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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy. Isolated showers. Best chance in the late afternoon.

Tonight: Scattered evening showers. Rain and snow showers after midnight.

HIGH: 49 LOW: 32



Heights students put 10 T1L1 principles to work

Over 30 students, their mentors package food for Ukrainian refugees

The REPORTER

Students from Hamilton Heights High School and Middle School who are a part of the Teach One to Lead One (T1L1) mentoring program took the leadership skills they have learned in the classroom and put them to work Thursday.

At the International Disaster Emergency Service (IDES) in Noblesville, 32 students, along with 15 mentors and one teacher, mixed and packaged enough food to feed over 15,000 refugees from war-torn Ukraine.

T1L1 is a unique mentoring program that takes place in the classroom each week throughout the school year. It pairs community volunteers with teachers to lead students through 10 Universal Principles – key parts of leadership. The principles include respect, integrity, self-control, courage, humility, excellence, compassion, enthusiasm, teamwork, and honor. The students were able to put these principles to use when they went on a service project at IDES.

IDES provides relief to people who are hurting worldwide. That relief is often in the form



Photo provided

These 32 students worked together to package enough food for 15,264 refugees.

of help to victims of war – refugees displaced by violence, oppression or natural disasters. IDES also serves malnourished people, villages living without clean water, medical care, clothing, and shelter, to name just a

few of their services.

IDES GAP Director Jody England explained to the students that the food they were packaging would be sent to the refugees from Ukraine. The war in Ukraine has displaced

millions of people, and they are flocking to neighboring countries. Those who arrive at a refugee center often have not eaten for days.

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Feeding Team nourishing stomachs, souls

Cicero Kiwanis hearing about history, missing of Feeding Team

The REPORTER

At Saturday's Cicero Kiwanis Club meeting, FeedingTeam.org founders Mark and Lisa Hall shared the inception, mission, and impact of the many yellow food pantries that dot the landscape of Hamilton County and a few other places.

These 24/7/365 food pantries offer nonperishable goods to anyone running short of food, operating on the concept, "Take What You Need, Give What You Can." The pantries are especially meant to serve gap families – those who are one problem away from food insecurity, such as major car repair, hospital bill, or unexpected expense. The Halls' focused on this group be-



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Members of the Cicero Kiwanis love the work and impact of FeedingTeam.org.

cause they've been a gap family.

Early in their marriage, they often found themselves out of money and food on the Thursday before their paychecks came out the next day.

They worked, they planned, but things happened. There were many times that the only supper in their pantry was a potato and a can of Dinty Moore stew. Their lean times were never forgotten

as their circumstances changed, and eventually they formed FeedingTeam.org to help others as they'd been helped.

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Prevail names Prosecutor Lee Buckingham Spring Hero

The REPORTER

Prevail, Inc. has named Hamilton County Prosecuting Attorney D. Lee Buckingham II as the Spring Hero of 2022. A Prevail Hero is someone who goes above and beyond in service of individuals impacted by crime and abuse in the county.

Prevail's mission strives to create a community that is safe and healthy for all who call Hamilton County home. In an ideal world, the community would be void of crime and abuse. This lofty goal is within reach because it is shared by so many in the community. Prevail collaborates with many partners who envision the same future of a safer community.

A champion and front-line partner in this work is D. Lee Buckingham II.

As the county prosecutor, Buckingham has assisted and advocated for the implementation of an



Photo provided

Hamilton County Prosecutor Lee Buckingham (right) and Prevail's Operations Supervisor Leah Wills.

evidence-based lethality assessment program that now all county law enforcement agencies use in responding to domestic violence. He heads the Sexual Assault Response Team. In 2020, he identified the need and supported the creation of Hamilton County's Domestic Violence Task Force (DVTF).

He has consistently brought trauma-informed care training to his prosecutors and the DVTF. In 2021, he hired a full-time Victim Assistance Specialist on the team.

These actions have improved outcomes for first responders and those working

See Hero . . . Page 3

Ride the rails to springtime on Nickel Plate Express next month

The REPORTER

A new family experience will allow kids of all ages to enjoy a springtime adventure on the Nickel Plate Easter Express on April 9, 10 and 16.

Passengers will ride historic railroad cars and be part of the adventure as they help the farmer find his missing eggs. This interactive on-board story with a farmer and an Easter Bunny is sure to entertain all ages. In addition to the fun on-board experience, passengers will get a holiday cookie, a special drink, and an opportunity to meet the Easter Bunny.

This family fun ride is available two weekends in April. Excursions will depart from Forest Park each day at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Tickets are \$32 for adults and \$28 for children ages 3 and older. Tickets can be purchased online at NickelPlateExpress.com/tickets.



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About Nickel Plate Express

The Nickel Plate Express is a program of the Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad, a charitable nonprofit that operates the historic Arcadia

Depot and offers excursions on historic train equipment out of Forest Park. The 12.5 miles of Nickel Plate Track is owned by the Hoosier Heritage Port Authority.

This neighborhood has lost its Princess

I've wanted to write this column for a few weeks, but I needed to make certain I wouldn't become a sobbing, sliding down-to-the-floor mess as I did so. This will be one of those times where I digress from my usual sandwich generation topics. They haven't kicked me out of the paper yet when I do this, but I'll still keep these instances to a minimum.

According to the National Pet Owners Survey conducted by the American Pet Products Association, 70 percent of U.S. households own a pet. I knew there were a lot of us, but ... wow! So obviously, many of you reading this know how much pets add to our lives. They become part of the family. One of our pets also became a part of the neighborhood.

Our Nebelung cat, Princess, has lived outside for the past few years. For some reason, she began having litter box issues right after we installed new carpet upstairs. We tried everything to get her to stop and enlisted the help of our veterinarian. Nothing worked.

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Fishers will honor Vietnam Veterans at March 29 ceremony

The REPORTER

In partnership with the Fishers Armed Services Commission, the City of Fishers will celebrate National Vietnam War Veterans Day on Tuesday, March 29.

The public is invited to recognize veterans and their families who served during the Vietnam War period with a free, outdoor ceremony from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater, 6 Municipal Drive. This year's guest speaker is State Senator John Crane (R-Avon), and the program will also include a Vietnam Veteran's lapel pin presentation.

In the event of severe weather, the event will be moved indoors to the Fishers YMCA, 9012 E. 126th St. Registration for the event is not required, but attendees can [fill out this form](#) to be notified if there is a change of location. The event will also be livestreamed on the [Fishers Magazine Facebook page](#).

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HEIGHTS

England explained how each bag of food would feed six people. The meals consisted of a mix of rice, soy, dried vegetables, and a supplement of 21 essential vitamins and minerals. They are easily mixed with water and provide nutrition. That seemed to be all the motivation the students needed as they went to work. The students were able to package enough meals to feed 15,264 people.

Sara Colter serves as the Campus Organizer for TIL1 in central Indiana. She explained that the service project is a requirement of each mentoring classroom.

“It gives students the opportunity to do something for someone less fortunate than themselves,” Colter said. “It is a way for them to put the Universal Principles into action.”

Colter said that many students think of their situation and they may believe they are living in hard times. However, when they compare their life to someone who is living through a war, it puts their life in perspective. They respond with a passion to help.

Mica Worthman is a freshman at Hamilton Heights. “I like knowing we’re helping people in need,” she commented as she worked an inspection station on one of the four food lines.

Freshman Savannah Deetz also worked the inspection station and commented how much she has enjoyed interacting with the mentors each week in her SRT class. “I like how they include everyone,” she said. “It helps me to become a better person.”

Students who participate in TIL1 mentoring are taught to be leaders. IDES provided a very practical and necessary experience for them.

“No one was on the sidelines, standing around, waiting to be told to get to work,” said Joe Rudy, one of the mentor volunteers. “They were awake, alert, and having fun. They took hold of this project and didn’t quit until the job was done. These students are



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Lucia Garber is a teacher at the middle school, and she concurred. “This is a great program,” she said. “It teaches them great leadership principles that they will take with them long after they leave my class.”

Hamilton Heights was the first TIL1 mentoring program in Indiana. The program is currently working with eighth-grade students at the middle school and freshmen at the high school. For more information about the program, visit TIL1.org.

For more information on IDES, including how you can volunteer with them, visit ides.org.

Julie Davis is a mentor and one of the school board members at Hamilton Heights. She has been part of the TIL1 program over the past three years. She mentioned the attitude change in students as they worked together to package food.

“They are having fun,” Davis said as she looked over the four food lines abuzz with great conversation and laughter. “When they got on the bus this morning, I heard someone say, ‘Do we have to do this?’ Now look at them. They are really excited to be helping others.”

PRINCESS

Princess LOVED being outside, so we figured, let’s make that permanent. It was a great solution. We have a fenced in yard and comfy patio furniture, which she slept on at night. During the day, she sauntered around the south side of Old Town Noblesville. I noticed she gradually created a daytime route and stopped at several houses and businesses.

We made sure she had a good flea collar and an identification tag of course. We even put “I like to roam the neighborhood and visit people. I’ll find my way home.” on the back of her tag.

Of course, as fall approached that year, we knew we had to do something so

Princess would keep warm as the weather got colder. I look up pet houses on Amazon, but my husband John wouldn’t hear of it. He built custom “cat house” for her. It even matched our house. We put it on the front porch and gave it its own special address.

Princess loved visiting people all over the neighborhood and she would sit on my lap while I worked outside. I think she was incredibly happy these last few years.

After noticing how she was breathing more rapidly, we took her to the vet 3 ½ weeks ago. We were filled with dread. Princess was going on 15 years old. Our worst fears were confirmed – she had a growing tumor on her lung. With Princess only having a couple of weeks left, John and I decided to euthanize her to end her suffering.

It’s been a rough couple of weeks, and as I predicted, many people in the neighborhood have been asking about her, especially since we gave away the cat house. It’s comforting to know that she brought joy to not just our family, but others as well.

Noblesville Old Town’s South Side has lost its Princess. We’ll all remember her through dozens of stories and pictures for years to come.


VETS

ADA parking is available in the City Hall parking lot, as well as the north Fire Department lot. A parking map is available at this link.

The Fishers Armed Services Commission stands to further Fishers in becoming a community in which military service is honored and recognized as a key component to our community’s vibrancy.

The City of Fishers is a proud Commemorative Partner of the Vietnam War Commemoration. To learn more about the Commemoration, please visit vietnam-war50th.com.

Learn more about the event and the Fishers Honors initiative at fishers.in.us/FishersHonors.



PREVAIL
Advocating for Victims of Crime & Abuse


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

- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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

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Noblesville Youth Sports Alliance seeks to enhance sports programs

City, school system, 15 youth sports organizations partner

The REPORTER

Fifteen youth sports organizations have joined forces to form the **Noblesville Youth Sports Alliance**, a collaborative partnership designed to enhance youth sports programming and engagement for current and future residents.

The City of Noblesville and Noblesville Schools are strategic partners in the effort and are providing seed money and in-kind administrative support.

NYSA has hired David Leyda to serve as its Executive Director. Leyda has resided in Noblesville for 24 years and has been extensively involved with youth sports and community service organizations. In his capacity as executive director, he will lead the day-to-day efforts of the Alliance, consistent with the direction and priorities of the organization's governing board.

"We are excited to support the creation and mission of the Noblesville Youth Sports Alliance," Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen said. "Noblesville is fortunate to have many successful youth sports groups. Through conversations with many residents and stake-

holders, it became apparent that a unified coordinating and marketing structure would help sustain gains made to date and enhance our overall position going forward."

The following organizations have joined NYSA: Noblesville Girls Basket-



Leyda

ball, Noblesville Babe Ruth Baseball, Noblesville Youth Lacrosse, Noblesville Wrestling Club, Body in Training – Track, Body in Training – Cross Country, Miller Basketball Acad-

emy, Noblesville Girls Softball Association, Noblesville Elementary Football League, Noblesville United Soccer Club, White River Sports, Noblesville Swim Club, Noblesville Boys Volleyball Club, Miller Backers, and Noblesville Youth Baseball.

"Noblesville Schools is thrilled to stand alongside and assist the Noblesville Youth Sports Alliance," Noblesville Schools Associate Superintendent Dr. David Mundy said. "The city and schools work with these organizations on a regular basis, and they are instrumental to the success of our students at the high school level. Taking the next step to launch a strategic part-



NOBLESVILLE YOUTH SPORTS ALLIANCE

nership framework will positively impact the community on several levels."

Leyda has served as coach, volunteer, and board member for youth sports in Noblesville for many years. He is past president of Noblesville Youth Baseball and has served on the NYB Board since 2014. Leyda also has volunteered and coached teams for Boys and Girls Club basketball, Babe Ruth baseball, and NEFL football. Since 2000, Leyda has worked for Microsoft Corporation as its Director of Customer Success for the Midwest Region.

"I am excited to get started and to leverage my experience for the betterment of our community and our kids," Leyda said. "It is critical that we work together to strengthen our youth sports programming and ensure that existing and new residents know about all the opportunities for learning, competition, and growth that our youth sports organi-

zations can provide."

The Board of the newly-established Alliance will determine priority areas of focus for the coming months, including development of a "one-stop shop" website that provides overall information about youth sports offerings in Noblesville and registration links for all member organizations.

Other initial efforts could involve marketing and outreach as well as planning for future field and court needs.

Dr. Heather Hendrich will serve as the Noblesville School Corporation's liaison to the Alliance. Hendrich is a lifelong Noblesville resident and is Noblesville Schools Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Safety. Longtime Noblesville resident and Millers sports enthusiast Perry Williams will serve as the city's liaison to the Alliance, lending his insights and relationships to the cause. Youth sports organizations interested in joining the Alliance can email info@noblesville-sports.com to learn more about getting involved.

FEEDING TEAM

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Obtaining permission in the 1990s to place the wooden pantries was not easy. "We heard about 100 'no's' before ever getting a 'yes'," recalled Mark. "The Noblesville FOP was the first to say 'yes!'"

These bright, yellow pantries are funded by 1 to 1.25 percent of the Halls' businesses and donations. A total of 70 regular volunteers tend to the pantries, with occasional help from area residents. Feeding Team has no paid employees. Currently, Hamilton Heights High School educator Eric "Fish"

Fisher and 60 students are building 11 new feeding team pantries and hope to build more. [Click here to read more.](#)

This project gives students an opportunity to do a real hands-on project while serving their community. A recent volunteer described work with the Feeding Team this way, "Feeding others feeds our souls."

Anyone interested in volunteering, donating, or simply learning more about the organization can email Lisa Hall at Lisa@feedingteam.org.

HERO

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in the criminal justice system to better understand the effects of domestic violence and intimate partner homicide, enhanced collaboration across multiple agencies working to increase safety, and increased support for victim advocacy services.

Because of Buckingham's dedication to this community, Prevail is better able to make strides to improve the response to crime and abuse. With his help, the move is being made from response to prevention, which truly makes Hamilton

County a safe place to live, work, and play.

About Prevail, Inc.

Since 1986, Prevail has assisted more than 50,000 victims of violent crimes in putting the pieces of their lives back together. In 2020, Prevail provided programs and services to almost 4,000 survivors. Prevail has secured a partnership with Hamilton County to begin the design of a first-of-its-kind 20,000 square-foot family shelter for victims of violence. Learn more at prevailinc.org.

Noblesville Lions Club learns about "Corn and Other Stuff"



Photo provided / S. Craig

The Noblesville Lions Club on Wednesday welcomed a very special speaker, Kevin Cavanaugh, PhD. He enlightened the club on "Corn and Other Stuff." Cavanaugh has spent 27 years with Beck's Hybrids as Director of Research ... and does this guy love corn! He started with summer jobs at an Ohio company, then college at Iowa State University, finishing up at Purdue University, and is now an owner in a Genetic Licensing Business. He kept the club's interest with technical information about corn and its genetic research. He also gives community time as a high school board of education member. Who could imagine so much technology in corn and farming? (Above) Club Vice President Kim Luckey and Kevin Cavanaugh.

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The REPORTER Noblesville Schools will hold the “Hire a Miller Job Fair” for local businesses who need openings filled. The job fair will take place from 1:30 to 3:15 p.m. on Thursday, April 28 at Noblesville High School, 18111 Cumberland Road. Please email hireamiller@nobl.k12.in.us if your business is interested in participating.

New public charter school coming to Hamilton County



Hillsdale College, Valor Classical Academy working to obtain Orchard Park building in Carmel

The REPORTER Hillsdale College of Michigan has agreed to partner with Valor Classical Academy to establish a tuition-free public charter school in Hamilton County. In accordance with Indiana state law intended to make unused school buildings available to charter schools, Valor Classical Academy is in communication with Carmel Clay Schools to obtain the former Orchard Park Elementary School, which was closed in May 2021. Valor was selected by Hillsdale from a large group of nationwide applicants who exhibited the ability to found and operate a charter school. Hillsdale offers curricular resources, support for the recruitment of a school leader, and ongoing support and training for board members and staff. Valor Classical Academy will join 21 other Hillsdale Member Charter Schools that currently serve more than 14,500 K-12 students across the country and have a combined wait list of over 8,000 students. Valor Classical Academy will provide a “classical, civic-centered education rooted in American heritage and focused on character and virtue.” Students are taught to learn well and to develop good habits and character through the study of content-rich materials and enduring methods. In preparation to welcome K-6 students for the fall of 2023, Valor is seeking volunteers and enrollment interest. Sign up at valorclassicalacademy.org and follow Valor on Facebook.

Westfield Middle School cheer tryouts set for March 31

The REPORTER Westfield Middle School will hold tryouts for fall cheer March 29-31 in the North Gym. There will be two days of clinic where interested students will learn material for tryouts. Tryouts will be on March 31. Students must be in sixth or seventh grade and be passing all classes to try out for the squad. Two teacher recommendations are also required. [Click here](#) for more information. [Click here](#) to apply.

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Meeting Notice

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees will convene for a lease hearing and a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 28, 2022, in the Library/Media Center at Sheridan High School, 24185 Hinesley Road, Sheridan.

Send Meeting Notices to: Notices@ReadTheReporter.com

Elect Perry Williams Noblesville Township Board

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Indy-based group Native World will appear at The Palladium on March 31.

Two live events coming up at Carmel’s Center for the Performing Arts

Indianapolis band Native World next Thursday, Vanessa Williams kicks off April

The REPORTER
Live at the Center:
Native World
Thursday, March 31 at 7:30 p.m.

The Palladium and online
Native World is a four-piece Indianapolis band inspired by indie pop and the melodic riffing of the Japanese J-Rock scene.

In 2020, the band released its second EP, *Blossom*, and a music video for the first single, “Celeste.” The common theme sonically and lyrically throughout the collection is growth, and the “Celeste” video captures the dreaminess of the five-song track list.

Live at the Center is a series of livestreamed concerts for the community, featuring local and regional artists in genres from jazz and classical to soul and indie rock. Whether on desktop, mobile device or smart TV, viewers anywhere can enjoy a front-row perspective on Indiana’s top talent, with stereo sound and multi-camera HD video.

For its second season, Live at the Center is wel-



Photo provided

Singer and actress Vanessa Williams will appear at the Palladium on Friday, April 1 – no fooling!

coming live, in-person audiences at just \$5 per person. Seating is limited.

[Click here](#) to buy tickets or to register for the free livestream.

Vanessa Williams
Friday, April 1 at 8 p.m.
The Palladium

Multi-faceted singer-actress Vanessa Williams has sold millions of records worldwide and posted *Billboard* Top 10 singles in genres including pop, dance, R&B, adult contemporary and jazz.

Her hits have included “Dreamin’,” “Save the Best for Last” and “Colors of the Wind” from Disney’s *Pocahontas*. She found similar success on Broad-

way (*The Trip to Bountiful*, *After Midnight*) and in film (*Soul Food*) and television (*Ugly Betty*, *Desperate Housewives*).

Williams’ career honors have included 11 Grammy nominations, four Emmy nominations, a Tony nomination and a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. She has performed with the world’s most prestigious symphony orchestras, most recently with the National Symphony Orchestra at the Kennedy Center.

[Click here](#) to buy tickets.

Check the latest COVID-19 safety protocols at thecenterpresents.org/visit/health-safety-policies.

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LOCAL NEWS

Sen. Braun introduces bill to further research on natural immunity

The REPORTER

U.S. Senator Mike Braun (R-Ind.) and Senator Roger Marshall (R-Kan.) have introduced the Apply the Science Act which would require the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to conduct an evaluation on the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to further research on the value of infection-acquired COVID immunity, the availability of this information and how it impacts CDC decision making, and the value of diagnostics in the COVID-19 response.

“For too long, the effects of natural immunity for COVID have been disparaged and ignored,” Sen. Braun said. “It’s due time for the federal government to Apply the Science and conduct a comprehensive study on the impact of natural immunity.”



Braun

Specifically, the legislation would require GAO to conduct an evaluation on HHS/CDC to assess:

- The current scientific understanding of the duration and effectiveness of COVID-19 immunity resulting from a prior infection, vaccination, or both,

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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 policies of individual candidates will be accepted until the end of the business day on Friday, April 15 and will be published on Saturday, April 16.

Letters in response to new topics published in our April 16 edition will be accepted until Wednesday, April 20 and will be published in our Thursday, April 21 edition.

Please email your letters to the editor to News@ReadTheReporter.com.

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Young's bill to promote health care provider mental health becomes law

The REPORTER

On March 18, President Joe Biden signed the bipartisan Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act into law. Introduced by U.S. Senators Todd Young (R-Ind.) and Tim Kaine (D-Va.), the comprehensive legislation will help reduce and prevent suicide, burnout, and mental and behavioral health conditions among health care professionals.

"Throughout the pandemic, our frontline workers put their health on the line each and every day so that Hoosier communities could stay safe and secure," Sen. Young said. "The Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act will provide these selfless workers with the support they deserve to prevent suicide and promote mental and behavioral health for years to come."

"The mental health consequences of COVID-19 are particularly acute for our frontline health care healers, who've made tremendous sacrifices to care for their patients in uncharted times," Sen. Kaine said. "This bill is a critical first step to provide them with mental health resources to cope with the challenges they face every day. Supporting our health care workforce will benefit everyone because we all need great medical professionals to take care of us and our loved ones. By keeping our health care professionals healthy, everyone in society wins."

Named in honor of Dr. Lorna Breen, a physician from Charlottesville, Va., who was working on the



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front lines of the pandemic in New York and died by suicide in the spring of 2020, the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act is a critical step to address mental health concerns facing health care providers.

Specifically, the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act will:

- Establish grants for health profession schools, academic health centers, or other institutions to help them train health workers in strategies to prevent suicide, burnout, mental health conditions, and substance use disorders.

- Seek to identify and disseminate evidence-informed best practices for reducing and preventing suicide and burnout among

health care professionals and for training health care professionals in appropriate strategies to promote their mental health.

- Establish a national evidence-based education and awareness campaign targeting health care professionals to encourage them to seek support and treatment for mental and behavioral health concerns.

- Establish grants for health care providers and professional associations for employee education, peer-support programming, and mental and behavioral health treatment.

- Establish a comprehensive study on health care professionals' mental and behavioral health and burnout, including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on such professionals' health.

The legislation passed the [Senate on Feb. 18](#) and the [House on Dec. 8, 2021](#).

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

If any woman who is a believer has widows in her care, she should continue to help them and not let the church be burdened with them, so that the church can help those widows who are really in need.

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. For Scripture says, "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain," and "The worker deserves his wages." Do not entertain an accusation against an elder unless it is brought by two or three witnesses. But those elders who are sinning you are to reprove before everyone, so that the others may take warning. I charge you, in the sight of God and Christ Jesus and the elect angels, to keep these instructions without partiality, and to do nothing out of favoritism.

Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.

Stop drinking only water, and use a little wine because of your stomach and your frequent illnesses.

The sins of some are obvious, reaching the place of judgment ahead of them; the sins of others trail behind them. In the same way, good deeds are obvious, and even those that are not obvious cannot remain hidden forever.

1 Timothy 5:16-25 (NIV)

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including any differences across population groups;

- The extent to which the CDC makes available the information it's used to inform its policy decisions related to COVID-19 infection acquired immunity;
- The extent to which select foreign countries account for scientific evidence pertaining to COVID-19 infection-acquired immunity when creating public

health regulations or guidance; and

- The extent to which diagnostic tests that measure immune response be better utilized in a comprehensive COVID-19 response (particularly for high-risk populations).

GAO is required to send a report to Congress within 18 months.

[Click here](#) to read the bill.



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Basketball



Kent Graham/File photos
Westfield's Braden Smith (left) and Carmel's Peter Suder (right) were named to the IBCA's Supreme 15 Senior boys team. Smith and Suder are two of 15 players on the Supreme 15 list.

Four county boys basketball players named to IBCA Supreme 15 teams

Four Hamilton County basketball players are among the 15 seniors and 15 underclass boys players that have earned IBCA/Franciscan Health "Supreme 15" All-State honors for 2021-22, it was announced Thursday.

The IBCA also named Large School All-State teams (15 seniors, 15 underclass) and Small School All-State teams (15 seniors, 15 underclass).

The "Supreme 15" is the top honor awarded, and players were voted to that group without regard to school size. The Large School and Small School all-state teams are secondary accolades -- the Large School group including players from Class 3A and Class 4A schools and the Small School group including players from Class A and Class 2A schools. Players who make the Supreme 15 are not considered for Large School or Small School honors.

In addition, 90 more seniors and 90 more underclass players were selected hon-

orable mention all-state. The honorable mention laurels are awarded without regard to school size.

Braden Smith of Westfield and Peter Suder of Carmel were voted to the 2022 IBCA/Franciscan Health Supreme 15 Senior boys team. The other players on the team are, listed alphabetically: Tayshawn Comer of Cathedral, Ryan Conwell of Pike, Tae Davis of Warren Central, Connor Essegian of Central Noble, Travis Grayson of Chesterton, C.J. Gunn of Lawrence North, Jalen Jackson of Fort Wayne Northrop, Armon Jarrard of Mt. Vernon (Fortville), Karson Jenkins of Fort Wayne Snider, Randy Kelley of Sullivan, Fletcher Loyer of Homestead, Billy Smith of Brebeuf Jesuit and Tommy Snyder of South Bend Adams.

Jalen Haralson of Fishers and Sam Orme of Carmel were voted to the 2022 IBCA/Franciscan Health Supreme 15 Underclass boys' team. The other players on the team are: Jack Benter of Brownstown Central,

Flory Bidunga of Kokomo, Xavier Booker of Cathedral, Joey Brown of North Central, Markus Burton of Penn, Ahmere Carson of Anderson, Zane Doughty of Ben Davis, Joey Hart of Linton-Stockton, Logan Ines of Zionsville, Mason Jones of Valparaiso, JaQualon Roberts of Bloomington North, Brandon Trilli of Munster and Ashton Williamson of Gary 21st Century Charter.

The IBCA/Franciscan Health All-State teams are selected through a process organized by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association and presented by Franciscan Health Sports Medicine.

All IBCA-member head coaches have the opportunity to nominate players. A panel of 20 IBCA coaches -- 16 from the current regional areas, three district representatives (one each from IHSAA Districts 1, 2 and 3) and the committee chairman -- then meets to review the nominations, vote and finalize the selections.

Those on the IBCA all-state committee

for 2022 included chairman David Wood, former coach at West Lafayette, plus Matt Kostoff of Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger in District 1, Chris Hawkins of Indianapolis Attacks in District 2 and David Benter of Brownstown Central in District 3.

Completing the voting panel were Mike Hackett of Munster, Ryan Osborn of Carmel, Mark James of Perry Meridian and J.R. Holmes of Bloomington South in Class 4A; Robb Berger of Mishawaka Marian, Aaron Wolfe of NorthWood, Todd Howard of Brebeuf Jesuit and Gene Miiller of Washington in Class 3A; Chris Benedict of Whitko, Matt Luce of Wapahani, Aaron Spaulding of Eastern Hancock and Travis Wrightsman of Switzerland County in Class 2A; and Scott Bowersock of Washington Township, Brian Klein of Blue River Valley, Brady Days of Southwestern (Shelby) and Josh Thompson of Barr-Reeve in Class A.

Three county seniors were named to the

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Fishers' Jalen Haralson (left) and Carmel's Sam Orme (right) were named to the IBCA's Underclass Supreme 15 team.



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Softball

Huskies drop away game to Frankton

The Hamilton Heights softball team dropped a 10-3 away game at Frankton Thursday.

The Huskies scored the first run of the contest in the top of the first inning when Lily Roush hit a center field home run. But

the Eagles took over after that, getting four runs in the bottom of the first and two more in the second.

Heights added two runs in the top of the fourth. Isabella Neiling hit a single to get on base, advanced to second on a wild pitch,

and eventually scored on a single from Ashlyn Fletcher. After that, Morgan Ottinger's single sent Kaylee Rhoton home; Rhoton drew a walk to get on base.

Roush finished the game 2-for-3 at the plate. She also pitched a complete game, striking out six.

The Huskies are 0-2 and play this afternoon at Lapel.

Isabella Neiling	3	1	1	0
Kaylee Rhoton	2	1	0	0
Ashlyn Fletcher	3	0	1	1
Elizabeth Poisson	0	0	0	0
Morgan Ottinger	3	0	1	1
Emma Blanton	2	0	0	0
Savannah Warwick	0	0	0	0
Kassidy Schakel	2	0	0	0
Jessa Steffen	1	0	0	0
Totals	26	3	5	3

Score by Innings					
Heights	100	200	0	3	5
Frankton	420	202	x	10	11
HR: Roush. SB: Warwick. HBP: Warwick.					
Heights pitching	IP	R	ER	H	
Roush	6	10	10	11	
Strikeouts: Roush 6. Walks: Roush 6.					

FRANKTON 10, HAMILTON HEIGHTS 3				
Heights	AB	R	H	RBI
Faith Hittle	4	0	0	0
Alayna Baber	3	0	0	0
Lily Roush	3	1	2	1

SUPREME 15

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Large School All-State team: Cam Haffner of Westfield, Jeffrey Simmons of Fishers and Charlie Williams of Carmel.

County seniors earning Honorable Mention are: Luke Carroll of Hamilton Heights, Sam Jacobs of Hamilton Southeastern and Charlie Smith of Fishers. Underclass county players earning Honorable Mention are: Luke Almodovar of Noblesville, Sabien Cain of University, Preston Roberts of Noblesville and Alex Romack of Westfield.

Franciscan Health Sports Medicine is making a financial contribution to the IBCA Scholarship Fund as the presenting partner

of the IBCA all-state teams. As part of the partnership, Franciscan Health Sports Medicine will provide plaques to Supreme 15 honorees and certificates to players receiving Large School All-State, Small School All-State or Honorable Mention All-State recognition. Those items will be made available to each recipient's coach during April, allowing her coach to present the award to each player prior to the end of the 2021-22 academic year.

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Toronto	41	32	.562	4.5
Brooklyn	38	35	.521	7.5
New York	31	42	.425	14.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	46	27	.630	-
Chicago	42	31	.575	4.0
Cleveland	41	32	.562	5.0
Indiana	25	49	.338	21.5
Detroit	20	53	.274	26.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
y-Miami	47	26	.644	-
Charlotte	37	36	.507	10.0
Atlanta	36	37	.493	11.0
Washington	30	42	.417	16.5
Orlando	20	54	.270	27.5

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Thursday's games				
Toronto 117, Cleveland 104				
Memphis 133, Indiana 103				
Milwaukee 114, Washington 102				
New Orleans 126, Chicago 109				
Phoenix 140, Denver 130				

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Utah	45	28	.616	-
Denver	43	31	.581	2.5
Minnesota	42	32	.568	3.5
Portland	27	45	.375	17.5
Oklahoma City	21	52	.288	24.0
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
y-Phoenix	60	14	.811	-
Golden State	48	25	.658	11.5
L.A. Clippers	36	38	.486	24.0
L.A. Lakers	31	42	.425	28.5
Sacramento	26	48	.351	34.0
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Memphis	51	23	.689	-
Dallas	45	28	.616	5.5
New Orleans	31	42	.425	19.5
San Antonio	29	44	.397	21.5
Houston	18	55	.247	32.5

Shorthanded Pacers fall to Grizzlies

By BRENDAN ROURKE
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

Coming off a heartbreaking loss against the Kings, the Pacers packed up and hit the road to face a tough Memphis Grizzlies squad. To make matters worse, the Pacers announced Thursday afternoon that Rick Carlisle would miss the Pacers’ next two games due to personal reasons.

Unfortunately, things played out just as they did nine days ago when the squads met. Despite missing Ja Morant, The Grizzlies (51-23) drained a season-high 21 threes as they cruised to a 133-103 win over Indiana. Desmond Bane led the squad with 30 points in three quarters. The shorthanded Blue & Gold never led.

“We didn’t come ready to play physically,” Terry Taylor (17 points, five rebounds) said. “They came out and set the tone early.”

Six Pacers (25-49) finished in double figures. Lance Stephenson tallied a team-high 25 points after hitting five triples in the final frame. Goga Bitadze stretched his streak of double-figure games to seven after recording 14, and Oshae Brissett added 13.

Memphis quickly earned the upper hand, scoring 10 unanswered to start the

game. Bane buried two triples, while Steven Adams cleaned up the offensive boards in the paint for four more. The hosts stretched their lead to 15-2 before acting head coach Lloyd Pierce called a timeout with 8:54 remaining.

However, not much changed as the minutes began ticking again. A small 6-0 Indiana spree, including a three from Taylor, cut the gap to 23-12. But, Memphis continued raining in threes, as Jackson Jr., Tyus Jones, and a red-hot De’Anthony Melton connected from deep. Memphis led 33-17 with 4:47 left.

Bane’s third three – the Grizzlies’ 10th – fell with 1:11 left and pushed the squad over the 40-point mark for the frame. With 4.5 seconds remaining, he added a putback tip to give Memphis a 44-23 advantage heading into the second quarter.

The story remained the same as the minutes passed in the second frame. Lance Stephenson found a wide-open layup to cut the gap to 47-27. But, Memphis countered with a 9-2 run to extend its lead to 27 with 8:23 remaining.

Despite finding some open looks, Indiana

could not hit from deep. But, five quick points, including a swift steal-and-finish from Tyrese Haliburton, trimmed the deficit down to 60-40 with 4:22 left. The Pacers also had a nice defensive stint, holding the Grizzlies scoreless for 2:49.

Down the stretch, Bitadze attempted to keep Memphis from running away. The big man added a pair of free throws and a nice layup through contact to hit the double-digit mark. However, Melton hit the Grizzlies’ 15th triple of the half, and Bane followed with a fadeaway to close the stanza. Memphis led 74-48.

The break did little to slow down Memphis. The hosts rattled off another 10-0 run – five from Jackson Jr. – to stretch the margin to 84-48 early in the third quarter. Justin Anderson finally halted the spree with an emphatic two-handed slam at the 9:35 mark.

Over the next few minutes, the teams matched each other shot-for-shot. With 5:45 left, Brissett gave Pacers fans another highlight-reel dunk. The high-flying forward drove past Jackson Jr. and finished a powerful one-handed slam through a foul. He sank the ensuing free throw to give the

game a 95-62 score.

With 4:20 remaining in the third quarter, Memphis hit the century mark at the charity stripe with a pair from Melton. It gave the hosts a 36-point lead.

A few moments later, Duane Washington Jr. became the eighth Pacer to add to the stat sheet. The young guard added a pair of layups through traffic near the three-minute mark. But, the buckets did little to alleviate the situation, as Konchar rattled home the Grizzlies’ 19th triple, tying their season-high. Memphis led 107-71 after three quarters.

Stephenson provided Indiana fans with a few highlights early in the fourth. The Indianapolis legend drilled a pair of treys to reach double figures with 10:03 remaining. A few moments later, he added a third to give the game a 113-86 score.

Stephenson stayed hot from deep, as his fourth triple of the stanza fell with 6:11 to play. Less than 30 seconds later, the veteran added a steal-and-finish to cap off an otherwise somber night for Pacers fans.

Indiana has one day off before taking on the Toronto Raptors on Saturday night.

IHSAA introduces Ray Crowe Excellence in Leadership Award

In recognition of Ray Crowe’s profound life and legacy in Indiana, the IHSAA is proud to announce the formation of the IHSAA Ray Crowe Excellence in Leadership Award in his honor.

The award will recognize individuals who carry on the legacy of Ray Crowe, exemplifying the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical

conduct, and moral character. Candidates will be considered on the merits of their achievements as a high school leader (coach, athletic administrator, etc.), civic contributions, and community impact, including significant and/or long-term contributions to the interscholastic athletic community. This award will acknowledge the accomplishments and meaningful contributions of individuals who are worthy of statewide recognition as examples for others to emulate.

The inaugural award will be presented publicly to the family of Ray Crowe at half-time of the Class 4A Boys Basketball State Championship on Saturday at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.

Born and raised on a farm near Franklin, Indiana, in 1915, Ray Crowe was one of 10 children. A standout student-athlete at Whiteland High School, he was a four-year letterman in basketball (twice the leading scorer and team captain), a three-year letterman in baseball, and the only Black player on both teams.

After high school, Crowe attended Indiana Central College (now University of Indianapolis) where he earned a degree in education and lettered in basketball, track and baseball. He graduated in 1939 and worked at International Harvester before starting his career as an educator and coach at Indianapolis Public School 17.

Crowe became an assistant basketball coach at Crispus Attucks High School in 1948 and was appointed head basketball coach in 1950.

During his seven-year tenure as head coach, the Crispus Attucks Flying Tigers won the Indiana state basketball championship two consecutive years (1955 and 1956)—becoming the first all-Black school to win an open state championship in the country, the first Indianapolis team to win the state title, and Indiana’s first undefeated state champions. Crowe was also the first Black coach to win a state title.

His teams made tournament appearances every year he coached: the State Finals in 1951, Sectionals in 1952, Semi-States in 1953 and 1954, and State Finals (runners-up) in 1957. His record as head coach was 179-20.


While the team’s success brought great

fanfare, it did not shield them from the racism and discrimination of the time. Despite facing racial tensions and hostile playing conditions, coach Crowe always emphasized the importance of good sportsmanship and taught his players to remain calm, take the high road, and overcome adversity through discipline and achievement.

Crowe coached numerous Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame inductees, including Oscar Robertson, and was inducted himself in 1968. Following the 1957 season, Crowe served as the school’s athletic director for 10 years, during which the school won its third state championship in 1959.

This summer, he will be inducted posthumously into the National High School Hall of Fame, becoming the first Indiana high school basketball coach to receive the honor.

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