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Reporter photo by Kent Graham

While this may not be everyone who rode the train with The Reporter last Saturday, it is everyone we were able to get in a single frame. Thank you all for your continued support in keeping your local newspaper on track!

All aboard The Reporter Lounge Car!

Your Hometown Newspaper partners with Nickel Plate Express

By **STU CLAMPITT**
news@readthereporter.com

On Saturday, June 11, friends of The Reporter were among the first to embark on the Nickel Plate Express from the newly renovated Hobbs Station in Forest Park. Some were also the first to ride on the newly renamed *Reporter Lounge Car*.

Tens of thousands of people ride the Nickel Plate Express each year. Now some of them can choose to ride an historic 1950s-era Santa Fe Railway Hi-Level passenger car bearing the name of your newspaper.

That's right: The Reporter has partnered with the Nickel Plate Express to

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Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Owners (from left) Isaac Taylor, Stu Clampitt, Paul Poteet and Ray Adler bask in the glow of their newly installed sign on The Reporter Lounge Car. Well, Paul just points like he knew this was coming all along. Maybe he had the inside track on our big reveal?

Meet Luna

Noblesville PD therapy dog to serve as parade grand marshal



Photo provided

Officer Ben Lugar is Luna's primary handler. Luna's job within the department to help comfort people dealing with stress and trauma.

The REPORTER

Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen has selected Noblesville Police Department Therapy Dog Luna as the grand marshal of this year's Fourth of July Stars & Stripes Forever Parade sponsored by Gaylor Electric.

The one-year-old black lab joined the police force earlier this year. Luna's job is to comfort and love people. She helps police officers, firefighters, first responders and community members dealing with stress or trauma.

"The Fourth of July is about celebrating our freedom and independence and Luna helps members of the community regain their own freedom from mental health issues," Jensen said. "Luna's presence helps to calm and de-escalate stress and emotions in people who are having a bad day and need help. Therapy dogs help break down barriers to communication. By combining

See Luna . . . Page A6

Fishers firefighter Chad Hiner makes Lieutenant

The REPORTER

The Fishers Fire Department announced last Thursday the promotion of firefighter/paramedic Chad Hiner to the merit rank of Lieutenant. He was presented his Lieutenant shield and helmet at the start of his shift on June 7 by Department Chief Steven Orusa.

Hiner is a 19-year veteran with the department. He has been an acting officer for fill-ins since 2012, and he is a paramedic, special rescue team member, hazmat tech and is part of the community paramedicine team on his days off shift.

He is also the director of the "Fire-

fighters Fathead Challenge," a trivia night sponsored by the Hamilton County Firefighters Local #4416 union that raises money for firefighter families with special medical needs –

which has an anticipated return of March 2023.

Hiner initial assignment is Engine 391 located at Station 91 in the Nickel Plate Amphitheater.



Photo provided

Janet speaks, people listen



Reporter photo by Stu Clampitt

Reporter columnist Janet Hart Leonard launched the release of her first book, *When the Hart Speaks*, at Ginger's Café, 1111 S. 10th St., Noblesville, on Sunday, June 5. Subtitled "Whimsy and Wisdom from the Little House on the Alley," this is already a popular volume. Janet was a busy lady Sunday afternoon, signing dozens of copies for fans new and old. She spoke to a standing room only crowd at 5 p.m. We are proud to have you in our pages each week, Janet. When Janet speaks, people listen!

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Live Music At Pasto Italiano

Benito DiBartoli Every Wednesday
(1/2 Price Bottles of Wine On Wednesdays)

Friday June 17

Troye Kinnette on keyboard
Reservations Recommended

317-804-2051

3150 East State Rd. 32, Westfield



THE TIME TRAVELERS

7-11 p.m.

Saturday, June 18



LODGE GUESTS WELCOME

Bingo Monday at 6:30pm

Poker Thursday & Saturday at 12pm
(Lic. #001812)

Euchre Thursday at 6:30pm

Moose Lodge #540

950 Field Drive, Noblesville

(317) 773-9916

RIDE THE RAILS!



ENJOY THE RICH HISTORY OF RAIL TRAVEL!

Sit back and enjoy the sights, sounds and experience of a ride in our 1950s Santa Fe equipment.

The Nickel Plate Express operates on 12.5 miles of the former Nickel Plate Road between Noblesville and Atlanta.

Excursions board out of Noblesville at 825 Forest Park Drive.

NickelPlateExpress.com

Celebrate Father's Day!

SUNRISE EXPRESS:
Donuts and Dads

Climb aboard and enjoy a donut and a 75-minute train ride with dad!

Saturday, June 18, 2022 10am 11:30am

Visit NickelPlateExpress.com for tickets

Wine. Cheese. Cheers.

UNCORKED EXPRESS:
with Sugar Creek Winery

Sip on a dry red or relax with a sweet rosé in our 1956 Santa Fe Dining car.

Saturday, June 18, 2022 1pm 3pm

Visit NickelPlateExpress.com for tickets

Mark Your Calendars
Or Just Let The Reporter Do It For You

Check out our Hamilton County events calendar get the word out!

www.ReadTheReporter.com/events

Fishers graduate awarded Grillo Memorial scholarship



Photo provided

The Fishers Police Corps (FPC) members have announced that Cameron Theobald was awarded the Jen Grillo Memorial/Fishers Police Corps High School scholarship for 2022. A graduate of Fishers High School, Theobald plans to attend IUPUI. He plans on going through the Cadet Program to receive his Law Enforcement Certification, in addition to a degree in Criminal Justice. For more information about the FPC or the annual scholarship, please visit fisherspolicecorps.org.

Sheridan Class of 1954 celebrates 68 years



Photo provided

Members of the Sheridan High School Class of 1954 recently met for their annual reunion at the Sheridan Historical Society. According to organizer Tom Godby, while their numbers may be dwindling, their spirit remains strong. (Front row, from left) Dorothy Bishop, Jeanne Jones, Helen Spelbring, and Bob Sanders. (Back row, from left) Fred Sturdevant, Craig Bishop, Jim Spelbring, Tom Godby, Donna Jessup, Lois Ross, Don Whaley, and Dale McCullough. See you all again next year!

North Chamber dives in to infrastructure

The REPORTER

The Northern Hamilton County Chamber of Commerce (NHCCC) met last Thursday to offer attendees an opportunity to learn about the various infrastructure improvements for U.S. 31.

Information on all of them, including a map detailing projects for the next five years, can be found online at in.gov/indsot.

The 276th Street project has been bid and construction has started with temporary widening of U.S. 31 and utility relocation to begin soon.

216th Street will become a cul-de-sac while 266th Street will become an overpass. There will be a new access road on the east side of U.S. 31

between 226th and 236th streets.

246th and 256th streets will become cul-de-sacs.

The 236th Street overpass is in the process of construction.

A house tied to the Underground Railroad and listed on the National Register of Historic Places will be relocated, possibly to Conner Prairie.

276th Street should be completed in 2023.

West of U.S. 31, 276th Street will be closed soon. The east portion will be closed in 2023. Access to Reynolds Farm Equipment will be off U.S. 31.

Sheridan should have a new roundabout at the intersection of Highway 47 and State Road 38 on the southeast side of town.

The Monon Trail in the Sheridan area has also been funded for expansion. Its intersection with the road will be marked with people-acti-

vated yellow flashing lights.

State Road 37 will be resurfaced north of Strawtown and State Road 13. Strawtown Avenue will have a roundabout in place by 2026.

INDOT is willing to work with businesses on signage for road closures.

The on-ramp to U.S. 31 from State Road 38 should be open this week.

Duke Energy Government and Community Relations Liaison Dagny Zupin spoke about various upgrades coming to the area, including the installation of automatic sensors which will speed up the detection of defects and pinpoint outages much faster.

"In 2016, we proposed a plan to reduce the risk of power outages on our system through measures such as replacing aging infrastructure," Zupin said. "We upgraded or replaced hundreds of utility poles and overhead and underground power lines. We've improved hundreds of substations which convert voltage for use by customers. Overall, this is about creating a more reliable, smarter system that helps prevent problems that may cause an outage and gets the lights back on sooner when problems do occur."

ABOARD

name one of the dining cars after Hamilton County's Hometown Newspaper, and we are both proud of this opportunity and humbled by the outpouring of positive feedback we have already gotten from the Saturday afternoon ride.

Over 130 people shared a champagne toast – with a non-champagne toast for younger riders – to celebrate this partnership. This was only possible because of our advertisers, our growing list of community partners, our supporters in the public and private sectors, and most importantly because of you, our many readers.

You will see many of our riders in today's edition of The Reporter, plus a few more online. There were several camera-shy individuals who managed to dodge both our photographers (we are looking at you, Mrs. P), but your absence from these pages does not in any way mean you are absent from our gratitude.

The Reporter Lounge Car is not ours; it is yours, Hamilton County! Take a ride on the Nickel Plate Express and, if you are so inclined, send us a few photos to run in YOUR newspaper. We would love to see you on the rails.

See photos from Saturday's train ride on Page A8.

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Photo provided by Nickel Plate Express

AJ Witham Sign Production of Arcadia is Nickel Plate Express's first choice for installing car sponsorship branding, and with good reason.



PUBLIC RESTROOM

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YOU can help Arcadia have a public restroom!

Arcadia is partnering with the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority for a **CreatINg Places** crowd funding campaign to raise money this May and June for public restrooms in downtown Arcadia. Our goal is \$15,000, to be matched by **CreatINg Places**, for a total of \$30,000!

Donations of any amount are welcome.

To learn more, scan the QR code, visit our web site at www.arcadiaindiana.org, or simply email amys@greenavenue.info



Hop in the driver’s seat at Westfield Touch-A-Truck

The REPORTER

Touch-A-Truck, presented by Riverview Health, returns to Grand Park Sports Campus in Westfield from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, June 17.

New this year will be a sensory-friendly hour from 10 to 11 a.m. with no horns or sirens. This fun event provides children with a free opportunity to climb up in the driver’s seat, honk the horn and experience all the exciting things vehicles and equipment can do.

This year’s vehicles include a ladder truck from Westfield Fire Department, a police cruiser from Westfield Police Department, a ready-mix cement truck, MAT-V and the Westfield Washington Public Library’s Bookmobile. Children can also enjoy bounce houses and a trackless train. There will also be safety gear presentations from the Westfield Fire Department as well as a K9 demonstration from the Westfield Police Department.

Attendees can park in



Photo provided by City of Westfield

Lot C located at 19000 Grand Park Blvd. Touch-A-Truck takes place on the west side of Lot C towards the fields.

“Touch-A-Truck provides a unique opportunity for our younger community to experience vehicles and operating equipment that they may not be able to get up close to every day,” Westfield Welcome Director Kayla Arnold said. “We are excited to bring this event back to Westfield after a two-year



Arnold

hiatus.” Schedules and event details can be found at westfieldwelcome.com/touch-a-truck.

About Westfield Welcome

Westfield Welcome focuses on community engagement and hospitality for residents, businesses and visitors. As a department of the City of Westfield, Westfield Welcome hosts more than 25 annual events and provides hundreds of volunteer opportunities each year.

Carmel shows its Pride



Photo provided

Congratulations to the Carmel High School student organizers and everyone involved in the second annual Carmel Pride festival held Sunday, June 5 at Carter Green. The event, attended by all ages, featured more than 60 vendor and informational booths, food trucks and live entertainment.

Monon Mixers back at Carmel Waterpark

The REPORTER

Mark your calendars – Monon Mixers are back in Carmel.

These adult-only after-hours events are held at The Waterpark in Carmel, 1195 Central Park Dr. West. Mixers will be held throughout the summer from 8 to 10 p.m. on June 16, July 1, July 15, July 28, and Aug. 4.

These events are for

adults over the age of 21.

Monon Mixer tickets costs \$20 per person and include access to all The Waterpark’s features like the lazy river, adventure slides, and FlowRider as well as planned activities throughout the night like aqua Zumba and log rolling.

Alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase from a variety of local vendors, in addition

to concessions. The Waterpark staff reminds guests to please drink responsibly.

In case of inclement weather, guests will be automatically enrolled in the next Mixer offered. If there is inclement weather on the day of the final Mixer (Aug. 4), a refund will be issued.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Buy tickets at tinyurl.com/5dd29hwe.



June 24

Westfield Welcome 

[@grandjunctionplaza](https://grandjunctionplaza.org)

Presented by:
Community FIRST
Bank of Indiana

Join us on the **Great Lawn** at **Grand Junction Plaza** for family-friendly movies!



Paw Patrol: The Movie
Activities begin at 8:00 P.M.
Movie begins at dusk

Rain location will be at NSPIRE Church (18097 Sun Park Dr.)



in concert with nature!

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THE FLYING TOASTERS

JUNE 17

Adults - \$5 | 12 & Under - Free
Select Fridays at 7pm | Gates open at 6pm
Tickets & discounts at myhamiltoncountyparks.com
Cool Creek Park, 2000 East 151st Street, Carmel/Westfield
Due to COVID-19 uncertainties, event details may change based on information provided by health officials.



Thanks to Hamilton County Parks & Ashlin Hadden Insurance

The Train's A Comin'!

HEY KIDS! Hop aboard our new trackless train for a fun **(and free)** ride during this park event!
All children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Concert series partners:







Thank you for reading The Reporter!

Community Free Shred Day!

June 21 • 11a.m. - 1p.m.



Free Drive Thru, Drop Off Shred Event

Donations will be collected for Westfield Youth Assistance

Our Shred Day is open to everyone in the community! Please limit your shred materials to 5 boxes.

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Community First Bank

707 East State Road 32, Westfield, IN 46074

WESTFIELD youth Assistance PROGRAM

— COUNTY —

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
Vermillion Drain

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the **Vermillion Drain on June 27, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.** in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of the hearing is for the Board to increase the amount of the maximum unencumbered amount of the maintenance fund for the **Vermillion Drain** to be increased from four (4) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance of the drain to eight (8) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance. The Board will not consider an increase in annual maintenance assessments at the meeting. The previously established Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been previously approved and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh
R835 6/20/22

— COURT NOTICES —

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT
SS:)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) Cause No. 29D04-1912-SC-011593
THE CINCINNATI INSURANCE COMPANY,)
Plaintiff,)
v.)
HILLARY ANN HUNTER,)
Defendant)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT

Plaintiff, by attorney, Michael P. Irk, files its notice of claim together with an affidavit of competent person showing that Hillary Ann Hunter cannot be found and has concealed her whereabouts or is not residing in the State of Indiana.

Said defendant must answer the complaint in writing, in person, or by attorney within 30 days commencing with the publication of the last notice or appear at the hearing which is scheduled for August 29, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. or a judgment may be entered against the defendant as demanded in the notice of claim filed in the courthouse in Hamilton County, Indiana, or said action will be heard and determined in the absence of the defendant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said court this day.

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk

Michael P. Irk, #22054-45
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Attorney for Plaintiff
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Zionsville, IN 46077
765-485-0131
765-485-0175 fax
R844 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton County Court
Cause No. 29C01-2205-MI-3253
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF)
NAME OF MINOR:)
Nolan Edward Bates)
Jason Edward Bates)
Petitioner)

NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Jason Edward Bates, pro se, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor to change the name of minor child Nolan Edward Bates to Nolan Edward Hillman.

The Petition is schedule for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on August 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date.

Date: May 10, 2022

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court
R847 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton County Court
Cause No. 29C01-2205-MI-3255
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF)
NAME OF MINOR:)
Haleigh Grace Bates)
Jason Edward Bates)
Petitioner)

NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Jason Edward Bates, pro se, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor to change the name of minor child Haleigh Grace Bates to Haleigh Grace Hillman.

The Petition is schedule for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on August 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date.

Date: May 10, 2022

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court
R849 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

29D01-2206-EU-000300
Webster & Garino, LLC
209 E. 175th Street, Suite A
Westfield, IN 46074
317-565-1818

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Cause Number:
29D01-2206-EU-000300

In the Hamilton County Superior Court, Indiana. Notice is hereby given that Randy Bachman was on the 9 day of June, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of James R. Bachman, deceased, who died on May 21, 2022.

All persons who have claims against the estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this 9 day of June, 2022.

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court
R833 6/13/22, 6/20/22

STATE OF INDIANA IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NUMBER:
29D03-2204-EU-000192

IN RE:)
THE UNSUPERVISED)
ESTATE OF SHARON J. GREEN)
DECEASED.)

Raymond M. Adler, #2336-29
Attorney Seth R. Wilson, #26647-49
Attorney

NOTICE

To Dynex Financial Inc, File Number is 0010762906 c/o Serve Secretary Of State For Mailing To Douglas W. Buchanan and Origen Financial L.L.C. 260 E. Brown Street, Suite 200, Birmingham, MI 48009 and Origen Financial, Inc., c/o resident agent The-Prentice-Hall Corporation System Inc., 251 E. Ohio St., Suite 500, Indianapolis, IN 46204, and any other person concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the above captioned Court by the Estate named above. This summons by publication is specifically directed to Defendants, Dynex Financial Inc and Origen Financial, Inc whose addresses are unknown.

The Estate is represented by ADLER ATTORNEYS, 136 South Ninth Street, Noblesville, IN 46060-2614, (317) 773-1974.

The nature of this suit against you is to prevent intermeddling and release liens. The estate claims damage against each Intermeddler in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.

An answer or other response in writing to the Petition must be filed by your or your attorney within thirty (30) days after the third notice of suit and if you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded by the Estate. If you have a claim for relief against the Estate arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response.

Dated: 6/6/2022

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
R832 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton Circuit Court
Cause No. 29C01-2205-MI-3252
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Sara Patricia Bates)
Petitioner)

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Sara Patricia Bates , whose mailing address is: 10706 Lantern Rd# 2204, Fishers, In 46038, HAMILTON County, Indiana hereby gives notice that Sara Patricia Bates has filed a petition in the HAMILTON Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Sara Patricia Hillman.

Notice is further given that hearing will be held on said Petition on the 5th day of August, 2022 at 10:00 o'clock am.

Sara Patricia Bates
Petitioner
Date: May 10, 2022

Kathy Kreag Williams
Circuit Court Clerk
R846 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton County Court
Cause No. 29C01-2205-MI-3254
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF)
NAME OF MINOR:)
Hudson Robert Bates)
Jason Edward Bates)
Petitioner)

NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Jason Edward Bates, pro se, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor to change the name of minor child Hudson Robert Bates to Hudson Robert Hillman.

The Petition is schedule for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on August 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date.

Date: May 10, 2022

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court
R848 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton Circuit Court
Cause No. 29C01-2205-MI-3256
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Jason Edward Bates)
Petitioner)

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Jason Edward Bates, whose mailing address is: 10706 Lantern Rd# 2204, Fishers, In 46038, HAMILTON County, Indiana hereby gives notice that Jason Edward Bates has filed a petition in the HAMILTON Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Jason Edward Hillman.

Notice is further given that hearing will be held on said Petition on the 5th day of August, 2022 at 10:00 o'clock am.

Jason Edward Bates
Petitioner
Date: May 10, 2022

Kathy Kreag Williams
Circuit Court Clerk
R850 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

29D01-2206-EU-000286
Victoria L. Howard, #34642-49
Church Church Hittle + Antrim
Two North Ninth Street
Noblesville, IN 46060
(317)773-2190; FAX (317) 773-5320

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that Amber Kaufman was, on June 3, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of MICHAEL W. PRYOR, deceased, who died February 27, 2022.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on June 3, 2022.

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana
R829 6/13/22, 6/23/22

29D03-2206-EU-000296
Webster & Garino, LLC
209 E. 175th Street, Suite A
Westfield, IN 46074
317-565-1818

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Cause Number:
29D03-2206-EU-000296

In the Hamilton County Superior Court, Indiana. Notice is hereby given that Carol A. Beckman was on the 9th day of June, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Daniel R. Beckman, deceased, who died on January 23, 2022.

All persons who have claims against the estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this 9th day of June, 2022.

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court
R834 6/13/22, 6/20/22

— NOBLESVILLE —

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR
2022 Asphalt Crack Sealing
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Public Works and Safety, City of Noblesville, at the Office of the Clerk, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana and will be publicly opened and read aloud at 9:00 a.m. on June 28, 2022. Any Bid(s) received later than 9:00 a.m. (local time) on June 28, 2022 will be returned unopened.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The work shall consist of the base Bid for landscape maintenance of right of ways as described, for one year, in various locations throughout the City of Noblesville.

BID DOCUMENTS: Specifications and Contract Documents are available for examination on or after **June 13, 2022** in the following office:

- City of Noblesville – Street Department, 1575 Pleasant Street, Noblesville, Indiana;

Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after **June 13, 2022**, at the City of Noblesville – Street Department, Noblesville, Indiana, upon payment of \$10.00 per set. A set consists of a single copy of Specifications and Contract Documents. This remittance is not refundable. Plans and specifications will also be available electronically at no charge. ALL plan holders or entities requesting plans MUST register on the official Bid list to be an official plan holder and to be eligible to submit a responsive Bid. Bids shall be properly and completely executed on Bid Forms contained in the Contract Documents. Each Bid shall be accompanied by a completely filled out Form No. 96 (Revised 2010), acceptable Bid security, and wage stipulation affidavit. Any Bid not accompanied by the aforementioned required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive Bid.

No Bidders may withdraw the proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for the receiving of Bids. The City reserves the right to retain any and all Bids for a period of not more than 60 days and said Bid shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the Contract to any Bidder all to the advantage of the City of Noblesville or to reject all Bids.

BID SECURITY: Each Bid shall be accompanied by an acceptable certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville or an acceptable Bid bond in the amount equal to five percent of the total Bid price executed by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana and whose name appears on the current Treasury Department Circular 570.

BONDS: Performance Bond will be required and Payment Bond may be required.

QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS: All Bidders shall have a successfully qualified history in the management and completion of similar work in the form of a past history of contracts held and completed for similar work. All contractors, suppliers and subcontractors shall demonstrate 5 years of progressive experience in work similar in nature to this project. All workers employed on the project shall have documented legal citizenship or immigration status. Any general or subcontractor that has outstanding fees or inspections or has outstanding work-related, performance, or quality issues with the City of Noblesville may be deemed as non-responsive or non-responsible.

Any Bid submitted by a firm that is not a plan holder and does not appear on the Official Plan Holders List for this project will be deemed non-responsive and non-responsible.

INDIANA REQUIREMENTS: Standard Questionnaire Form 96 – Revised 2010, completely filled out and signed, including attachment of Contractor's Financial Statement.

R841 6/13/22, 6/20/22

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR
2022 Pavement Markings
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA

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No Bidders may withdraw the proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for the receiving of Bids. The City reserves the right to retain any and all Bids for a period of not more than 60 days and said Bid shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the Contract to any Bidder all to the advantage of the City of Noblesville or to reject all Bids.

BID SECURITY: Each Bid shall be accompanied by an acceptable certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville or an acceptable Bid bond in the amount equal to five percent of the total Bid price executed by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana and whose name appears of the current Treasury Department Circular 570.

BONDS: Performance Bond will be required and Payment Bond may be required.

QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS: All Bidders shall have a successfully qualified history in the management and completion of similar work in the form of a past history of contracts held and completed for similar work. All contractors, suppliers and subcontractors shall demonstrate 5 years of progressive experience in work similar in nature to this project. All workers employed on the project shall have documented legal citizenship or immigration status. Any general or subcontractor that has outstanding fees or inspections or has outstanding work-related, performance, or quality issues with the City of Noblesville may be deemed as non-responsive or non-responsible.

Any Bid submitted by a firm that is not a plan holder and does not appear on the Official Plan Holders List for this project will be deemed non-responsive and non-responsible.

INDIANA REQUIREMENTS: Standard Questionnaire Form 96 – Revised 2010, completely filled out and signed, including attachment of Contractor's Financial Statement.

R842 6/13/22, 6/20/22

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Notice is hereby given that the City of Noblesville Common Council will hold a public hearing during its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on June 28, 2022, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana.

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider additional appropriation authority in the Downtown Development Fund to cover expenses for painting wayfinding signage inside the Levinson Parking Garage in Downtown Noblesville.

The foregoing appropriations are in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy.

Taxpayers of the City of Noblesville appearing at the hearing shall have a right to be heard in respect to this additional appropriation.

Dated this 15th day of June, 2022.

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
/s/ Evelyn L. Lees, Clerk
R843 6/13/22

— COUNTY —

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
Morrow-Follett Drain, Donahue Arm
1st on Main Partial Abandonment
Station 0+00 to Station 3+18

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition to vacate has been received by the Hamilton County Surveyor for the **Morrow-Follett Drain, Donahue Arm, 1st on Main Partial Abandonment across Parcels 16-10-30-09-05-001.000, 16-10-30-09-05-025.000, 16-10-30-09-05-024.000 and 16-10-30-09-05-022.000 owned by The City of Carmel Redevelopment Commission (Station 0+00 to Station 3+18) and that a hearing is scheduled for June 27, 2022 at 9:15 A.M.** on that request.

Objections to the VACATION of the drain must be filed in writing not less than five (5) days before the date of the hearing.

The Board will consider whether the drain performs the function for which it was constructed and constructed; whether the expense of maintenance outweighs the benefits to be derived therefrom, and whether the abandonment thereof will not be detrimental to the public welfare.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh
Executive Secretary
R838 6/20/22

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
Cool Creek Drain
Clark & Inman Arm Reconstruction

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board concerning the reconstruction of the **Cool Creek Drain, Clark & Inman Arm Reconstruction on June 27, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.** in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments proposed by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh
R836 6/20/22

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF
William Lehr Drain, Stony Creek Arm
Drainage Shed Correction (Merion Section 4)

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the **William Lehr Drain, Stony Creek Arm, Drainage Shed Correction (Merion Section 4) on June 27, 2022 at 9:15 A.M.** in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, and which construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh
R837 6/20/22

— ARCADIA —

NOTICE

ThThe Arcadia Town Council will meet in a special meeting on Monday, June 20, 2022 at 6 p.m. located at 208 W. Main Street Arcadia, In the discussion will be on future development in Arcadia.

R840 6/13/22

Paula Marie Sackers
November 1, 1953 – June 4, 2022

Paula Marie Sackers of Evansville, Ind., passed away on June 4, 2022, after fighting the complications of COVID. She was born in Indianapolis on November 1, 1953, to William and Mildred McCarty. She graduated from Marion-Adams High School. She was awarded Miss Congeniality in the 4-H Fair Pageant during high school. Her career ranged from modeling, insurance, real estate, and a healthcare executive administrative assistant.

Paula's greatest joy was being a mother, and she loved her son, Greg, immensely. He was her motivation and battled as a warrior in her fight to beat COVID. She had a million-dollar smile and when she would walk in the room she radiated. There was nothing more she wanted than to go back home with him in Evansville, but God took her to His home where she is now with other family members and friends.

Paula Sackers is survived by her son, Gregory P. Sackers; her siblings, William McCartney, Pam McCartney, Vickie Barrick (Bob Richardson), Kevin Michael McCartney, Dorothy Christoff, and Cindy Miceli (Gus); stepbrother, Patrick Taylor (Deborah); sister-in-law, Janice Sackers; nieces and nephews, Courtney Friend (Sam) and her daughter, Tenley Barrick, Sean McCartney, Jennifer McCartney, Michael McCartney, Isaac Miller, Caleb Scaggs, and Nicole Miceli.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William F. and Ruth McCartney; stepfather, Shelby Christoff; step-mother, Martha McCartney; half-brother, Sean McCartney; stepbrother, Daniel Taylor; nephew, Andrew Rhineheimer; ex-husband, Steve Sackers; and father and mother-in-law, Pete and Marie Sackers.

Services and visitation were held on Saturday, June 11, 2022, at Flanner Buchanan – Hamilton Memorial Park, 4180 Westfield Road, Westfield. Online condolences may be shared by visiting flannerbuchanan.com.

Marjorie Anne Berlin
February 20, 1932 – June 7, 2022

Marjorie Anne Berlin, 90, passed away on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at Bridgewater Healthcare Center in Carmel. She was born on February 20, 1932, to Cummings and Mary (Limmer) Berlin in Swartz Creek, Mich.

Marjorie was a life-long resident of Swartz Creek, Mich., and St. Mary Queen of Angels Catholic Church. She was a factory worker for AC Spark Plug and retired in 1992 after 42 years of employment.

She is survived by her sister, Dorothy Zakrajsek; nieces and nephews, Michael Zakrajsek, Thomas Zakrajsek, MaryJo Bechler, Robert Berlin, Darren Berlin, Christopher Berlin, Melanie Berlin-Scott; and many grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Kathleen Berlin; and brothers, Robert A. Berlin and Raymond Webb.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, June 13, 2022, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fishers. Burial will be at Evergreen Cemetery in Grand Blanc, Mich.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

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— COURT NOTICES —

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton Circuit Court
Cause No. 29C01-2203-MI-1600
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF:)
QUANISHA MARIE OWENS)
Petitioner)

NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, Quanisha Marie Owens, pro se, filed on March 7, gg2, a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change her name from Quanisha Marie Owens to Nyah Mai Marie Owens.

The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on August 5, 2022, at 10:00 am. which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date.

The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Date: May 17, 2022

Paul Felix
Judge Paul Felix
Hamilton Circuit Court
R852 6/13/22, 6/20/22, 6/27/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton Circuit Court
Cause No. 29C01-2205-MI-003413
IN RE NAME CHANGE OF:)
MADELINE LOUISE BROWN JAY)
Petitioner)

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

MADELINE LOUISE BROWN JAY, whose mailing address is: 14587 HARRISON PKWY, FISHERS, IN 46038, HAMILTON County, Indiana hereby gives notice that MADELINE LOUISE BROWN JAY has filed a petition in the HAMILTON Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to MADELINE JAY ST. JAMES.

Notice is further given that hearing will be held on said Petition on September 9, 2022 at 10:00 o'clock am. One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060

MADELINE LOUISE BROWN JAY
Petitioner
Date: May 12, 2022

Kathy Kreag Williams
Judicial Officer
R800 6/6/22, 6/13/22, 6/20/22

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The gift of ... shhh

There's just something about silence. Shhhh ...

As I was growing up, I watched my mother sit on her front porch and rock ... and rock ... and rock. I just didn't understand when she said it was good for her soul.

But now I do.

It's as though I enter a sacred space where my heart hears what it needs to hear. I hear a voice coming from my soul, reminding me that it is OK to "Be still." Scripture even says so in Psalm 46:10.

Who is to argue with the inspirational words of God? I call it divine permission. Who am I to argue with my mother, even when she has passed? I'm still not brave enough to do it.

All too often I cannot hear the words my soul needs to hear over the noise of the everyday chatter. You need to ... You cannot ... It's not on your to-do list. You don't have time for that.

Then I hear ... shhh.

When I take the time to be still ...

I am reminded of my strength. That strength doesn't come from a physical workout but that of a soul workout.

It is in the quiet where I realize I am a force to be reckoned with because of what has happened in my life, giving me no choice but to find the strength I never knew I had.

I realize the challenges that have tripped me, and I fell hard. But ... I got back up to find the person I was designed to be. I've not been shaped and refined by fluffy words and pats on my back. I've been refined by words that damaged and bruised my heart.

I find I am kinder not just because people have been kind to me but because of those who extended a voice of ugliness and ridicule and belittling.

I am nicer not only because someone saved me a seat but because I was left out of the inner sanctum of a group of girlfriends.

I find myself feeling empathy and compassion for those who hurt, not just because of being surrounded by those who have walked my journey to tell me I will get through whatever crisis I am dealing with, but because someone has made their problem, my problem. Sometimes, they blamed me for their problem. I've finally been able to let go of that weight ... whew!

The quiet allows me the space to seek my well-aged wisdom. It reminds me I cannot take ownership of the problems of others. I cannot "fix" people and I cannot carry the weight of the anger someone feels.

It is in the quiet I am reminded of all these things. It is then I can remove the weight on my shoulders that others have placed there and lay it, not in my lap but at the foot of the cross. There is only one Savior, and I am not Him.

In the quiet, I hear my soul say, "You are enough, Janet. You were designed by God, fearfully and wonderfully made. Go and rest in my promises. Your soul will thank you. Again, I say ... shhh"

Be still and listen. There, in the quiet, I find ... it is well with my soul.

Janet Hart Leonard can be contacted at janethartleonard@gmail.com or followed on Facebook or Instagram (@janethartleonard). Visit janethartleonard.com.

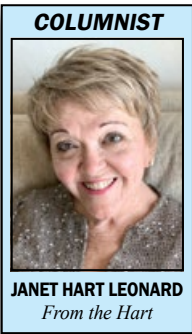
County Council to consider mileage reimbursement rate increase for some county employees

The June County Council meeting arrived quickly. While lots of activity is happening in the background, as we plan for projects and prepare for budget hearings, the Council agenda was relatively benign. There were three topics worth discussing in the agenda.

The first was the annual review of compliance of the Beck's real and personal property tax abatement. As shown in their documentation, Beck's has more than met its commitment. These tax abatements are one way our county can support economic development. This support creates a contract with the corporate entity and obligates them to continue to grow and invest in Hamilton County by creating jobs and increasing property values through building.

The second item was a request from the County Commissioners to increase the mileage reimbursement rate by \$0.10 per mile for employees who travel using their own vehicle. It has been stated that the current federal reimbursement rate (\$0.585 per mile) is not covering the costs for the employee due to inflation. This may seem like a minor issue, but even the best-intentioned plan can lead to unintended consequences. The federal rate establishes a maximum so that employee and employer taxes are not

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JANET HART LEONARD
From the Hart

A difficult conversation

Thank you for the wonderful comments from last week. My adoption and reunion story will be slowly revealed every Friday, just like a television program before the days of VCRs, DVRs, streaming, and binge watching! I appreciate your patience.

Mom and Dad didn't say anything at first about what I figured were ridiculous rumors being spread at my school about me being adopted. Friday evening and Saturday were uneventful. When church rolled around Sunday morning I figured the whole thing was just a lie. I would simply return to school on Monday and everything would go back to normal.

After lunch that day, however, I knew that wouldn't be the case. As we finished eating that

meal in our sunny, tiny green kitchen, I saw Mom glance nervously at Dad.

"Honey, Mrs. Price called and shared with us what happened at school on Friday. It's time we told you something," Mom began. She kept looking at

Dad. I think she was hoping he might take over the conversation or at least contribute to it.

"Twelve years ago we had another little girl named Laurie. She didn't do well right after she was born because of a missing bile duct for her liver. The doctors told us she wouldn't live long and it was very hard. She died not long after her second birthday."

"All four of us were so sad. We felt like there was this hole in our lives after Laurie died. We had a talk with Dr. Erickson

... you know, your pediatrician? He suggested that we think about adopting a baby. He said he'd write the best letter of recommendation ever."

All I could do was sit there, my mouth refusing to move. I couldn't believe what I was hearing.

"So, we went through Catholic Social Services and started the process to adopt another little girl – you. You were born in Cincinnati and then stayed with a foster family for a few weeks until you came to live with us forever on Laurie's birthday, of all days. That changed a sad day in our lives to a very happy one."

Then came yet another look from Mom to Dad. He remained silent. Years later I would learn that she had been rather frustrated that he didn't speak up that day. In my mind, though, Mom handled everything beautifully. Dad was never the type to talk about touchy-feely stuff well

anyway.

I don't recall what I said in response. I'm sure I talked about how confused I was at school and how upsetting everything had been. Mom told me that Mrs. Price had known for many years that I was adopted because she had also taught my brother and sister in school and was close to them. My parents didn't understand how that information had gotten spread around my school, and to this day I'm not sure why the other teacher shared it with my schoolmates.

I remember leaning up against my dresser in my room later and staring at myself in the oval mirror above it.

"So ... Mom and Dad aren't my *real* mom and dad?" I asked my reflection. Unfortunately Mom overheard that comment and burst into tears. She came upstairs and hugged me for a long time.

Want to be “regular”? Eat real food!

"You don't have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great." – Zig Ziglar

An odd quote for an "uncomfortable" but important subject! Writing about constipation is not much more fun than having it but something that most people can relate to at some point in their lives. Most "irregularity" issues are infrequent but very annoying and can certainly derail a fitness plan.

(Please note! Often constipation can follow a surgery or be related to necessary prescription drug therapy – in which case you must listen carefully to your physician's diagnosis and recommendations. I will not address those issues in this piece. My suggestions do not address post-surgery and issues related to prescription drug side effects.)

In recent years, our diets have progressively incorporat-

ed more processed foods with many additives and fewer high-fiber foods; most of us have been made aware of that, I believe – that is not news. However, poor diet and relying too much on soft drinks for our fluids have made the business of

laxatives a multi-billion-dollar business! Over the counter laxatives are NOT a cure and can be habit forming.

My recommendations to my clients include increasing the amount of fiber intake to 25 to 35 grams per day and including whole grain breads and cereals. There is such a wide variety of grains available at most supermarkets, including barley, oats, farro, kamut, and quinoa. Choose fresh fruits over juices which are often laden with sugar. Apricots and figs are delicious and a great choice. Drink water! Fluids help your body process fiber without dis-

comfort. Consider adding dried beans or peas to just about any dish. Seeds are excellent (unless you suffer from diverticulitis – please follow your physician's advice!) and I particularly enjoy chia seeds added to my Greek yogurt. Avoid frozen and boxed meals and canned goods when other good food items are available.

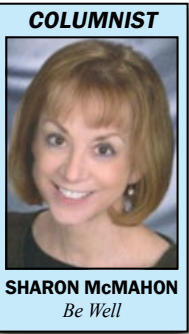
Unless you are instructed otherwise – move your body! Movement assists in *movement* ... if you get my meaning! Walk, cycle, dance, do whatever works for you. I teach stretching and flexibility classes, which are greatly helpful in relieving digestive problems. I am sometimes asked what kind of expectations to have in regard to the frequency of regular bowel habits, and I do not have specific answers to that, regularity differs from person to person. I will say that your own body will let you know – a healthy digestive system leaves you feeling refreshed, energized and alert.

As we age and our metab-

olism naturally slows, we may be more challenged with constipation discomfort, and most of the time my suggestions here will bring relief. However, if you become constipated do see your physician first to rule out any more serious problem such as intestinal disease or abnormality. If your doctor approves, cut back on processed foods, incorporate those delicious fresh fruits and vegetables and drink plenty of water. (Note that if you suffer from heart, circulatory, or kidney problems your physician should advise on the amount of liquids you consume.)

Back to Mr. Ziglar's quote – not the subject he intended to address but very relevant to our topic today!

Sharon McMahon, CNWC
The opinions expressed in this article are not intended to replace advice of your personal physician or licensed health professional. Please consult your physician for any issues you may have related to nutrition or fitness activity.



SHARON McMAHON
Be Well

Breaking bald: Funny, he writes like he has hair

I was alone, eating a fish sandwich at Arby's, when I heard a reverend delivering some sort of moment of reflection via local radio. His subject matter: phobias. He listed a litany of fears: heights, enclosed spaces, flying, snakes. Things I've heard a hundred times before. But then I heard him add a new one to the list, "The fear of bald people," causing me to nearly choke on my fish fillet.

The fear of – What?!! Did I hear correctly? Did he say "bad" people? Or bald people? Is it possible there are people who fear me by virtue of my baldness? Is this why I am eating lunch alone? Because I scare others?

I did a Google search. Sure enough, there appeared entries for peladophobia or "the fear of bald people." Symptoms include shortness of breath, sweating, heart palpitations, shaking. And here I thought my former girlfriends really liked me when they demonstrated these symptoms. I had no idea they were having panic attacks.

It all makes sense now. Their fear of my baldness caused them to resort to the good old head-under-hatchet-breakup-line, the most overused relationship-killing cliché in history: "It's not you. It's me." Translation: "You are bald."

Thanks to Google, I also learned ways to cure peladophobia and, perhaps, save a relationship. For example: behavior therapy, anti-anxiety medicine, psychotherapy and cognitive-behavioral therapy, all of which, as a single guy, I used to formulate into pick-up lines. "Hi, my name is Scott. Yes, I'm bald. And yes, you are trembling at the mere sight of me, and sweating so much that right now I am no longer even attracted to you, but I just want you to know that after you go through several dozen sessions of cognitive-behavioral therapy (my treat) you might be able to one day, dare I say it, peek through the cracks of the fingers of the hand covering your eyes and see my horrific hairless scalp without experiencing the heebie-jeebies."

Is it not enough of a prob-

lem that I am bald? Suddenly, I found myself on the same phobia list with spiders, snakes, cockroaches, toads, bacteria, hell, mothers-in-law, plane crashes, clowns, folk art, and radio reverends.

My mother had wigs when I was a kid. She had plenty of hair of her own, but it was the '70s. For the husbands, it was sort of like wife swapping, only without a moral dilemma. My brother and I had fun trying on her wigs. We didn't get all Anthony Perkins weird as we got older, in case you're wondering. Well, I can only speak for myself. I now wonder if all that sliding on and off those itchy wigs jump-started my follicle erosion. Talk about cruel irony.

Upon learning about peladophobia, I decided that there must be a phobia for everything. I Googled "fear of hair." Entries for chaetophobia appeared. It made me giddy knowing there are people who fear people WITH HAIR!

If not for the photo that the Reporter runs with my column, you might not have even known I was bald. In the past, papers didn't include my photo. They didn't want to risk experiencing a dip in circulation dollars. Eventually, though, my photo

began to appear, causing me to imagine a typical kitchen table conversation going something like this:

Husband (throwing paper to floor): My God, Scott Saalman is bald!

Wife: What?
Husband: Bald as a baboon's butt.

Wife: Shut the front door!
Husband: Look at his picture!

Wife: Oh, it's just Photo-shopped. He's just being funny. He's not really bald. I mean, he writes like he has hair.

Husband (experiencing shortness of breath, sweating, heart palpitations, shaking): People don't use Photoshop to make themselves look bald! They do it to give themselves hair! I refuse to read Scott's column anymore.

Wife: Poor dear. It's so hard watching you struggle with your peladophobia.

OK. I'm depressed now. I wish I still had access to that wig of Mom's from the 1970s. So what if I look like Carol Brady when I put it on. Knowing the role mom's wigs likely played in beginning my baldness, though, I'm sort of scared of them. See maliaphobia.

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LUNA

emotional support and therapeutic interventions, such as nuzzling and laying on the lap of someone in crisis, Luna helps reduce anxiety and stress, in addition to biological stressors like heart rate, blood pressure and breathing."

Officer Ben Lugar is Luna's primary handler. They went through training together and Lugar and will join her in the parade. Luna's first day on the job was in February and on that same day, she was deployed to her first call.

"The child was just going through a pretty stressful envi-

ronment and home life," Lugar said. "The child was in crisis mode and just hearing that Luna was out there helped instantly calm that child down so we could get the family connected to resources. Luna helped the child know that we are here to support you."

Luna is part of Noblesville's NobleAct created in 2020 by Mayor Jensen. The initiative is meant to help victims in need from substance abuse to homelessness and even those dealing with mental health issues. Adding therapy dogs into public safety is a newer concept and Luna

is the first in Hamilton County. She is on-call 24/7 and has made an immediate impact within the community and become a great resource for first responders.

"Luna is an invaluable asset for the Noblesville Police Department and Noblesville community," Lugar said. "Her presence at the department with officers and staff always makes coming to work a joy for me and she has given me a renewed passion for policing. When we are out in the public, community members always come up to see her and thank her. She really is the goal of Noble Act,

to build those strong community connections so we all have the common goal of being healthy, happy and safe."

This year's free festivities will take place on Monday, July 4 with the theme of "Stars and Stripes Forever in Noblesville." The parade begins at 4:30 p.m. with the downtown parade presented by Gaylor Electric.

The expanded free fireworks festival sponsored by IDI Composites follows from 6 to 10 p.m. at Forest Park, followed by the fireworks display at 10 p.m.

Learn more at noblesvillefireworksfestival.com.

Westfield releases schedule of events for Rocks the 4th

The REPORTER

Westfield Rocks the 4th, presented by Citizens Energy Group, will be celebrated on Sunday, July 3 and Monday, July 4 at Grand Park Sports Campus from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. both days.

Westfield Rocks the 4th features food, music and fun for the entire family. Attendees can enjoy food and drinks from food trucks, free concerts and a fireworks display. Jennie DeVoe and Toy Factory will kick off the festivities on Sunday, July 3 and Barometer Soup takes the Main Stage on Monday, July 4. While the event is free to attendees, the Kids Zone area requires wristbands, which can be purchased online or at the event; wristbands are \$10 each day or \$15 for both days.

New to the event this year is a kids' stage that will feature Mik the Music Man, magic shows and demonstrations. Westfield

Welcome has also partnered with Indiana Army Nation Guard to have additional inflatables and activities for older kids in the Kids Zone. Bullpen Tournaments will also be hosting their College All-Star Baseball Game on Dimond one beginning at 6 p.m. on Monday, July 4.

"We are thrilled Westfield Rocks the 4th continues to grow each year since we kicked it off in 2010," Mayor Andy Cook said. "This is a wonderful opportunity for our residents and visitors to connect and celebrate the holiday."

Sign-ups for the Frank's Franks Hot Dog Eating Contest are available online now. Limited preferred parking can also be purchased in advance for Monday, July 4 for \$20, or on-site if still available.

For more information about Westfield Rocks the 4th visit westfieldwelcome.com/westfield-4th.

Westfield Rocks the 4th Schedule of Events

Sunday, July 3

Main stage entertainment

- Jennie DeVoe | 5 to 7 p.m.
- DJ | 7 to 8 p.m.
- Toy Factory | 8 to 10 p.m.

Kids stage entertainment

- Mik the Music Man | 5 to 6:30 p.m.
- Master Yoo's Tae Kwon Do Demonstration | 6:30 to 7 p.m.
- Mik the Music Man | 7 to 8:15 p.m.
- Magic Show | 8:15 to 8:45 p.m.
- Mik the Music Man | 8:45 to 10 p.m.

Monday, July 4

Main stage entertainment

- Barometer Soup | 5 to 7 p.m.
- Hot Dog Eating Contest | 7 to 7:30 p.m.
- Remarks & Honor Guard | 7:30 to 8 p.m.
- Barometer Soup | 8 to 10 p.m.

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- Mik the Music Man | 8:45 to 10 p.m.

Fireworks display | Approximately 10 p.m.

Hamilton County Community Foundation awarded \$25,500 grant for workforce training from Duke Energy

The REPORTER

The Duke Energy Foundation is awarding more than \$330,000 in shareholder-funded grants to 16 organizations working to create a pipeline of skilled workers prepared to meet Indiana's workforce needs.

Locally, the Hamilton County Community Foundation received a grant totaling \$25,500.

"Without fail, employers and community leaders I speak to in our service territory list workforce as an

immediate area of focus," Duke Energy President Stan Pinegar said. "Duke Energy is committed to helping Indiana's workers obtain the skills and industry-recognized credentials needed to meet the state's current and future labor market needs, with the ultimate goal of providing a better quality of life for the customers and communities we serve."

For more information about the Duke Energy Foundation visit duke-energy.com/foundation.

Soil & Water invites you to submit entries for annual photo contest

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District (HCSWCD) is accepting submissions for the eighth annual Photography Contest from amateur photographers throughout Hamilton County.

Each participant can submit up to five entries showcasing the contest theme – Indiana Conservation in Color. Digital files and entry forms must be submitted by Friday, June 24. Remember to add a descriptive caption to each entry portraying how the photo

relates to this year's theme.

Once again, People's Choice Award winners in each of the categories will receive a \$50 prize. A panel of judges will choose additional winners for a total of four winners to be honored. Photo entries will be showcased July 14 to 18 at the Hamilton County 4-H Fair.

Additional information and entry forms are located at hamiltonswcd.org/photo-contest. If you have questions, email soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov or call (317) 773-2181.

Carmel student earns \$10,000 scholarship to Marian University

Jirgal will be part of engineering school's inaugural class

The REPORTER

Stephen Jirgal, a homeschooled student from Carmel, has been awarded a \$10,000 scholarship to the Marian University E. S. Witchger School of Engineering. Jirgal will be part of the inaugural class of the university's new engineering school and is one of only four students to receive

a \$10,000 scholarship.

"We are pleased to recognize Stephen as one of the student pioneers who will build the culture and legacy of the E. S. Witchger School of Engineering," said Marian University President Daniel J. Elsener.

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and opening fall

2022, the E. S. Witchger School of Engineering will expand Marian University's vision as a Catholic university to offer Bachelor of Engineering degrees rooted in the liberal arts tradition with the goal of graduating a diverse pipeline of talented leaders. The school will offer degrees in biomedical,

chemical, civil, computer, mechanical engineering, as well as engineering physics. The new, state-of-the-art building that will house the new school will open the fall of 2023.

Students interested in learning more or enrolling in the E. S. Witchger School of Engineering may visit marian.edu/engineering.

Carmel Library gives reopening timeline details for main branch

The REPORTER

As construction continues at the Main Library at 425 E. Main St., the Carmel Clay Public Library is announcing the following key dates.

Service at the temporary Merchants' Square Main Library will end at 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 31.

Service at the expanded and renovated Main Library will begin in mid-September with a Grand Reopening Celebration to follow on Saturday, Oct. 1. This closure period will allow

Main Library Reopening Timeline

Saturday, July 23 – Last day of service at the Digital Media Lab at 23 E. Main St.

Sunday, July 31 – Last day of service at the Merchants' Square Main Library at 2140 E. 116th St.

Mid-September – Service begins at Main Library, including Digital Media Lab, at 425 E. Main St. (exact date TBA)

Saturday, Oct. 1 – Main Library Grand Reopening Celebration

the library and its service providers to move collections, furniture, and equipment between locations and prepare the Main Library for operation.

The Digital Media Lab,

currently located at 23 E. Main St., will close at 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 23. The lab will relocate to the northwest corner of the Main Library building and will reopen with that facility

in mid-September.

Throughout this period, service will continue at the Joyce Winner West Branch at 12770 Horseferry Road. West Branch hours are:

- Monday to Thursday: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Friday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday: Noon to 5 p.m.

More details about the Main Library move and reopening are available at carmelclaylibrary.org/main-library-reopening.

The REPORTER

Bethel Lutheran Church, 20650 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, will hold an expanded annual Rummage Sale this year. The sale will take place from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 16; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, June 17; and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday June 18.

The sale encompasses all the room in the church and will be filled with good quality items at very reasonable prices. Items will include office supplies, school supplies, kitchenware, books,

electronics, clothing, crafts, seasonal, toys, furniture, and outdoor gear. Plus, shoppers can grab a bite at the grill café from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will also be a bake sale.

Anyone who wishes to contribute items to the sale is invited to drop them off between June 6 and June 16. Proceeds go to the church's preschool, outreach, and mission programs in the community and beyond.

For more information, go to BethelLutheranChurch.com or call (317) 773-4315.

COUNCIL MINUTES—

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circumvented. Any compensation more than the federal maximum will result in a tax liability for both the employer and the employee. After a few brief internal calls, everyone agreed that tabling this issue until the Council Finance and Personnel Committees can meet to discuss a solution that will not result in a tax liability issue was our best next step. We all want to support our employees and seek for the best options as we deal with the damage of inflation.

The third topic dealt with a grant appropriation to the Health Department to support schools and families in catching up vaccination records that fell behind during COVID. This is not a county edict to solicit or apply vaccinations. A few people came to the meeting to provide comments about this item, and against the judgement of some on Council, we allowed them to voice their comments out of order. In essence, their concerns were not applicable to the County Council. We are a fiscal body that appropriates dollars. Decisions that establish executive or legislative action occur at the County Commissioners and internal discussions about what the health department does are handled by their Health Department Board. Both of these are public

meetings and advertised.

In closing, enjoy the summer, visit a park or a farmer's market, get outside, and get back to doing the things that make you happy. The last two summers have not allowed us to be as we once were. My personal belief is that the lack of human interaction has made mental health issues a more common issue. We need to get back to doing the things that make us happy and maybe turn off social media and focus back on the importance of human interaction.

If items mentioned above are of interest, please reach out to me or any member of the County Council. As always, I am thankful that the Hamilton County Reporter for publishing my Council updates and a special thanks to you, the readers, and residents of Hamilton County, for reading it and being engaged in the discussion. Our County is better because of you all. I welcome your questions at ken.alexander@hamilton-county.in.gov.

Ken Alexander is serving in his first term on the Hamilton County Council, representing District 4, which includes Adams and Washington townships, and part of Clay Township. He currently serves as the Vice President of the County Council.

Fishers closes park bathrooms in evenings to deal with vandalism

By CODY ADAMS
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Morgan Hughes has been bringing her kids to parks in Fishers for years.

Recent vandalism at Fishers parks is "absolutely detrimental, especially in the summer ... Just a place to be out in the sun, with so many things to do, get you more active," Hughes said last Tuesday.

On June 4, the city posted on Facebook, "Due to an increase in vandal-

ism at restrooms at Fishers Parks properties, the restrooms at the following parks are closed at 8 p.m. NPD AMP restrooms will no longer be open outside of large events hosted at the venue."

The change is at these parks: Billerica Park, Cumberland Park, Brooks School Park, Mudsock Fields, Flat Fork Creek Park, and Ritchey Woods Nature Preserve.

The fact that someone would want to damage the

parks her family enjoys is frustrating to Hughes. "I think it's just really pointless and saddening honestly."

Hughes says locking the bathrooms is an inconvenience.

"It's understandable but it makes it harder on people who just want to come and have fun," Hughes said. "I mean, where are kids supposed to use the bathroom? Kids have to use the bathroom constantly. They drink tons of water."

Devonna Miltenberger and her family enjoy the parks, too. Her children say it's unfair vandals would ruin fun things.

"I guess now they have to take extra measures like locking the restrooms at nighttime," Miltenberger said.

News 8 reached out to the Parks Department about the vandalism, and its personnel said to talk to the Fishers Police Department, which was unavailable for comment.

Noblesville PD unveils non-emergency reporting website

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Police Department (NPD) now has an online non-emergency incident reporting system to make reporting more accessible and instant for Noblesville residents. The department can now accept online report submissions at cityofnoblesville.org/online-reporting.

The new website allows Noblesville residents to submit a form to request a report for damage or stolen property, identity theft, and lost or stolen property. The online portal is intended for

incidents where there is no suspect information.

"If you have an incident where an officer is not needed, online reporting allows residents to use their computer or mobile device when it is convenient in their busy schedule to report issues," NPD Chief John Mann said. "The website is not monitored in real time, so we urge residents to call 911 if the incident is an emergency or an officer is

needed to respond immediately."

The goal of the online portal is to make it easier for Noblesville residents to notify the police department on incidents that may normally go unreported. This will allow NPD to direct patrols in specific problem areas as well as assist residents with getting a report for insurance and reimbursement purposes.

"Online incidents will be handled and investigat-

ed like issues reported if a police officer had responded to your residence or business and could result in follow-up contact from the police department," Mann said. "The goal is to make this more accessible for the public."

Once the report is submitted through the portal, an officer will review the information and complete the report or contact the submitter directly if more information is needed. For more information or to submit a report online, visit cityofnoblesville.org/online-reporting.



Mann

The Little Newspaper That Could . . . *and did!*



Reporter photo by Kent Graham



Reporter photo by JohnGeiger.com

Noblesville's newly renovated Hobbs Station boarding platform, located at 825 Forest Park Drive, makes getting on the train a breeze. Even before this crowd of Reporter fans and friends showed up, Executive Director Emily Reynolds told us approximately 500 people had boarded on Day One.



Reporter photo by JohnGeiger.com

(Front row, from left) Jay Harmon, Jennifer Harmon, Jake Garvey and Blake Daulton. (Back row, from left) Isaac Taylor, Stu Clampitt, Paul Poteet and Ray Adler.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Sullivan Massillamany clearly enjoyed riding the train with his family last Saturday afternoon.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

The Reporter Lounge car was the hottest ticket in Hamilton County this weekend. Those of you who were there know exactly what we mean. Hey, media folk need inside jokes, too!



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Like his old friend Paul Poteet, this guy started his media career behind a microphone, but there were a lot fewer cameras in the room back then.



Reporter photo by JohnGeiger.com

If a picture is worth a thousand words, then apparently a ride on the Nickel Plate Express is worth a thousand laughs. Don't believe us? Just ask Amala Massillamany, Emily Pearson and Adrienne Rogers (above).



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

It has never been easier or more enjoyable to ride the rails with the Nickel Plate Express. Thanks to huge help from the City of Noblesville, the renovated Hobbs Station in Forest Park is officially open for embarking and disembarking passengers who want to enjoy the many themed excursion rides available this year.

Time for fresh strawberries in Noblesville

Festivities will also include Nickel Plate Arts Maker Faire, Juneteenth event

The REPORTER
It's Strawberry Shortcake time again in Noblesville!

St. Michael's Episcopal Church will host its 44th annual Strawberry Festival on the Historic Courthouse Square from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 18 – while supplies last. Joining the Strawberry Festival on the square will be the Nickel Plate Arts Maker Faire and the Noblesville Juneteenth event.

The Strawberry Festival is a Noblesville tradition, bringing families and friends back each year for homemade shortcake topped with strawberries, ice cream, and whipped topping. Profits are donated to local nonprofits as a way for the patrons and the St. Michael's congregation to make a difference in the community. In 2021, the Strawberry Festival raised \$9,000 for Family Promise of Hamilton County.

"It's a real labor of love, and an

opportunity for us to work together to support our neighbors," according to Rick Conner, Senior Warden. "St. Michael's is all about building community through faith, fellowship, and giving back. There's something special about working side by side to make this event happen."

St. Michael's also has a donation garden at the church, providing fresh produce each week to the White River Food Pantry.

This Strawberry Festival is held in conjunction with the Nickel Plate Arts Maker Faire, featuring local artisans, makers and crafts. This year over 70 makers and artisans will showcase their wares. The Juneteenth Celebration will include educational activities, music, and entertainment brought to you by local inclusion and equity groups in the region.

The entire downtown square will be filled with activity and celebration, bringing the community together for a very special day. See you there!



Conner



Photo courtesy Gail Geisler

There's no mistaking it's nearly time for the annual Strawberry Festival on the Square.

Community News

This Saturday: Atlanta's Town-wide Rummage Sale

Atlanta Clerk-Treasurer Jennifer Farley announced last Thursday that the Town of Atlanta will hold its annual town-wide rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 18.

Jonah Fish Fry at Arcadia Brethren Church

The Arcadia Brethren Church will welcome the community to an eat-in or drive-thru Jonah Fish Fry Dinner & Cruise-in from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 18 at the church, located at 8989 E. 266th St., Arcadia.

The dinner will include three pieces of fish or chicken, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, coleslaw, dessert and a drink. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for kids. Pre-sale tickets are available.

New principal named at Promise Road Elementary

The REPORTER
Noblesville Schools announced last Wednesday that it has named Christy Martino as the new principal of Promise Road Elementary, replacing Kelly Treinen, who will retire at the end of June.

Martino joins Noblesville Schools from her previous role as principal of Perry Township's Rosa Parks Elementary in Indianapolis. She brings over 20 years of experience in education including roles as principal, assistant principal, classroom teacher, literacy consultant, intervention director, and regional coordinator for the Center for Excellence in Leadership of Learning.

"We had a strong group of applicants for this position and Christy rose to the top of our list based on her steadfast commitment to relationship building, data analysis expertise, and ongoing focus on academic excellence for all," said Dr. Heather Hendrich, assistant superintendent of human resources and safety for Noblesville Schools.

Martino holds a master's of technology in education degree from National Louis University in Chicago, a bachelor's in elementary/middle school education from Saint Norbert College in Wisconsin, and principal preparation certification from the University of Indianapolis.



Martino

Carmel reopens Inlow & Meadowlark parks

The REPORTER
Carme's Inlow Park, 6310 E. Main St., and Meadowlark Park, 450 Meadow Lane, are now open for the public to enjoy.

As part of Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation's Reimagining Parks initiative and the Clay Township Impact Program, these parks received a complete refresh in order to meet the needs of the growing local community.

Inlow Park

Inlow Park features an all-new splash pad, year-round restrooms, pickleball courts, an expanded parking lot, and two new picnic shelters.

- **Splash pad:** The new splash pad is open daily from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. through Labor Day. Splash pad features can be activated using the hand or foot activation panels. For splash pad safety and FAQs, visit carmelclayparks.com/dedicated-to-a-fun-and-safe-summer-season.

- **Pickleball courts:** The park sports two outdoor pickleball courts that are open from sunrise to sunset. Play is first come, first serve, and there is no charge to use the courts.

- **Shelters:** The two new shelters will be available for rent beginning in 2023.



Photos provided by Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation

Both parks now boast fun ways for kids and families alike to enjoy the outdoors.

Meadowlark Park

Located west of the Monon Greenway and Arts & Design District just off Main Street, Meadowlark Park is a hidden gem that is destined to become a popular destination in the core of the city. While portions of the park remain under construction, some of the most exciting features are now open for the public to enjoy, including all-new playground equipment, pickleball courts, an accessible boardwalk, year-round restrooms, picnic shelters, and an

expanded parking lot.

- **Reimagined play experience:** The new "tree-tastic" playground equipment accommodates play for ages 2 to 12. With cues from the natural surroundings, the custom-designed play structures were crafted to look like artistic renderings of trees and shrubs.

- **Pickleball courts:** Pickleball courts are now open as well. The park sports four outdoor pickleball courts that will be open from sunrise to sunset. Play is first come, first serve and there is no charge to use the courts.

- **Boardwalk & restored wetlands:** The accessible boardwalk threads throughout the wetland area and allows park guests to get an up-

close look at the animals and plants living here. Over the next two to five years, the wetlands will come to life. Once established, the wetland will create a robust habitat for a variety of reptiles, fish, birds, and other creatures.

Coming soon . . .

- A wheelchair-accessible fishing pier and trails on the west side of the park are currently under construction. A portion of the trails on the east side of the park near the boardwalk will be installed soon. Please respect all closure signage and fencing as the city finishes this project.

- Shelters will be available for rent beginning in 2023.

- Full-court basketball court.



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IHSAA state doubles tournament

HSE's Bukkasagaram, Orme finish as semi-finalists

By **RICHIE HALL**
INDIANAPOLIS - Hamilton Southeastern tennis players Misha Bukkasagaram and Emily Orme are state medalists once more.

The Royals seniors finished their high school careers last Saturday at the IHSAA state doubles tournament, reaching the semi-finals of the event for the second year in a row. Bukkasagaram and Orme dropped their semi-final match to the South Bend St. Joseph team of sophomore Ashi Amalnathan and freshman Anni Amalnathan 6-0, 6-2.

The Amalnathans quickly won the first set, then broke serve to take the first game of the second set. The Royals broke back to get on the board, and would later get another service break to pull within 4-2. But the St. Joseph team won the next two games, using their precise and powerful groundstrokes to take the match.

"They are both singles players, and we might not be used to that," said Bukkasagaram. "But a similar kind of thing happened at state last year. It's kind of hard to keep coming in, which is our strength, when the balls are so deep in the court. When they were doing that a lot, it was hard to come in, so we weren't able to get a quick start. But I think if we continued how we did in that second set, we would have come out with a better outcome if we started that way."

Still, the Royals team kept fighting, and seemed to get better as the match went on. Orme agreed with that, saying also "I think the better the players are, the harder they hit. It makes us hit harder as well."

Bukkasagaram and Orme finished their season with a 21-5 record, and won sectional and regional championships in the doubles tournament for the second year in a row.

"They've been her before and they're seniors," said HSE coach Doug Gernert. "They learn a lot about themselves and about pushing through adversity and focusing down and that kind of stuff." The coach also

said he hoped that the fans who watched, especially the underclassmen who will be playing next year, will "get a look at what it takes to be here, the skill level it takes to be here, the commitment, the work ethic and just what it takes to really play at this sort of level."

"I can't say I was expecting it to make it this far," said Bukkasagaram. "But overall, I think I'm pretty proud of how we played in the state tournament, throughout the season, and just building up and continuing to get better as the season progressed."

"Last year, we made it this far, but at the beginning of the season, I feel like we had a rough start and we lost a few matches and so we weren't as confident to make it this far," said Orme. "But I'm pretty proud of how we did in the post-season."

Bukkasagaram is headed to the University of Evansville where she will enter the eight-year B/MD program, or "Baccalaureate to Doctor of Medicine." Orme will enroll at Indiana University to study biology. Both will now be playing tennis for fun, and thoroughly enjoyed their tennis-playing days at Southeastern.

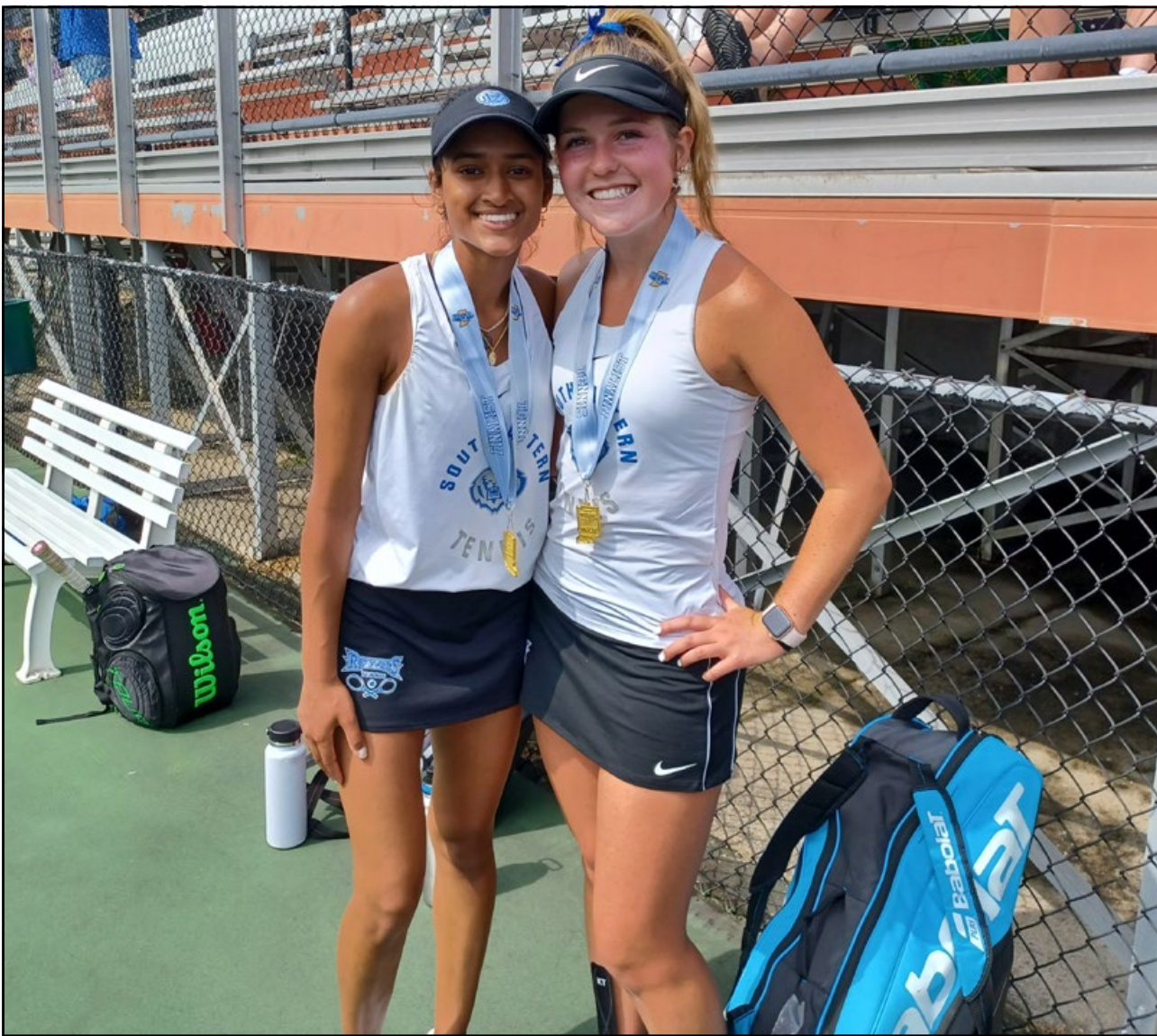
"I would say the best thing about it is the team and the coach and Emily," said Bukkasagaram.

"It was definitely the best part of high school from my perspective," said Orme.

As a team, the Royals finished the season ranked 10th in the state, and had 11 dual meet wins. Southeastern also finished second in Hoosier Crossroads Conference play, a league that at one point had seven of its eight teams ranked in the top 20.

"I think we had a really good, strong season," said Gernert. He finished his first year as the Royals' head coach.

"I've been the assistant before and I didn't really appreciate how much the head coach really does and runs things," said Gernert. "I'll tell you what, I really couldn't have done it if I hadn't had really good support staff from both the parents and from my assistant coach Georgia



Reporter photo by Richie Hall
The Hamilton Southeastern doubles team of Misha Bukkasagaram (left) and Emily Orme finished their season as semi-finalists at the IHSAA doubles tournament last Saturday. It's the second year in a row the team has reached this level at the state tournament.

Schweppe. That really makes a difference."

TOUGH QUARTER-FINAL WIN

Bukkasagaram and Orme advanced to the semi-finals by winning their quarter-final match last Friday, holding off a tough challenge from Plymouth juniors Taylor Delp and Ellie Jones, 6-2, 7-6 (5). Bukkasagaram and Orme thus advanced to the semi-finals, which will be played this morning at 10 a.m. at Park Tudor.

Southeastern got off to a quick start in the first set, and held off a challenge from Delp and Jones, who began playing better as the set went on. Bukkasagaram continued to hit strong volley winners throughout the set. Orme was also doing her part, and in fact made the winning shot on set point with a low slice winner.

"We practice a lot on volleys," said Orme. "Before these matches, we have

what we call the peg drill, which is basically volley battles between us and our best players on the team."

The second set was back and forth all the way through. The Pilgrims won a long first game on their serve, then the Royals held serve at 15 for 1-all. Southeastern then broke serve for a 2-1 lead, but Plymouth broke back.

That led to a sequence of five consecutive service breaks, the fifth of which gave the Royals a 4-3 lead. Orme hit a return winner on game point to get HSE ahead once again. Orme would later hit a service winner on a second serve during the next game, which saw Southeastern hold to go up 5-3.

An Orme volley gave the Royals match point at 30-40, but the Pilgrims got three straight points to hold at 5-4, then broke for 5-all. Plymouth then held for 6-5 and had two set points in the next game, but the Royals

saved them both and held for 6-all.

That sent the set into a tiebreak. Southeastern never trailed in the tiebreak, with Bukkasagaram hitting a winner for the first point, then Orme delivering a winner at the net for a 2-0 lead. The Pilgrims came back to tie at 2-2, then an ace by Orme started a run to get the Royals back up 4-2.

Plymouth came back again, tying the score at 4-4. The teams traded points for 5-5, but Southeastern got the next two points to close out the match.

While the Royals were winning their match, the other quarter-final match was going on right next to them. That one was even closer, with Covington seniors Karsyn Engle and Emma Taylor edging out Evansville Mater Dei seniors Kelly Blair and Chrissy Marx 4-6, 6-1, 7-5. Throughout both matches there was a lot of cheering

and shouting going on, and everyone could hear the noise from the four singles matches that were taking place around the Park Tudor complex.

"I think we ignored the crowd and just held our confidence up," said Orme. "I think that's what got us through."

"And I think we just got back to letting it feel like it's a practice," said Bukkasagaram. "Our coach tells us that all the time, and so when we do that, I feel like we're more confident and just do a better job."

Bukkasagaram noted that sometimes the crowd noise can be used to a player's advantage.

"I also think sometimes it honestly helps, because it makes you feel more like that game mode," said Bukkasagaram. "I think that's really something that helps me build up my anticipation for the next point and all of that."

June 24 to 26 at Indiana Wesleyan . . .

Five county baseball players to compete in IHSBCA North/South All-Star Series

Five Hamilton County baseball players have been selected to play in the 2022 Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association North/South All-Star Series. The annual series takes

place this year June 24 to 26 at Indiana Wesleyan University. The two sides will play a doubleheader on June 25, then a wood-bat contest on June 26.

Two county pitchers will

compete on the North team: Hamilton Heights' Drew VanOeveren and Westfield's Gage Stanifer. The Shamrocks' Keaton Mahan will also be on the North team as an outfielder. The Huskies'

head coach Ryan VanOeveren is one of the assistants.

Two more county pitchers will participate on the South team: University's Grayson Knight and Fishers' Tate Warner.

Girls lacrosse

Three county players named All-Americans

The Indiana Girls Lacrosse Association presented its season awards after the Class 2A girls state championship game last Saturday at Heritage Christian.

Hamilton County was well-represented. Three local players were among the six that were honored as United States Lacrosse All-Americans: Samantha Southeastern's Samantha Borgert, Carmel's Tori Tomalia and Guerin Catholic's Ella Bellflower. Those three players joined Heritage Christian's Elise Latham, Bishop Chatard's Ruby Ma-

son and Cathedral's Mary Katherine Bedich on the All-American list. In addition, Bellflower and Lathan were named to the USL's All-Academic Team.

The INGLA also honored its All-State players. Borgert, Tomalia and Bellflower were all named to the Class 2A All-State list, along with Carmel's Hollis Rang and Guerin Catholic's Ruth Abdalla.

Three Westfield players were named to the Class 1A All-State team: Sam Smith, Lauren Dean and Molly O'Brien.

Westfield's Avery Parker

is Miss Softball finalist

Westfield softball star Avery Parker is among the finalists for Miss Softball this season.

Parker, an Indiana University recruit, is one of five players from across the state that will contend for the award, which will be pre-

sented at the All Star Game, which takes place June 25 at Indiana University. Players are nominated by their coaches and then voted on by all the coaches who attended district meetings on May 22. The All-Star team is picked by the seniors who

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Golf regionals

'Rocks edge out Golden Eagles at Sandy Pines; Millers, Royals go 2-3 at The Players Club

As close as the sectional was between the Westfield and Guerin Catholic boys golf teams, the regional was even closer.

The Shamrocks managed to pull through, winning the Lake Central regional championship by one stroke over the Golden Eagles last Thursday at Sandy Pines Golf Course in Demotte. Westfield posted a 299, while Guerin Catholic scored a 300. It's the third regional championship for the 'Rocks; they won back-to-back titles in 2014 and 2015.

Both teams will advance to the IHSAA state finals, which begin Tuesday at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel.

"Couldn't be prouder of these young men today," said Westfield coach Josh Bryant. "Every team faced some adversity out there with a couple of major waits and pin locations and I thought we handled it really well."

Two freshmen led the way for the Shamrocks. Jake Cesare finished with an even-par 72, while Will Harvey was right behind him with a 73, playing his back nine two under. Cesare totaled three birdies for the regional and Harvey made two.

Junior Alec Cesare totaled a 74, including a clutch performance in his last three holes. Cesare had to make par on each of those holes for Westfield to clinch the title, and he did just that, including an eight-foot side hill par save on No. 17. Alec Cesare had one birdie for the day.

"Alec was just so steady all day for us," said Bryant.

Cam Kooi made three birdies and Nolan Hall made one. Westfield will be making its seventh appearance at the state meet, and the first since 2017.

The Golden Eagles were led by Jacob Modleski, who was the meet medalist. Modleski carded a three-under par 69, a score that included five birdies.

Connor McNeely and Leo Wessel both added 74s; Wessel had three birdies and McNeely made two. Zach Thieme also had a birdie. Guerin Catholic will advance to state for the third consecutive year.

Valparaiso placed third with a 313, taking the third spot to qualify for state. Carmel finished in fifth place with a 320, but will have an individual advancing to state. Owen Sander scored a 75, which easily qualified him for the state meet. The top five players not on an advancing team move on to Prairie View.

Sander had two birdies

in his round. Joseph Armfield totaled a 78, including two birdies as well. Patrick Michael also made two birdies.

Over at The Players Club in Yorktown, both Noblesville and Hamilton Southeastern were in celebratory moods, as they also qualified for the state meet after their performances at the Muncie Central regional.

The Millers finished with a team score of 305. Cathedral also totaled a 305, and won the regional on the fifth-man score. Still, Noblesville was happy as it qualified for state for the first time since 2019 and the 23rd time in program history.

"We had a goal at the start of the year to make it back to Prairie View, and we're headed that way, so we're going to enjoy the ride home," said Millers coach Gary Deakyne.

Noblesville had two of its golfers finish in the top five of the individual standings. Will Perkins placed fourth with his score of 73, while Drew Decker's 74 put him in a three-way tie for fifth place. Perkins collected three birdies and Decker made two. Alex Peck and Brady Mangin both carded 79s; Peck had three birdies and Mangin had one. Deakyne said both Peck and Mangin "played great all day long."

Perkins said his team had an "off year last year, but we're more experienced this year. We finally started putting our game together, and we're back."

The Royals will also be back at state for the fourth year in a row and the 12th overall. Cole Starnes continued his strong post-season play with an even-par 72, good for third place and the highest individual finish of a county player. Starnes had two birdies in his round.

Sophomore Jordan Huxford turned out to be the hero of the day for Southeastern. He stepped into the No. 4 spot and delivered a 75, greatly helping the Royals hold off a tough New Castle team for the third team spot.

Huxford made four birdies.

"I think I played great, other than holes 2 and 6," said Huxford. Even with the tough holes, Huxford found a way to "finish and get the job done."

Lane Zedrick had three birdies in his round, while Tyler Marcinko made two.

"Overall we played pretty well, pretty consistent," said HSE coach David Young. "We stuck to our plan."

The Royals started from

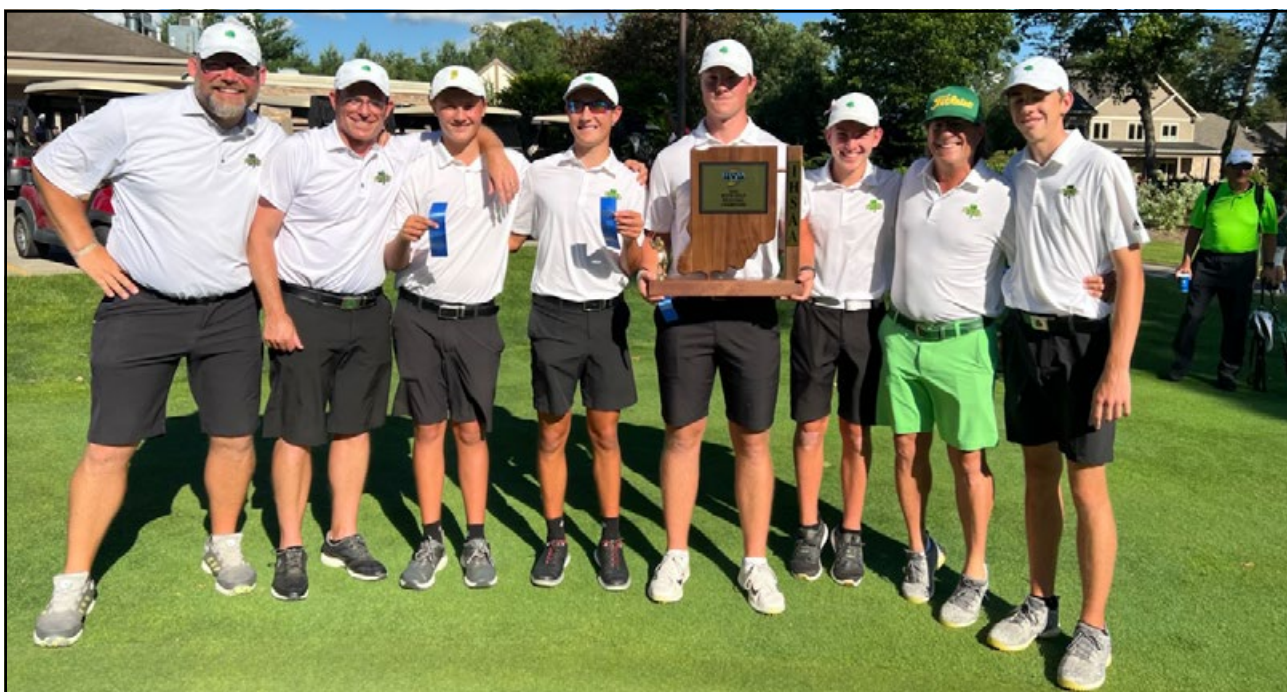


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The Westfield boys golf team won the Lake Central regional at Sandy Pines last Thursday, edging out Guerin Catholic by one stroke. Both teams advanced to this week's state finals at Prairie View.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Noblesville boys golf team won a close sectional at Harbour Trees last Monday. The host Millers claimed the title with a team score of 310.

the 10th tee, which Young admitted is not an easy thing to do. The coach said he "couldn't be more proud" of his team for sticking it out, and the team is "very excited for next week to have a new course and have a new challenge."

Fishers placed sixth as a team with a 325, but did move an individual on to state. Connor McMillan scored a 74, putting him in the fifth-place tie. McMillan had three birdies in his round.

"I got off to a little bit of a rough start," said McMillan. "I was a couple over through my first few holes, and I knew I had to fight back to be able to advance to the state finals." McMillan said he knew he had to go make some birdies and stay consistent, "and I was able to do that," he said.

Jonathan Ash had two birdies, while Ryan Witt

made one.

MILLERS, 'ROCKS WIN SECTIONALS

In the span of a few holes, the Noblesville boys golf team went from anxious to champion.

The Millers won a tight sectional at Harbour Trees last Monday. Host Noblesville overcame a tough set of opponents, eventually claiming its 18th sectional title by scoring a team total of 310.

Defending champion Fishers finished second with a 315, while Hamilton Southeastern placed third with a 316. All three teams qualified for the Muncie Central regional, which is Thursday at The Players Club in Yorktown.

The Millers were in a battle with the Tigers and the Royals, as well as Tipton, which finished fourth with a 324. But Noblesville finished the tournament strong,

and that made the difference.

"There was a point with three or four holes left that I was hoping we were going to make it out," said Millers coach Deakyne. "And then the guys turned it on late in the round and made some birdies and the next thing you know we're sectional champions."

Perkins led the Millers with a score of 73, his total included four birdies. Peck followed with a 76, making one birdie, with Mangin scoring a 78 and getting one birdie. Rory Bushong also made one birdie.

"It's special when you're supposed to win, but it's even more special when you win when you're not supposed to," said Deakyne. "And we beat two really good teams today in Fishers and Southeastern and we'll have to deal with them at the regional, too."

Deakyne called the sec-

tional victory "an exciting win and we're really happy and we're thankful for everybody here at Harbour Trees" for giving them the opportunity to compete at the sectional.

Fishers had a pair of solid scores lead the way. McMillan finished with a 74, collecting three birdies along the way. Eli Toon was next in line with a 75, including two birdies. Witt and Ash both had one birdie.

Southeastern was a close third, but the Royals had the meet medalist. Starnes finished with a one-under par 70, starting the day by going three under on the front nine with a 32, a total that included three birdies.

Starnes said that he has carded a nine-hole scores of 31 in tournaments, so Monday's round was "close to my best," he said.

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Sheridan Horseshoe League is underway

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The Sheridan Horseshoe League is underway for the 2022-2023 season. After three weeks into the season, the league conducted its first tournament on June 4, sponsored by Archibald Farms. There were four pitchers participating: Doug McKinney, Tamela McKinney, Greg Emry and Phil Kercheval. Tamela McKinney was in the lead after the first game, but by the fifth and final game, Doug McKinney had pulled ahead of his wife to take first place. Tamela McKinney finished second and Emry was third. The league would like to thank Archibald Farms for their donation to the tournament.



Tee times posted for IHSAA state golf meet

The tee times for Tuesday's first round of the IHSAA boys golf state championships are posted on the IHSAA's website. Teams from Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville and Westfield will be among the 18 teams participating. Two individuals from Hamilton County schools will also be playing: Owen Sander from Carmel and Connor McMillan from Fishers. The Golden Eagles and the Millers will be playing together, along with Covenant Christian. That group tees off from the first hole between 8:27 and 9:03 a.m. Westfield will be paired with Cathedral and Bloomington South, and goes off from the first hole between 9:57 and 10:33 a.m. The Royals will play with Jasper and Warsaw, and start from the 10th tee between 9:12 and 9:48 a.m. Both McMillan and Sander will begin from the 10th tee. McMillan starts at 8 a.m., with Sander beginning play at 8:18 a.m. The second round of the state meet takes place on Wednesday.

SOFTBALL

receive the most votes. Other finalists for Miss Softball are Hailey Cripe, Pioneer; Karley Trine, Kokomo; Karissa Hamilton, Shelbyville; and Brenna Blume, Gibson Southern. The Softball Coaches Association of Indiana released its All-State teams last week. Four Hamilton County players were honored in the 3A/4A list. Parker and Guerin Catholic's Izzy Kemp were named to the First Team, while Carmel's Sophie Esposito was named to the Second Team and Noblesville's Scout Duplaga was named to the Third Team.

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"It was pretty good," said Starnes. "I was putting well, hitting the ball straight." Zedrick carded a 79 for Southeastern, including two birdies. Vijeet Akala also made a birdie. Hamilton Heights tied for fifth place with a 355. Garret James was the Huskies' low man with an 84, making one birdie. Vincent Harley and Ethan Millsaps both had one birdie. Westfield also won a close sectional last Monday. The host Shamrocks edged out three other solid teams to win the sectional title at Ulen Country Club in Lebanon. Westfield scored a 297, followed by Guerin Catholic with a 300 and Carmel with a 301. All three teams advance to the Lake Central regional, which takes place Thursday at Sandy Pines in Demotte. The 'Rocks had all five of their players score in the 70s. Jake Cesare led the way with a 72, followed by Harvey with 74 and Hall with 75. Hall and Kooi each made an eagle on Hole No. 14. Bryant said he was "really proud" of his team's overall effort. "They kept their heads high and really competed all day in very tough conditions," said Bryant. The coach said the Shamrocks played holes 12 through 15 "really well and that ended up being the difference for us." Bryant said his team is excited for the opportunity to return to Sandy Pines. "The course is very tight off the tee in some areas but that should play into one of our strengths this year which has been driving accuracy," he said. Westfield won its sixth sectional championship in school history and its first since 2016. The Golden Eagles had the meet medalist at Ulen: McNeely scored a 69 to earn top honors, including a 31 on the back nine. Modleski was next for Guerin Catholic with a 74 and Wessel carded a 75. The Greyhounds' Michael was the individual runner-up with a score of 71. Sander was next in line with a 75. Sheridan had a team total of 438; Parker Williams led the Blackhawks with a 100. University's Andrew Gipson played as an individual, scoring a 123.

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.

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