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# Helping teens find emotional wellness, one alpaca at a time

**The REPORTER**

The Chris Center's spring and summer programming is now open for registration. The mission is to assist teenagers with their emotional wellness through connecting them to nature.

A 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2020, The Chris Center offers an innovative approach to teen wellness by connecting adolescents to nature and providing opportunities for human-animal interaction. Many teenagers in central Indiana are struggling with their mental and emotional well-being, and The Chris Center strives to be part of the solution. The organization's programs are based on research demonstrating the health and wellness benefits of interacting with ani-

mals and participating in farming activities. These benefits include improved self-esteem and mood, increased social interaction, and decreased symptoms of anxiety and depression.

The Alpaca Adventure Program is designed to promote the mental, emotional, and social wellbeing of adolescents through alpaca-assisted activities. This program wrapped up its first session in October and will begin session two at the end of April. [Click here to see dates, times and registration information.](#)

The Hiking Club provides kids (ages 12 to 19) the opportunity to explore nature, practice mindfulness, and connect with peers.

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**Max Birge, Stella Henning, Leona Henning and Kothe Birge bond with the alpacas during last fall's Alpaca Adventure Program at the Chris Center.**

## Use the whole saw

As a young man growing up on a farm, my grandfather taught me how to use tools. He had been a contractor in Fort Wayne building homes and other structures and worked as a trim carpenter.

While he was teaching me how to use a hand saw, he noticed I was taking very short strokes. Grandfather chided me saying that he had paid for the whole saw, so we might as well use all of it. Of course, as a contractor, he had a hole saw as well!

My grandfather's "old farmer wisdom" is particularly relevant and valuable for a variety of our modern tools. The Adobe software and Microsoft Word (just to name a few) have an abundance of "tools," which are readily available to the able-bodied or willing user. My partner, Seth Wilson, is an expert at using all the tools and features available on these items of software.

Craftsman of all trades have figured out how to use the "whole saw." Their knowledge and understanding typically provides a superior product produced using a much easier method. Applying this concept to our world, we have in our pockets one of the most sophisticated and significant tools ever created. I am talking, of course, about the smartphone. Do you ever think about all the ways you use your smartphone? Now, have you ever thought about all the ways in which you *don't* use your smartphone? Mind-blowing, huh?

**COLUMNIST**



**RAY ADLER**  
*Ask Adler*

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# Westfield Public Library gets its show on the road with new outreach vehicle

**The REPORTER**

The Westfield Washington Public Library (WWPL) has ordered a new set of wheels and it is placing its patrons in the driver's seat. A new outreach vehicle – or what was once known as a bookmobile – has been ordered and is expected to arrive at the library this month.

"We're hopeful this will allow us to increase our library services," said WWPL Executive Director Sheryl Sollars. "An outreach vehicle is a powerful step in reaching even more patrons and promoting an envi-



**Sollars**

ronment of curiosity and a love of reading regardless of income or location."

The library plans to use the outreach vehicle to deliver books to underserved patrons like residents at assisted and senior living facilities. The library currently serves the residents at Sanders Glen Assisted Living, Copper Trace Senior Living, Wellbrooke Senior Living, Maple Park Village, and Magnolia Springs Bridgewater every two weeks.

"We currently have a librarian who bags up the books, loads them in her car, and takes them



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to these facilities," Sollars explained. "The outreach vehicle will allow her to take more titles to these locations."

In addition to checking out books, audiobooks, and DVDs, residents who visit the outreach vehicle can also get a library card and use the vehicle's free Wi-Fi. The library hopes to eventually

send the outreach vehicle to underserved neighborhoods, local parks, and community events. If residents would like to request a visit from the outreach vehicle they can call (317) 896-9391.

The Westfield Library Foundation secured IPEP and ProTeam Tactical Performance as sponsors for the outreach vehicle.

## Early voting now underway

**The REPORTER**

Early voting has begun in Hamilton County. Now though the Primary Election on Tuesday, May 3, all eligible voters within the county can vote at either the Judicial Center in Noblesville or the 4-H Fairgrounds in Noblesville.

Turn to Page 4 to see specific dates and times for each early voting location. More locations in Carmel, Fishers, and Westfield will open later this month.

# Noblesville Cabela's Donate Life Day to raise awareness about importance of organ donation

*Event will feature autographs with NASCAR driver Ryan Newman*

**The REPORTER**

A go-to retailer in Noblesville for everything outdoors has partnered with Donate Life Indiana during National Donate Life Month to raise awareness about how critically important organ donation is in saving Hoosier lives.

Cabela's Donate Life Day starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 16 with a news conference featuring NASCAR winner and native Hoosier Ryan Newman, Cabela's General Manager Bri-

an Crawford, Donate Life Indiana Chairman Tim Clauson and an executive with Indiana Department of Natural Resources. Also speaking will be Sen. Blake Driot (R-Goshen), who co-authored a bill recently signed into law by Gov. Eric Holcomb requiring the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency to ask all license applicants and those seeking a license renewal if they wish to become an organ donor.

Newman will greet race

fans and outdoor enthusiasts and sign autographs from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the store, located at 13725 Cabela Pkwy., Noblesville, near the Hamilton Town Center. Through 2 p.m., there will be family-friendly games and activities hosted by Donate Life Indiana, Cabela's and the DNR, plus a variety of giveaways.

"We look forward to celebrating the hundreds of hunters and anglers who said yes to organ donation when they

received their licenses last year and the commitment by Cabela's to help grow that number through special store and community initiatives," said Tim Clauson, president of the board of directors of Donate Life Indiana, the organization responsible for managing the state's donor registry and raising awareness for organ, eye and tissue donation and transplantation through public education.

See *Donate Life* . . . Page 2

## Carmel requiring permit for on-street residential parking near school property

**The REPORTER**

In December 2021, the Carmel City Council adopted an ordinance prohibiting parking or stopping on streets near Carmel Clay Schools property between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. on school days, where signs have been installed. The ordinance was necessary to address situations that created safety hazards and congestion.

The new parking restrictions do not apply to a vehicle that is "temporarily Parked or Stopped during the actual performance of bona fide City business, commercial service, construction, sales, or delivery of goods, equipment, or persons to a neighboring residential or commercial property (not including schools)." City Code § 8-48(f)(2).

Residents who live on the affected streets may obtain a free parking permit through the Carmel Police Department, which will allow them or their guests to park **on the street** in front of their residence. Permits are **not required** for vehicles parked in driveways.

If you would like to obtain a permit, you must:

- Appear in person at the Records Division at the Carmel Police Department.
- Present the registration of the vehicle that will display the sticker.

See *Carmel Parking* . . . Page 2

# Humane Society for Hamilton County's 14<sup>th</sup> 'Wine, Wags & Whiskers' fundraiser set for May 5

**The REPORTER**

The Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC) will kick off May with the 14th annual Wine, Wags & Whiskers fundraiser on Thursday, May 5 at the Embassy Suites in Noblesville.

The evening – which lands on Cinco de Mayo – features delicious Mexican and American hors d'oeuvres, a bourbon and



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spirits pull, beer, wine and bourbon tastings, tempting sweets from Nothing Bundt Cakes, a silent auction with over 100 unique items and "pawsome"

jewelry from Hupp Jewelers. Adoptable dogs and cats will also be in attendance.

Wine, Wags & Whiskers is a critical fundraising event support-

ing the shelter's daily operation.

"2021 was a record-breaking year for us – not only did we have more adoptions than ever, but we also saw an increase in animals surrendered to us and in those rescued from outside the county," said HSHC Training and Communications Director Megan Davis.

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# CARMEL PARKING

• Present proof of residency at the address in question by providing the following: A valid Indiana driver's license or valid photo ID; and a document issued within the last 60 days verifying the applicant's address. Acceptable documents include, but are not limited to, mail with legible postmark, statements, bills, or lease agreements.

If you have questions about how to obtain a resident or guest parking permit, please call the Carmel Police Department Records Division at (317) 571-2500. Residents will receive one sticker for each of their vehicles that will be parked on the street, which must be displayed on the driver's side of the front windshield.

Residents may also obtain up to five temporary guest parking permits, which will allow each guest to park on the street near the resident's property for up to two hours. These permits will be in the form of hang tags, which must be displayed on the rearview mirror of the guest's vehicle. Both resident and guest permits are available now.

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# WHOLE SAW

With the almost infinite capabilities of smartphones, many believe the smartphone is degrading our lives and society. Given the addictive allurements of certain apps, particularly social media apps, this may be true. However, have you ever really strategized about how to use your smartphone to make your life more efficient? Instead of treating your smartphone as an accessory or a means of entertainment, try treating it as a tool.

This may be where my grandfather's farmer wisdom breaks down because there is no possible way to "use the whole saw" when it comes to an iPhone. But you could use more of the saw. We all have smartphones, so it seems to me that we might as well take advantage of the capabilities they have.

It is not just smartphones. Whether you like it or not, advanced technology is an ordinary part of our daily lives. My encouragement would be to embrace it and look for opportunities to grow and learn. YouTube videos can make you pro-

ficient at nearly anything. Neighbors are also more than happy to provide a helping hand.

As you go throughout your day, remember to use all (or more of) the saw. Technology tips can be reached at the Blog of Seth Wilson. We encourage our staff to use all the tools that we have available.

Educational material and not legal advice, written by the team at Adler attorneys. Email [andrea@noblesvilleattorney.com](mailto:andrea@noblesvilleattorney.com) with questions or comments.

# DONATE LIFE

The event is a perfect fit for the location, as Gov. Holcomb's passage of Senate Enrolled Act 288 in 2020 allowed the DNR to begin asking hunters, anglers and trappers to sign up as organ donors when buying their licenses. Through a two-week, in-store awareness campaign that started April 1, Cabela's has encouraged customers to consider signing up to become an organ donor.

Currently, more than 106,000 Americans are waiting on a lifesaving organ transplant, including nearly 1,100 Hoosiers. More than 4.2 million Hoosiers are registered organ donors.

Despite age or medical history, anyone can sign up to be a donor online at [donatelifeindiana.org](http://donatelifeindiana.org).

About National Donate Life Month

National Donate Life Month raises awareness about donation, encourages Americans to register as organ, eye and tissue donors, and honors those who have saved lives through the gift of donation. This year's theme is "Bee a Donor," inspired by the vital role that bees play



Photo provided  
NASCAR driver Ryan Newman will sign autographs at the Donate Life Day event on Saturday, April 16 at the Noblesville Cabela's.

in sustaining life. Bees are a small but powerful life force, working together with dedication, collaboration and a strong sense of community.

Important National Donate Life Month dates: April

16-23, Blue & Green Spirit Week; April 22, National Donate Life Month Blue & Green Day; and April 24-30, National Pediatric Transplant Week. For more information, visit [donatelifeindiana.org](http://donatelifeindiana.org).

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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# Josh Baker returns to Community First Bank as Commercial Loan Officer

## The REPORTER

Robb Blume, President and CEO of Community First Bank of Indiana (CFB), has announced the hiring of Josh Baker as Vice President, Commercial Loan Officer.

Baker originally joined CFB in 2018 and, after serving as a Director of Finance in the electric industry for the past two years, returned to community banking once again in March. He began his banking career in 2005 and has spent the past 10 years serving commercial clients across Indiana.

## CFB Chief

Credit Officer Bob Hickman said, "We are pleased to welcome Josh Baker back to the CFB family. Josh is an experienced commercial lender who excels at problem solving and providing business lending solutions that benefit both the customer and the bank. We are pleased that he has decided to resume his banking career after spending time working in private industry."



Baker

He is passionate about serving his local community and has been involved with Habitat for Humanity, United Way, Marion Community School of the Arts, Family Service Society, Inc., Grant County Economic Growth Council, and more. He and his wife Jessica have four

children ages 5 to 14, and he takes pride in watching and coaching his kids' extracurricular activities, is an avid baseball fan, and enjoys being active outdoors.

Baker graduated from Ball State University with a degree in Finance/Corporate Financial Management. He is passionate about serving his local community and has been involved with Habitat for Humanity, United Way, Marion Community School of the Arts, Family Service Society, Inc., Grant County Economic Growth Council, and more. He and his wife Jessica have four

## About Community First Bank

First chartered in Kokomo in 2003, Community First Bank of Indiana (CFB) has banking centers in Indianapolis, Kokomo, Noblesville, and Westfield. Additional information can be found at [CFBIndiana.com](http://CFBIndiana.com). Member FDIC. Equal Housing Lender.

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## ALPACAS

The Parent Education Series objective is to offer support and information for parents raising adolescents. Because the mission is to promote the mental and emotional wellbeing of teens, supporting parents and families is critical to that mission.

Registration and additional information can be found at [chriscenterpaws.com](http://chriscenterpaws.com).

For additional information or questions, please call The Chris Center CEO and Founder Nancy Elbert at (630) 363-1400.

## About The Chris Center

The Chris Center's mission is to promote the mental and emotional wellbeing of teenagers in central Indiana by connecting them with nature and the healing power of human-animal interaction. The Chris Center's vision includes bringing the first care farm for teen wellness to central Indiana. The idea behind a care farm is that mental and emotional wellbeing can be improved by connecting to nature, interacting with animals and participating in farm activities.



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(From left) Rusty, Coco, Sunny and Pepper.



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(LEFT) Alpaca Program Facilitator Katrina Stewart (left) and Mackie Malinzak. (RIGHT, from left) Leona Henning, Katrina Stewart, Abbie Smith, Sierra Neidlinger and Mackie Malinzak.

## HUMANE

"The critical funds raised at this event have a direct impact on the animals coming through our doors each day. You will have an incredible time at this year's event, all while giving animals in need the chance to live, love and be loved."

Admission tickets are \$85 in advance and \$95 at the door. Table sponsorships are available starting at \$750 for a half table seating four guests or \$1,500 for a full table seating eight guests. Visit [WineWagsandWhiskers.com](http://WineWagsandWhiskers.com) for more information and to purchase tickets. Attendees must be 21 or older for admission and to purchase tickets.

Wine, Wags & Whiskers is graciously sponsored by Vine & Table, RNDC, Brown-Forman, Centier Bank, Curran Architecture, Current Publishing, Four Day Ray, VCA Animal Hospitals, Tito's Handmade Vodka, Lake City Bank and Furtography.

## About the Humane Society for Hamilton County

The mission of the Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC) is "Saving Lives. Educating Communities. Completing Families." HSHC serves as both the animal control facility and Humane Society for Hamilton County, and as such, receives partial funding

(approximately 22 percent) from Hamilton County to fund the first seven days of an animal's basic care.

The majority of HSHC's annual operating budget is funded by individual donations and its three annual fundraising events: Wine, Wags & Whiskers, Woofstock, and Tinsel & Tails. HSHC is one of the only open-admission, truly "no-kill" organizations in the United States in that it does not euthanize animals for time, space, treatable injuries, illnesses or rehabilitatable behavior issues regardless of age, breed, disability or special needs.

HSHC also serves the

community with a variety of unique programs like the Survivor Program (which funds the medical care and the rescue of over 1,000 animals at risk for euthanasia in other Indiana shelters this year) and Pets Healing Vets ([PetsHealingVets.com](http://PetsHealingVets.com)), which pairs Hoosier veterans suffering from PTSD/TBI with emotional support pets at no cost to the veteran.

HSHC is a non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable organization. It is not a United Way Agency and is not affiliated with any other animal welfare group in the United States. For more information visit [Hamilton-Humane.com](http://Hamilton-Humane.com).

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# Conner Prairie’s outdoor grounds open for spring season

By ALEAH HORDGES  
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The outdoor grounds at Conner Prairie are open for the spring season through the fall. The museum has over 1,000 acres for families to explore. Families have a chance to check out new and old attractions.

Guests can check out hands-on educational activities at the Treetop Outpost or wander over to Civil War Journey and Prairietown to be immersed in a deeper understanding of Indiana history. Upcoming events include History On Tap on June 3 and Art on the Prairie on June 11. Tickets for this

## CONNER PRAIRIE

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event will be on sale mid-April. Advance tickets are available for members and non-members. Tickets are \$20 and admission for kids 2 and under is free. The Balloon Voyage is reopening this season, as well as Symphony on the Prairie. Conner Prairie’s outdoor grounds are open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Oct. 30.

# A neighbor’s redemption: Stories like these are why Feeding Team exists

This month’s column is a call back story from a neighbor from over a year ago.

We’ve been doing food charity service work for over 16 years in inner-city Indianapolis with Shepherd Community Center before launching Feeding Team a few years ago. Over the years serving neighbors in Hamilton County, we never encountered a story or situation quite like K.L. If you follow us on social media, you may have seen this story updated just last week as she publicly reached out to us regarding her story.

In January 2021, we heard from K.L. She was one-half of a local couple living in their car and in need of food. During that January here in Hamilton County, we were in the very throes of a subzero cold snap. This neighbor wrote, “We are hungry and in desperate need of food. We are living in our car; please can you help us?”

This is the story of a young Hamilton County couple and now a story of redemption. We were able to connect these neighbors to several of the pantries as well as additional resources here in Hamilton County. Back then, we received word that the young couple found food, shelter and were able to get through the toughest of times.

What makes K.L.’s story so unique is that last week – 14 months later – she read her very own story online. She wrote us to let us know how grateful she was that she’s not in that position anymore and how thankful she is that the pantries were available to provide meals when she most needed them. Hers is a story of redemption and recovery that she credits to the community. She is grateful for Feeding Team and your ability to sustain her in a tough difficult situation.

It is rewarding to be a small part of a neighbor’s life. Your donations, along with funding from corporate partners, makes small mir-



acles like K.L.’s possible. Without the dedicated efforts of so many volunteers, donors, and friends of Feeding Team, this would not be happening all over Hamilton County every week.

With over 27,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, [FeedingTeam.org](http://FeedingTeam.org) provides outdoor 24/7/365 no-questions-asked free food pantries throughout Hamilton County.

Neighbors ask, “Why do this? What’s in it for you?” The answer is always the same: Serving people feeds my soul. It is a calling, not work.

When criticized or questioned, I encourage people to learn my story before assuming anything. There were many suppers when we as a young couple with young kids could only afford Dinty Moore beef stew and a potato for dinner. Surreal moment. This is why the pan-

**FeedingTeam.org Facts**  
40 pantries  
7,000 meals in January 2022  
30 volunteer families

tries exist. As a typical young family, we could not always make ends meet.

Thank you for embracing the pantries. We love serving with so many neighbors across Hamilton County.

In future columns we will share more stories from neighbors about how your generosity served them in times of need. Be assured that the face of hunger in Hamilton County is not what you may think.

In practical terms, this straightforward way to help neighbors is having real impact on lives, families, and our communities. Thank you. A few meals can change the course of a person’s life. A can of green beans means so much more when you have nothing to feed your kids. Would you like to get involved? We are in the process of evaluating our next 10 pantry locations. If you think you have a potential location, please contact us.

Mark and Lisa Hall are the Founders of Feeding Team. They may be reached at [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org) and [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org) or by calling (317) 832-1104.



## Early Voting Locations

*You don’t have to wait until May 3*

**Hamilton County Judicial Center | 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville**

- Every Monday-Friday until April 29 (Except Friday, April 15): 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Saturday, April 23 & 30: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday, May 2: 8 a.m. to noon

**Hamilton County Fairgrounds | 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville**

- Thursday, April 7 and Friday, April 8: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday-Thursday, April 11-14: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday-Saturday, April 18-23: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday-Saturday, April 25-30: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday, May 2: 8 a.m. to noon

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## Do you want the police to tell you how to vote?

**Apparently, my opponent for Coroner does.**

His recent ad features his Police buddies in uniform, who themselves served in Political appointments, telling you to vote for him. Don’t the Police have a motto, “Serve and Protect”? Does that apply equally for all citizens or is there more “Serve and Protect” for political buddies?

**If you want to vote the way the police tell you to, Do It!**

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**-Dr. Ned**

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## Tickets available soon for ISO Symphony on the Prairie

### The REPORTER

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra (ISO) announces the 2022 season of Kroger Symphony on the Prairie starting June 24 at the Conner Prairie Amphitheatre. Fans will be thrilled with an exciting lineup that offers a fun-filled musical summer experience for the whole family.

Tickets to the general public will go on sale next Tuesday. [Click here](#) to buy tickets beginning April 12. Tickets may also be purchased at central Indiana Kroger stores.

Season highlights include 10 performances by the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra; Melissa Etheridge on her One Way Out Tour on Aug. 5; Three Dog Night on Aug. 13; and The Spinners on Aug. 12. Audience favorites are returning for the 2022 season, including Arrival from Sweden: Music of ABBA on July 30; Face 2 Face: A Tribute to Billy Joel & Elton John on Aug. 6; and One Night of Queen performed by Gary Mullen & the Works

on Aug. 19.

The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra opens the 2022 Kroger Symphony on the Prairie season June 24-25 with Resident Conductor Jacob Joyce leading the orchestra in favorite classical music, including Ravel's *Boléro*. The patriotic Star-Spangled Symphony returns July 1-4 conducted by Alfred Savia with vocalist Doug LaBrecque, accompanied by a fireworks finale. Principal Pops Conductor Jack Everly leads the ISO and a cast of vocalists July 15-16 in music from treasured musicals, including *Les Misérables* and *Hamilton*. John Williams Blockbusters on July 22-23 features music from the legendary composer's film scores, including *Indiana Jones*, *Superman*, and *E.T. the Extra Terrestrial*.

For more information on any Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra indoor or outdoor presentation, contact the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office at (317) 639-4300 or online at [IndianapolisSymphony.org](http://IndianapolisSymphony.org).

### Meeting Notices

The Atlanta Redevelopment Commission will meet to review and approve the annual RDC financial report at 6:45 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022, at Atlanta Town Hall, 105 E. Main St., Atlanta.

The Carmel Fire Department Merit Board will meet in an executive session at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees.

A regular meeting of the Merit Board will immediately follow in the Caucus Room on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel.

The Hamilton County Plan Commission will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, in the Commissioners' Courtroom / County Council Chambers on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners and the Hamilton County Council will hold a joint meeting to discuss county business at 9 a.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022, in Conference Room 1A in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville. To access this meeting, call (219) 225-8177 and enter conference ID 969 400 73#.

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The Noblesville Redevelopment Commission meeting scheduled for 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2022, has been canceled.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold a Joint Capital and Construction/Board of Trustees meeting at 5 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold a Board of Trustees meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Sheridan Community School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation") shall convene at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022, in Conference Room C1 of Sheridan High School, 24185 Hinesley Road, Sheridan, for the purpose of considering the proposed Amendment to the Lease Agreement to be entered into between the Building Corporation and Sheridan Community Schools, including the plans and specifications referred to therein, and made a part thereof; the purpose of considering the proposed Trust Indenture and the issuance of the Ad Valorem Property Tax First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2022 (or such other name or series designation as determined by Sheridan Community School's underwriter); the purpose of considering the proposed Trust Agreement; and for any other business which may properly come before this meeting.

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2 Timothy 2:11-13 (NIV)

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.

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Westfield cuts ribbons on three new businesses



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Last week, the Westfield Chamber assisted with three ribbon-cutting ceremonies across the city. Perhaps the best part of each of these stories is that the owners of Snap Fitness, Chick-fil-A Wheeler Landing, and Biggby Coffee all have roots in Westfield, live here, or will soon live in Westfield. It's proof that the "little big town" is keeping the best and brightest right here in Westfield. Snap Fitness is located at the corner of 161st Street and Spring Mill Road. Chick-fil-A is the newest edition to West State Road 32, and Biggby Coffee is located near the corner of 146th Street and Ditch Road.

Letter to the Editor

Commissioners: Steve Schwartz gets it

Dear Editor:

We are writing to express our support for the re-election of Steve Schwartz for Hamilton County Council.

Steve has served as a diligent public servant in our community for more than 20 years. He is committed to leading Hamilton County with a fiscally responsible approach. We have watched Councilor Schwartz make sound financial decisions for our residents based on research, listening and growth.

Under Steve's leadership, our county has been able to obtain an AAA Bond Rating and continue to

make progress economically. Steve has been instrumental in several initiatives that have propelled Hamilton County forward, all while maintaining one of the state's lowest county tax rates.

When Steve first started his career as a County Councilor, he made it a priority to meet with each one of the 50-plus county departments. He understands that Hamilton County continues to evolve and grow, and that understanding the needs of the county is crucial. Steve gets it.

A 43-year Noblesville resident, Schwartz has always put the people of Hamilton County at the forefront.

Since he was 12 years old, Schwartz has been passionate about serving people, when he became an entrepreneur. Since then, he has owned several companies in Noblesville with his wife, Lori, and has employed hundreds in Hamilton County.

We believe that Steve Schwartz is more than qualified to continue his dedicated service on the Hamilton County Council. We ask that you please vote for Steve Schwartz on May 3.

Thank you.

Christine Altman, Steve Dillinger & Mark Heirbrandt

Hamilton County Commissioners

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Thomas M. McDermott, Jr. (D)  
\*Todd Young (R)

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Jeanine Lee Lake (D)  
\*Victoria Spartz (R)

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#### (Vote for 3)

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\*Gail E. Godby (R)  
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#### (Vote for 3)

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\*Erica Strahm (R)

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Maegen Fleck (R)  
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Rockford V. Stites (R)

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\*Steve C. Fisher (R)  
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### DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION DELEGATES

#### Adams/Wayne/Jackson/

#### White River Twps. (vote for 10)

#### Cymande (Mandie) Lackland

#### Clay Twp. (vote for 36)

Jim Blessing

Christopher M. Brown

April Culbertson

Jeremy Eltz

Missy Eltz

Annette Gross

Sara Hindi

Cheryl Hubbell

Kirsten Kowalewski

Rosemary Noel

Stephen Ring

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Dallas Shelby

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Erin Vahrenkamp

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#### Delaware/Fall Creek Twps.

#### (vote for 39)

A. Brando Corsaro

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Sara Schmidt

Cindy Weingarten

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#### Noblesville Twp. (vote for 21)

Christopher M. Davis

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#### Washington Twp. (vote for 16)

Jeffrey D. Atteberry

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# Carmel's Sam Orme named to Indiana boys Junior All-Stars list

Sam Orme of Carmel is among the 18 players that have been selected for the IndyStar Indiana boys Junior All-Stars for 2022, All-Stars games director Mike Broughton announced Wednesday.

Those selected to the six-player Core Group include Xavier Booker of Cathedral, Markus Burton of Penn, Myles Colvin of Heritage Christian, Zane Doughty of Ben Davis, Joey Hart of Linton-Stockton and Logan Ines of Zionsville.

In addition to the core group, six players each were voted to teams labeled Red Group and Blue Group.

Orme is part of the Red Group. Other players in that group are Joey Brown of North Central, Jermaine Coleman of Park Tudor, David Meriwether of Indianapolis Metropolitan, Jaylen Mullen of North Daviess and JaQualon Roberts of Bloomington North.

The Blue Group players are Cade Brenner of NorthWood, Cooper Farrall of Culver Academy, Mason Jones of Valparaiso, Jaron Tibbs of Cathedral, Brandon Trilli of Munster and Ashton Williamson of Gary 21st Century.

Marc Urban of Chesterton will be the head coach of the 2022 boys Junior All-Stars. He will be assisted by Ben Rhoades of Mt. Vernon (Fortville). Urban led Chesterton to a 29-1 season and a Class 4A state runner-up finish. He is 124-31 in six seasons with the Trojans. He also has a 204-48 mark as a varsity coach, including 80-17 in four seasons with the Lake Central girls. Rhoades directed Mt. Vernon to a 22-3 record and a Greenfield-Central Sectional title. He is 61-34 in four seasons with the Marauders. Both Junior All-Star coaches were voted 2022 IBCA district Coaches of the Year.

The Junior All-Stars will play one game against the Kentucky Junior All-Stars on Sunday, June 5 at Bedford North Lawrence. The Junior All-Stars also will play one game against the Indiana All-Star senior girls on Wednesday, June 8 at a site to be announced. Both games will be doubleheaders with the 2022 Indiana girls Junior All-Stars, who were announced last month.

The players listed as core group players each will play in two games. The players listed in the Red and Blue groups each will play in one game, the Red Group on June 5 against the Kentucky Juniors and the Blue Group on June 8 against the Indiana Seniors.

The Indiana senior All-Stars will play the Kentucky senior All-Stars on June 10 at the Owensboro Sportscenter in Owensboro, Ky. The Indiana senior All-Stars will play Kentucky's seniors again on June 11 in Southport Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. The senior game in Indianapolis again is set for Southport in 2022 because Gainbridge Fieldhouse will be undergoing a third phase of renovations and not be available in June.

The 2022 Boys Junior All-Star team was selected through a process that allows all IBCA-member head coaches to nominate players through the IBCA all-state process. The IBCA 20-member Indiana Basketball Coaches Association all-state committee reviewed and voted on players for the 2022 IBCA/Franciscan Health boys All-State teams that were released on March 24.

The 20 all-state committee members also provided input to a six-person IBCA subcommittee appointed by IBCA executive director Steve Witty and chaired by Brandon Bradley of Kankakee Valley. Bradley, Broughton, Urban plus Todd Howard of Brebeuf Jesuit, Mark Rohrer of Gibson Southern and all-state committee chairman David Wood, formerly the coach at West Lafayette, finalized the selections for the 2022 girls Junior All-Stars.

The Indiana Junior All-Star program was founded in 1996 by former Indiana All-Star games director Patrick Aikman. In most years, 18 players have been chosen to the Junior All-Stars. In five years (2005, 2006, 2007, 2018 and 2019), 24 players were chosen to the Junior All-Stars. In 2021, just 12 players were chosen to the Junior All-Stars.

In games from 1996 through 2021 (with no games in 2020 because of COVID-19), the Indiana Senior girls lead the Indiana Junior girls 40-10 and the Indiana Senior boys lead the Indiana Junior boys 40-10. In five



Kent Graham/File photo  
**Carmel's Sam Orme was selected to the IndyStar Indiana boys Junior All-Stars for 2022 on Wednesday. Orme will be part of the Red Group.**

years of games against the Kentucky Juniors, the Indiana Junior girls lead 9-1 and the Indiana Junior boys lead 6-4. Games

against the Kentucky Juniors previously have been played in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2018 and 2019.

## Baseball

# Golden Eagles pick up sweep of Chatard

Guerin Catholic picked up its first Circle City Conference sweep of the year on Wednesday, winning 10-4 at Bishop Chatard.

The Golden Eagles scored their first two runs in the top of the third inning, when Sam Tabor's line drive sent Davis Wagner and Clay Patton home. The Trojans came back to take the lead in the bottom of the innings, with three runs to lead 3-2.

Guerin Catholic rebounded in the fourth inning, getting five runs. Will Fremion doubled in Cuinn Morrow to tie the game, then Anthony Ferrucci's left field line drive

scored AJ Nunley, and the Golden Eagles were back on top for good.

But why not get some more runs? Fremion scored one when he got home on Patton's RBI fielder's choice. Wagner then blasted a triple to send in Patton, then Tabor's single scored Wagner. With that, Guerin led 7-3.

Nunley added a run in the fifth inning after Patton hit a sacrifice fly, then Wagner singled in Fremion. The Golden Eagles scored their 10th run in the seventh inning; Patton got home after Bryson Dorsey reached on error.

Wagner and Tabor each had three hits,

with Tabor totaling three runs. Wagner got the win, with five strikeouts in three innings. Ferrucci had two hits, and also pitched four innings in relief, striking out four.

Guerin Catholic is now 2-0 in conference play and 4-0 overall. The Golden Eagles continue CCC action Tuesday when they host Covenant Christian.

GUERIN CATHOLIC 10, BISHOP CHATARD 4				
Guerin Catholic	AB	R	H	RBI
Will Fremion	5	2	1	1
Anthony Ferrucci	5	0	2	1

Clay Patton	2	3	1	2
Davis Wagner	5	2	3	2
Sam Tabor	4	0	3	3
Bryson Dorsey	5	0	1	0
Ryan Zimmerman	4	0	0	0
Caden Ratcliff	0	0	0	0
Cuinn Morrow	4	1	1	0
AJ Nunley	2	2	0	0
Totals	36	10	12	9
Score by Innings				
Guerin Catholic	002	520	1- 10	12 3
Bishop Chatard	003	000	1- 4	5 5
3B: Wagner. 2B: Fremion. SB: Nunley, Ferrucci, Patton, Wanger, Fremion. SAC: Patton. HBP: Ratcliff.				
GC pitching				
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Ferrucci	4	1	1	1
Wagner (W)	3	3	3	4
Strikeouts: Wagner 5, Ferrucci 4. Walks: Ferrucci 2, Wagner 2.				

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# Tigers, Millers get exciting victories to open HCC competition

By **RICHIE HALL**

**WESTFIELD** - The rainy weather of the past few days made it necessary for two big Hoosier Crossroads Conference openers to be played Wednesday at Grand Park.

The facility was crowded, and those attended saw a couple of great games. That included a clash between two of the highest-ranked teams in Class 4A, No. 1 Fishers and No. 3 Zionsville. The Eagles had the Tigers down going into the seventh inning before Fishers came back with two runs in the top of the final inning to win 3-2.

"It's a testament to these guys," said Fishers coach Matt Cherry. "It's who they are. It's inside of them. They kind of create it. They never give up."

Meanwhile, Noblesville was providing some excitement of its own as the Millers began a series with Avon. After the Orioles jumped out to an early lead, Noblesville tied the game right back, then scored a pair of runs in the third inning and held the lead from there, cruising to an 8-6 victory.

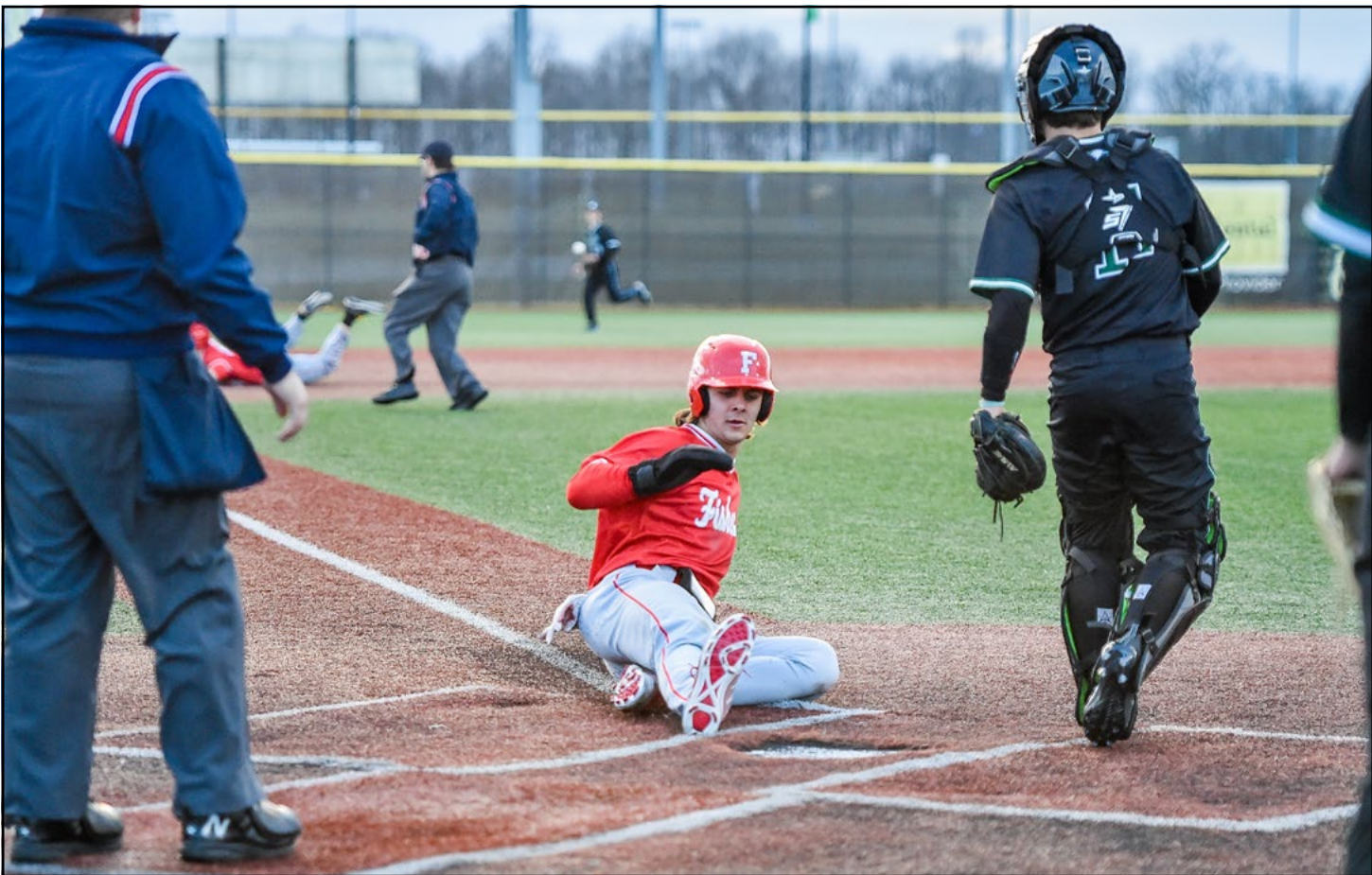
**RALLY TIGERS**

Fishers was the visiting team, and it got on the board right away in the first inning. Joey Brenzewski led off with a single, moved to third base, then scored when Jack Brown smacked a line drive into right field. Zionsville tied the game right away with a two-out home run in the bottom of the first, then added a run in the fifth inning.

The Tigers started their seventh-inning rally when Jack Brown reached on error to begin the inning. Jackson Preston drew a walk, then Jack Backofen came in to run for Preston. After that, Gavin Clayton was intentionally walked to load the bases.

Caulin Brown came up next, and he hit a sacrifice fly to score Jack Brown. Backofen also tagged up and advanced to third base. That would set up the go-ahead run, and Backofen delivered by getting home on Zach Cox's RBI fielder's choice.

"This team does probably one of the best jobs we've ever had of manufacturing runs and creating running situations, and a



**Fishers' Jack Brown slides into home plate during the seventh inning of the Tigers' game with Zionsville Wednesday at Grand Park. Brown's run tied the game at 2-2, and Fishers would go on to win 3-2.**

Photo by Michael Gross

lot has to do with how we run the bases, although we ran ourselves out a couple outs earlier in the game. But we want to be aggressive," said Cherry.

Fishers had the lead at 3-2, and the Tigers then took care of Zionsville quickly in the bottom of the seventh, making two groundouts with a Joey Wilmoth strikeout in between.

Brenzewski had two hits for the game. Wilmoth pitched two and two-thirds innings for the win, striking out four. Starting pitcher Tate Warner struck out seven.

Fishers hosts Zionsville today to complete the series.

**QUICK REGROUPING**

Avon stunned the Millers in the first inning with back-to-back triples in its first two at bats, resulting in a run. The Orioles then added two more runs to take a 3-0 lead midway through the first.

But Noblesville quickly regrouped, scoring three runs of its own. Kolby Kazmierski led off with a double, moved to third on Nolan Decker's single, and scored when freshmen Trevor Corbett sent a base

hit into left field.

Decker later got home on a sacrifice fly by Josh Kern, and Corbett scored after Conner Bloss blasted a triple.

"Avon can flat swing the bat," said Millers coach Justin Keever. "They ambushed us early and credit our kids responding."

The score stayed at 3-3 until the third inning, when Noblesville added two runs. Decker got a leadoff single, then scored on Corbett's right field hit. Corbett would be home soon as well, as Kern singled him in with a left field hit.

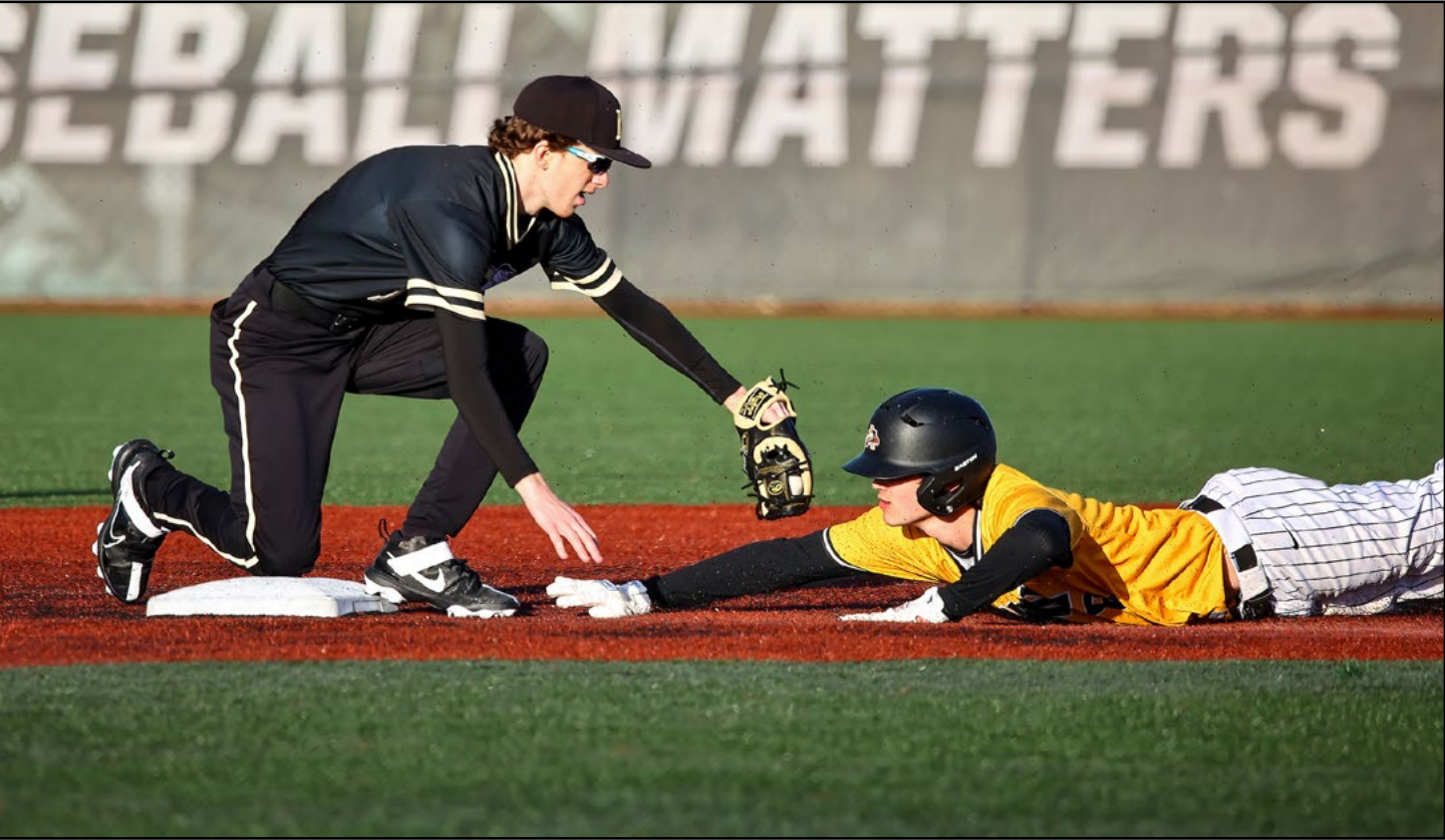
The Millers kept things rolling in the fourth inning. Drew Niswonger scored after Decker reached on error, then Corbett bunted in Kazmierski. Noblesville now led 7-3. The Orioles cut the lead to 7-5 with a couple of fifth-inning runs, but would get no closer.

Meanwhile, Corbett batted in the Millers' last run of the game on a sacrifice bunt that scored Kazmierski. That gave Corbett a total of four RBIs on 3-for-3 hitting. Kazmierski and Decker also had three hits for the game.

"We're just having competitive bats and that's really what it comes down to. Hitting's hard and getting hits are hard. But what's great with our guys is that they're relative with approaches and they're being really competitive at the plate," said Keever.

Eli Ketterer got the win, throwing three and a third innings in relief. He tossed four strikeouts. Bryce Riggs earned a save, with five strikeouts in two and a third innings. Avon, in fact, had the tying run at the plate after scoring on a sacrifice fly in the seventh inning, but Riggs finished the game with a strikeout.

"It's always great to start the league 1-0, right?" said Keever. He called playing in the HCC "not for the faint of heart," so every win is a big win.



**Noblesville's Luke Wilson applies the tag to an Avon runner during the Millers-Orioles game Wednesday at Grand Park. Noblesville won 8-6.**

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Eastern Conference					Western Conference				
Atlantic					Northwest				
x-Boston	W	L	PCT.	GB	x-Utah	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Philadelphia	50	30	.625	-	Denver	48	32	.600	-
x-Toronto	49	30	.620	0.5	Minnesota	47	33	.588	1.0
pi-Brooklyn	46	33	.582	3.5	Portland	45	35	.563	3.0
New York	42	38	.525	8.0	Oklahoma City	27	52	.342	20.5
Central					Pacific				
y-Milwaukee	W	L	PCT.	GB	z-Phoenix	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Chicago	49	30	.620	-	x-Golden State	63	17	.788	-
pi-Cleveland	45	35	.563	4.5	pi-L.A. Clippers	50	29	.633	12.5
Indiana	43	37	.538	6.5	L.A. Lakers	40	40	.500	23.0
Detroit	25	55	.313	24.5	Sacramento	31	48	.392	31.5
Southeast					Southwest				
y-Miami	W	L	PCT.	GB	y-Memphis	W	L	PCT.	GB
pi-Atlanta	52	28	.650	-	x-Dallas	55	24	.696	-
pi-Charlotte	42	38	.525	10.0	pi-New Orleans	50	30	.625	5.5
Washington	40	39	.506	11.5	pi-San Antonio	35	44	.443	20.0
Orlando	35	45	.438	17.0	Houston	34	45	.430	21.0
	21	59	.263	31.0		20	60	.250	35.5
x - clinched playoff spot					z - clinched conference title				
y - clinched division title					pi - clinched playin spot				

# Royals drop HCC opener to Bulldogs

Hamilton Southeastern dropped its Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener on Wednesday, falling 3-1 to Brownsburg at Ken Seitz Field.

The Bulldogs scored two runs in the top of the first inning, then added a third run in the top of the second. The Royals got their run in the bottom of the second inning; Cole Earlewine drew a walk to lead off, advanced to second base when Harrison Dilts was

walked, then scored on an Ian Bucher base hit.

Both teams had five hits for the game, with Southeastern's Landon Riekhof hitting a seventh-inning double. Braden Strawmeyer struck out six in three innings of relief.

The Royals are 2-2 overall and play at Brownsburg today to finish the conference series.

BROWNSBURG 3, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 1				
Southeastern	AB	R	H	RBI
Ty Bradle	3	0	0	0
Eli Miller	3	0	1	0
Griffen Haas	3	0	1	0
Cole Earlewine	2	1	0	0
Harrison Dilts	2	0	0	0
Ian Bucher	3	0	1	1
Landon Riekhof	3	0	1	0
Chugga Rosario	3	0	0	0

Hunter Wright 2 0 1 0  
Totals 24 1 5 1

Score by Innings  
Brownsburg 210 000 0-3 5 0  
Southeastern 010 000 0-1 5 1  
2B: Riekhof. SB: Earlewine.

HSE pitching	IP	R	ER	H
Brady Strawmeyer	3	0	0	0
Sam Reagan	4	3	2	5

Strikeouts: Strawmeyer 6, Reagan 4. Walks: none.

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"We never apologize for winning, so we're really excited," said Keever.

Noblesville travels to Avon today to complete the series.

FISHERS 3, ZIONSVILLE 2				
Fishers	AB	R	H	RBI
Joey Brenczewski	3	1	2	0
Dominic Oliverio	3	0	0	0
Jack Brown	3	1	1	1
Jackson Preston	2	0	0	0
Jack Backofen	0	1	0	0
Gavin Clayton	2	0	0	0
Caulin Brown	2	0	0	1
Zach Cox	3	0	0	1
Joe Hietpas	2	0	1	0
Curtis Kearschner	0	0	0	0
Carson Dunn	2	0	0	0
Totals	22	3	4	3

Score by Innings  
Fishers 100 000 2-3 4 1  
Zionsville 100 010 0-2 6 2  
2B: Hughes. SB: Cox. SAC: C. Brown.

Fishers pitching	IP	R	ER	H
Tate Warner	4.1	2	2	5
Joey Wilmoth (W)	2.2	0	0	1

NOBLESVILLE 8, AVON 6				
Noblesville	AB	R	H	RBI
Kolby Kazmierski	4	3	3	0
Nolan Decker	4	2	3	1
Trevor Corbett	3	2	3	4
Bryce Riggs	3	0	0	0
Josh Kern	3	0	1	2
Conner Bloss	3	0	1	1
Luke Wilson	3	0	0	0
Jacob Edwards	3	0	0	0
Drew Niswonger	3	1	1	0
Totals	29	8	12	8

Score by Innings  
Avon 300 020 1-6 10 1  
Noblesville 302 201 x-8 12 2  
3B: Bloss. 2B: Kazmierski. SB: Kern 2, Kazmierski. SAC: Corbett, Riggs, Kern.

NHS pitching	IP	R	ER	H
Decker	1.1	3	2	5
Eli Ketterer (W)	3.1	2	2	3
Riggs (S)	2.1	1	1	2

Strikeouts: Riggs 5, Ketterer 4, Decker 2. Walks: Riggs 2, Ketterer 1.

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