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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: **HEAT ADVISORY
UNTIL 9 p.m.**
Sunny, hot, and humid.
Tonight: Mostly clear
and muggy.
HIGH: 97 LOW: 76



George Kristo: Committed to serve

Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers award Kristo for making county better

The REPORTER

The late Dr. Linda Kristo's personal philosophy was to "leave the place better than you had found it." That's exactly what her husband George Kristo has done and continues to do today.

To honor that commitment to service, the Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers on Tuesday recognized Mr. Kristo for his and his wife's decades of work to make Hamilton County a better place with the Maureen & Bob Anderson Community Service Award.

George and Linda moved to the area in 1990 from Toledo, Ohio, following George's 32-year career with Blue Cross. For nearly 20 years, they played host to the alcohol and drug-free New Year's Eve Party for county teenagers, as well as the Summer Family Fun Day. Linda's specialty was her homemade brownies.

For 22 years, George was the head of the Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs, which he led with the mission of reducing alcohol and drug use among the county's youth population.

Today, he has expanded his impact and supports the North Suburban Alcoholics Anonymous Club, the DARE program, the Hamilton County



Reporter photo by JohnGeiger.com

From working to curb youth drug and alcohol use to his continued support of Janus Developmental Services, George Kristo lives out his wife's philosophy of leaving a place better than you found it. (From left) Dan Stevens, Kristo and Jim Grabowski.

Drug Court, the Red Ribbon program in county schools, Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD), the various Youth Assistance programs across the county, Cherish, the Boys &

Girls Club, the Hamilton County Historical Society, and Noblesville Main Street. In addition, he has matched donations giving to Janus Developmental Services during its annual Giv-

ing Tuesday campaign.

Truly, George and Linda Kristo embody what it means to serve others and show compassion and leadership within their community.

The birds & the bees: Pollinator gardens

"If you look the right way, you can see that the whole world is a garden." Every time I read those brilliant words of Frances Hodgson Burnett from the beloved *The Secret Garden* with my fourth and fifth grade students, I am left awestruck.

It is not just the eloquent and timeless story that I love, it is that the words are so poignant and true. Gardens are essential for life, most specifically pollinator gardens.

According to The National Pollinator Garden Network, "One out of every three bites of food we put into our mouth comes from a pollinator." Pollinators include butterflies, birds, bees, bats, hummingbirds, wasps, flies, moths, beetles and other creatures. Pollinators are a necessity for flowering plants. Without pollinators many essential crops, medicines and spices would no longer be available to us. Did you know pollinators even play a role in producing coffee and chocolate?

According to pollinator.org, "Pollinators visit flowers to drink nectar or feed off of pollen and transport pollen grains as they move from spot to spot, and without the actions of pollinators, agricultural economies, our food supply, and surrounding landscapes would collapse."

It is certainly an appropriate time to discuss pollinators and their role in our backyards and ecosystem since Pollinator Week is celebrated June 20-26. This week raises awareness to see what we can do to protect them. Pollinators are in danger mainly because of the loss of their habitats and the increased use of pesticides.

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Reginald Simmons named HSE High School principal

The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern (HSE) High School will be under new leadership for the 2022-23 school year. The Board of School Trustees has approved the recommendation for Reginald Simmons to be the school's next principal.

Simmons has worked in public education for more than two decades, beginning his career as a classroom teacher in Perry Township Schools. He then came to HSE Schools in 2005, where he took his first administrative role. He has spent most of his career working alongside students, parents and staff in various leadership roles including, dean at HSE High School and assistant principal at Riverside Junior High School.

Currently, Simmons is the Director of the Hamilton Southeastern Fishers Academy (HSFA), an alternative learning program for students in grades 9 through 12. In addition to his support for secondary students, he is also an adjunct faculty member at IUPUI.



Simmons

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Melissa Hoffman named Sheridan Elem. assistant principal

The REPORTER

On Monday evening, the Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees approved the hiring of Mrs. Melissa Hoffman as the new Assistant Principal of Sheridan Elementary.

Hoffman will join Mrs. Valerie Roberts, who was recently promoted to principal after serving in the assistant role since 2011.

"We are thrilled to have Mrs. Hoffman join our SES family," Roberts noted. "Melissa will bring the energy, heart, and passion for students we were searching for in our next Assistant Principal!"

Prior to coming to Sheridan, Hoffman was seen as a leader in the Westfield Washington school district. Most recently, she was the Literacy Teacher and RTI Coordinator at Monon Trail Elementary School.



Hoffman

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North Adams Homemakers pay another visit to Sheridan Museum



Photo provided by Sheridan Historical Society

The Sheridan Historical Society welcomed a wonderful group of ladies to the Museum on Main Street this past week. The North Adams Homemakers last visited the Museum about two years ago when the new facility was first opened. They returned and were amazed at everything that's been done with the place. (Front row, from left) Martha Durham, Anita Billingsley, Bonnie Drayer, Lucy Scott and Carolyn Rawlings. (Back row, from left) Marilyn Adams, Leah Raines, Betty Ayers, Rhonda Beam, Judy Ottinger, Judy Langdon, Gayle Newton and Margie Inlow.

Seven Noblesville couples reflect on 50 years being embraced by "special city"

Submitted

We didn't realize it at the time, but Noblesville was a very special place in the last half of the 70s when we all moved to town. It seemed like a far drive through mostly undeveloped Hamilton County to get to the County Seat - population 14,000. Our wives occasionally complained that it was too far to drive to the shopping and dining that they were accustomed to.

Fast forward to Noblesville 2022 and the drive is shorter and we have an abundance of dining opportunities close at hand.

When extraordinary events happen of certain vintages, they are commonly punctuated with questions about how this happened. How have you lived so long, built a business that would last so long and, in this case, stay married to the same person for so long?



Photo provided

The seven couples include (from left) John and Linda Green, Dennis and Sue Pippenger, Mike and Ginny Antrim, Walt and Holly Beaver, Bill and Deb Williams, Dana and Pam Meyer, and Jack and Annie Lacy. These were the men who birthed our babies, helped us to see more clearly, gave us our smiles and simply or with complications took care of Noblesville some 50 years.

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SIMMONS

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“Mr. Simmons has skills that will assist in cultivating a positive culture for both students and staff at HSE High School,” said Superintendent Dr. Yvonne Stokes. “His instructional leadership experience includes, but not limited to curriculum writing, teacher evaluations and college and careers pathway supports.”

Simmons is replacing Janie Ulmer, who was appointed last month to serve at the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSA) as assistant commissioner.

“I am very excited and honored to be serving as the next principal of Hamilton Southeastern High School. I

am passionate about creating an atmosphere that supports students’ academic and social-emotional development in a nurturing and safe environment,” Simmons said. “This is a role that I do not take lightly, and I am looking forward to working collaboratively with the school community.”

Simmons is longtime resident of Fishers and a proud parent of four graduates of HSE Schools.

Simmons received his B.S. in Social Studies (Secondary) from IUPUI and his M.S. in Administration from Butler University.

Simmons will officially begin on July 1, 2022.

HOFFMAN

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In this role, she formed strong bonds with both students and teachers alike and assisted in facilitating data meetings to enhance student performance.

Hoffman has also been a kindergarten teacher in Westfield as well as teaching in many different roles in the Avon school district.

“We are very excited to have Mrs. Hoffman joining our administrative teams,” Superintendent Dave Mundy said. “We had numerous top-notch candidates apply for the position, and it

was a privilege to offer the position to Mrs. Hoffman. Her experiences and wealth of knowledge will really assist in our continued growth in Sheridan Schools.”

Hoffman received her bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education from Purdue University. She then continued at Indiana State University where she recently obtained her School Administration and Supervision degree. She will begin her duties at Sheridan Elementary in July in order to prepare for the upcoming school year.

POLLINATORS

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What can we do to help them? Choose with purpose when selecting plants for your garden. Select native plants in your area and be deliberate with what you plant. A native plant is one that is indigenous to where one lives and exists naturally. They are typically sturdy and easy to grow. They are conducive to a strong environment for pollinators. Some native plants to Indiana include Black-eyed Susan, Coneflower, Milkweed (the monarch butterflies will thank you), Columbine, Wild Geranium and Cardinal flower, just to name a few.



Photos provided by Megan Rathz & Al Hopkins

Bee balm (left) is a great example of a pollinator-friendly plant for your garden.

It is not just about aesthetics with plant selection; plant with intention. Make sure to find balance in bloom times. Select a variety of plants that bloom throughout the various

seasons. Some of the other best plants to add to your backyard that attract pollinators include Marigolds, Verbena, Nasturtium, Lavender, Cosmos, Zinnia, Aster, Bee Balm (my favorite), Sunflower, Oregano, and many more!

Think about where to plant your garden. Many plants that are nectar-producing are sun-loving plants. Find a location that will provide ample sunlight for your pollinator plants to thrive. Know your soil; it matters! One place to check out and add plants to your garden if you are just starting out or looking to find something special is the Hamilton East Public Library’s Seed Library. You can select from a variety of seeds and leave some for others, too.

Nature is speaking to us. It is imploring us to restore balance in our own backyard or balcony to help these vital creatures function and perform.

One does not need to have a sprawling expanse of acreage to contribute to the well-being of and offer protection to pollinators. Living in the state of Indiana in Hamilton County, agriculture is not only essential for our fellow Hoosiers to earn a living, but for all of us to eat. We need pollinators and they need us.

Elizabeth Lawrence describes the most important pollinator in the garden, the honeybee, “The hum of bees is the voice of a garden.” There is a reason we describe someone who is a productive worker as “busy as a bee.” Pollinators are protecting and providing for us. What can we do in our corner of the world to protect them?

Nature is speaking. Are we listening?

Megan Rathz is a wife, mother and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.



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

- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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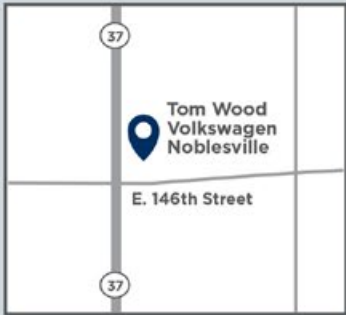
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The Nickel Plate Express is getting ever more popular with sold out rides this weekend. If you want to get your tickets for caboose rides on June 25, it would be a good idea to head over to nickelplateexpress.com and click on the "Buy Tickets" link at the top of the page sooner rather than later. (Above) Dave and Megan Mundy rode the Nickel Plate Express last weekend at the grand opening of Hobbs Station, as did (top right) Dr. Raymond Baumgartner and Lisa Everling, along with (bottom right) these fine folks from Main Street Productions: John Sampson, Kevin Shadle, Georgeanna Teipen, and Thom Johnson. Any time you are on the train, send a photo to News@ReadTheReporter.com or tag Hamilton County Reporter on Facebook and you, too, may show up in Hamilton County's Hometown Newspaper!

50 YEARS

from Page 1

It seems even more unusual that we would have seven couples move to a relatively small (at the time) community within a few years of each other that would stay married for 50 years. I commonly say that we grew up together as adults.

We are all Hoosiers who went to college in Indiana, mostly IU, Purdue, and Butler. Even though most of us were right out of college when we got married, we were in our late 20s and early 30s when we had our children. We had play groups for our children as toddlers. We went to their school and Boys and Girls club events, soccer, baseball, cheerleading and more.

One of the moms had Christmas parties at her house for everyone and our families. That was when I started to recognize that something special was going on in our community.

We had theme parties where we would have groups lip sync and perform songs, mimicking groups of our era. For nearly a decade, the dads would take care of the kids while the girls went on a shopping trip for the weekend, and later in the summer, the dads would go to Lake Monroe and play golf, eat at "little Zagreb," water ski and float by the dam bobbing for beers. We would then gather on a later weekend and see who could tell the biggest lies about it. These were always inclusive. Noblesville has been a very welcoming community.

Many of us also went on spring break vacations to Florida together. A few summers, several families went to the Carolina shores together and rented two large houses to hold us all. The most fun as families were the trips



Photo provided

to Lake Cumberland where we rented three houseboats, towed three boats for skiing in the morning and tubing in the afternoons and numerous personal watercrafts for fun and exploring. Many of us did this for 10 or more summers. We had several "father-son" outings to Cincinnati to a Reds game and "the Beach" water park near King's Island. We had "couples only" trips on Ambassador. Having "organizers" among us to come up with the ideas for these things and others to pitch in to make it happen was essential.

We all were invited to join the local social groups and golf leagues, which allowed us to mix with "old Noblesville" as only one of us, John Green, was actually from Noblesville. We got a flavor for what had made it a place to which we had been attracted, but also allowed us to make our own marks upon it.

We not only have lived here, but we worked here, mostly in health care, law, and teaching professions. We contributed in our own ways to the schools and health care system along with a custom

home builder. As we have interacted professionally with Noblesville and the surrounding communities, we have seen that the people who live here genuinely care about each other and the communities in which they live. It is that genuineness that I appreciate the most.

We worshiped at local churches as families. We have paid attention to local elections and actively supported the candidates whom we have felt best reflected our own views. We have supported the Noblesville Boys and Girls Club, Riverview Hospital, and Prevail, along with state and national organizations like the MS Foundation and the Parkinson's Foundation.

We have attended birthday parties, baby and wedding showers, weddings for our children, and funerals for our parents and two of our dear friends. We now share pictures of our grandchildren and go to their sporting events as we have been fortunate enough that many of our children have also settled in Hamilton County to raise their children.

So, after all that ram-

bling, how did you stay married to the same person for 50 years? It isn't easy. You have to work at it and be committed to each other. You have to learn how to fight fair. You have to learn how to identify your differences as an asset and use them as such. You have to learn to respect your partner even when you don't particularly like them at that moment. It helps if you hug a lot, look each other in the eye when you say "I love you" and mean it.

It also helps if you are surrounded by a supporting group of friends and community, and Noblesville has embraced us as we have embraced Noblesville.

To be more succinct, Family, Friends, Faith, and Community are what I think have nurtured us and allowed so many of us to reach this remarkable milestone, and one should not be surprised to hear that there are numerous couples celebrating from 45 to 49 years in Noblesville this year. This is truly a special place to live and raise your family and, apparently, to stay married to the same person for a very long time.

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WESTFIELD youth Assistance PROGRAM

How workers can stay safe during extreme heat

The REPORTER

Indiana is currently in the midst of a record heat wave. Soaring temperatures and stifling humidity are driving a 105- to 110-degree heat index throughout most of the state for the next few days.

The Indiana Department of Labor and its Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration want to ensure that employees working outdoors or in facilities with no climate control are protected against heat-related illness.


Employees working in high heat should remember to:

- Ease into work – build up heat tolerance slowly
- Drink cool water – at least one cup every 20 minutes, even when not thirsty

- Take rest breaks – take enough time to recover from heat
 - Find shade or a cool area – avoid staying in direct heat for too long
 - Dress for the heat – wear light-colored, loose-fitting, breathable clothing
 - Watch out for each other – if you see signs of heat illness in yourself or a coworker, get help!
- To learn more about the warning signs of heat-related illness, employer responsibilities, and worker information, visit [osha.gov/heat](https://www.osha-slc.gov/heat).
- For information about developing and implementing a heat illness program, or for any other occupational safety and health related topic, call INSafe at (317) 232-2688.

First Aid for Heat Illness

The following are signs of a medical emergency!




- Abnormal thinking or behavior
- Slurred speech
- Seizures
- Loss of consciousness

1 >> CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY

2 >> COOL THE WORKER RIGHT AWAY WITH WATER OR ICE


3 >> STAY WITH THE WORKER UNTIL HELP ARRIVES



Watch for any other signs of heat illness and act quickly. When in doubt, call 911.

If a worker experiences:

- Headache or nausea
- Weakness or dizziness
- Heavy sweating or hot, dry skin
- Elevated body temperature
- Thirst
- Decreased urine output



Take these actions:

- >> Give water to drink
- >> Remove unnecessary clothing
- >> Move to a cooler area
- >> Cool with water, ice, or a fan
- >> Do not leave alone
- >> Seek medical care if needed

Graphic provided by OSHA

Duke Energy offers tips, tools to help customers save energy, money as temperatures keep rising

The REPORTER

As the mercury keeps rising in Indiana this week, Duke Energy has provided these tips and tools to help customers save energy – and money – while trying to stay cool.

High temperatures bring higher usage for customers, which can translate into higher bills. Here are some simple tips that can help energy users manage their bill and save money.

Low- to no-cost energy efficiency tips

- **Change air filters regularly.** A dirty air filter makes an HVAC system work harder, which uses more energy.
- **Set your thermostat at the highest comfortable setting.** The smaller the difference between the inside and outside temperatures, the lower your energy usage and bill will be.
- **Close blinds, drapes and curtains during the hottest part of the day.** Keeping your blinds, drapes and curtains closed will help prevent the sun's rays from

heating your house.

- **Use a ceiling fan in occupied rooms to supplement your air conditioning.** Make sure the fans are set to operate in a counter-clockwise direction to push cool air down into living spaces. Only use ceiling fans in rooms that are occupied; fans cool people, not things.
- **Grill outdoors.** Using your electric oven and stovetop creates a lot of indoor heat. Help save energy by firing up the grill outdoors or prepare meals that don't require cooking.
- **Turn off unnecessary lights.** Be sure to turn off lights when you leave a room. Lights emit heat and cause your air conditioning system to work harder.

Track & manage your energy usage

Energy use typically spikes in the summer since air conditioning is one of the biggest energy users in your home. Customers can also easily track and adjust their usage during this week's heat wave.

Customers with **smart meters** can check online to view their daily usage. Smart meters collect usage information by the hour, so checking spikes throughout the month – by day and even hour – can show what appliances and behaviors are increasing their bills. **Click here** for an informative video.

Duke Energy customers with smart meters can also receive **usage alerts** through email and/or text halfway through their billing cycle, well before their bill arrives, with their current usage amount and a projection of what their final monthly bill could be.

Customers can also set budget alerts so they know when their bill reaches a specific dollar amount of their choosing, allowing them to adjust their usage and help save money on their bill.

Customers without smart meters can sign up to receive **high bill alerts** for when adverse weather

is projected to increase their electric bills by at least 30 percent and \$30 compared to historical usage.

Other energy-saving programs, tips and guidance to help you manage higher energy bills that can result from increased energy is available at [duke-energy.com/summer](https://www.duke-energy.com/summer).

Community News

No need for anyone to go hungry at Father's Day car show in Forest Park, Noblesville Lions have you covered

Come out for a snack with the Noblesville Lions Club during the Car Show in Forest Park from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Father's Day, Sunday, June 19.

For \$10, the Lion Meal includes a pork chop on a stick, chips and a drink. Kids can get a hot dog, chips, and a drink for \$5.

A MEDLEY OF MURDERS

AN EVENING OF MURDERS. MAYBE NOT. POSSIBLY. WE'RE NOT SURE. BUT PROBABLY.

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Meeting Notices	
The Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Board will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 20, 2022, at the HCPR Administration Building, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville.	The Noblesville Economic Development Council Committee meeting scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, has been canceled.
The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals – North District meeting set for June 22, 2022, has been canceled.	The Hamilton County Personnel Committee meeting set for Thursday, June 16, 2022, has been canceled.
The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals – South District meeting set for June 22, 2022, has been canceled.	
Send Meeting Notices to: Notices@ReadTheReporter.com	

— SHERIDAN —

PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public notice is given that the Sheridan Town Council will, on the 5th day of July, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E. 6th Street, Sheridan, IN 46069, hold a public hearing on Ordinances No. 2022-10 and 2022-11, both entitled An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the Town of Sheridan, Placing the Same Within the Boundaries Thereof, and Making the Same a Part of the Town of Sheridan.

Said ordinances, if approved and adopted by the Sheridan Town Council, will annex approximately 140 acres into the town limits. The Public is advised that a copy of said ordinances contain a map of the area so designated for annexation and are on file at Town Hall and open for public inspection in that office.

The petitioners for the annexation are Kathryn Melshen, Trustee of Melshen Farm Trust and El Dorado Acres, LLC. The area has a common description as follows: 0 S. Malott Ave., 0 W. 226th St., 3250 W. 226th St., 0 Mule Barn Road, Sheridan, IN. Public notice is hereby given that at said public hearing, the Sheridan Town Council, as designating body, will receive and hear all remonstrances and objections from interested persons. The Sheridan Town Council will not take final action on Ordinances No 2022-10 and 2022-11 until a fiscal plan is prepared and adopted by Council at a future date.

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Noblesville FD responds to two fires

The REPORTER

Noblesville Fire Department’s (NFD) crews responded to two separate fires in less than 12 hours Monday afternoon into Tuesday morning.

The first fire was dispatched as a possible lightning strike at 3:41 p.m. Monday. NFD responded to the residence fire at 554 N. 18th St. The first crews to arrive reported smoke inside the home. Firefighters were able to make an aggressive interior attack and quickly extinguish the fire inside the walls. The homeowner heard the lightning strike and began to smell smoke minutes later.

All residents were able to safely evacuate and call 911. NFD was assisted by the Noblesville Police Department (NPD).



Photo provided by Noblesville Fire Department

The fire at Waste Management was quickly extinguished by skilled firefighters.

Shortly after 3:30 a.m. Tuesday, NFD was dispatched to Waste Management on a possible commercial fire at 11735 Greenfield Ave. Heavy smoke was seen from a passing vehicle. The driver called 911 to report the blaze. The first arriving units were met with heavy smoke in the area originating at the Waste Management substation. Crews

were able to quickly deploy large diameter supply lines and use multiple master streams to bring the fire under control.

The cause of the fire has not been released at this time. NFD was assisted by NPD and the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency.

Todd Rokita, 25 state AGs call on Biden to reverse USDA’s guidance on transgender discrimination, school lunches

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita and 25 other state attorneys general are calling on President Biden to withdraw the recent U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Guidance, which the AGs say erodes the principles of Title IX by implementing new, expansive sex discrimination laws for schools that receive nutritional assistance from the federal government.

“This administration has gone too far by forcing sexuality and transgender extremism into every part of our daily lives,” Rokita said. “The new guidelines totally distort and dissolve the progress of women’s rights in our country. Instead of ensuring the current law, Title IX, is upheld, President Biden insists on catering to woke elites and ignoring the true problems Hoosiers and all Americans are coping with today.”

On May 5, 2022, the USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), announced it would implement the new adaptations. As a result of this the rule changes, any state, local agency, or program receiving federal funds through the Food and Nutrition Act and the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) administered by the USDA must comply or lose federal funding.

The National School Lunch Program serves nearly 30 million schoolchildren each day, many of whom rely on it for both breakfast and lunch. Approximately 100,000 public and non-profit private schools and residential childcare institutions receive federal funding to provide subsidized, free, or reduced-price meals for qualifying children.

“Expanding the concept of “discrimination on the basis of sex” to include gender identity and sexual orientation is harmful to Indiana schools and schools across the country,” Rokita said.

Rokita argues the new guidance is unlawful because it was issued without providing states the opportunity to respond as required by the Administrative Procedure Act (APA). Further, he says, it misapplies the Supreme Court’s holding in *Bostock v. Clayton County* and forces regulatory measures on state agencies and operators receiving federal financial assistance from the USDA.

[Click here](#) to read the letter sent by Attorney General Rokita and 25 other attorneys general.



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John Feyler

August 21, 1941 – June 11, 2022

John Feyler, 80, Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, June 11, 2022, at Prairie Lakes Health Campus in Noblesville. He was born on August 21, 1941, to the late Wilhelm and Elsa (Latsche) Feyler in Posen, Germany.

John proudly served in the United States Navy and was a Vietnam Veteran. John owned and operated a successful aviation business for over 40 years. John was an avid hot rod fanatic who also loved building his own cars. He was a talented painter and loved woodworking. He was always making projects for family and friends. John's happy place was in his garage or woodshop.

When John was younger, he was a talented soccer player. He still enjoyed watching soccer and NASCAR. John, also known as Opapa, loved spending time with his family and dogs. He and his family would travel the world. John was always known as a generous and funny man who loved to have a good time.

John is survived by his wife, Ann Feyler; daughter, Kendra (Greg) Rothschild; son, Kurt (Christina) Feyler; and Cory (Kimmie) Stevenson; brothers, Billy Feyler and Sven (Siobain) Feyler; and granddaughters, Kylie (Kyle) Walker and Charlie Rothschild.

Services will be held at a later date. John's care has been entrusted to Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes.

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Anne Elisabeth Meyer

May 24, 1970 – June 9, 2022

Anne Elisabeth Meyer, 52, Cicero, passed away unexpectedly on June 9, 2022, at her home.

She was born on May 24, 1970, in St. Louis, Mo., to Timothy and Dawn Moloney. Anne graduated from Lawrence Central High School with the Class of 1988 and from the University of Dayton in 1992. She was employed at CNO Financial Group in Indianapolis as an IT Project Manager.

She was a dedicated and loving mother to her two sons, and as they evolved into good young men, she was also a very proud mother. Her sons and her fur baby, Zeke, were the joy of her life.

She is survived by her sons, Carl Stewart and Max Anton Meyer, both of Cicero; her mother, Dawn Moloney of Indianapolis; brothers, Timothy W. Moloney, Jr. of Indianapolis and Christopher M. Moloney of Fort Collins, Colo.; and a sister, Patrice M. Carman of Indianapolis; plus several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Timothy F. Moloney.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, June 20, 2022, at Nspire Church, 18097 Sun Park Drive, Westfield, with a time of visitation from 10 a.m. until time of the services. At a later date, her final resting place will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens near Fishers. Memorial contributions may be made to N.A.M.I., 921 E. 86th St., Ste. 130, Indianapolis, IN 46240, or at namicolorado.org.

You may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

In the case of a will, it is necessary to prove the death of the one who made it, because a will is in force only when somebody has died; it never takes effect while the one who made it is living. This is why even the first covenant was not put into effect without blood. When Moses had proclaimed every command of the law to all the people, he took the blood of calves, together with water, scarlet wool and branches of hyssop, and sprinkled the scroll and all the people. He said, "This is the blood of the covenant, which God has commanded you to keep." In the same way, he sprinkled with the blood both the tabernacle and everything used in its ceremonies. In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

Hebrews 9:16-22 (NIV)

Ralph H. Underwood, Jr.

November 11, 1939 – June 8, 2022

Ralph H. Underwood, Jr., 82, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, June 8, 2022. Ralph was born November 11, 1939, in Troy, N.Y., to the late Ralph H. Sr., and Helene (Smith) Underwood.



Ralph served in the U.S. Navy and was a graduate of Syracuse University. Ralph was the widower of Carol (Haldeman) Underwood to whom he was married for 60 years. He is survived by his daughters, Susan C. (Jeff) Bowen of Muskegon, Mich., Elizabeth A. (William) Eagleson of Westfield, and Martha J. (Todd) Bowles of Noblesville; nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a sister, Joyce Apgar of West Sand Lake, N.Y.; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Ralph worked for GTE for 30 years, retiring as a forecasting manager in 1995. After retirement, he and Carol purchased a cottage on the Hudson River in the Adirondack Mountains. Many summers were enjoyed with family gatherings, grandchildren and love of nature. Ralph had a passion for finances, including a post-retirement job with H&R Block. He was a member of the Cottage Owners Association and Board of Directors, Riparius, N.Y., and gave his services to many churches in the different areas they lived. He was a member of Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Westfield. He was a great fan of the Indianapolis Colts, N.Y. Giants and Indiana Pacers. He will always be remembered as a quiet, sweet and gentle soul, and a man of great integrity.

The family would like to give special thanks to Heartland Hospice, the staff at Woodland Terrace of Carmel, and to his special caregivers, Marybeth, Stacey and April. You were all incredible blessings to him and his family.

Private family services were held on Monday, June 13 at Hamilton Memorial Park Cemetery with Pastor Ethan Spira officiating.

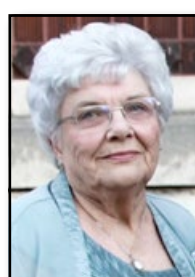
In lieu of flowers, the family requests gifts be made to Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Westfield.

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Virginia Lee Hughes

May 19, 1941 – June 12, 2022

With sadness and great love, the family of Virginia



Lee Hughes announces her passing on June 12, 2022, at Five Star Residences of Clearwater in Indianapolis. Ginny (with a G-i, not J-e) was born on May 19, 1941, in Noblesville to William and Peg (Carmack) Deppen.

She graduated from Jackson Central High School in 1959. Her future husband, John E. Hughes, was one year ahead of her at JCHS. They were married on August 25, 1963. They lived in Ohio while John was stationed at Lockbourne Air Force Base and then they returned home to Indiana, residing mostly in Noblesville. Together, they had a daughter, Peggy. Peggy married Steve Wood, who, it turns out, would be one of Ginny's most favorite people.

Ginny was widowed when John passed away in 1996. There was never anyone to take his place. She was preceded in death by her older sister, Judith Byrd. Ginny is survived by her younger brother, Bill Deppen; granddaughter, Erin (Glen) Collier; great-granddaughter, Penny Lane; sister-in-law, Debbie (Norman) Goode; and many loved nieces and nephews.

Ginny was a graduate of Indiana Business College. She served as an administrative assistant to several bank presidents, the Hamilton County Auditor, and the Hamilton County Engineer. She retired from Hamilton County in 2007 after 20 years of service. She also worked for Randall & Roberts as a greeter for over 10 years.

She loved watching Erin play basketball and then go on to coach the sport. She was thrilled to be a part of Erin and Glen's wedding and over the moon when great-granddaughter, Penny Lane, was born 10 months ago.

Ginny was a Purdue fan and would often engage in playful banter over the Old Oaken Bucket contest with her many cream and crimson minded peers. She also looked forward to taking small trips with her friends. She was an active member of Union United Methodist Church where she helped lead the singing during worship. Ginny's life-long love of music was most evident in her long-running commitment as a member of the Hamilton County Silvernotes, a part of the Indian Extension Homemakers. For many years, she sang alto, served in various roles for the choir, and sold elephant ears at the 4-H Fair. Most importantly, she treasured the friendships that she developed through the group.

Services for Ginny are planned for Friday, June 17 at Randall and Roberts Funeral Home at 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with the service beginning at 2. Interment will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Fishers following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Hamilton County Silvernotes, c/o Hamilton County Extension Office, 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville, IN 46060 (please make checks payable to Hamilton County Choral Club); or Union United Methodist Church, 19090 DeShane Ave., Noblesville, IN 46060.

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Hot competition at state golf meet

By **RICHIE HALL**

CARMEL – The build-up to the 2022 IHSAA boys golf state meet was a little different this year.

There was the usual excitement of who will be contending for the state championship, and several Hamilton County teams are currently in the running after the first round of play Tuesday at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel. Guerin Catholic is the early leader, with Westfield a close second and Hamilton Southeastern waiting in the wings in fourth place. Noblesville is tied for eighth and not out of the equation.

But another unavoidable topic dominated the meet as well: The heat. Temperatures by mid-afternoon were in the mid-90s at Prairie View, with the heat index well over 100. While there aren't official weather records, it's likely this state golf meet is one of the hottest ever in history.

"I drank 12 bottles of water," said Guerin Catholic coach Mark Mathews after the Golden Eagles finished their round. And if the coach is drinking quite a bit, you can bet that he is making his players do the same thing.

"We hydrate every hole," said Mathews. "I had 60 bottles of water. Today's one of those days and I'm a weirdo about hydration anyway, so I don't think my guys had a problem at all."

Heat or not heat, Guerin Catholic had to be happy about their position once it finished the first round. The Golden Eagles totaled a 299, 11 over par, which puts them four strokes ahead of Westfield going into today's second round of the 36-hole tournament.

Connor McNeely led the way for Guerin. The senior finished his first round with a one under par 71; McNeely was the only player under par during the day. McNeely drained three birdies on his to the top of the leaderboard, although he has the team leaderboard in mind as well.

"It is a team sport today and tomorrow," said McNeely. "You got to think about not just yourself, but your team and what the right shot is for the team."

Jacob Modleski made four birdies for his first round, finishing with a 74. Leo Wessel was next with a 76; he played the entire back nine even par. Zach Thieme added a 78 (two birdies) and Scotty Smith scored an 84 (one birdie).

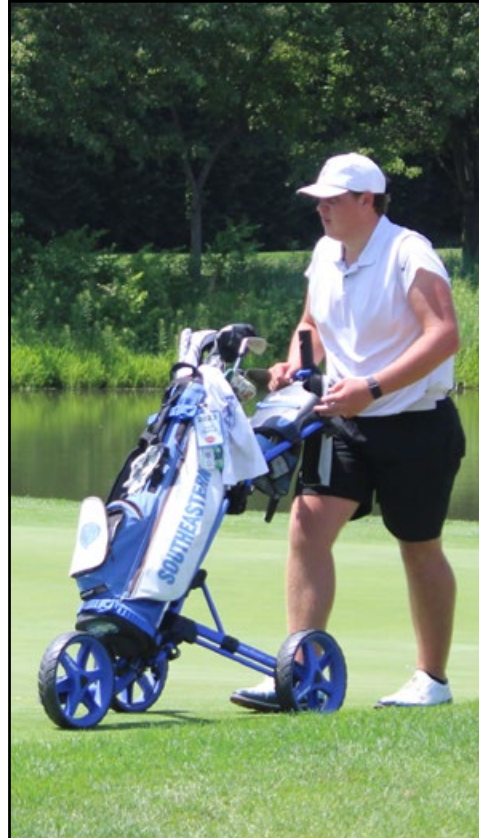
Mathews admitted that the front nine was a little shaky, but the Golden Eagles seemed to get it together for the back nine, which is a common theme for Guerin Catholic.

"We did the same thing



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

(Above) Guerin Catholic's Connor McNeely (right) finished with a one under par 71 to move to the top of the individual leaderboard during Tuesday's first round of the IHSAA boys golf state finals at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel. The Golden Eagles are also leading the team standings. Pictured on left is Noblesville's Brady Mangin; the Millers are in eighth place. (Below left) Carmel's Owen Sander finished 14th in first-round play and is only two strokes back from the top 10. (Below middle) Fishers' Connor McMillan scored a 79 in his first round. (Below right) Hamilton Southeastern's Lane Zedrick was one of three players to card a 78 for the Royals, helping them to fourth place after the first round.



at sectionals and regionals," said Mathews. "We didn't play very well on the first nine holes and played extremely well with six holes left at both of those tournaments."

Westfield's score of 303 was achieved with two freshmen leading the way. Jake Cesare and Will Harvey both totaled 74s in their first round of play; each

made one birdie.

All five Shamrocks players made birdies. Cam Kooi made four, Nolan Hall had three and Alec Cesare drained two. Alec Cesare is the only Westfield player back with state experience, so the fact that the 'Rocks are in contention made coach Josh Bryant very happy.

"The heat obviously affected everyone in the

field," said Bryant. "Our guys were prepared for it. All in all, the goal of the day was to give yourself a chance on the second day."

Westfield, Guerin Catholic and third-place Bloomington South (308) will be grouped together for today's round, teeing off between 9:57 and 10:33 a.m.

"We'll go in with a similar game plan as we did to-

day and hopefully take advantage of some good shots and short games, and chipping and putting is going to be the key for everybody," said Bryant.

Hamilton Southeastern is only three strokes behind Bloomington South with a 311, putting the Royals in position for a podium finish today. Jordan Huxford, who had a breakout meet last week at the Muncie Central regional, continued his fine play with a team-leading 77. Huxford made birdies on holes 1 and 2.

Southeastern had a consistent day across the board. Cole Starnes, Lane Zedrick and Tyler Marcinko all carded 78s. Starnes and Zedrick both made two birdies, with Marcinko and Tyler Lacy each getting one.

Noblesville is in a three-way tie for eighth place with a 323. Will Perkins made three birdies on his way to a 77. Rory Bushong collected two birdies, with Brady Mangin and Drew Decker both getting one.

Carmel's Owen Sander is playing as an individual, and had a nice round of 76. Sander made two birdies and is currently tied for

14th place. He is only two strokes back from the top 10; finishing in the top 10 at state means an automatic placement on the All-State team.

Fishers' Connor McMillan, also playing as an individual, totaled a 79, making two birdies along the way.

Team scores

Guerin Catholic 299, Westfield 303, Bloomington South 308, Hamilton Southeastern 311, Silver Creek 312, Warsaw 319, Valparaiso 321, Cathedral 323, Evansville North 323, Noblesville 323, Jasper 329, Leo 329, Covenant Christian 332, Penn 334, Evansville Memorial 358.

Leader

Connor McNeely (GC) 71.

Other Guerin Catholic scores

Jacob Modleski 74, Leo Wessel 76, Zach Thieme 78, Scotty Smith 84.

Westfield scores

Jake Cesare 74, Will Harvey 74, Cam Kooi 76, Alec Cesare 79, Nolan Hall 81.

Southeastern scores

Jordan Huxford 77, Cole Starnes 78, Lane Zedrick 78, Tyler Marcinko 78, Tyler Lacy 80.

Noblesville scores

Will Perkins 77, Brady Mangin 81, Rory Bushong 82, Alex Peck 83, Drew Decker 94.

Carmel score

Owen Sander 76.

Fishers score

Connor McMillan 79.

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Extreme heat presents challenges for kids in sports

By **CODY ADAMS**
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Kids have a tendency to keep going, even if maybe they don't feel the best, and the heat can catch up to them quickly. Medical providers say that's where parents and coaches have to really pay attention.

"It's really incumbent on the parents and coaches to know their players," said

Jamey Gordon, a certified athletic trainer.

As we experience recording-breaking heat this week, health officials say people should take a cautious approach to outside activity.

"It's really a combination of the heat and humidity so when you top that 100 degree feels like temp, that's really where you have to kind of watch it," Gordon said.

This week Gordon is overseeing a college summer league baseball tournament at Grand Park, and they are watching the heat closely.

"Thankfully coaches are way better educated now than they use to be," Gordon said. "There used to be the hardcore 'you're weak if you drink water' thing. Thankfully that's pretty much done and over with

now, so thankfully that's been a good progress and development in our sports medicine over the years."

Dr. Kara Kowalczyk is a pediatric emergency medicine physician with Riley Hospital for Children. She says the heat is a real issue.

"It's pretty common I'd say on really hot days we might see several patients in a shift with heat related

injuries," Kowalczyk said.

She says this time of year kids need to listen to their bodies during sports, and parents and coaches have to listen to kids.

"I know some sports can be pretty intense, we like to push kids to their limits," Kowalczyk said. "It's really important this time of year that kids feel like they can speak up, and if they're feeling thirsty then it's OK

to get a drink."

There are signs to look for as well to know if your child might be in danger.

"When your skin is red, you're sweating a lot, that's kind of the beginning stages of you're in danger of overheating," Gordon said. "The danger zone is when you stop sweating so when you get to that point that's kind of an emergency situation."

Major League Baseball standings

American League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Yankees	45	16	0.738	-
Toronto	36	25	0.590	9.0
Tampa Bay	35	26	0.574	10.0
Boston	33	29	0.532	12.5
Baltimore	27	36	0.429	19.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Minnesota	36	27	0.571	-
Cleveland	29	27	0.518	3.5
Chicago White Sox	29	31	0.483	5.5
Detroit	24	37	0.393	11.0
Kansas City	20	40	0.333	14.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	38	24	0.613	-
Texas	29	32	0.472	8.5
L.A. Angels	29	33	0.468	9.0
Seattle	27	34	0.443	10.5
Oakland	21	42	0.333	17.5

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

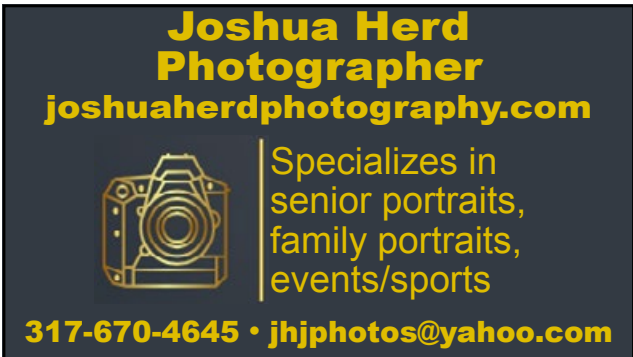
National League				
East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Mets	41	22	0.651	-
Atlanta	36	27	0.571	5.0
Philadelphia	31	31	0.500	9.5
Miami	28	32	0.467	11.5
Washington	23	41	0.359	18.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
St. Louis	37	27	0.578	-
Milwaukee	34	29	0.540	2.5
Pittsburgh	24	37	0.393	11.5
Chicago Cubs	23	38	0.377	12.5
Cincinnati	22	39	0.361	13.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Diego	39	24	0.619	-
L.A. Dodgers	37	23	0.617	0.5
San Francisco	34	26	0.567	3.5
Arizona	29	34	0.460	10.0
Colorado	27	34	0.443	11.0

WNBA standings

Tuesday scores				
Washington 83, Phoenix 65				
Seattle 81, Minnesota 79				
Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
Las Vegas	11	2	0.846	-
Connecticut	10	4	0.714	1.5
Chicago	9	4	0.692	2.0
Seattle	9	5	0.643	2.5
Washington	10	6	0.625	2.5
Dallas	6	7	0.462	5.0
Atlanta	7	6	0.538	5.0
Los Angeles	5	8	0.385	6.0
Phoenix	5	9	0.357	6.5
New York	5	9	0.357	6.5
Indiana	4	12	0.250	8.5
Minnesota	3	12	0.200	9.0



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