is meant to do. She views volleyball as a tool to develop championship character within each student-athlete.

“Emily has been a valued member of our coaching staff for 9 years. Her background as a player and a coach makes for a great combination to lead our volleyball program. As an assistant at Westfield, she has played a huge part with player development and mentoring athletes. She understands the value of education based athletics and the balance of time demands teenage athletes face. We are excited for the future of Westfield Volleyball,” said Andy Tebbe, WHS Athletic Director.

Emily is married to Michael Jackson, and they have three children. Cooper is 16, a sophomore at Westfield High School, Isabelle is 14, and a freshman at WHS, and Esther is 10 and in the 4th grade. Emily holds a BS in Kinesiology and a minor in Nutrition from Penn State University, as well as her BA in Elementary Education from Butler University.



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