

**Mary Rathz, 3, is already learning how to be a gardener.**



My voice. My mom will always be cheering for them. I know it echoes in their minds. I know it saturates their thoughts when they aren't even thinking about me. It beckons them to be safe. They hear my voice, ever so gently, reminding them to listen to their gut and believe in themselves and know I

will always be cheering for them. I call it the invisible mom effect. My voice is gentle. My voice is fierce. My voice will challenge them when needed and soften their blows when their hearts are hurting. It does not matter what age they

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both one of the largest and one of the smallest roles. Another stressful part of this production was the set. "The set looks phenomenal, and we knew it was going to come together, but it was a lot of work. Director Jen Otterman is also the set designer and set builder, and she does phenomenal sets, but they require a lot of work," Cuevas said. This is only the second two-level set MSP has built in the new playhouse. There were also some lighting challenges, requiring MSP to rent scaffolding to readjust some lights for this show. The show was originally supposed to stage just as all live entertainment went on pause for two years. "I was supposed to produce this play back in 2020 and then we had a little interruption," Cuevas said. "We had a different director then. COVID hit and the director moved away. I reached out to Jen and asked her to direct because I knew she'd directed it before at the high school level. She used to teach theater at Hamilton Southeastern. She's also been in this play way back when." All those challenges made this production itself a bit of a comedy – an irony that is not lost on Cuevas. "It really is kind of a farce within a farce," Cuevas said. "All the comedic things that came up. Not all of them were funny at the time, but in a couple weeks we can laugh about all the things that caused issues. It's been busy stuff with lots of moving parts." Coming off the pandemic, Cuevas said she thinks a farce is what audiences need. "Theater is back up and running, but people are still



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See Sara Castillo Dandurand, Ian Hauer and the full ensemble at Basile Westfield Playhouse. See more photos at [ReadTheReporter.com](http://ReadTheReporter.com).

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**Note:** Please be advised, per the Samuel French Editor's Note, language changes are not allowed in the work of Neil Simon. All plays must be performed as written. "Rumors" is a farcical play by Neil Simon that premiered in 1988. This production may contain adult situations and language, as well as outdated cultural depictions that may be considered inappropriate. Please use discretion. Recommended for ages 13 and up.

getting used to it, and I think they need a farce," Cuevas said. "I love drama, but right now we need to just laugh and escape. This is a ridiculous Neil Simon farce. It's the only farce he wrote. It is a ridiculous and absurd and funny as heck. There is no deeper meaning and that's what we need: a little escapism."

Cuevas said Neil Simon wrote "Rumors" because he was going through difficult times in his life and needed catharsis. "He just wanted to laugh. Come ready to laugh and to escape," Cuevas said. "It is a play that does not take itself seriously at all. Just come ready to have a good time."

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GARDEN

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certified a summer or two ago. When I first heard about it, I thought it must be some huge, involved process. He told me, ‘You’d be surprised. You are already doing a lot of it anyway.’ I looked into it because he didn’t make it sound as intimidating.”

Rathz said a big part of what she has gained from the NWF certification is the desire for outreach – for teaching other people. NWF recognizes sustainability in food, water, cover and places for animals to raise their young. Another part is what Rathz called purposeful planting.

“That is about really being deliberate in what you plant,” Rathz said. “Not just picking a flower because you like the color or the way it



Photos provided

While her yard is only one-quarter acre in size and exists inside the city of Fishers, it is a National Wildlife Federation certified wildlife habitat and stands as proof Jedi Master Yoda was correct: “Size matters not.” See more photos at [ReadTheReporter.com](#).

smells, but asking if it is a native plant. Is this something that is going to promote pollinators? Is this a plant that will be a place for caterpillars to lay their eggs?”

In Indiana, monarch butterflies are in danger. Milkweed, also known as butterfly weed, is the only plant on which monarch butterflies can lay their eggs.

“What I have really learned is how to heighten my awareness of what I am planting,” Rathz told The Reporter. “Why I am planting it? It is something that will foster and protect wildlife? Is this something a pollinator is going to benefit from? Is this a native plant that is so vital to our region? Many of us have daylilies in our yard and don’t realize that aside from their beauty, they actually provide shelter and cover for animals and their young.”

Rathz said gardening has always been an escape and retreat for her. She said she finds great solace in her garden.

“Nothing is more rewarding than seeing a bum-

blebee or butterfly land on one of your flowers or seeing that first hummingbird of the season,” Rathz said. “The reward of seeing flowers return year after year, providing sanctuary for our wildlife is truly remarkable to me.”

By taking small batches of flowers from one home to another to replant and cultivate, she finds a connection to past, present and future.

“Some of these flowers are from when I was a little girl, in my childhood home,” Rathz said. “To know that my mom took care of these same flowers that my children now see me take care of is so special to me. My little girl has

such an interest in helping me in the garden and learning about wildlife, and that is the most precious thing about it.

“Flowers stand the test of time. They come back to us each year and find us wherever we are in our life that season. Children grow up and change, just as life is constantly evolving, but these flowers keep coming back just as we remember them, reminding us of our wonderful memories from different times in our lives. My hope is one day my daughter and grandchildren still have my flowers and take care of them just as I have and think about how they can make their own yards a sanctuary for our wildlife.”

FISHERS ART

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The work of artists Critt Hunter and Ali (Koral) Mutlu were chosen for the first exhibition in the new Fishers Arts Council Gallery, located at the Collaboration Hub, 11810 Technology Drive, Fishers. Those works are Hunter’s “Autumn Kale” (left) and Mutlu’s “Balerina” (right).

FAC Executive Director Les Reinhardt said, “With the upcoming demolition of the Art Gallery at City Hall, we looked for a partner that had a great space as well as a vision of inclusion and opportunity. We found all of that and more with HCCF. I could not be more excited for the future of our partnership.”

About Critt Hunter

Critt Hunter is a relatively new artist.

“My life until the age 50 focused on my family, my education career, and my community,” Hunter said. “That half century was spent in my hometown of Hartford, Ky. Graduating from the local high school, I moved to Lexington, Ky., to begin my college studies. Marrying at 19, we moved closer to home, transferring to Western Kentucky University. My college degrees span a few years and include a BS in Art Education, a master’s degree in Art Education, and an EdS, Specialist in School Administration.”

It wasn’t until five years

after he moved to Indianapolis and retired from employment with Nora Elementary that he began to focus on his art.

“Forty-three years was enough,” Hunter said. “This was a first for me. Painting subjects that I found interesting, entering exhibits, being accepted into art fairs, and selling my art presented a validation that I never dreamt possible. Who knew old age could be so much fun?”

Hunter’s exhibited works consist of oil, acrylic, and mixed media art. He says he likes to show the variances between colors and often will exaggerate expected colors and draw attention to complementary colors.

About Ali (Koral) Mutlu

Ali (Koral) Mutlu is new to the art scene here in the county. A native of Turkey, Koral moved to the United States in 2016. He is a graphic designer and illustrator with an amazing eye for detail. He works with ink

and pencil, as well as watercolors. His piece titled, “Rabia,” is a black and white illustration of his grandmother. It is very detailed. With “Balerina,” a watercolor piece, the dancer seems to be floating in mid-air.

In all, this exhibit has 30 pieces of art, most of which are for sale. Please come out on Friday, June 10 at the Collaboration Hub from 6 to 8 p.m. to see these amazing works of art and talk to the artists.

About the Fishers Arts Council

Fishers Arts Council is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to support, advocate, and cultivate visual and performing arts opportunities that educate and/or enhance the lives of those who live, work, and visit Fishers. Visit the new art gallery space at the Collaboration Hub at Hamilton County Community Foundation, 11810 Technology Drive, Fishers, online at [FishersArtsCouncil.org](#), or call (317) 537-1670.

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(Above) The Noblesville Police Department emerged victorious in the 2022 Darlington Bed Race. (Top right) Kristi Koeper earned recognition as the best folder of the dreaded fitted sheet. (Left) Andrew Morris claimed first place in the Doughnut Eating Contest. (Below) Noblesville Fire Department's own Sparky took a victory lap after being named the Best Mascot. (Bottom right) Three-year-old Corbin Koeper had the best fish face in town!



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The Brothers Footman perform for dancing after dinner during the gala.

## Carmel Youth Assistance raises \$82K at annual gala

### The REPORTER

Thanks to generous sponsors and community support, the Carmel Gala, Design Bright Futures, was a big success for the Carmel Youth Assistance Program (CYAP), which will receive more than \$82,000 in donations from the sold-out event held on April 30 at Ritz Charles.

The Carmel Gala provided an evening of dinner, dancing, ring toss, bike and bling raffle, silent auction and dessert dash for attendees while raising valuable funds to benefit the private, non-profit CYAP organization. More than 300 people gathered to celebrate the work done by the organization in the past year and learn more about what is planned for the future.

The evening was emceed by Carmel resident and former professional basketball player Scot Pollard. Attendees watched a video generously produced in-kind by Adam Grubb Productions which highlighted the organization's work in the city. The event also featured a silent auction and "Dessert Dash" where guests bid on sweets donated by bakeries and sweet shops around Carmel and nearby communities.

The Carmel Gala would not be possible without the support of the generous sponsors who are committed to the mission of Carmel Youth Assistance Program. A special thanks to the following supporters:

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#### About the Carmel Youth Assistance Program

CYAP was founded in 2015 to serve as an early intervention advocate for youth ages 3 to 17 throughout Carmel who are facing challenging life circumstances. Since its inception, CYAP has received more than 850 referrals in Carmel. CYAP is one of six organizations under the umbrella of the Hamilton County Youth Assistance Program, which was founded in 2009.

Each YAP has the same mission to serve their respec-

tive communities around the county including Fishers, Hamilton Heights, Noblesville, Sheridan and Westfield. CYAP's Early Intervention Advocates work with local schools, police, fire, and other community leaders to accept referrals of youth and families in need. Advocates identify community resources available to these families such as food and clothing assistance, camp and recreational opportunities, mentor pairings, tutoring and counseling services.

If you would like to donate, volunteer or learn more about CYAP, go to [youthassistance.org/carmel](http://youthassistance.org/carmel).



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(Above) Carmel resident and former professional basketball player Scot Pollard emceed the evening's festivities. (Below) Jessica Kruckeberg takes a chance at the Ring Toss during the cocktail hour before dinner.



## Is our summer safe?

The Sheridan Student Column is brought to readers by Sheridan High School's 10th grade English class, taught by Abby Williams.

May has come and gone, and now school is out for summer. But what will COVID mean for school two years later? We all remember how summer was two years ago: locked indoors and uncertain if we would ever escape our house. Will summer 2022 be anything like this?

State restrictions were pretty rough when COVID first hit, and rightfully so. According to [statista.com](https://www.statista.com), on March 1, 2020, the United States had 61 total cases of COVID-19. By the end of that month there were 188,000 cases. At that point, we didn't have common practices to combat cases. People were still

### COLUMNIST



TYLER HOGAN  
Sheridan High School Student

touching their faces and masks were not used. By June, when most states had already entered statewide lockdown, according to [statista.com](https://www.statista.com), there were over 400,000 cases in that month alone. Airlines were closed, and beaches were shut down.

By 2021, children were back in school, and life was seemingly on track to return to normal, or as close as we could be in the aftermath of a deadly pandemic. But, cases were growing at a steeper rate. Quarantines felt normal to me, when only a year earlier it was our country's biggest fear. In June 2021, cases had slowed down, with only 600,000 compared to the 2.5 million four months earlier ([statista.com](https://www.statista.com)). Florida beaches were open other than red tide in 2021.

On June 15, 2021 Disney World in Florida opened to the out-of-state public. On April 15, 2021, Universal Studios opened to the public. By summer 2021, most dining rooms in restaurants and fast food establishments had reopened.

Now, with access to the vaccine, and knowledge to combat the virus, as of May 2022, 66 percent of residents in the United States are vaccinated. Now we are at a few hundred thousand cases per month as of May 11, 2022 ([statista.com](https://www.statista.com)) and the world is used to COVID. This disease is no longer a new thing, and it has become normal to hear someone close to you has COVID. In the present there are only light restrictions, like masks on airlines.

Your summer will be safe. The spread of COVID has slowed, but your precautions shouldn't, so wear your mask and wash your hands.



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# Zotec Partners earns Carmel's Commercial Beautification Award

## The REPORTER

At the May 25 meeting of the Carmel Neighborhood Association Network (CNAN), the Urban Forestry Committee presented its annual Commercial Beautification Award for Excellence in Urban Forestry.

Congratulations to this year's recipient, Zotec Partners, which was awarded for its new landscape and improved drainage project at 1 Zotec Way in Carmel.

Save the date for the next CNAN meeting on Thursday, Aug. 4 in the Council Chambers at Carmel City Hall. Meeting details will be provided in July. Email Kelli Prader at [kprader@carmel.in.gov](mailto:kprader@carmel.in.gov) with any questions.



(From left) Zotec Chief Engineer David Brinegar, Zotec Senior Director of Corporate Communications Stephanie Freeman, Carmel Urban Forestry Committee President Linda Lange, and Zotech Building Experience Director Charlie Schuyler.

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## Fishers road construction updates, week of June 6

### The REPORTER

#### State Road 37 & 146th Street

All left-turn lanes are currently restricted on SR 37 and on 146th Street with traffic moved to the interior lanes. Thru traffic and right turns on SR 37 and 146th Street will remain open. Drivers are encouraged to seek alternate routes for all left-turn access. View an alternate route map [here](#).

Between Monday, June 6 and Friday, June 10, there will be single lane restrictions each direction on SR 37 north of 146th Street to complete work on the concrete WIM stations.

#### State Road 37 & 131st/135th Streets

131st Street east of SR 37 is currently closed as work progresses on the interchange. SR 37 will remain open both northbound and southbound. [Click here](#) to view the detour map.

On or after Thursday, June 9, the contractor will begin the traffic switch to move SR 37 northbound over to the newly constructed lanes and close 135th Street access east of SR 37. This will take place at night and could take two evenings to complete and will require single-lane closures for northbound and southbound SR 37.

Please drive with caution through these areas. To learn more about the State Road

37 Improvement Project and sign up to receive text updates, visit [37Thrives.com](http://37Thrives.com).

#### Technology Drive (Northeast Commerce Park)

The inside lane of Technology Drive is currently closed to traffic to allow for construction of new pavement in the inside lane. One-way traffic will be in place in the outside lane as shown here. Access to all businesses will be maintained during the construction.

#### Southeastern Parkway & Cyntheanne Road

The intersection at Southeastern Parkway and Cyntheanne Road is currently closed for roundabout construction and is anticipated to reopen by the end of July. View the detour map [here](#). Schoolhouse 7 Café will remain open for business during construction. View how to access their business [here](#).

#### 800 South (136th St.) Madison County

On Thursday, June 9, County Road 800 South (136th Street) in Madison County (just east of Atlantic Road) will be closed for installation of a new water line. View detour map [here](#).

#### Cumberland Road Between 96th & 106th streets

Beginning on or after Monday, June 6, Cumber-

land Road between 96th and 106th streets will be closed to all thru traffic for the replacement of a large pipe. The estimated project completion date is end of day Friday, June 10.

Local traffic will continue to have access to their homes north and south of the hard closure (which is approximately 2,150 feet north of 96th Street), while thru traffic is asked to use the posted detour route of 96th Street, Lantern Road and 106th Street. View detour map [here](#).

#### 116th Street Between Olio Road & Brooks School Road

The westbound lanes of 116th Street between Olio Road and Brooks School Road will be closed, weather permitting, beginning at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7 and is expected to reopen by 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8 for concrete joint repair work by DPW. View detour map [here](#).

#### Resurfacing projects

ADA ramp and curb reconstruction has started taking place in Charleston Crossing, Delaware Pointe, Eller Trails, Eller Commons, Eller Run, Fishers Pointe, Hickory Woods, Lantern Overlook, Overlook at Beaver Ridge, Sunblest, and Waterford Gardens as part of the 2022 Resurfacing Project. Homeowners will

be notified via door hangers prior to any curb reconstruction near their home. After ADA ramp and curb reconstruction is completed, those areas will be restored with topsoil and seed. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to water the seed for the seed to germinate. Prior to road resurfacing, residents will be notified via street signage for street parking restrictions.

#### Development Dashboard

The Fishers Planning & Zoning Department has a new Development Dashboard where you can view all development projects that are under construction or in the process of being reviewed. Find it on the Planning & Zoning homepage [here](#).

## St. Christopher's Episcopal Church of Carmel sponsoring BIPOC art exhibit

### The REPORTER

Indiana artists who identify as Black, Indigenous, or Persons of Color (BIPOC) are encouraged to submit work for *Roads to Reconciliation*, a juried exhibition sponsored by St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Carmel.

The August 2022 exhibition will feature work celebrating progress on the journey to dismantle racism, as well as work acknowledging the importance of continuing to walk this path with intention and determination.

There is no entry fee for submitting work, and each artist may submit up to two works. Artists are encouraged to make their work available for sale. Artists will negotiate sales directly with prospective purchasers and St. Christopher's will retain no commission.

"As our congregation

engages in ongoing efforts to dismantle racism within ourselves and our communities, we are inviting BIPOC artists to join with artists from within our congregation to create work around the *Roads to Reconciliation* theme," said Linda Henke, member of the Exhibition Planning Team. "We intend for the exhibition to cultivate relationships of mutual appreciation among participating artists, congregational members, and the wider community."

St. Christopher's is a five-generation parish that gathers for worship, study, ministry and service in the name of Jesus Christ. Efforts to dismantle racism within the community is an important focus of St. Christopher's.

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# Carmel Christkindlmarkt 2022 schedule announced

**The REPORTER**

In 2022, Carmel Christkindlmarkt will be open Nov. 19 through Dec. 30. The market will remain closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays, as well as Thanksgiving and Christmas. See the full hours below:

**General hours**

- Monday to Wednesday: Closed
- Thursday: 4 to 9 p.m.
- Friday to Sunday: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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- Open: Wednesday, Nov. 23: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
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# Bringing books to life for preschoolers

**The REPORTER**

The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel has a special series of events for children ages 4 to 6. Venture into the world of reading and the arts through a new weekly event series that begins in July.

*Story Alive!* uses story-

telling, music, movement and crafting as an introduction to arts appreciation. Each session draws from a performing arts-themed book and a variety of music to teach creative movement and set the stage for a take-home craft project.

The sessions are at 10

a.m. Friday mornings at the Palladium, starting July 15 with *Corduroy Takes a Bow*, Oscar winner Viola Davis' contribution to the classic children's book series about a teddy bear. Kids are encouraged to bring their own fuzzy toy friends and their fa-

vorite grownups for activities including a tour of the stunning Palladium concert hall.

The cost is \$15 for a single session or just \$60 for the first six sessions scheduled through Aug. 19. [Click here](#) to register for *Story Alive!*

# Summer fun in Fishers features free community events for all ages

**The REPORTER**

Summer is in full swing, and the City of Fishers and Fishers Parks are celebrating with a full lineup of free community events.

Join the fun with concerts every Tuesday night at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater; explore the newly opened Nickel Plate Trail; celebrate at the summer's biggest festival at Spark!Fishers; support local and save big during the Shop Fishers: Summer Series; cool off during the family favorite, Monsoon Madness; shop the season's freshest picks at the award-winning Fishers Farmers Market every Saturday morning and Wednesday evening; and enjoy performances from renowned local and national artists at the two-day Blues Fest event on Labor Day weekend.

The free summer event lineup includes:

**Nickel Plate Trail**  
*Open daily*

The downtown portion of the Fishers Nickel Plate Trail is now open, including the pedestrian tunnel beneath 116th Street, allowing users to travel from 106th Street to 146th Street. Find ways to explore the trail and see the deals at [playfishers.com/NickelPlateTrail](http://playfishers.com/NickelPlateTrail).

**Fishers AgriPark**  
*Tuesdays & Wednesdays: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursdays to Saturdays: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.*

The 33-acre urban farm, located at 11171 Florida Road, featuring public fields and gardens, managed by Fishers Parks, is now open. The farm offers livestock encounters and u-pick opportunities once produce is in season for Fishers residents. From educational series to agricultural-themed summer camps, public programming at the Fishers AgriPark is rooted in farm operations and agriculture in our community, the state, and the United States. Learn more at [playfishers.com/Agripark](http://playfishers.com/Agripark).

**Fishers Farmers Market**

*Market at NPD AMP: Saturdays, now through Sept. 24, 8 a.m. to noon*  
*Market at Saxony: Wednesdays, now through Sept. 28, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.*

Rated one of the top farmers' markets in the region, the Fishers Farmers Market, presented by IU Health Fishers, showcases vendors from central Indiana that offer fresh produce, baked goods, honey, specialty food items, meats, coffee, plants, and more. Learn more at [playfishers.com/FarmersMarket](http://playfishers.com/FarmersMarket).

**Water Amenities**  
*Open*

The free splash pads at Holland Park, 1 Park Drive, and Billericay Park, 12690 Promise Road, and the fountain at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater Pavilion, 10 Municipal Drive, will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (weather permitting) through Labor Day.

Saxony Lake and Beach, 13358 Pennington Road, is open daily from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Aug. 1 (limited weekday and weekend hours in August). Entry is free for Fishers residents and \$7 for non-residents. Visitors can fill out the online waiver before arriving and learn more at [playfishers.com/WaterAmenities](http://playfishers.com/WaterAmenities).

**Spark!Fishers**  
*June 21 to 25*

The annual festival, ignited by First Internet Bank, kicks off with a concert on Tuesday, June 21, and continues all week before wrapping up with a festival on Saturday, June 25 at the Municipal Complex featuring a parade, live music, food, drink, and artisan vendors, art displays, kids and teen zones, fireworks, and more. The 2022 lineup includes:

- Tuesday, June 21:

Tuesday Night Concert, presented by IU Health Fishers, featuring Fishers Music Works' White River Wind Symphony

- Wednesday, June 22: Evening 5K Run/Walk sponsored by IU Health Fishers. [Registration is open now.](#)
- Thursday, June 23: Spark!Fishers Car & Art Show
- Friday, June 24: Friday Night Concert featuring Bruno Mars tribute band, Uptown Funk
- Saturday, June 25: Street Fair festival, parade, live entertainment, and fireworks

Several volunteer opportunities are available for all ages and abilities to get involved in this year's celebration. Learn more and register to volunteer at [volunteerfishers.com](http://volunteerfishers.com) and learn more about the festival at [sparkfishers.com](http://sparkfishers.com).

**Summer Concert Series**  
*Tuesdays, Wednesdays & select weekend dates*  
*Times vary; details at [npdamp.com](http://npdamp.com).*  
*NPD AMP or Central Green*

The free concert series includes performances at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater on Tuesday evenings starting on June 7, presented by IU Health Fishers, and Wednesday lunchtime concerts on Central Green, presented by Meyer Najem. The summer lineup also includes ticketed Friday night shows in partnership with MOKB Presents from the following national touring bands:

- June 18: Houndmouth
- July 16: Colony House with Joe Hertler & The Rainbow Seekers
- Aug. 5: Waxahatchee with Liam Kazar
- Aug. 19: The Main Squeeze (with special guests TBA)
- Aug. 27: Lawrence

New this year, join Fishers' Community Ambassadors – residents who love the city and want to help residents feel more connected to their community – at the Community Meetup Tent at the free Tuesday night concerts in June. Grab a lawn chair, meet fellow residents, and enjoy music with new friends at Fishers Community Concerts.

Get the full concert lineup and purchase tickets at [npdamp.com](http://npdamp.com).

**Shop Fishers**  
*July 16-23*

Support local during the Shop Fishers: Summer Series, kicking off Saturday, July 16. Take advantage of special promotions and discounts at local shops and restaurants around Fishers. Learn more at [thisisfishers.com/ShopFishers](http://thisisfishers.com/ShopFishers).

**Monsoon Madness**  
*Saturday, July 30 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Holland Park*

Beat the heat as Holland Park transforms into a pop-up water park during one of the most popular events of the summer. Presented by Centier Bank, Monsoon Madness features giant water slides, a mini-monsoon area for little ones, and live entertainment. Registration is not required, but all participants must sign the 2022 Fishers Parks safety and liability waiver.

**Blues Fest**  
*Sept. 2 & 3*  
*Times vary; details at [npdamp.com](http://npdamp.com)*  
*NPD AMP*

End the summer with the 10th annual Fishers Blues Fest, a Labor Day tradition. The free two-night event includes performances by renowned local and national blues artists, presented by IU Health Fishers. Learn more at [playfishers.com/BluesFest](http://playfishers.com/BluesFest).

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Learn more about summer fun in Fishers at [playfishers.com](http://playfishers.com).





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# Caregivers can get resources to help loved ones age in place

## The REPORTER

Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County will hold a Senior Summit from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29 at The Mill Church of the Nazarene, 1399 Greenfield Ave., Noblesville. The topic of this year's Summit, "Caring for Aging Loved Ones," will provide both caregivers and seniors information about the resources available to help their loved one age in place.

In addition to Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County, several senior service partner agencies will be on hand to share information about their services and answer questions. The



event will feature Key-note Speaker Jane Malkoff MSN RN NP, Founder of Clarity Care Advocates, LLC, and Clarity Care Givers, LLC, who will discuss caregiver support. This will be followed by a panel of experts as well as a question-and-answer session.

Tickets for the event are \$10 and are available on the Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County website at [ShepherdsCenterOfHam-](http://ShepherdsCenterOfHam-)

[iltonCounty.org/events](http://iltonCounty.org/events).

Each ticket includes a boxed lunch. The event is open to all central Indiana seniors and senior caregivers.

Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County is a 501(c)(3) organization that advocates for the welfare of seniors age 55 and over residing in Hamilton County. The organization facilitates five signature programs: Together Today, Reaching Resources, Counseling,

Guardianship, and Community Caring. The goals of these programs include mitigating isolation in the senior community, providing mental health counseling to seniors, helping seniors obtain resources they need to age safely in their home, providing a legal guardian when family is not an option, and pairing them with community service organizations or volunteers to obtain light home modifications, home repair, and transportation so they are able to live safely and independently in their home. All services are free of charge.

For more information, call Vicki Burdick at (317) 908-7810.

## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*Now the main point of what we are saying is this: We do have such a high priest, who sat down at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, and who serves in the sanctuary, the true tabernacle set up by the Lord, not by a mere human being.*

*Every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices, and so it was necessary for this one also to have something to offer. If he were on earth, he would not be a priest, for there are already priests who offer the gifts prescribed by the law. They serve at a sanctuary that is a copy and shadow of what is in heaven. This is why Moses was warned when he was about to build the tabernacle: "See to it that you make everything according to the pattern shown you on the mountain." But in fact the ministry Jesus has received is as superior to theirs as the covenant of which he is mediator is superior to the old one, since the new covenant is established on better promises.*

Hebrews 8:1-6 (NIV)

# What was the Women's Franchise League?

## The REPORTER

*This week in Indiana's history ...*

**1816** – The Indiana Constitutional Convention was held in Corydon. The 43-member assembly elected Jonathan Jennings as president and William Hendricks as secretary. Among its provisions, the document they produced forbade slavery and made public education a state responsibility. The convention concluded by the end of June and copies of the Constitution were sent to President James Madison and Congressional leaders. Jennings and Hendricks both went on to serve as governors of the new state.

**1842** – Former President Martin Van Buren visited Indianapolis. He stayed at the Palmer House Hotel and paid a visit to Governor Samuel Bigger at the Statehouse. The next day he attended a church service led by Rev. Henry Ward Beecher at the Second Presbyterian Church. As Van Buren continued west on the Na-



tional Road to Plainfield, his carriage hit an obstacle and overturned. The Ex-President was tossed into the mud. Legend has it that the accident was arranged by citizens unhappy with his failure to support funds for the improvement of the road. Not seriously injured, Van Buren continued west to Terre Haute where he was met with a reception at the Prairie House Hotel.

**1909** – Indiana Governor Thomas Marshall issued a proclamation urging Hoosiers to observe Flag Day. In his announcement, the governor said, "The flag should ripple in every breeze and over every home on June 14. Its unfurling should not be an empty ceremony, but it should quicken the heart-

beat, strengthen the patriotic resolution and give glad cheer and good courage to the loyal men and maidens of Indiana." Many Hoosier cities had been celebrating Flag Day for several years. The holiday received national endorsement by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916.

**1912** – Members of the Women's Franchise League took an automobile tour of Hamilton County. Yellow streamers reading "Votes for Women" waved as the members distributed flyers and made speeches in Nora, Carmel, Westfield, and Noblesville, where children decorated the car in pink and white peonies, roses, and lilacs. *The Indianapolis Star* reported that the women returned home "tired, trium-

phant, dusty, and delighted."

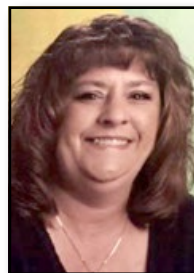
**1922** – The Standard Oil Company of Indiana, with hundreds of gas stations throughout the state, advertised its high-grade Red Crown blend at 24.8 cents per gallon. The company, stating that it made 18 kinds of gasoline, said the Red Crown brand "starts easily, gets away quickly, accelerates smoothly, and develops tremendous power and speed." In today's dollars, the price would be a little over \$4 per gallon.

**1959** – Indiana Congressman Charles Halleck was on the cover of *Time Magazine*. The Jasper County Republican, minority leader of the United States House of Representatives, had recently won another victory for the Eisenhower Administration. The magazine said that Halleck had given his party "its most effective legislative leadership in years, and in the process spotlighted one of the most professional of personalities among the battle-scarred old pros in Congress."

## Michelle Lorinne McCormick

December 6, 1967 – May 30, 2022

Michelle Lorinne McCormick, 54, Indianapolis, passed away on Monday, May 30, 2022, at IU Health University Hospital in Indianapolis. She was born on December 6, 1967, in Noblesville.



Shelly worked in daycare and had previously worked for Elwood Schools as a substitute teacher and track coach. She enjoyed movies, music, reading novels, and crafting. Shelly also loved running in marathons and going to concerts.

Shelly is survived by her father, Steven Alexander; mother, Peg Alexander (Ralph); daughter, Morgan (Dustin) Scott; son, Logan (Sarah-Beth) McCormick; grandchildren, Oaklee Scott and Gunner McCormick; and her stepbrothers, Kyle (Yvonne) Alexander and Matthew Alexander.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services at 1 p.m., on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Burial will follow at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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First all-county tennis state final...



The Carmel girls tennis team won its record-tying 12th state championship Saturday at Center Grove. The Greyhounds beat Fishers 5-0, finally matching North Central's long-standing record.

# Carmel beats Fishers, ties state title record

The Carmel girls tennis team reached a major milestone on Saturday.

The Greyhounds won their 12th IHSAA state championship, which took place this season at Center Grove. No. 1-ranked Carmel beat No. 5 South Bend St. Joseph 3-2 in the semi-finals, then defeated No. 4 Fishers 5-0 in the first-ever all-Hamilton County championship match.

With their 12th title, the Greyhounds matched long-time record holder North Central. The Panthers won their 12th state title in 2004; since then Carmel has won eight state trophies, including its second straight this season.

The 'Hounds easily won their three matches against St. Joseph. No. 2 singles Nora Perkins and No. 3 singles Elyse Nelson both won their matches 6-0, 6-0, and No. 2 doubles Thea Bertolini and Ali Griffin were 6-0, 6-3 winners.

"Our girls just got locked in starting with the warm-up, and they were ready to go today," said Carmel coach Bryan Hanan.

Meanwhile, the Tigers took care of No. 20 Delta 5-0 in the other semi-final. Fishers won all three singles matches in straight sets, including 6-0, 6-1 victories for No. 1 Misha Briggs and No. 3 Caroline Ober. No. 1 doubles Emma Beehler and Cassie Maurer took their match in three sets, winning the third set 6-4.

In the championship, Carmel won all five matches in straight sets. No. 1 singles Lauren Littell beat Briggs 6-2, 6-0. Perkins was a 6-4, 6-3 winner and Nelson won a first-set tiebreak over Ober before winning the second set 6-1.

"Every position was really going after it in the state finals," said Hanan. "There was no let up in the finals match. We played about as well as we can play. We were focused from the warm-up on. This is one of the best matches we played as a team all year regarding all five positions.

Fishers was making its second appearance at the state finals, and it was by far the Tigers' best-ever result at the big meet. Fishers finishes the season 21-2.

The Greyhounds were making their 20th appearance at state, behind only North Central's 21. Carmel completed its state cham-



Fishers finished as runner-up at the state girls tennis meet for the first time in school history.

championship season with a 19-1 record.

**HSE'S BUKKASAGARAM AND ORME WIN REGIONAL**

The Hamilton Southeastern No. 1 doubles team of Misha Bukkasagaram and Emily Orme won the Fishers regional on Saturday and qualified for the IHSAA state doubles tournament.

Bukkasagaram and Orme beat Waldron's Megan Bogemann and Mackenzie Shaw in the championship match. In the semi-finals, the Royals team won over Brownsburg's Shelby Allen and Evelyn Cougill 6-1, 6-1.

Bukkasagaarm and Orme will begin play in the state tournament Friday at Park Tudor, with quarter-final matches starting at 3:30 p.m..

**CHAMPIONSHIP**

**CARMEL 5, FISHERS 0**

No. 1 singles: Lauren Littell def. Misha Briggs 6-2, 6-0

No. 2 singles: Nora Perkins def. Izzy Mokra 6-4, 6-3

No. 3 singles: Elyse Nelson def. Caroline Ober 7-6 (3), 6-1

No. 1 doubles: Alexa Lewis and Hallie Reeves def. Emma Beehler and Cassie Maurer 6-1, 6-4

No. 2 doubles: Thea Bertolini and Ali Griffin def. Madelyn Barron and Meredith Ober 6-0, 6-3

**SEMI-FINALS**

**CARMEL 3, SOUTH BEND ST. JOSEPH 2**

No. 1 singles: Molly Bellia (SBSJ) def. Lauren Littell 6-2, 6-3

No. 2 singles: Nora Perkins (C) def. Maggie Nguyen (SBSJ) 6-0, 6-0

No. 3 singles: Elyse Nelson (C) def. Lily Mayfield (SBSJ) 6-0, 6-0

No. 1 doubles: Anni Amalnathan and Ashi Amalnathan (SBSJ) def. Alexa Lewis and Hallie Reeves (C) 6-0, 4-6, 6-2

No. 2 doubles: Thea Bertolini and Ali Griffin (C) def. Dani Graham and Gracie Velasco (SBSJ) 6-0, 6-3

**FISHERS 5, DELTA 0**

No. 1 singles: Misha Briggs def. Gwendolyn Clark 6-0, 6-1

No. 2 singles: Izzy Mokra def. Gabby Knight 6-4, 6-0

No. 3 singles: Caroline Ober def. Brylee Beckley 6-0, 6-1

No. 1 doubles: Emma Beehler and Cassie Maurer def. Maggie Hunt and Janet Wegener 6-3, 3-6, 6-4

No. 2 doubles: Madelyn Barron and Meredith Ober def. Madelyn Haley and Iva Witter 6-0, 6-3

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Boys lacrosse



The Hamilton Southeastern boys lacrosse team defended its Class 2A state championship with style Saturday at its own TCU Field. The Royals ran away from Cathedral to win 17-7, outscoring the Irish 10-1 in the second half. Reporter photo by Richie Hall

# Royals run away from Irish, defend Class 2A state championship

By RICHIE HALL  
**FISHERS** - It might be hard to believe, but when the second half of the Class 2A boys state championship game began, Hamilton Southeastern was looking to slow down.

By slowing down, the Royals sped up their offense. Southeastern stretched a one-goal halftime lead into a 10-goal victory, blasting through the second half and defending its 2A state title, 17-7 over Cathedral in a well-attended game at the Royals' TCU Field.

Southeastern had been involved in a tight first half with the Irish during the regular season, and coach Scott Beesley remembered that as HSE made its halftime adjustments.

"I really thought our offense played poised in the second half," said Beesley. "Last time we played them, we lost by three and we were really trying to force a lot of things." This time, Beesley said his team "really slowed down in the second half and really possessed the ball well offensively."

The turning point of the game was actually with a few seconds left in the first half. The Royals and the Irish had been trading goals for most of the second quarter before Southeastern got one last chance in the half with the score tied at 6-6. They made the most of it, as Garrett Smith threw in a goal with 4.1 seconds left. That gave HSE a 7-6 halftime lead.

It was also the beginning of a spectacular run. Southeastern stunned Cathedral in the first four minutes of the third period, putting in four goals. Smith scored two of them, while Michael Mattaliano and Blaine Wertz both added one goal. Suddenly, the



Hamilton Southeastern's Garrett Smith was unstoppable during the Royals' win over Cathedral. Smith scored six goals, including the first and last ones of the game. Reporter photo by Kirk Green

Royals led 10-6. And they weren't done. Brandon Sogocio scored with 6:28 left in the quarter, then Smith added his fifth goal of the game at the

4:57 mark, swelling Southeastern's lead to 13-6. Cathedral finally broke the run with 2:06 left in the period, but that would be the Irish's only score of the second half.

The Royals shut out Cathedral in the fourth quarter, while adding four goals of their own. Sogocio, Owen O'Rourke and Loudon Sundling all got one goal. Smith finished the scoring with his sixth goal of the game at the 1:50 mark. To no one's surprise, the senior Ohio Wesleyan commit was named the offensive MVP.

"Special player," Beesley said of Smith. "We will sorely miss No. 4, he's a special player. I get goose bumps thinking about just the impact that he's had both on the field and off the field. No. 4 is traditionally a really strong number for us. Before Garrett Smith was Keegan Logan, who was an All-American, who's here tonight. And before that was Garret Holst. Garret Holst played at Denver and won a national championship, a Division I national championship wearing No. 4. So Garrett knows what

No. 4 means to this program and has worn it all four years since his freshman year on varsity, and just really proud of both him leading on the field, but more importantly leading off the field."

"It's amazing," said Smith. "It's what we worked all year long for. We've worked super hard for this all year long. We have the best coaches in the state and I think it showed with our game plan. Like Coach Beesley said, we were almost too prepared for this game with how hard we worked all season long."

That preparation and poise paid off during the first half, which was a back-and-forth affair. The Irish got on the board first with a goal just a minute and a half into the game. It took six minutes for Southeastern to score, with Smith finally getting his team's first goal with around 4:25 in the first. Blaine Wertz scored 89 seconds later to put HSE up 2-1.

The Royals never trailed again after that,

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Garrett Smith was named the Offensive MVP of the game. Reporter photo by Kirk Green

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Reporter photo by Kirk Green

The Guerin Catholic girls lacrosse team won the Class 2A state championship game over Carmel Saturday in a dramatic finish. The Greyhounds scored two late goals to tie the game, but the Golden Eagles got the go-ahead goal with 43.5 seconds left for a 7-6 victory.

# Guerin Catholic wins 2A girls game over Carmel in dramatic fashion

Two Hamilton County girls lacrosse teams faced off for the Class 2A state championship, which took place Saturday afternoon at Heritage Christian: Guerin Catholic and Carmel.

This was a dramatic game, with four goals being scored in the final 92 seconds. The Golden Eagles got the last word, as a perfect breakaway from Kassidy Bell led to a score by Mariah Ross that put Guerin Catholic ahead with 43.5 seconds left. The Golden Eagles hung on from there to claim the 2A state title, 7-6 over the Greyhounds.

Guerin Catholic finished the season undefeated at 20-0.

"Draw controls are going back and forth the entire game," said GC coach Brian Billand. "They won those last two and then we're lucky enough to get that last draw control, take it down and set up for a nice goal."

The Golden Eagles were leading 6-4 before Carmel's Sophie Mock took over, putting in two goals during a 17-second span to tie the game. On the next draw control, Bell blasted down the field and found Ross, who easily scored.

Carmel got the game's first goal, with Anna Dunke finding the back of the net less than a minute into the contest. Caitlin Carter tied it up with 16:23 left, but Tori Tomalia scored just 50 seconds later to put the Greyhounds back in front, and they



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The Carmel girls lacrosse team finished as state runner-up in Class 2A.

would stay in front for the remainder of the half.

Elizabeth Tomalia added a goal to make it 3-1 Carmel, and Guerin's Clare Alic scored to cut the lead to 3-2. Both teams scored again before halftime, with Elizabeth Tomalia scoring a second goal and Ella Bellflower answering to keep the Golden Eagles within 4-3 at the break.

Alic scored the first goal of the second

half, which tied things up at 4-4. It was the start of a run for Guerin Catholic, as Alexandra Soucie scored with 7:44 left, then Isabelle Aigotti put in a goal to push the Golden Eagles ahead 6-4 with 1:32 to go. The scoring frenzy followed, but Guerin Catholic was able to hang on for the win.

"It feels so great, especially to win it all against a tough team like Carmel," said Billand. "Carmel's been the gold standard

of lacrosse in Indiana for a decade, so it was really nice to come out on top."

"It was a great game," said Greyhounds coach Joshua Miller. "Hats off to them. They score that really important last goal there with 40-some seconds left. They're fast. They're fast, they're well-coached. They were disciplined with the ball today. And they did a heck of a job."

## ROYALS

but Cathedral would continue to answer, tying the score up on four different occasions. Southeastern's biggest lead in the first half was 4-2 when Connor Ruhnow scored 27 seconds into the second period. Cathedral scored twice to tie the game again, and the back-and-forth continued until Smith's go-ahead goal with a few seconds left in the half.

Even with the big lead, the Royals kept the same intensity throughout the entire second half.

"Once we get up by three goals, we know that we can use the clock to our advantage and milk the clock," said Smith. "You always got to keep playing against a team so well-coached as Cathedral. They have phenomenal athletes and great coaches, so we had to go the whole 48 minutes."

The defense did its job as well, with goalkeeper Colin Krekeler being named the defensive MVP. Beesley had many other defensive players to credit as well.

"Our three-headed monster, the three seniors that are in front of him are going to be sorely missed next year with Nolan Kneis and Aidan Hoener and Hayden Grace," said Beesley. "And they just played out of their mind. Plus the two D-midis are also seniors,



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The Guerin Catholic boys lacrosse team finished as the Class 1A state runner-up.

Matthew Retzner and Quincy Gray. So we really have a core of five guys, five seniors that just weren't going to lose on their home turf."

After Smith's six goals, Wertz finished the game with three goals, while Mattaliano and Sogocio both scored two. Connor Ruhnow, Shane Gastineau, O'Rourke and Sundling all scored one.

**GOLDEN EAGLES BOYS FALL IN 1A GAME**

The Guerin Catholic boys team was

dealt a tough loss in the 1A state title game, which took place at Hamilton Southeastern prior to the 2A game.

Guerin's boys played South Bend St. Joseph, and were leading 7-4 going into the fourth quarter. But the Indians worked their way back to 7-6, then scored two goals within 13 seconds of each other to beat the Golden Eagles 8-7. St. Joseph tied the game at the 1:08 mark of the quarter, then scored the go-ahead goal with 55.5 seconds remaining.

Guerin Catholic led 3-2 after the first

period and 6-3 at halftime. Cooper Navarro, Nathan Zurawski and Andrew Jachimowicz all scored two goals, with Luke Truffer scoring one.

"I love these boys and I believe in them," said GC coach Charlie Barry. "They showed a lot of resilience. They set a very clear vision statement after a tough middle part of the section that we wanted to drive the state championship through Guerin Catholic and I think we did what we wanted to do. We just didn't get the outcome that we wanted."





Carmel's **Tori Tomalia** (left) and Guerri Catholic's **Ella Bellflower** (right, 5) were both All-American players for their respective teams during the 2022 girls lacrosse season.

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**ABOVE:** Guerri Catholic's **Andrew Jachimowicz** scored two goals for the Golden Eagles during the Class 1A state championship game.

**BELOW:** Two All-Americans: Hamilton Southeastern's **Sam Borgert** (left) and **Nolan Knies** celebrate the Royals' 2A state championship.



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Boys state track and field meet

# Mathison triumphs in longest events, Connor wins 800, Tigers take 4x400

The IHSAA boys track and field state finals took place Saturday at Indiana University in Bloomington, and all six Hamilton County schools that participated had something to celebrate once the meet was over.

Fishers got the last blue ribbon of the night, cementing a fourth-place team finish with 39 points. The Tigers' 4x400 relay team of Makell Wiggins, Tyler Tarter, Grant Shelton and Keefer Soehngen one that race in a time of 3 minutes, 18.85 seconds. Fishers had been hanging around the top 10 all evening, and clinched fourth with that victory.

The 4x400 was the third relay squad to earn a podium finish for the Tigers. Fishers began the meet by taking third in the 4x800 relay; that team consisted of Matthew Kim, Colin Simons, Alec Foster and Soehngen. The senior Soehngen would later run in the 400 dash, placing third, giving him a total of three medals as he completes a stellar high school career.

The Tigers also took fifth in the 4x100 relay, which was run by Joseph Syrus, Bryce Williams, Shelton and Dawson Scally. In addition, Tarter finished as runner-up in the 300 hurdles, while Josh Forbes took eighth in the pole vault, giving Fishers two more medals.

Carmel placed a close fifth at state by scoring 38 points. Kole Mathison led the way, claiming state championships in the meet's longest events.

Mathison started with a victory in the 1600 run, which he finished in 4:04.82. He then cruised to a win in the 3200 run, taking the race in 8:59.05. Charlie Schuman had an outstanding 3200 run, improving on his 19th seed to finish third. Schuman clocked in at 9:02.39, and his result gave the Greyhounds seven more team points, clinching them a top-five finish.

Carmel picked up two relay medals, with its 4x800 relay team of Charlie Leedke, Drew Grogan, Thomas Biltmeier and Connor Heagy placing eighth and the 4x100 relay squad of Christian Peterson, Gregory Gottlieb, Jaylen Zachery and Desmond Duffy finishing seventh. Aydran Caldwell had an excellent day in the high jump, clearing 6 feet, 6 inches to place fifth. Nolan Ring took ninth in the discus.

Hamilton Southeastern placed 12th as team, totaling 15 points and picking up five medals at the meet. The Royals' 4x800 relay group of Nolan Satterfield, Ian Ross, Andrew Knight and Bennett Dubois started the meet strong, placing fourth.

Satterfield and Dubois came back to run the open 800 and earned spots on the podium, with Satterfield finishing seventh and Dubois ninth. Michael Griffith took sixth in the long jump, and the Southeastern 4x100 relay team of Kobe Dade, Christian Miller, Ethan Falconer and Mason Alexander also finished ninth.

Hamilton Heights took 15th place as a team, scoring 15.33 points. The Huskies were led by their sensational thrower Colin Wilson, who medaled in both events. Wilson took fifth in the discus, then was impressive in the shot put, where he was the runner-up. Wilson threw 64 feet, 4.5 inches in his last attempt; that turned out to be his



**Gold King Kole:** Carmel's Kole Mathison points to the sky after winning the 3200 run at Saturday's IHSAA boys state track finals at Indiana University in Bloomington. Mathison finished first in the meet's two longest races, also winning the 1600 run.

best of the evening.

Peyton McQuinn also earned a medal, taking ninth in the pole vault. There was a three-way tie for ninth in that event, which resulted in the 0.33 points for each of those athletes' respective teams.

Westfield scored 12 points to finish tied for 17th. Kai Connor led the way, blasting to a state championship in the 800 run. In an exceptionally fast race, Connor won in 1:51.84. He was back on the track not too much later, joining Josh Barnett, Dylan Walker and Colin Lakomek (who placed 11th in the 800) to take eighth in the 4x400 relay.

Noblesville scored five points and picked up three medals. Joel Mumaw finished eighth in the 1600 run, while Asher Propst also took eighth in the 3200 run. The Millers' 4x800 relay team of Noah Bushong, Alec Moor, Luke Shinneman and Jack Strong opened the meet by placing ninth.

Plainfield won the state title by scoring 61 points, while Brownsburg was the runner-up with 47 points.

**Team scores (Top 10 and all county):** 1. Plainfield 61, 2. Brownsburg 47, 3. Columbus North 43, 4. Fishers 39, 5. Carmel 38, 6. Center Grove 35.33, 7. Warren Central 23, 8. Concordia Lutheran 21, T9. Floyd Central 18; Ben Davis 18, 12. Hamilton Southeastern 15, 15. Hamilton Heights 13.33, T17. Westfield 12, T40. Noblesville 5.

**4x800 relay:** 1. Columbus North 7:37.90, new state record, 3. Fishers (Matthew Kim, Colin Simons, Alec Foster, Keefer Soehngen) 7:43.30, 4. Southeastern (Nolan Satterfield, Ian Ross, Andrew Knight, Bennett Dubois) 7:44.06, 8. Carmel (Charlie Leedke, Drew Grogan, Thomas Biltmeier, Connor Heagy) 7:53.27, 9. Noblesville (Noah Bushong, Alec Moor, Luke Shinneman, Jack Strong) 7:55.19.

**110 hurdles:** 1. John Colquitt (Brownsburg) 13.90. **Prelims:** 11. Tyler Tarter (F) 14.87, 21. Will Gerig (HSE) 15.21.

**100 dash:** 1. Anthony Brodie (Evansville Memorial) 10.57. **Prelims:** 28. James Philpott (C) 14.04.

**1600 run:** 1. Kole Mathison (C) 4:04.82, 8. Joel Mumaw (N) 4:15.34, 26. Luke Shinneman (N) 4:33.96.

**4x100 relay:** 1. Brownsburg 41.60, 5. Fishers (Joseph Syrus, Bryce Williams, Grant Shelton, Dawson Scally) 42.25, 7. Carmel (Christian Peterson, Gregory Gottlieb, Jaylen Zachery, Desmond Duffy) 42.27, 9. Southeastern (Kobe Dade, Christian Miller, Ethan Falconer, Mason Alexander) 42.45.

**400 dash:** 1. Nayyir Newash-Campbell (Plainfield) 47.45, 3. Soehngen (F) 48.12, 16. Jaylon Cooper (HSE) 50.12.

**300 hurdles:** 1. Colquitt (B) 37.92, 2. Tarter (F) 38.57.

**800 run:** 1. Kai Connor (W) 1:51.84, 7. Satterfield (HSE) 1:54.39, 9. Dubois (HSE) 1:54.84, 11. Colin Lakomek (W) 1:55.31.

**200 dash:** 1. Kemari Robinson (Cardinal Ritter) 21.49.

**3200 run:** 1. Mathison (C) 8:59.05, 3. Charlie Schuman (C) 9:02.39, 8. Asher Propst (N) 9:10.51, 24. Tate Meaux (F) 9:40.04.

**4x400 relay:** 1. Fishers (Makell Wiggins, Tarter, Shelton, Soehngen) 3:18.85, 8. Westfield (Josh Barnett, Connor, Dylan Walker, Lakomek) 3:21.49.

**High jump:** 1. Bode Gilkerson (Plainfield) 6-9, 5. Aydran Caldwell (C) 6-6.

**Long jump:** 1. Piere Hill (Portage) 23-4.75, 6. Michael Griffith (HSE) 22-5, 17. Lamine Sall (HSE) 21-3.5.

**Discus:** 1. Antoine Cooper Jr. (Ben Davis) 172-6, 5. Colin Wilson (HH) 164-1, 9. Nolan Ring (C) 158-9.

**Shot put:** 1. Tucker Smith (CN) 66-6.75, 2. Wilson (HH) 64-4.5, 10. Jack Greer (HSE) 56-10.25.

**Pole vault:** 1. Cody Johnston (Hobart) 16-8, 8. Josh Forbes (F) 14-6, T9. Peyton McQuinn (HH) 14-0.



**The Fishers 4x400 relay team** of (from left) Keefer Soehngen, Grant Shelton, Makell Wiggins and Tyler Tarter finished first in that event, helping the Tigers to clinch fourth place as a team.



**He wins again:** Westfield's Kai Connor crosses the finish line to take first place in the 800 run. Connor was unbeaten in that race over the three post-season levels: Sectional, regional and state.



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Hamilton Heights' Colin Wilson had an outstanding day in the throwing events. Wilson finished second in the shot put with a throw of 64 feet, 4.5 inches, in addition to taking fifth in the discus.



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LEFT: Hamilton Southeastern's Michael Griffith placed sixth in the long jump for the Royals.

ABOVE: Hamilton Heights' Peyton McQuinn was part of a three-way tie for ninth place in the pole vault.

BELOW LEFT: Noblesville's Joel Mumaw took eighth in the 1600 run.

BELOW: Carmel's Aydrian Caldwell soared to a fifth-place finish in the high jump.



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American League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Yankees	38	15	.717	-
Toronto	31	21	.596	6.5
Tampa Bay	31	22	.585	7.0
Boston	26	27	.491	12.0
Baltimore	23	32	.418	16.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Minnesota	31	24	.564	-
Cleveland	23	25	.479	4.5
Chi. White Sox	24	27	.471	5.0
Detroit	21	32	.396	9.0
Kansas City	17	34	.333	12.0
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	34	19	.642	-
L.A. Angels	27	27	.500	7.5
Texas	25	27	.481	8.5
Seattle	23	30	.434	11.0
Oakland	20	35	.364	15.0

Saturday's games	
N.Y. Yankees 3, Detroit 0	Kansas City 6, Houston 0
Chicago Cubs 6, St. Louis 1	Washington 10, Cincinnati 8
St. Louis 7, Chicago Cubs 4, 10 innings	Chicago White Sox 3, Tampa Bay 2
Toronto 12, Minnesota 3	Miami 5, San Francisco 4
Baltimore 5, Cleveland 4	San Diego 4, Milwaukee 0
Pittsburgh 2, Arizona 1	Philadelphia 7, L.A. Angels 2
Texas 3, Seattle 2	Atlanta 6, Colorado 2, 11 innings
Boston 8, Oakland 0	N.Y. Mets 9, L.A. Dodgers 4

National League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Mets	36	19	.655	-
Atlanta	27	27	.500	8.5
Philadelphia	24	29	.453	11.0
Miami	22	29	.431	12.0
Washington	20	35	.364	16.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	33	22	.600	-
St. Louis	31	23	.574	1.5
Pittsburgh	23	28	.451	8.0
Chi. Cubs	23	31	.426	9.5
Cincinnati	18	34	.346	13.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Dodgers	35	18	.660	-
San Diego	32	21	.604	3.0
San Francisco	28	24	.538	6.5
Arizona	26	28	.481	9.5
Colorado	23	30	.434	12.0

## WNBA update

No games schedule on Saturday
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Overall standings				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
Las Vegas	9	2	.818	-
Connecticut	8	3	.727	1.0
Chicago	6	3	.667	2.0
Washington	7	4	.636	2.0
Atlanta	6	4	.600	2.5
Dallas	6	4	.600	2.5
Seattle	5	4	.556	3.0
Los Angeles	5	6	.455	4.0
New York	3	7	.300	5.5
Indiana	3	9	.250	6.5
Phoenix	2	8	.200	6.5
Minnesota	2	8	.200	6.5

## Millers, 'Rocks Unified Track compete at state

The Noblesville and Westfield Unified Track teams competed at the IHSAA state meet Saturday at Indiana University in Bloomington.

The Millers finished sixth as a team with 96 points, while the Shamrocks placed eighth with 90 points, including wins in both the girls and boys 4x100 relays.

Here is a list of results for both teams.

**Team scores:** Bedford North Lawrence 116, Lafayette Jefferson 114, Valparaiso 107, Elkhart 103, Penn 102, Noblesville 96, Indian Creek 92, Westfield 90, Griffith 88, Avon 88, Franklin County 83, Boonville 75, Floyd Central 67.

**Mixed 100 dash:** 10. Carson Saturday (W) 13.68, 14. Michael Bostic (W) 14.01, 15. Sophia Millikan (N) 14.12, 23. Shelby Morris (N) 15.66, 26. Dylan Cabrera (W) 15.78, 43. Matthew Dean (N) 19.38, 46. Adeline-Mei Gipe (W) 20.30, 47. Arden Snyder (N) 20.49.

**Mixed 400 dash:** 7. Jack Dietz (W) 59.33, 14. Blake Koven (N) 1:04.47, 22. Bostic (W) 1:13.48, 31. Ty Cassidy (W) 1:19.41, 39. Lauren Patrick (N) 1:23.01, 41. Peyton Ramey (N) 1:24.55, 45. Kenny Lardio (W) 1:34.73, 49. Mo Ashour (N) 1:44.48.

**Girls 4x100 relay:** 1. Westfield (Tamera Cotton, Stella Seymour, Brooke Easterhaus, Ellie Rinne) 59.74, 3. Noblesville (Jordin Clark, Aubrey Griffin, Jessica Neal, Lydia Nelson-Mercer) 1:03.95.

**Boys 4x100 relay:** 1. Westfield (Shawn Landrum, James Kraus, Elliott Hodgkin, Joe Barbera) 48.43, 6. Noblesville (Cole Richardson, Noah Morris, Britton Cole, Logan Kojetin) 54.30.

**Mixed long jump:** 10. Andrew Bullock (W) 15-9.75, 20. Heidi Burke (W) 12-5.25, 24. Izzy Saunders (N) 11-11.75, 28. Rinne (W) 11-1.5, 33. Connor Lehman (N) 10-5, T34. Ainsley Staley (W) 10-2.25; Kailey Alanis (N) 10-2.25, 46. Eliza Bozell (N) 6-5.25.

**Mixed shot put:** 3. Case Reynolds (W) 41-2.5, 22. Ava Shanehsaz (N) 25-2.5, T23. Patrick Craig (W) 25-0; David Lesko (N) 25-0, 37. Abby Bozell (N) 19-0.25, 40. Elizabeth Buckner (W) 16-4.5, 46. Nisha Roy (W) 14-1.25, 50. Wesley Crist (N) 6-9.25.

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