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TODAY'S WEATHER Today: Partly sunny. Flurries and snow showers possible. Breezy, with chills mostly

in the single digits. Tonight: Mostly clear. HIGH: 25 LOW: 19

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Fishers, Carmel youth education nonprofits get thousands in grants Duke Energy Foundation awards over \$37K to two local groups

The REPORTER

The Duke Energy Foundation has awarded more than \$300,000 in grants to 24 innovative K-12 education programs serving communities across Indiana.

Locally, the Maker Youth Foundation in Fishers received more students than ever before." \$27,230, and the Carmel Education Foundation got \$10,000.

'Through fun, hands-on activities, we try to inspire kids to adopt a 'maker mindset,' or the belief they can learn to do anything," said Maker Youth Foundation Founder Kim Brand. "It's gy collisions and conversion, are facing tremendous challeng-

op timeless skills like curiosity, collaboration and problem-solving that will set them on a path Duke Energy's investment, which will enable us to expand our programming and reach

The Carmel Education Foundation said funds will be used to purchase robotics kits for each of Carmel Clay's three middle schools. Funds will also support Project Lead the Way curriculum focused on ener-

grade classrooms at each of Carmel Clay's elementary schools.

The grants support a wide to success. We're grateful for range of educational programming for K-12 students, including summer reading programs; science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education; programs that support underrepresented, low-income or diverse populations; and efforts to reverse academic declines due to disruption caused by COVID-19.

"Our educators and students

our mission to help them devel- which will be utilized in fourth es teaching and learning as we emerge from the pandemic," said Duke Energy Indiana President Stan Pinegar. "It's more important now than ever before that we support and invest in opportunities for our children in the communities we serve to thrive and reach their full potential."

> Over the past three years, the Duke Energy Foundation has awarded 76 strategic charitable grants totaling more than \$1.1 million to nonprofit organizations working to bolster education in Indiana communities.

It's only Wordle and Wordle is all he has

The last thing the world really needs right now is another word nerd writing about his or her Wordle experiences, causing readers to suffer through some egomaniacal writer's blow-by-blow account of solving Wordle's "word of the day" in six tries or less.



It's as painful as hearing a golfer talk about a hole-in-one.

I once made a hole-in-one. My tee-off on a country club's first hole sliced so errantly that the ball landed inside a green dumpster 20 yards away near the clubhouse. The ball ricocheted several times within the dumpster's walls so noisily that foursomes before us ducked as if in the crosshairs of a fairway sniper. It was the shot heard around the golf course. It was embarrassing. My membership friend who invited me as a guest never invited me back.

Technically, it was a dumpster-in-one not a hole-in-one, but it sure makes for a better golf story.

Back to Wordle. Prestigious newspapers and magazines, as of late, are allowing staffers space to post their Wordle musings online. I repeat, nothing could be more boring to read. This must stop before there are no readers left to subscribe.

But with that said, have I got one doozy of a Wordle story for you.

Before I dig deeper into my own Wordle wabbit hole, I will pause here, my handful of faithful readers, to offer you a COLUMN ESCAPE HATCH, an invitation to step away and focus on something more important to your life, either because you really don't care (I understand) about my stupid Wordle story (despite how awesome it really is) or because you simply have never even heard of Wordle. Consider it my Get Out Of Hell Free card to you.

Wordle is a web-based word game. Each day, Wordle releases a blank grid five squares wide and six squares deep. The object is to figure out the "word of the day." The first step is to simply make a lucky guess and spell out a five-letter word for your first turn. You are then alerted to which letters initially selected are indeed a part of the word of the day, including which letters are already in the correct square (the lettered square turns green) and which letters are part of the daily word but actually belong in a different square (the lettered square turns brownish). You have six turns to figure out the word.

Witness innovation at Westfield **High School Shark Tank Luncheon**

The REPORTER

The Westfield Chamber will again hold the Westfield High School Shark Tank Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bridgewater Club, 3535 E. vote on the inventions before 161st St.

high school will be on hand of everyone with the chance to with their inventions. Attend- win a \$1,500 prize presented on Thursday, March 17 at The ees will get the opportunity to by WKRP Indy Real Estate.

lunch. Then, the final three will Student groups from the be selected to present in front

Given that the luncheon falls on St. Patrick's Day, make sure you wear some green to the luncheon and be ready for some fun shenanigans. **Click here** to register.



Image provided by Noblesville Schools

Save the date: Noblesville Schools to hold grand opening for new Beaver Stadium

The REPORTER

The Noblesville community is invited to explore the area's first new high school stadium in over 50 years at the Beaver Stadium Grand Opening BASH from 5 to 8 p.m. on July 29.

Attendees will have the opportunity to tour the facility and take photos on the field, as well as enjoy all the traditional Back to School BASH fun, including food vendors, live music, sports, games, community booths, Miller gear, and much more.

Beaver Stadium, located off Field Drive behind Noblesville High School, will be home to Miller football, band, track, and other activities.

The high school's previous Noblesville's population was 12 percent of what it is today, and school officials say it had long been too small to accommodate the community's needs.

A new stadium build was



than adding on to the existing and visitors facility. The district financed the approximately \$14 million and restrooms facility was built in 1969 when project through a bond (loan) with no referendum dollars, no increase to the tax rate, and no school campus to allow for safe use of student or staff funding.

The new Beaver Stadium includes:

• 50 percent more seating to large student groups found to be more cost effective provide needed space for fans

- - On-site parking

 Location on the high access to the field

· Redesigned crowd flow to better monitor and manage

Enhanced LED lighting

• Locker rooms for home

• Expanded concessions and away teams

• Up-to-date broadcast technology capabilities

- Practice fields
- Athletic training space
- Additional storage

Select community partners will also be invited to attend a formal stadium dedication event this summer.

4-H offers three fun camps for Spring Break

The REPORTER

Are you already dreaming of Spring Break? Check out these on Tuesday, April 5 amazing camps being offered to youth in grades 3 through 6 during Spring Break at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville.

be offered:

on Monday, April 4

Taco Cooking Challenge

Clover Gaming on Wednesday, April 6

Each camp will take place

Three different camps will of 4-H is a time to return to Hogwarts. Participants will create a • Wizarding World of 4-H wizard hat, make some potions, Participants may attend one or edu with any questions.

wand plus more. Tuesday's Taco sired, and 4-H membership is Challenge will practice food not required. Registration deadpreparation techniques through food science and incorporate a cook-off. Wednesday's Clover board game prototype.

learn about herbs, and build a any combination of camps deline is Friday, March 18. Space is limited.

To register, go to bit. Gamers will explore the science ly/2022SpringBreakCamps or Monday's Wizarding World of games and create their own call (317) 776-0854. Contact 4-H Extension Educator Kath-The cost is \$30 per camp. leen Bohde at bohde@purdue.

(Editor's note to Scott: You are down to two readers.)

When I first heard about Wordle in January, I ignored it. I'm a purist at heart when it comes to the art of Scrabble ("the thinking man's chess") so I tend to avoid other word game riffraff (an exception being the New York Times' daily Spelling Bee game).

See Word Nerd ... Page 2

Noblesville Schools extends superintendent search survey

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Schools superintendent search survey has been extended until March 16.

Community members who have not yet shared their input on the desired qualities they'd like to see in the next superintendent still have time to do so. The survey can be found at noblesvilleschools.org under "superintendent search."

You can also directly access the survey at this link.



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Blatchley Nature Study Club invites public on guided walks

The REPORTER

nature lovers of all ages to join in a guided nature walk to view some of the most diverse varieties of wildflowers in Indiana. Jack-in-the-Pulpit, Dutchman's Breeches, Blood Root and canopies of May Apples are a few of the varieties you will enjoy while walking the natural and rustic trails.

Clarification

The Carmel Clay Historical Society wants readers to know that neither the Monon Depot nor Orchard Park Elementary School are open to the public. CCHS does not, in fact, have an office within Orchard Park, but you can call (317) 846-7117 for information.

place: The early bloom- their guests. The Blatchley Nature ers walk is set for Satur-Study Club, 125 Boulder day, April 16, and the late cally led by a club member, Drive, Noblesville, invites bloomers walk for Saturday, April 30. An open portunity for hands-on study house will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. both days.

> The Blatchley Nature Study Club is celebrating its centennial this year, and club members are looking forward to what the next 100 years will bring. Read below to find out more . . .

• Monthly meetings: Club members learn about Two walks will take all aspects of nature through presentations by members or guests at the club's monthly meetings. Meetings are typically the fourth Thursday of the month at the Blatchas shared by members and the club's activities.

WORD NERD

COULD in four tries, frustrated that it took so long to crack the code to such a boring verb, yet intrigued enough to hopefully solve a Wordle in only two turns eventually. To solve the puzzle in one turn seemed improbable.

You lost another reader. *Pick up the pace, man!)*

My dear and final reader, here's where my story gets really exciting. On Feb. 4, only seven days into my Wordle addiction, I achieved the unthinkable: I solved the puzzle in one turn. I kid you not. A WORD-IN-ONE!

glorious moment. I was on mood, so I started with the containing A and E.

I entered PLEAT, a word prior.

· Field studies: Typifield studies provide an opof a selected nature topic. The Blatchley Sanctuary is used as the field of study for these investigations.

• Field trips: During the year, club members organize trips to other locations locally or within a few hours' drive. For example, members have experienced the and observed herds of elk.

· Service: Club members have participated in the White River Cleanup, which is conducted annually in September. With the Blatchley clubhouse. Meetings ley Sanctuary located along can include club business as the White River, this has bewell as nature observations come a natural extension of

The P square turned

est. 1922



Formed in 1922, the flight of Whooping Cranes Blatchley Nature Study Club has been sharing its private nature sanctuary with the public every spring for decades. Treat yourself to an hour in the woods on either April 16 or April 30 – or both. More information is available on Facebook and at blatchley22@gmail.com.

from Page 1

'70s, during which a cowboy named Sagebrush proclaims to have finally found "the meaning to life," only to get struck immediately by lightning in the next panel. I worried. Will I get struck by lightning, too?

The recent obituary of a guy I knew (he was not struck by lightning) referenced his nine hole-in-ones (now he's the one in a hole), making me think I should reference my "word-in-one" in my obituary (perhaps just before listing my survivors' names).

On Feb. 5, still feeling lucky from the day before, I played Powerball for the first time in years.

Did I win, you ask?

(Editor's note to Scott: Get over yourself. No one is left to even ask that question.)

That this column is about Wordle is answer enough.

Email Scott at scottsaalman@gmail.com or follow him on Twitter @SaalmanScott.



My daughter Delaney convinced me to try Wordgreen. The L square turned le for the first time on Jan. green. The E square turned 29. I figured out the word

green. The A square turned green. The T square turned green. Five green squares on the first turn! (Editor's note to Scott:

You lost your last reader!) I couldn't believe my good luck. A Google search revealed that to guess one of the 12,972 accepted five-let-(Editor's note to Scott: ter words at random on the first try, your chances are less than a hundredth of a

> percent. Less than a hundredth of a percent! I'm math impaired, but I'm certain it means the odds are very low, as low as, say, someone still reading today's column.

I likely used PLEAT I still remember the in conversation a hundred times over the following lunch break. I was in an A E few days. My poor wife. I was so excited, yet there was first word that came to mind also a sense of ominousness associated with overcoming such daunting odds. A com-I can't recall ever speaking ic strip came to mind from Cracked "mazagine" in the



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

To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:

- Individually packaged snacks
- Lysol
- Hand sanitizer
- Disinfecting wipes

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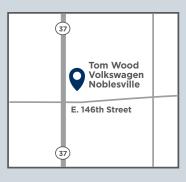
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Opinion

Good health habits will prolong your own personal 'Route 66' trip

'Get kicks on Route 66" – Bobby Troup, 1946

(Readers this is a reprint of an article I wrote a few years ago; it is an analogy of our "lifetime trip" and how that relates to any

lives.)

Those of us who are, well, let's just say "of a certain age" will probably remember the TV show Route 66 from many years ago, starring Martin Milner and Glenn Corbett. I thought about checking to see if those gentlemen were still with us but decided against it! Anyway, as March is a birthday month for me. I began to contemplate the well-known historic route of which most Americans are aware and many have traveled.

Part of the reason that I thought of this had to do with the number referred to above (enough said about that) but also thinking of how our lives are very similar to that route. Each of us has a life route to take, a journey with a beginning, middle, and end. Sometimes we can travel the entire route; sometimes our trip is interrupted unfortunately, as we know.

Although there are interruptions of our trip that cannot be avoided say, the fender bender or flat tire - much of it can



SHARON MCMAHON you know I am speaking of the importance

Be Well

of trip we might take. It is not taking care of our bodies, a "real" trip except to com- providing nutrition that born, learn to walk and ride pare to the roadmap of our actually feeds our brain a bike, decide that the oppoand keeps our heart, tissues, and bones healthy. Essential to our health is life-long learning and use of our intelligence and problem-solving abilities, and frequent and regular exercise to keep our bodies limber and strong. Unfortunately, just as can happen in a road trip, unexpected and often traumatizing events can occur as we travel on this long road. However, if we give ourselves all the resources available by eating the right foods and taking care of this body which takes us on our life trip, we have a much better expectation to arrive at the end of the trip we have mapped. AND to end that trip is a very positive way!

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... and more readers!

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In reviewing the Route 66 map mile markers, we have several destinations along the way - kind of like our lives, right? We are site gender is not so "icky" after all, graduate from high school and college, get a job, maybe marry and have children – or not, maintain friendships and family relationships, volunteer, purchase homes (unless you live in NYC!) and along the way work on those health maintenance issues.

By comparison, on Route 66, we have Chicago, St. Louis, Oklahoma City, Amarillo, Albuquerque, Winslow, Kingman, and finally LA and Santa Monica. Those are the main "markers," but of course there are other, smaller ones, along the way – just like life.

The mileage of Route 66 is 2,448. Without divulging my own mileage,

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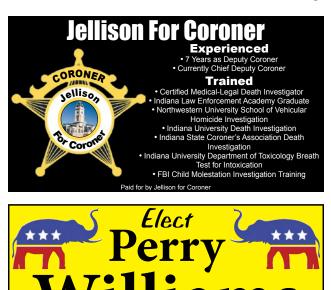
More Sports

I will just share that I am somewhere between New Mexico and Arizona! I am enjoying the view, the landmarks, and the sometimes-challenging terrain along the way, but eventually anticipating arrival at my California destination with a beautiful view of the sun setting over the ocean – although not in a big hurry to get there.

I hope your own "Route 66" trip is enjoyable with only a few obstacles along the way. Be sure to keep your eyes on the road ahead and enjoy the trip - of a lifetime!

Sharon McMahon, CNWC The opinions expressed

in this article are not intended to replace advice of your personal physician or licensed health professional. Please consult your physician for any issues vou may have related to nutrition or fitness activity.





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Looking for Peace in the Midst of Turbulent Times

Flying with eagles? Running and not getting tired? Sound good? To do these things I will need to change my glasses so I look at things the way God does. Rather than looking through glasses that are focused on the material, physical world, I need to look at the unseen spiritual world and things eternal. By so focusing my vision, I see that which is truly important and eternal.



He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint. (Isaiah 40:29-31)

Do you want to live a peaceful contented life flying with eagles, then turn your eyes and heart to Jesus? Open your heart and listen to Him. Embrace the truth He revealed. Turn your life to Jesus! The good folks at the Stony Creek Church of Christ would be delighted to study with you at a time of your convenience and a place of your convenience. Or, attend one of our services and begin your flight with eagles.



Stony Creek Church of Christ Sunday Worship 11:00 am Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Enjoy best of art, shopping today at Meet Me on Main in Carmel

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Come to the Carmel Arts & Design District from 5 in to 9 p.m. this evening, Saturday, March 12, for Al- with the lied Solutions' Meet Me on Carmel Main. Make your way to Brews Main Street and Range Line & Road for an evening of art, rels Trail shopping, music, and more. at

City of Carmel's monthly Carmel "second Saturday" event (110 W. to highlight local galleries, restaurants and design-related businesses in the District. Art galleries and businesses will feature special events specially planned to enhance the art and design-related features of the District.

Visit the art galleries and businesses to enjoy their special offers, as well as special activities in the Arts & Design District:

• Free Caricatures at Line Road) All Things Carmel (110 W. Main St.)

• Sample spirits from



Meet Me on Main is the Things Some examples of the makeand-take Blarney stones for cards by St. Patrick's Day. Main St.)

> • Take-and-make art kits pating merchants and dropprovided by the Art Lab ping your name and contact at Indiana Artisan Gifts & information into a special drawing that will take place Gallery (22 N. Range Line Road) • Live music featuring cards are from select Car-

> Gary Wasson, Adam Gross and Redoux Acoustic Duo around the District at three as many galleries and shops indoor locations:

1. Indiana Artisan Gifts chance to win. & Gallery (22 N. Range

2. Kuaba Gallery (404 W. Main St.)

3. Carmel Chocolate Main St.

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the following week. The gift

mel Arts & Design District

businesses. Be sure to visit

as possible to increase your

leries and businesses for

your chance to win one of

three \$100 gift cards:

Visit the following gal-

• Soori Gallery, 33 E.

Road

• The Olive Mill, 10 S. Range Line Road

• Carmel Arts Council – The Children's Art Gallery, 40 W. Main St.

• All Things Carmel, 110 W. Main St. #104

• Art on Main Gallery & Gifts, 111 W. Main St. #140 • CCA Gallery & Gifts,

111 W. Main St. #135 • Kuaba Gallery, 404 W. Main St.

• Aura Self & Soul Care, 312 W. Main St.

Art on Main **Gallery & Gifts**

Art on Main Gallery & Gifts, 111 W. Main St., Suite 140. Art on Main welcomes guest artist Susan Mauck. well known for her beautifully expressive paintings of children, equestrians, florals and landscapes. Mauck, along with local artist and gallery member Beth Forst, have joined together to create a gorgeous front room

Café (45 and vitality in her paintings W. Main to convey to others how she sees a scene and the colors

visiting

partici-

There she sees within it. Meet this plein air master while she be paints at the gallery this week then see the finished painting in her booth at the Indiana Artisan Marketplace, April 2 and 3 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. \$100 gift

Carmel Clay Public Library Digital Media Lab

Digital Media Lab, 23 E. Main St. The lab will be open from 5 to 8 p.m. and currently has an exhibit of photographs by Karl Zemlin. This collection features photos taken at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway where Zemlin works as a photographer during race season.

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Special offers from Arts & Design District businesses include:

 Sub Zero Nitrogen • Magdalena Gallery of Ice Cream, 111 W. Main St. #130. Offering a "Cre-• Indiana Artisan Gifts & ate Your Own" custard ice Gallery, 22 N. Range Line cream any size, Buy One, Get One Free, as well as Italian Ice and Ice Cream, Buy One, Get One Free. Sub Zero ice cream is made fresh in front of the customer and can be customized with more than 40 different flavors and 40 different mix-ins.

Main Street construction

During the month of March, the intersection at Main Street and Veterans Way is under construction. Main Street will remain open for parking, but there will be no vehicular thru traffic. Pedestrian access via sidewalks and crosswalks will remain open. Crosswalk locations may be adjusted throughout construction for pedestrian safety.

The main detour includes 4th Avenue SW, West Elm Street and South Range Line Road for east-west traffic.

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A map of the gallery loshow for March called "Out cations and more information



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"Elected officials serve so long that they become servants to government, no longer to the people." Mark Hall WWW.MARKFHALL.COM

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of the Blue."

In addition to the front room show, the gallery has been rehung with new work by all 20 local artists including paintings, fine art photography, mosaics, artwork candles, jewelry, textiles, glassware, charcuterie boards, soaps and more.

Art on Main has decided to donate a portion of their March sales to International Rescue Committee to provide aid to displaced families in Ukraine.

CCA Gallery & Gifts

CCA Gallery, 111 W. Main St., Suite 135. The gallery features two of their artists this month: Neelu Jain, who creates amazing Temari designs, and Melinda Spear-Huff, painter extraordinaire. An extensive display of their work is displayed in the Feature areas at CCA Gallery the entire month of March.

Indiana Artisan Gallery

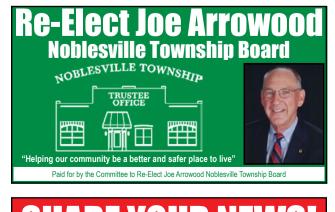
At Indiana Artisan Gifts & Gallery, 22 N. Range Line Road, Mary Ann Davis uses impressionistic elements, color, movement sign District home.

about Meet Me on Main activities can be found at CarmelArtsAndDesign.com.

Public parking is available in the Carmel Lions Club lot (141 E. Main St.), Sophia Square parking garage (entrance off of 1st Ave. NW), Indiana Design Center parking garage (200 S. Range Line Road) or onstreet. Click here to download the Arts & Design District parking map.

About the Carmel Arts & **Design** District

The Carmel Arts & Design District is the Midwest's premier arts and design destination. Home to more than 200 businesses, including art galleries, restaurants, antique dealers, design showrooms, boutiques and creative service providers, the Carmel Arts & Design District promises to stimulate the senses. The Indiana Design Center is housed in the Carmel Arts & Design District. In addition, hundreds have taken advantage of the wide variety of housing opportunities and call the Carmel Arts & De-



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Carmel Police charge two people in criminal mischief investigation

The REPORTER

Since January, the City of Carmel and local busi-Midtown Carmel area have experienced a significant increase in vandalism and loitering in the public areas and parking garages.

The Carmel Police Department (CPD) has consistently taken multiple reports of this nature every week during this time frame, and it's estimated that approximately \$14,000 worth of damage has occurred as a result of these incidents. In response to this issue, CPD increased patrols in this area and officers have been aggressive-

ly enforcing both ordinance and criminal violations.

nesses in and around the hours of Saturday, March 5, through the use of city napolis, were both charged surveillance cameras in the with Criminal Mischief, a area, officers saw three individuals enter a public restroom in the area of Elm these areas to help prevent Street and Veterans Way. Officers responded to the area, made contact with the individuals and, upon investigation, discovered fresh damage inside the tion regarding this incident public restroom.

> As a result of this investigation, officers generated a call the Carmel Police Dereport and criminal charges were submitted to the Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office for consideration.

Then, on Thursday, David Alejandro Foddrill, 19, In the early morning Indianapolis, and Isiah Dewey Jacob Curtis, 19, India-Class B Misdemeanor.

CPD continues to patrol damage to public spaces and ensure a pleasant experience for all who work and socialize in these areas.

If you have any informaor other similar incidents that have occurred, please partment at (317) 571-2500 or Crime Stoppers of Central Indiana at (317) 262-8477 (TIPS).

Missing Carmel woman's family to canvass Georgia neighborhood

By DEMIE JOHNSON WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The family of a missing Carmel woman will canvass the area investigators say she was last seen.

Carmel police said they Ciera Breland's have confirmed that Ciera Breland's last known location was in Johns Creek, Highgate Man-Ga., on Feb. 24.

They said there is no house in Johns Creek. evidence Ciera ever made it back to Indiana, even though her husband, Xavier Breland Jr., said she did.

"According to Xavier, he said that she was in Indiana her or her body. and was last seen in Indiana.



last known location was at 10545 Breland

or Court, the address for a lic's assistance. If anyone

she had been near 146th Street and Ditch Road in

Carmel on Feb. 25.

show right now, we can show a victim's specialist from Ciera home."

the FBI will meet with family and friends of Ciera Breland. She said the group will hand out flyers and talk to people in the area Ciera was last seen. "We are asking for the pub-

saw anything to let us The original report said know, to let the Carmel police know," Kalish said. 'She's got a 5-month-old baby, and I can't imagine as Police have not found a mother leaving your baby and, you know, it's serious. Kalish said on Friday We're all taking this very However, as far as we can her department as well as seriously and we wanna get

AG Rokita warns Hoosiers to be aware of cryptocurrency scams

The REPORTER

With the rise of cryptocurrency and other digital assets, Indiana Attorney

ing their money in potential- out registration should be ly volatile markets."

General Todd Rokita wants variety of methods to exploit at securities@sos.in.gov or Indiana consumers to be on the novelty of cryptocurren- (317) 232-6681. cies as more consumers are atory practices related to the using this asset. Here are a filing a complaint at indifew warning signs for scams anaconsumer.com or call related to cryptocurrencies: • If you receive a tweet, text, email, or message through a social media platform telling you to pay via cryptocurrency, it is a scam. • Scammers ask people about them. However, digital to pay with cryptocurrency by impersonating an entity you may frequently engage with. You might be contacted by someone pretending to be a government worker, law enforcement agency, or local utility. Then the scammer directs you to go to a store with a cryptocurrency ATM to pay what they claim you owe by scanning a QR code that sends your money to the scammer. The government, law enforcement, and utility companies will not require you to pay by cryptocurrency. Don't do it. • Be on the lookout for "guaranteed" investment returns. Promises of high rates of return can be a sign of fraud. This is also true for "easy business opportunity" advertisements you may see. Due to the volatility of er, or on an external hard the value of cryptocurrencies, there is no guarantee • Don't be fooled by celebrity endorsements. Do your own research, and don't make any quick decisions based only on endorsements (that can be easily faked). • Be aware of attempts to blackmail using email. Scammers send emails that say they have embarrassing photos, videos, or personal information and threaten to make it public if you don't pay in cryptocurrency. Don't do it. This should be reported to criminal enforcement authorities. • Cryptocurrency pay-Indiana Secretary of State ments are typically not reversible. This is why scam-• Cryptocurrency scams interest to invest. I encour- may also involve unauthorized investor advisors. ly vet any offerings related to Issues with possible invest-

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the lookout for risky or predoften-misunderstood topic.

New technologies spark the interest of many people, and Hoosiers are no exception," Rokita said. "Indiana consumers may be familiar with cryptocurrencies or may want to learn more assets are increasingly being used by well-versed perpetrators looking to scam you out of hard-earned money."

Cryptocurrency is one form of digital asset and is created by companies or individuals, usually taking the form of a virtual coin or token. Digital assets are intangible and generally exist only electronically. Billions of dollars of value are currently invested in cryptocurrencies around the world, with thousands of cryptocurrencies available and more being created all the time.

Most consumers purchase cryptocurrency through an online exchange platform. These assets are stored in digital wallets, which could be online in an exchange, on your computdrive. But because they are intangible, if something you will make a profit. goes wrong with your platform, your hard drive, or your computer, it is likely that you will not be able to recover your funds.

Hoosiers should be aware that the value of cryptocurrency is extremely volatile.

The Securities Division of the Indiana Secretary of State has played an active role in investigating fraud cases related to cryptocurrency and protecting Indiana investors.

"Many of the new cryptocurrency markets operate in uncharted territory when it comes to regulation," said Holli Sullivan. "Scammers have moved in quickly to mers like them. take advantage of people's age all Hoosiers to thorough-

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Guidelines for this election season

The Hamilton County Reporter, your hometown newspaper, is always willing to publish Letters to the Editor, guest columns and campaign announcements in our pages. But with the approach of the May 3 Primary Election, we are establishing some guidelines

to keep things fair and balanced.

New campaign announcements, columns and platform articles will be accepted until the end of the business day on Friday, April 15.

Letters to the Editor addressing new topics about the upcoming election or the opinions of The Reporter or our staff.



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Letters in response to new topics published in our April 16 edition will be accepted un-

til Wednesday, April 20 and will be published in our Thursday, April 21 edition.

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Letter to the Editor -Noblesville reader: Let's not go down this 'Hall'

Dear Editor:

As soon as Mark Hall lost his most recent primary election (for Noblesville Common Council in 2019), he started campaigning for the 2022 Hamilton County Council race.

His latest venture, an admirable project called FeedingTeam, began in 2020 Hamilton County. As soon as I saw the yellow and black FeedingTeam design, I to bet his yard signs will be yellow and black in 2022?" Surely, I'm being cynical? Read on.

Believe it or not, Hall is running (again) against Steve Schwartz in the Hamilton County District 1 councilor race. Hamilton County residents don't have to dig deep into the past (it was 2018) to remember the scandal of Hall's school curricula legislation has popped wife Lisa getting caught on camera removing a Schwartz sign from a Noblesville resident's yard. No criminal charges were filed in the case. Schwartz subsequently sent the photo out as a holiday card to friends and family. Classy.

Guess what? Hall's new, theft-proof campaign signs are yellow and black, and in the same font as FeedingTeam. You can find a link to his campaign site on the FeedingTeam website.

While the FeedingTeam project undoubtedly serves a great purpose, I absolutely question Hall's timing and branding in connection to launching the effort. I have spent only a few minutes on a hand-

ful of occasions in conversations with Mark Hall, but he is inauthentic at best.

If you aren't sold on my un-dorsement of Mark Hall yet, let's remember his grandstanding toward the Hamilton East Public Library Board of Trustees at its July 25, 2021 meeting. He very publicly called out the library for including by installing mini food pantries all over books that acknowledged and celebrated LGBTQ people.

Where does the library get its funding? asked friends, "How much do you want From the county, of course. Who controls the purse strings of the library system? The county councilors.

Speaking of purse strings, Hall's own company, TalentLogistix, has contributed \$22,279.04 (to date) to his current county council campaign. These donations are all considered in-kind contributions.

As book-banning and stifling public up around the state and country (look no further than failed HB 1134, co-authored by District 29 State Representative Chuck Goodrich - who has already contributed to Hall's campaign), we need to be wary of candidates who seek power at whatever cost, and who aim to limit free and humane speech in our public schools and libraries.

Primary voting will take place on Tuesday, May 3. While this is not an endorsement of Steve Schwartz, it's certainly an "anyone-but-Hall" endorsement. Noblesville and Hamilton County deserve much better.

Curtis Honeycutt Noblesville

Letter to the Editor ——

Westfield reader: Investigations into Clerk Treasurer's Office were necessary

Dear Editor:

Westfield.

The past two years have been rough. The change in the makeup of the City

office and extract computer hardware I have lived in Westfield for over were shady at best. The investigations 30 years. My wife and I are invested in into the Clerk Treasurer office were necessary to protect Westfield from potential criminal fraud.

What the investigation found was not

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Phillip J. Booth November 5, 1929 - March 10, 2022

Phillip J. Booth, 92, Fishers, passed away on Thursday,



March 10, 2022, at his home. He was born on November 5, 1929, to Milo and Mary (Quear) Booth in Walnut

Grove, Ind. Phil retired in 1992 from Allison Gas Turbine after 43 years as a quality assurance supervisor. He was a member of Fishers United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge #533 in Fishers, and the Scottish Rite. Phil enjoyed golfing

and fishing. He loved spending time with family and watch- you need ing his grandchildren play sports and ride motorcycles.

He is survived by his sons, Michael (Minda) Booth, Ron (Linda Kruse) Booth, Jeff (Jackie) Booth, and Thomas (Kelli) Booth; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. emiah (S

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death olyn Pra by his wife, Betty "Becky" Booth; and siblings, Richard Booth, Jenny Booth, and Denny Booth.

Visitation will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. A Masonic Service will be held at 11:30 a.m. with the funeral service beginning at noon, all at the funeral home. Burial will be at Oaklawn tion will Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fishers United Methodist Church, 9691 E. 116th St., Fishers, IN 46037. Condolences: randallroberts.com

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Gwen D. Girtman December 19, 1948 – March 9, 2022

Gwen D. Girtman, 73, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, at IU

Health Saxony in Fishers. She was born on December 19, 1948, to Roy B. and Bessie (King) Girtman in Noblesville. Gwen enjoyed flowers, nature, thunderstorms, and astronomy. She appreciated the simple things, like a great cup of coffee. Gwen's family will always remember her as a selfless person

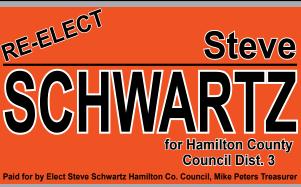
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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Therefore I want the men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing. I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, adorning themselves, not with elaborate hairstyles or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.

1 Timothy 2:8-10 (NIV)

Meeting Notices

ded her. She loved her family and her grandchildren.	Meeting Notices			
is survived by her children, Theresa Powell, Adam a) Statzer, Brandon (Shannon Statzer-Wallace) Ryan Statzer, Jonathon (Elizabeth) Statzer, and Jer- Salwa) Statzer; sisters, Beverly Girtman and Car- airie; brothers, Dale Girtman and Chris (Cynthia) a; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. ddition to her parents, she was preceded in death by idson, Kyle Thomas Powell. rices will be held at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 14, Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., rille, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating. Visita- be from 11 a.m. to the time of service at the funeral Burial will be at Arcadia Cemetery in Arcadia. dolences: randallroberts.com	The Noblesville Common Coun- cil will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., Noblesville. The Noblesville Board of Pub- lic Works and Safety will meet in an executive session at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, pur- suant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B), Initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. A regular meeting will follow at 9 a.m. in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., Noblesville.	The Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet in an ex- ecutive session at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, to discuss pending litigation in ac- cordance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b) (2)(B); and/or to discuss the pur- chase or lease of real property in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5- 6.1(b)(2)(D); and/or to receive information about and interview prospective employees in accor- dance with IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(5). A regular meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, in the Council Cham- bers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel.		
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CHWARTZ for Hamilton County Council Dist. 3	The Hamilton Heights School Corporation Board of Trustees will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednes- day, March 16, 2022, in the Board Room at the Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center, 420 W. North St., Arcadia.	The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals – South District will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, in the courtroom on the second floor of the Historic Courthouse, 33 N. 9th St., Noblesville.		
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Who's on my ballot for the May 2022 Primary Election?

Note that * indicates the candidate is the incumbent for that office. To view precinct and district maps, please visit hamiltoncounty.in.gov/221/Precinct-and-District-Maps.

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Softball schedules Games start week of March 21

The sounds of softball are only nine days away in Indiana and Hamilton County.

Teams have already been practicing, and can began playing games on Monday, March 21 per IHSAA rules. Four Hamilton County squads will start their seasons on that day, and that schedule includes three home games.

Hamilton Heights will host Bishop Chatard on March 21, while Westfield welcomes Monrovia. Sheridan, a sectional champion last season, will play Lebanon in a game at Grand Park. The fourth team, Fishers, is the only one going out of town, as the Tigers travel to Kokomo.

On Tuesday, March 22, three more teams begin their seasons. Two of them will play each other, as Carmel travels to Hamilton Southeastern. Noblesville, which won a regional title last year, also begins its campaign on that day with a trip to Western Boone.

Guerin Catholic, the 2021 Class 3A state runner-up, will open its season March 30 by hosting Lafayette Jefferson. University will start on April 12 when it hosts Living Water Marlins at RoundTripper Academy, the Trailblazers' home field for the year.

As far as the post-season goes, the county's Class 4A schools will play Sectional 8 at Fishers this year. The Tigers will host Carmel, Noblesville, Southeastern, Westfield and Zionsville.

Guerin Catholic and Heights will play at Class 3A Sectional 24, which takes place at Delta this season. Jay County, New Castle and Yorktown are also assigned to this sectional.

In Class 1A sectionals, Sheridan travels back to Rossville to compete in Sectional 54, along with Carroll, Clinton Central, Frontier, South Newton and Tri-County. University heads south to Sectional 58 at Bethesda Christian, along with Indiana School for the Deaf, Irvington Prep, Providence Cristo Rey, Riverside, Tindley and Traders Point Christian.

Here is a complete list of schedules for Hamilton County teams, all from each school's respective athletic website.

CARMEL

All home games take place at the Cherry Tree Softball Complex. March 22: at Hamilton Southeastern, 5:30 p.m. March 23: Decatur Central, 6 p.m. March 28: Westfield, 5:30 p.m. April 12: at Lawrence North, 5:30 p.m. April 13: at Noblesville, 5:30 p.m. April 15: New Palestine, 6 p.m. April 18: Ben Davis, 5:30 p.m. April 19: at North Central, 5:30 p.m. April 20: Pendleton Heights, 6 p.m. April 22: Carmel Invitational, 6 p.m. April 23: Carmel Invitational, 9 a.m. April 27: at Zionsville, 5:30 p.m. April 29: at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m. May 2: Bishop Chatard, 5:30 p.m. May 4: at Cathedral, 5:30 p.m. May 6: at Mooresville, 6 p.m. May 9: at Fishers, 5:30 p.m. May 10: at Center Grove, 6 p.m. May 13: at Terre Haute North, 6 p.m. May 14: Crown Point, 11 a.m. May 14: Munster, 3 p.m. May 16: at Harrison, 6 p.m. May 19: Greenfield-Central, 5:30 p.m.

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The Guerin Catholic softball team won its first-ever sectional championship last season, then made a run all the way to the Class 3A state finals. The Golden Eagles start this season March 30 by hosting Lafayette Jefferson.

April 12: Noblesville, 6 p.m. April 18: Lawrence North, 5:30 p.m. April 19: at Westfield, 6 p.m. April 21: Yorktown, 5:30 p.m. April 23: at Center Grove Invitational, 10 a.m. April 26: at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. April 28: Mount Vernon, 6 p.m. April 29: at Zionsville, 6 p.m. May 3: Avon, 6 p.m. May 5: at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m. May 9: Carmel, 5:30 p.m. May 10: at Franklin Central, 5:30 p.m. May 11: at New Palestine, 5:30 p.m. May 14: at Shelbyville Invitational, 11 a.m. May 17: Brownsburg, 6 p.m. May 19: at Anderson, 6 p.m. May 20: at Pendleton Heights, 6 p.m. **GUERIN CATHOLIC** March 30: Lafayette Jefferson, 5:30 April 12: at Cardinal Ritter, 5:30 p.m. April 13: at Brebeuf Jesuit, 5 p.m. April 16: Zionsville, 11 a.m. April 19: Heritage Christian, 5:30 p.m. April 20: Bishop Chatard, 5:30 p.m. April 22: at Westfield, 5:30 p.m. April 25: Warren Central, 5:30 p.m. April 26: Lafayette Central Catholic, 5:30 p.m. April 29: Carmel, 5:30 p.m. April 30: at Danville, 11 a.m. May 2: at Sheridan, 5:30 p.m. May 3: at Roncalli, 5:30 p.m. May 4: at Covenant Christian, 5:15 p.m. May 5: Fishers, 5:30 p.m. May 7: at Maconaquah doubleheader, 10 a.m. May 10: Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m. May 13: Western Boone, 5:30 p.m. May 14: at Shelbyville Invitational, 11 a.m. May 16: at North Central, 5:30 p.m. May 19: Lawrence North, 5:30 p.m. May 20: at Scecina, 5:30 p.m. May 21: Circle City Conference tournament, time and place TBA

March 25: at Lapel, 5:30 p.m. April 7: at Anderson, 5 p.m. April 9: at Kokomo, 10 a.m. April 12: Western, 6 p.m. April 13: at Western, 6 p.m. April 16: Monroe Central, 11 a.m. at May 20: at Yorktown, 6 p.m. Eastbrook April 16: at Eastbrook, 1 p.m. April 18: Pike, 5:30 p.m. April 19: Tipton, 5 p.m. April 20: at Tipton, 5 p.m. April 22: at Elwood, 5 p.m. April 25: at Yorktown, 5:30 p.m. April 26: Northwestern, 5:30 p.m. April 27: at Northwestern, 6 p.m. April 30: Lady Apache Classic, 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Wabash May 3: at Lewis Cass, 5:30 p.m. May 4: Lewis Cass, 5:30 p.m. May 5: at Lebanon, 5:30 p.m. May 7: Mount Vernon, 10 a.m. May 10: at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m. May 11: at Westfield, 5:30 p.m. May 13: at Hoosier Conference play game, 5:30 p.m. May 16: at Sheridan, 5 p.m. May 18: Frankfort, 5:30 p.m. May 20: Alexandria, 5:30 p.m.

May 10: at Westfield, 6 p.m. May 11: Richmond, 6 p.m. May 14: Fort Wayne Carroll, 11 a.m. May 17: Franklin Central, 6 p.m. May 19: Ben Davis, 6 p.m.

NOBLESVILLE

March 22: at Western Boone, 5:30 p.m. March 29: Avon, 6 p.m. April 11: at Greenfield-Central, 6 p.m. April 12: at Fishers, 6 p.m. April 13: Carmel, 5:30 p.m. April 16: Lawrence North, 10 a.m. April 18: Harrison, 6 p.m. April 19: Franklin Central, 6 p.m. April 22: Lake Central, 6 p.m. at Carmel Invitational April 23: Castle, 9 a.m. at Carmel Invitational April 23: Penn, 1 p.m. at Carmel Invitational April 25: New Palestine, 5:30 p.m. April 26: Westfield, 6 p April 27: at Cathedral, 5:30 p.m. April 28: at Pendleton Heights, 5:30 p.m. April 30: Miller Invitational, 10 a.m. and noon May 2: Mount Vernon, 6 p.m. May 3: at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. May 5: Kokomo, 5:30 p.m. May 7: Center Grove, 11 a.m. May 9: at Yorktown, 5:30 p.m. May 10: at Brownsburg, 6 p.m. May 14: Leo doubleheader, 11 a.m. May 16: at McCutcheon, 6 p.m. May 17: Zionsville, 6 p.m. May 19: at North Central, 5:30 p.m.

FISHERS

March 21: at Kokomo, 6 p.m. March 23: Lawrence Central, 5:30 p.m. April 1: at Evansville North, 5 p.m. April 2: Castle, 9 a.m. at Gibson Southern April 2: at Gibson Southern, 11 a.m.

HAMILTON HEIGHTS

March 21: Bishop Chatard, 7 p.m. March 23: at Frankton, 5 p.m.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN

March 22: Carmel, 5:30 p.m. March 23: North Central, 5:30 p.m. March 24: Brownsburg, 6 p.m. March 29: Greenfield-Central, 6 p.m. April 8: Lady Braves Bash, 6 p.m. at Terre Haute South April 9: Lady Braves Bash, 10 a.m. at May 11: Roncalli, 6 p.m. **Terre Haute South** April 11: at Mount Vernon, 5:30 p.m. April 12: at Zionsville, 6 p.m. April 14: at New Palestine, 5:30 p.m. April 16: at Harrison, 11 a.m April 16: Crown Point, 1 p.m. at Harrison April 19: at Avon, 6 p.m. April 21: at Lawrence North, 5:30 p.m. April 23: Warrior Invitational, 9 a.m. at Whiteland April 26: Fishers, 6 p.m. April 27: at Kokomo, 6 p.m. April 29: at Pendleton Heights, 5:30 p.m. May 3: Noblesville, 6 p.m. May 9: at Anderson, 5:30 p.m.

SHERIDAN

March 21: Lebanon, 5 p.m. at Grand Park March 23: at North Montgomery, 5:30 p.m. March 24: Western Boone, 5:30 p.m. April 11: at Lapel, 5:30 p.m. April 12: at Clinton Prairie, 5:30 p.m. April 16: Clinton Central, 10 a.m. April 19: at Delphi, 6 p.m.

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Homestead's Ayanna Patterson voted **Indiana Miss Basketball for 2022**

dividual award in Indiana high school girls basketball

Patterson, a 6-3 forward from Homestead High School, has been named IndyStar Indiana Miss Basketball for 2022 in online voting of media and girls' varsity coaches conducted by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association and All-Star game director Mike Broughton, it was announced Friday (March 11).

The Miss Basketball result means Patterson will wear the No. 1 jersey for the Indiana All-Stars in their annual series with Kentucky. The Miss Basketball award goes to the top girls' basketball senior in the state. The Miss Basketball and Mr. Basketball awards are part of the IndyStar Indiana All-Star program that dates to 1939. The Miss Basketball award, along with the girls All-Stars, was added to the All-Star program in 1976.

The remainder of the 2022 Girls All-Star team will be announced later. The 2022 Mr. Basketball and the 2022 Boys All-Star team also will be announced later. And the 2022 Junior All-Star teams, girls and boys, will be announced later.

Patterson earned the girls' top honor after being named on 115 ballots submitted to Broughton in balloting that ran from Feb. 14 through March 1. Jessica Carrothers of Crown Point was runner-up with 42 votes. Mila Reynolds of South Bend Washington placed third with 15 votes, and Alyssa votes. In total, 16 players received at least one Miss Basketball vote.

A University of Connecticut recruit, Patterson averaged 25.8 points, 11.8 rebounds,

SOFTBALL

April 20: Delphi, 5:30 p.m. April 21: Tipton, 5:30 p.m. April 25: at Westfield, 5 p.m. April 30: Taylor, 11 a.m. May 2: Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m. May 3: at Eastern, 5 p.m. May 6: Alexandria, 5 p.m. May 7: Carroll, 10 a.m. May 9: Traders Point Christian, 5:30 p.m. May 10: Tri-Central, 5 p.m. May 11: at Tri-Central, 5 p.m.

leading Homestead to a 23-2 season that included a sectional championship. She converted 60.5 percent on field goals (260 of 432) and 70.6 percent on free throws (96 of 136) as the Spartans captured their fourth consecutive sectional during Patterson's time in the program.

For her career, Patterson totaled 1,912 points, 1,005 rebounds, 149 assists and 187 blocked shots in 105 games while Homestead amassed an aggregate record of 94-14 over her four seasons (25-4, 26-2, 20-6 and 23-2). She holds school records for points in a game (43 as a junior against Fort Wayne South), single-season rebounds (286 as a junior), single-season blocks (60 as a junior), career rebounds and career blocks. Her scoring total stands second on the school list, behind only the 2,586 points tallied by Karissa McLaughlin, a 2017 graduate who was that year's Miss Basketball.

Patterson is the third Homestead player to wear the All-Stars' coveted No. 1 jersey. She joins McLaughlin and the Spartans' Caleb Swanigan, who was voted Mr. Basketball in 2015. Patterson also becomes her school's 10th All-Star selection, joining five previous girls (McLaughlin; Candi Crawford, 1997; Sydney Buck, 2014; Madisen Parker, 2017; and Sydney Graber, 2020) and four previous boys (Swanigan; Tracy Foster, 1982; Grant Leiendecker, 2006; and Luke Goode, 2021).

While in high school, Patterson also has Crockett of Westfield was fourth with 10 been a three-time invitee to USA Basketball National Team Trials (U16, U17 and U19) and played on the USA Basketball 3x3 team that was the 2021 FIBA U18 World Cup Champion. She also has been recognized

ic Conference honoree, a three-time IBCA my Underclass Supreme 15 selection, a 2022 IBCA Senior Supreme 15 choice, a 2022 first-team Naismith All-American and a 2022 McDonald's All-American.

traditionally wear No. 1 jerseys for the respective Indiana Boys All-Stars and Indiana Girls All-Stars in the annual series with Kentucky. The All-Stars will face the Indiana Junior All-Stars in an exhibition doubleheader on June 8 at a site to be announced. The All-Stars follow with their home-andhome doubleheaders with Kentucky --June 10 at the Owensboro SportsCenter in Owensboro, Ky., and June 11 at Southport Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

A list of Miss Basketball honorees follows.

Indiana Miss Basketball honorees 1976: Judi Warren, Warsaw

1977: Teri Rosinski, Norwell 1978: Chanda Kline, Warsaw 1979: LaTaunya Pollard, East Chicago Roosevelt 1980: Maria Stack, Columbus East

- 1981: Cheryl Cook, Indianapolis Washington
- 1982: Trena Keys, Marion
- 1983: Jody Beerman, Heritage
- 1984: Sharon Versyp, Mishawaka 1985: Jodie Whitaker, Austin
- 1986: Kim Barrier, Jimtown

1987: Lori Meinerding, Fort Wayne Northrop

- 1988: Vicki Hall, Brebeuf Jesuit
- 1989: Renee Westmoreland, Scottsburg

Ayanna Patterson has earned the top in- 2.5 assists and 2.0 blocks as a senior while as a four-time first-team all-Summit Athlet- 1990: Patricia Babcock, Culver Acade-

1991: Jennifer Jacoby, Rossville 1992: Marla Inman, Bedford North Lawrence 1993: Abby Conklin, Charlestown Mr. Basketball and Miss Basketball 1994: Tiffany Gooden, Fort Wayne Snider

1995: Stephanie White, Seeger 1996: Lisa Winter, Huntington North 1997: Lisa Shepherd, Richmond 1998: Kelly Komara, Lake Central 1999: April McDivitt, Connersville 2000: Sara Nord, Jeffersonville 2001: Shyra Ely, Ben Davis 2002: Shanna Zolman, Wawasee 2003: Katie Gearlds, Beech Grove 2004: Jaclyn Leininger, Warsaw 2005: Jodi Howell, Alexandria 2006: Amber Harris. North Central 2007: Ta'Shia Phillips, Brebeuf Jesuit 2008: Brittany Rayburn, Attica 2009: Skylar Diggins, South Bend Washington 2010: Courtney Moses, Oak Hill 2011: Bria Goss, Ben Davis 2012: Jessica Rupright, Norwell 2013: Stephanie Mavunga, Brownsburg 2014: Whitney Jennings, Logansport 2015: Ali Patberg, Columbus North 2016: Jackie Young, Princeton 2017: Karissa McLaughlin, Homestead 2018: Amy Dilk, Carmel 2019: Jorie Allen, Bedford North Lawrence

2020: Sydney Parrish, Hamilton Southeastern

2021: Jayla Smith, Lawrence North 2022: Ayanna Patterson, Homestead

from Page 9 April 12: at Brownsburg, 6 p.m. April 13: at Greenfield-Central, 6 p.m. April 15: at Lawrence Central, 5:30 p.m. April 16: at Lake Central Classic, 10 a.m. April 19: Fishers, 6 p.m. April 22: Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m. April 23: at Kokomo, 10 a.m. April 23: Huntington North, noon at Kokomo April 23: Silver Creek, 2 p.m. at Kokomo April 25: Sheridan, 5 p.m. April 26: at Noblesville, 6 p.m. April 29: at Decatur Central, 6 p.m. May 2: at Lawrence North, 5:30 p.m. May 3: at Zionsville, 6 p.m. May 6: at Mount Vernon, 6 p.m. May 9: at Cathedral, 5:30 p.m. May 10: Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. May 11: Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m. May 14: Southmont doubleheader, 10 a.m. May 16: Western, 5:30 p.m. May 17: at Avon, 6 p.m. May 19: at McCutcheon, 5:30 p.m.

May 14: at Madison-Grant Argyll Classic, 9 a.m. May 16: Hamilton Heights, 5 p.m. May 17: at Rossville, 5 p.m. May 19: Frankton, 5 p.m.

UNIVERSITY

All home games take place at RoundTripper Academy. April 12: Living Water Marlins, 6 p.m. April 14: Covenant Christian, 5:30 p.m. at Wayne Sports Park

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April 18: Shortridge, 5:30 p.m. at Arlington Middle School April 19: Anderson Prep Academy, 5:30 p.m. April 20: at Park Tudor, 5:30 p.m.

April 21: Greenwood Christian Academy, 5 p.m.

April 26: at Liberty Christian, 5:30 p.m. April 27: at Traders Point Christian, 5 p.m. at RoundTripper

April 28: at Clinton Central, 5 p.m.

May 2: at Bethesda Christian, 5 p.m.

May 7: at Heritage Christian, 11 a.m.

May 10: at Crispus Attucks, 5:30 p.m. May 16: Indiana School for the Deaf, 5 p.m.

May 20: Living Water Marlins, 6 p.m. at Shambaugh Park



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WESTFIELD

March 21: Monrovia, 5:30 p.m. March 24: Taylor, 5:30 p.m. March 28: at Carmel, 5:30 p.m. March 29: Franklin Central, 6 p.m. March 30: Pendleton Heights, 6 p.m.





NBA standings

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Philadelphia	40	25	.615	-
Boston	40	27	.597	1.0
Toronto	35	30	.538	5.0
Brooklyn	34	33	.507	7.0
New York	28	38	.424	13.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	42	25	.627	-
Chicago	40	26	.606	1.5
Cleveland	38	27	.585	3.0
Indiana	22	45	.328	20.0
Detroit	18	48	.273	23.5
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Miami	44	23	.657	-
Charlotte	32	35	.478	12.0
Atlanta	31	34	.477	12.0
Washington	29	35	.453	13.5
Orlando	17	50	.254	27.0

Thursday's games Brooklyn 129, Philadelphia 100

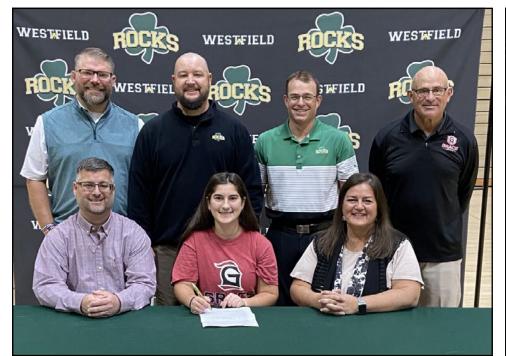
Golden State 113, Denver 102

Western Conference								
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB				
Utah	41	24	.631	-				
Denver	40	27	.597	2.0				
Minnesota	38	29	.567	4.0				
Portland	25	40	.385	16.0				
Oklahoma City	20	46	.303	21.5				
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB				
x-Phoenix	53	13	.803	-				
Golden State	45	22	.672	8.5				
L.A. Clippers	35	33	.515	19.0				
L.A. Lakers	28	37	.431	24.5				
Sacramento	24	44	.353	30.0				
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB				
Memphis	45	22	.672	-				
Dallas	40	26	.606	4.5				
New Orleans	27	39	.409	17.5				
San Antonio	25	41	.379	19.5				
Houston	17	49	.258	27.5				

Westfield college signings

Brette Hanavan, golf Grace College

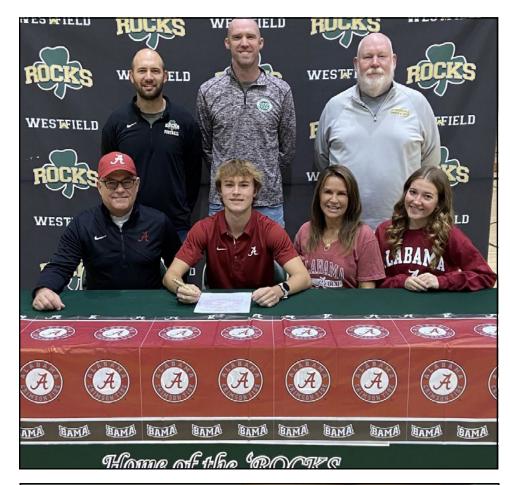
Darcy Andrzejewski, rugby Lander University



Kai Connor, track/cross country University of Alabama



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