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WRASFF founder announces additions to Fishers event lineup

Going further in my journey?

The REPORTER

Four other guests have been added to the lineup of Hamilton County's first-ever Will Read and Sing For Food (WRASFF) benefit show, which is set for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 11 at Schoolhouse 7 Café in Fishers. The show will benefit Humane Society for Hamilton County.

Added to the show:

- U.S. Marine Vietnam War Veteran **Bill Young** and his wife, **Nancy Young**, will talk about the greatest true love story never told (until now). The Youngs' letters are the subject of a new book, *Vietnam War Love Story: The Love Letters of Bill and Nancy Young* (1967).
- Hamilton County Reporter "From The Hart" columnist Janet Hart Leonard will read one of her funny stories recently published in the paper. Hart will sell and sign her new book, *When the Hart Speaks: Whimsy and Wisdom from the Little House on the Alley*, after the show.
- Noblesville's Jessica Dyer Campbell will add voice work to some of the humor essays.

They will join two performers already announced: special guest singer-songwriter Jason Wilber who performed in sold-out venues throughout the U.S.



Photos provided
Bill and Nancy Young (above) will talk about "the greatest love story never told" at the Will Read and Sing For Food benefit in Fishers, founded and hosted by Scott Saalman (right).



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Wilber

for two decades with the legendary John Prine; and Hamilton County Reporter humor columnist Scott Saalman, who is the founder and long-time host of WRASFF.

Bill Young was a 20-year-old machine gunner in the thick of things in Vietnam, not sure if he would live to see the next sunset. Nancy was a recent high-school graduate headed for nursing school, enjoying her last idyllic teenage Southern Indiana summer. At first, they were virtual strangers, patriotic pen pals, sending scores of letters to each other.

Soon, the letters became love letters. In 2021, Bill and Nancy celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary. The book is their story of war and love, a true story told through the very letters they wrote in 1967. The Youngs will sign copies of their book after the show. You can also [purchase it on Amazon](#).

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After finding out the non-identifying info about my biological parents, life went on. By the time the fall of 2009 rolled around, I had been working in city hall for the mayor for almost three years. I had been able to work from home up until our boys started kindergarten, which was a huge blessing, but was now thoroughly enjoying my job as a grant coordinator.

John even had a turn as a stay-at-home dad for a while. In October 2009 he started a new job as a salesperson and our finances began to turn around. Jonathon and Jacob, of course, got a little older and easier to manage. They brought us a great deal of joy and we were involved in many of their activities, including Cub Scouts, soccer, and piano lessons. I loved volunteering in their classroom on occasion and served for a couple of years on the PTO.

COLUMNIST

AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

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HSE coach arrested for stalking OnlyFans model in Wisconsin

By KYLE BLOYD
WISH-TV | [wishstv.com](#)

A Fishers man has been accused of stalking an internet model in Wisconsin. Matthew Papachronis, 45, was charged with a felony count of stalking in Portage County, Wis.



Papachronis

According to court documents, the victim called police after a young child handed her a note with \$200 in it while she was watching her boyfriend play baseball in Plover, Wis.

"The note had stated to the effect that the writer had seen the victim in person and that he thanks her for her time and hopes 'his investment' in her gives her the life she deserves," according to court documents acquired by WISH-TV News 8. "It also states "P.S. I'll no longer pursue you here

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Noblesville restaurant closes after nearly 25 years, cites Pleasant Street project

By CAMILLA FERNANDEZ
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](#)

It was the start of memories and love after a local Mexican restaurant cherished by the Noblesville community announced it's closing down.

Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen says they're going to build a roundabout near the restaurant as part of a large

road-expansion project. The restaurant called El Camino Real, located on South 10th Street, has been around for nearly 25 years, and some residents say that for them its closure is like losing a family member.

On Tuesday, families passed through the parking lot only to find out that the Mexican restaurant was closed.

Tricia Shoemaker said,

"First time we ate here, my oldest was a baby, and we've been coming ever since."

She added, "I was really sad because I was hoping to have it one last time and just step inside one last time and see all the folks in there."

Bill McCormick said, "It's just part of the community. It's part of you. It's part of your family, and it's just sad."

A place that once was packed on any given day is being forced to close its doors so that the city can move the [Reimagine Pleasant Street project](#) forward. The restaurant, along with a Dairy Queen and some homes near Pleasant and Tenth streets, will be gone. The business Firehouse Pizza also has closed.

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Noblesville Lions Club welcomes District Governor



Photo provided

On Wednesday evening, the Noblesville Lions welcomed Eric Schuman, the local Lions District Governor. Mr. Schuman outlined his challenges and goals for the coming year to the local club. He is also a member of the Greentown Lions Club. (Above) Lion Eric Schuman (left) was thanked by Lion Walt Scheid, First Vice President of the Noblesville club.

Six young Heights students van Gogh for mural stardom



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Arianny Peters, Lilli Lay, Zoe Kincaid, Russell Hudson, Raelyn Heavner, and Michael Campos-Johnson proudly share the mural they created for display at the Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center. Their work was crafted in art class under the direction of Hamilton Heights Elementary School Art Teacher Cheri Trachtman. The piece was inspired by *The Starry Night*, an oil-on-canvas painting by the Dutch Post-Impressionist painter Vincent van Gogh, painted in 1889.

EL CAMINO

Shoemaker said, “It’s sad. It’s bittersweet. I do feel like there’s a lot of traffic that goes through the downtown area and hopefully it will alleviate some of that, but it’s sad that these businesses are going to have to close.”

The Republican mayor says they’ve worked with the restaurant to find some options to relocate and provide some resources. “Our economic team has met with them one on one. Our engineering staff has met with them one on one about two years ago to have this conversation, so this has been an ongoing conversation knowing that this date would come sooner rather than later,” Jensen said.

McCormick said he understands the need for drivers. “A city like Noblesville it has to grow to have progress or else it’s going to die,

and it is sad seeing some of the staples are leaving that you grew up with.”

But for some, memories of celebrating milestones, eating delicious food, or making new friends will remain for years to come. Kennedy McCormick said, “It was always people you knew there. It was always crowded, so a lot of people are going to miss it.”

Restaurant owner raises concerns amid road project

Ignacio Rodriguez, owner of El Camino Real Noblesville, said Wednesday, “Right now, we are kind of stressed, and our feelings are hurt.”

For more than two decades, the unique eating spot in Noblesville has been filled with memories and love from the locals, but now the city govern-

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(Phone number will not be published.)

ment is forcing the Mexican restaurant to shut down. Rodriguez says the shutdown has impacted many people in the community.

“I like Noblesville,” Rodriguez said. “I like Noblesville because it’s been home for everybody here.”

The restaurant on the northwest corner of Pleasant and North 10th streets was forced to close its doors on Tuesday so that the city government can move the Reimagine Pleasant Street project forward.

The project aims to ease traffic by providing an

Jensen says his staff and other groups have worked with the restaurant to find some options to relocate and provide some resources.

“Different real estate agencies in the city and identified different sites that would be an option for them going forward,” the mayor said. “This has been a real hands-on approach from the city knowing that these are difficult conversations, but we want to make sure that our local businesses are protected and have options going forward.”

Rodriguez said, “If there’s any chances or opportunities to do something in the future, another project, probably we’ll have to think about it.”

The restaurant owner says he’s grateful for the support he’s received all

these years. He posted the following message to the [restaurant’s Facebook page](#). As of Thursday evening, the post had 252 reactions, 101 comments, and 52 shares:

“Noblesville friends, we did our best to keep open until the 31st of this month. Unfortunately with the shorted notices of vacant our staff needed to relocate in a new job, we wish them the best and thank for their help. As well to all your support and affection given all this 25 years to us. [W]e respect all your opinions and hope you respect us as well, as we try to do the best for all our clients these many years. Unfortunately with the offer that was giving and poor communication it was not helpful for us to relocate. Thank you. Thank you. Att; El Camino”

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in person. You are safe & always were. I just had to see for myself.”

Police who interviewed her said she was “crying and visibly shaken,” according to court documents.

The victim told police she’s a model on OnlyFans, a website predominantly used for posting provocative photographs and videos in exchange for money. The boy who delivered the note said a man had given him \$5 to deliver it while he was playing underneath the bleachers.

Later that day, the victim contacted police again. She said she usually has account managers who take care of responding to private messages on her account. After she received the note, she began going through

her messages. She said she found a thread of messages from “ChiGuy34” who had been sending pictures of the victim and her boyfriend. She also received pictures of her apartment and from the baseball game.

“I was ten feet away from you,” ChiGuy34 wrote along with the picture of the baseball game.

More messages were located with messages stating that the suspect “had driven past her exit on the highway.”

She also said that on the night before the game, she noticed a man outside of her apartment looking up into her bedroom window. She said he walked away when she noticed him.

Police reviewed further messages from the ChiGuy34 account where he ac-

cused the victim of cheating on him. He also sent videos of him driving near Plover. He also claimed to have a home in Eagle River, a city in Wisconsin about 120 miles north of Plover.

Two days after the baseball game, the victim received a message on Instagram from an account also believed to belong to Papachronis. Other messages from Chiguy34 on OnlyFans show Papachronis’ residence in Fishers, according to police.

Data from Verizon also ties Papachronis to the area at the time of the stalking, according to court documents.

Investigators reviewed surveillance video from businesses and schools in Plover. They found a white Toyota Camry following the victim and her boyfriend. Police found that a white Toyota Camry had been rented to Papachronis’ wife through Enterprise.


Papachronis had been an assistant swim coach with Hamilton Southeastern High School since 2018 and was a lay coach from 2002-09. HSE says Papachronis has been terminated.

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**Hello, Hamilton County
With Mr. Weatherman, Paul Poteet**



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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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All Sheriff's deputies will now wear body cameras

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush has announced the launch of a new body-worn camera program.

As part of the program, deputies within the Sheriff's Office will use the Motorola Solutions **V300 continuous-operation body-worn cameras** on service calls across all shifts. The V300 body-worn cameras are a durable high-definition camera worn on the front of deputies' uniforms that are Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, and GPS-enabled. The V300

uploads the video and audio captured to a secure cloud-based site where videos can be reviewed.

"The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office welcomes the addition of this critical technology to our agency," Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush said. "We are confident that the use of body-worn cameras by our deputies will enhance safety, promote accountability, assist in prosecutions and



Quakenbush

provide a transparent unbiased view of interactions between our deputies and the community we serve."

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office awarded the contract to **Motorola Solutions** last year following a competitive trial process. Since then, the Sheriff's Office has been developing policy to support the program, as well as training officers on the use of the body-worn cameras.

Learn about hip & knee arthritis treatment at Riverview Health

The REPORTER

Riverview Health will hold a treatment of hip and knee arthritis seminar from 6 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 11.

Join Andrew Malin, MD, a board-certified orthopedic surgeon and fellowship-trained hip and knee specialist, for a seminar about hip and knee arthritis. Riverview Health offers the full spectrum of modern treatments for arthritis. Nonsurgical treatment options such as med-

ications, physical therapy, activity modification and injections will be discussed. Dr. Malin will also talk in detail about hip replacement, partial knee replacement and total knee replacement surgery as well as recent advancements allowing for quicker recovery from these operations.

The seminar will take



Malin

place at Riverview Health, 395 Westfield Road, Noblesville, in the Krieg DeVault Conference Room, located in the lower level of the Women's Pavilion. The program is free, but registration is required. Attendees are required to wear masks. Register at riverview.org/classes or call (317) 776-7999.

FURTHER

In the spring of 2013, a few incidents once again rocked my world. The first was my mother falling and breaking her leg. I can't even describe my drive to Mishawaka on the day of receiving that awful news. My mind went numb.

Mom never was the same afterwards. She had to stay in a rehabilitation facility until October. I traveled up north to see her twice a month for visits or doctor's appointments and thanked God that John could take over with the kids when needed.

Somehow during all of that, while working and being a wife, mother, and daughter, I self-published my first novel. I remember Mom bragging to all the nursing aides at the facility about me.

"Look, my daughter wrote a book!" She exclaimed, showing off the shiny new paperback. My mother, sister, niece, and I all shared a passion for reading. It truly was the glue that

bound us together. Now the four of us could read something that I had created. That was an incredible feeling.

I also became friends with our new office manager that year. Mary and I had a lot in common. We were both 42, practicing Catholics, and married with two children. Her son and daughter were both Jonathon's age. Mary was kind, wise, and thoughtful. She was just as beautiful on the outside as she was on the inside.

Mary and her husband had adopted both of their children as well. And I was surprised to hear one day over lunch that Mary herself had been adopted by her stepfather, who had died not long ago.

"He was and always will be my daddy," she told me. "But I found my real father years ago and we have a good relationship, too." Of course, I was intrigued.

"Really? How did all that happen?" I asked.

"Well, it wasn't easy,

and my mother wasn't too happy at first." She replied. Mary told me all about the process and how her father now just lived a mere 45 minutes away. She also told me that she would encourage her children to someday find their biological parents as well. My heart melted at her words.

"You don't know how amazing that is for me to hear," I said. And I proceeded to share my story with her. I told her about my conclusion that I would wait until my mom passed away to search for my birthparents. Mary was silent for a moment after that statement.

"But Amy, they were 20 when they had you?" She asked. I nodded.

"That means they're in their early 60s now. Hopefully they're both alive and well, but what if you wait too much longer and something happens?" I thought about my own dad who had died suddenly at age 61. What Mary was saying made sense.

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WRASFF

The show is co-sponsored by the *Hamilton County Reporter* and Schoolhouse 7 Cafe.

The show will be held outdoors, and attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. Admission is a \$10 or more cash or check donation at the venue. Make checks payable to Humane Society for Hamilton County. The venue will also offer its full line of food, beer, wine, and other beverages. (For more information, email scottsaalman@gmail.com.)

More about WRASFF

WRASFF, a unique mix of live music and humor essays, has raised over \$165,000 through 152 performances, benefiting food banks and dozens of other charities (animal shelters, services for abused women and children, the United Way, Habitat for Humanity, hurricane relief, Rotary Club polio eradication, etc.) mostly in Southern Indiana. From 2011 to 2022, WRASFF performed in several cities and towns in Southwestern Indiana, including Evansville, where it earned the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana's Mayor's Arts Award in 2016. The City of Jasper presented Saalman and WRASFF the "key to the city" for its community servitude in 2018.

More about Jason Wilber

Wilber's recording work with Prine includes the Grammy winning *Fair & Square*; the Grammy nominated *Live On Tour*; *In Spite of Ourselves* (which spent 32 weeks on the *Billboard* Country Charts), *For Better and Worse*, and Prine's final album, *Tree of Forgiveness*, debuting at No. 5 on the *Billboard* Top 200 chart.

During Wilber's 24 years with Prine, the Bloomington native graced stages from the Grand Ole Opry to Red Rocks to Radio City Music

Hall to Austin City Limits, and he has performed on late-night TV shows hosted by Seth Meyers, Conan O'Brien, David Letterman, and Stephen Colbert.

His solo albums include *Lost In Your Hometown* (1998), *Behind the Midway* (2000), *King For A Day* (2004), *Lazy Afternoon* (2006), *Live and Otherwise Volume 1* (2006), *Ghost of Summers Past* (2009), *Live and Otherwise Volume 2* (2009), *Secret Window* (2014), *Echoes* (2016), *Reaction Time* (2017), and most recently, *Time Traveler*.

Wilber has also been a key player in high-profile collaborations with a host of who's-who in music, including Lucinda Williams, Emmylou Harris, Alison Krauss, Todd Snider, Tom Russell, Miranda Lambert, Susan Tedeschi, Josh Ritter, Kacey Musgraves, Amanda Shires and more.

Wilber has been in several WRASFF shows and will sell and sign his CDs.

More about Scott Saalman

Saalman, formerly of Jasper, Ind., recently moved to Fishers and hopes to revitalize the show's philanthropic spirit with local musicians and humor writers to help non-profits and other worthy causes in Hamilton County. To date, more than 100 musicians, writers, painters, and dancers have donated their time and talent to WRASFF shows. Current Indiana Poet Laureate Matthew Graham has been a frequent guest performer.

Saalman, who is director of communications for Kimball Electronics, Inc., a global, billion-dollar in annual sales company based in Jasper, is a long-time freelance columnist and essayist. His newspaper columns appear in the *Dubois County Herald* and the *Hamilton County Reporter*. One of his essays aired on *The Bob Edwards Show*, and one story

is referenced on the "Notable Essays" list in *The Best American Essays 2012*. His essays also appear in two anthologies: *Home Again: Essays and Memoirs from Indiana* (Indiana Historical Society Press, 2006) and *This I Believe: On Love* (John Wiley & Sons, 2011). His essay, "Do Not Endure Verbal, Emotional, or Physical Abuse," appeared in *The Morning News*. He has five previous essay collections: *Nose Hairs Gone Wild*; *Will Write For Food*; *Mr. Serious*; *Column Writing Is Not Pretty*; *What Are You Going To Write About When I'm Gone?*; and recently co-edited *Vietnam War Love Story: The Love Letters of Bill and Nancy Young* (1967).

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Humorist Scott Saalman

Hamilton County Reporter columnist Scott Saalman is creator & host of the arts-award-winning Will Read And Sing For Food, which has raised over \$165,000 for worthy causes in Indiana.

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Britton Falls stocks pantry for Fall Creek



Residents of the Britton Fall neighborhood in Fishers once again held another successful food drive for the Fall Creek Township food pantry. On Monday, they donated 900 pounds of food and supplies. Great job and thank you for your continued support of the food pantry.

Photos provided by Fall Creek Township Trustee Doug Allman

New Hope of Indiana announces sponsors for Silver Cup Celebration

The REPORTER

New Hope of Indiana has announced its sponsors for the fifth annual Silver Cup Celebration. The celebration, New Hope's largest fundrais-

er, will be held on Thursday, Aug. 18 at the Ritz Charles in Carmel.

"New Hope of Indiana is absolutely delighted to be working with some old and

new sponsors for this year's Silver Cup Celebration." New Hope of Indiana CEO Allison Wharry said. "With their support, we'll be able to continue to help individuals with dis-

abilities throughout Central Indiana live their best, most independent lives."

2022 Silver Cup sponsors include the following: PNC Bank as the Title Spon-

sor, Pearson Ford, Konrady Plastics, Conner Insurance, Gozler Investment Management, RSE Realty, Frost Brown Todd Law Firm, Gregory & Appel, Young at Heart Pharmacy, the Lotus Fund, Indianapolis Airport Authority, United Healthcare, Lumina, IGT Indiana, Humana, Citizens Energy Group, Hall, Render, Killian, Heath & Lyman, P.C., Old National Bank, Bradley & Associates, Anthem, Delta Dental, Engage Mentoring, Bolls Heating & Cooling, Koorsen Fire & Safety, Star Benefit Associates, Market Street Group, Duke Energy, Empire Refractory Services, Ray's Trash, Moore Surety Bonds, TransAmerica, and Godby Heating, Plumbing and Electrical.

The annual luncheon celebration will feature former IndyCar driver and current team owner Sam Schmidt as the guest speaker. There will also be a silent auction to raise funds for a variety of different New



Hope programs. For those who'd like to attend the fifth annual Silver Cup or learn more about New Hope of Indiana can visit newhopeofindiana.org/silver-cup for more information.

About New Hope of Indiana

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County jail welcomes three new Corrections Officers



Photos provided by Hamilton County Sheriff's Office
On Wednesday morning, Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush swore in three new Corrections Officers for the jail. Congratulations to Joshua Proctor, Nathan Allison and Bryan Short.

Letter to the Editor Carmel reader wants Congressional delegation to act on conservative climate solutions

Dear Editor:

Last month's SCOTUS decision that reels in EPA's authority to regulate CO₂, the chief driver of climate change, is a win for limiting federal overreach. At the same time, it underscores the need – now more than ever – for Congressional action on this important topic.

Going forward, federal elected officials – not D.C. bureaucrats – will be responsible for delivering legislation that can achieve emissions reductions at scale.

Luckily, a growing number of our representatives are working largely out of the limelight to strengthen U.S. climate leadership in Congress. Their work deserves praise and attention.

A few examples: Senator Mike Braun, who is co-chair of the first-ever bipartisan Climate Solutions Caucus, recently marshaled one of the first climate-only bills, the Growing Climate Solutions Act, through the Senate. Senator Todd Young has advanced bills to ramp up the deployment of high-tech agriculture innovations and advanced energy technologies like nuclear. And Congressmen Jim Baird and Larry Bucshon are part of the House's new Conservative Climate Caucus that is seeking out solutions.

These are important actions, but now it's essential that Congress steps up to meet the moment and do more.

One area of quick agreement could be holding other countries accountable for their pollution. We let foreign countries undercut American manufacturers by producing high-polluting goods cheaply. We should level the playing field by imposing fees on high-polluting imported goods, thereby protecting Hoosier jobs and our economy.

I urge our Congressional delegation to act quickly. When they do, Hoosiers like me will be standing by their side.

Carlton Anker
Carmel

Rep. Spartz urges President Biden to form Ukraine oversight task force

The REPORTER

Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.-05) on Tuesday sent a letter to President Biden to bring attention to recent developments in Ukraine, including additional concerns surrounding Ukrainian President Zelensky's Chief of Staff, Andriy Yermak.

Spartz urged the Biden Administration to establish a Joint Task Force within the Department of Defense to implement a coherent strategy, proper oversight of critical infrastructure, and streamlined logistics of lethal aid.



Spartz

This letter is a follow up to Congresswoman Spartz's [letter to the Biden Administration on July 8](#), where she requested the Biden Administration brief Congress on Andriy Yermak, Ukrainian President Zelensky's Chief

of Staff.

The lack of appointment of an anti-corruption prosecutor, concerns raised by U.S. military personnel and defense contractors, as well as some NATO allies, raise national security concerns and require proper attention from the Biden Administration.

[Click here](#) to read the full letter.

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The Cooper House is here for families in crisis

Noblesville nonprofit to hold annual “Bright as the Noonday Soiree” fundraiser Aug. 20

Submitted

In 2017, the Lord called The Cooper House (TCH) Co-founders Brooke and Kyle Howe and their children to become a foster family. Through that journey, God gave the Howe family front-row seats to the brokenness, hopelessness, and darkness that is foster care for the families involved.

After getting to know the biological parents of their first foster sons, God revealed not only the need for healthy support and influence to surround families in crisis, but the need to plant seeds of hope as well. God put a calling on their lives to open a home in the downtown Noblesville area where families in crisis could experience love and hope. The home was to be a space, a place, a home where all who entered were welcomed with no judgment. All were to be reminded that they are seen, heard, chosen, and loved – no matter their past – by TCH and

by the Heavenly Father.

Fast forward to 2019, the Howes felt the sense of urgency to make TCH vision into a reality. The Holy Spirit led them faithfully step by step into the unknown. The Howes gathered their people to form the founding Board of Directors and hired a not-for-profit attorney, Charitable Allies, to help them become an established 501(c)(3) organization. By 2021, they signed a lease for the first-ever brick and mortar in downtown Noblesville – that is The Cooper House!

TCH exists to foster hope for families by providing support and encouragement in their time of crisis while helping them discover the love and hope of Jesus Christ.

TCH provides services to families and youth involved with the Department of Child Services. The facility is open and free of charge for parents and youth to participate in court-ordered visitations, where these families can strengthen and restore relationships in a homelike environment.

TCH provides emergency removal support to children who have just been detained by the Department of

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Located at 239 S. 8th St., Noblesville, The Cooper House welcomes families in crisis, free of charge.

Child Services. The facility is open and free of charge for caseworkers and foster youth to come and hang out in a homelike environment, while the caseworkers secure a safe placement for the child. Children's basic needs are met while at the facility, as well as being cared for, prayed for, and loved during a very traumatic time.

In addition, TCH provides family support to families in crisis. This is tailored to meet each family's needs. This could look like (but not limited to), meeting financial, physical and spiritual needs.

TCH recently took over an additional lease and is piloting a housing opportunity for families who have barriers in securing and obtaining safe and affordable housing in the community. Ultimately, TCH comes alongside families and meets them where they are in order to keep children safe and families together.

Each year, TCH plays host to its “Bright as the Noonday Soiree” fundraiser, which is held at the Lucas Estate in Carmel. It is an evening full of fun, while raising funds to ensure TCH's mission is sustainable to help and support families in crisis.

TCH is solely funded by individuals, churches, the community, and by this annual fundraising event.

This year it is happening from 7 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 20. There will be dinner, a live band, auctions, a raffle, magic from Jon Mobley, and a whole lot of dancing, all while raising money for a great cause and enjoying the beautiful Lucas Estate. To become a sponsor or to grab individual tickets for the event, [click here](#).

Head to thecooper-houseindiana.com to learn more about The Cooper House. And be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), The Cooper House Indiana.

Fishers One supports Kelly's analysis of HSE ILEARN data

Submitted

A [letter to the editor published in the Hamilton County Reporter](#) by Hamilton Southeastern parent Kellie Kelly represents a challenge and an opportunity for those committed to

improving academic performance in HSE Schools.

In Kelly's analysis of the most recent ILEARN data, she suggests the Fishers community should be asking current school board candidates and candidates running for board positions in November some important questions including:

1. What can be done to improve academic performance in our schools?
2. What can be done to address COVID learning loss, especially in math?
3. What can be done to return HSE schools to the top of the charts when compared with other high performing school districts?

About Fishers One

Fishers One is a grassroots community-based organization that supports efforts by community members to analyze data and challenge both current and future HSE school board leadership to elaborate on plans that will more effectively prepare students for the college and career readiness.

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Don't shoot the messengers: assessed value increases & the perfect storm

Don't shoot the messengers. Short of state legislative intervention, property taxes are going up again. This is not the Assessor's, Treasurer's, or Auditor's fault either. Following state regulations, they value our properties, compute our tax, send us the bill, and collect the payments.

Years ago, most of us thought about our property taxes when we received the bill or when we wrote the check. Today, taxpayers pay more attention. We also pay more attention to referendums, assessments, elections, and government spending. Recently, after receiving their new assessed value in the mail, a neighbor asked me to review their assessment and property tax bill. To them something was off. In their case, it was both surprising and accurate. Un-



COLUMNIST
MARK HALL

fortunately, the review was also a peek at what's coming soon.

As property owners in Hamilton County, we are looking squarely in the eye of a perfect storm: property tax increases, inflation at a 40-year high, increasing values of our properties, rising interest rates, worsening economic conditions and likely a recession. Let's break this down a bit.

With limited exceptions, properties in the county have an Assessed Value (AV) established for that property by the Assessor's office. The Assessor is required to follow state regulations to determine the values of property. The Assessed Value is the tax base for the county – the basis for property tax collections that fund the operation of local government. The AV is to

reflect the market value of each property.

There is no limit on how much an assessed value can increase or decrease with new assessments. Hamilton County has \$55.8 billion in assessed value from approximately 139,500 parcels. The Hamilton County total AV is up 15.2 percent over last year with some individual properties AV increasing by 20 percent or more. Increasing the Assessed Value results in a higher tax bill unless the tax rate is reduced to account for the increase in AV.

Property tax caps are in place, but they don't apply to referendums that we voted to adopt. Residential property taxes are capped at 1 percent of the total Assessed Value of your property. The 1 percent cap is not on the tax rate, it's a cap on the total tax amount at 1 percent of the value of your property. Again, the school referendum taxes are on

top of this amount. In Noblesville township, as an example, the most recent district rate was 2.771 percent, with 0.5148 percent of that total attributed to the School Referendums. All Hamilton County district rates are published on the county website.

A property in Hamilton County valued at \$200,000 a few years ago may now be valued at \$300,000 or more. While that is an incredible return on investment, if you aren't planning to sell soon, then plan for higher taxes. Renters are impacted too as higher values combine with higher tax caps to increase property owners' expenses, often requiring an increase in rent to cover the increase costs. Seniors and fixed-income families may be challenged to adapt to the onslaught combination of recession, inflation, and rising property taxes. In our example the increase in AV is \$100,000.

If the homestead and mortgage deductions were already in place, the owner pays property taxes on an additional \$65,000 in value. Each situation is unique and just like my neighbor, it is a good practice to review your property tax bill and your deductions every year. Just one deduction may mean significant savings for your family.

Deductions reduce the AV of your property. The lower your AV, the lower your tax bill. Deductions available include Homestead, Disability, Over Age 65, Disabled Veteran, Mortgage, Geothermal and a Circuit Breaker deduction designed to limit tax increases in certain specific circumstances. The staff at the Auditor's office is friendly and will help you review your situation. Worth noting, anyone who makes changes to their deed/trust or marital status must re-file their deductions.

Assessing officials will re-assess approximately 25 percent of the parcels every year. When you receive a new assessment, you have a limited number of days to appeal the new valuation. Before appealing ask yourself this question. If I sold my property today, would it sell for that value? If the answer is no, an appeal may be a good option to lower your tax bill.

This column focused on residential property. There are different tax caps for commercial, rental, industrial and agricultural properties. For details on or to update deductions visit hamiltoncounty.in.gov or contact the Hamilton County Auditor's Office.

Mark Hall is the Republican nominee for district three on the Hamilton County Council, in the November 8 general election. He may be contacted at mark@markfhall.com or (317) 832-1104.

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Monsoon Madness back in Fishers this Saturday

The REPORTER
Beat the heat as Holland Park in Fishers will soon transform into pop-up water park during one of the most popular events of the summer featuring giant waterslides, a mini-monsoon area for little ones, live entertainment, and more. Presented by Centier Bank, Monsoon Madness hits Holland Park on Saturday, July 30.

This year's event will offer an early access option, where attendees can purchase the \$20 wristband to experience a smaller crowd and short wait times at waterslides and activities from 11 a.m. to noon, limited to the first 200 registrants. Early access wristbands also grant you access to the free portion of the event from noon to 3 p.m. If you are not purchasing the early access wristband, the event is free and begins at noon.

Getting your wristband
All attendees of Monsoon Madness must **register for a wristband**. Early-access wristbands **MUST** be picked up on site on the day of the event. If you're attending the free portion of the event from noon to 3 p.m., skip the wristband line by registering for your wristband now and picking it up at the Fishers Parks office, 8100 E. 106th St., Suite 150, by end of day Friday, July 29.

Those who plan to attend are strongly encouraged to **get a wristband in advance**. There will be no cash transactions on site at the event and having your wristband prior to the event means no waiting in the registration/wristband line.

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AG Rokita invites Hoosiers to visit Indiana Unclaimed booth at State Fair

The REPORTER
Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is inviting Hoosiers visiting the State Fair to discover their unclaimed property and learn about the services offered by his office.

"It's a tradition for many Hoosier families to visit the State Fair and we invite them to stop by our booth and introduce themselves," Rokita said. "Our booth offers all Hoosiers a chance to interact with our team and learn about the services our office provides them, including the opportunity to search for unclaimed property."

Team members will be available to assist Hoosiers with unclaimed property searches. Staff will also have information and tips to help consumers protect themselves from identity theft and other scams.

The Indiana State Fair runs from Friday, July 29 to Sunday, Aug. 21 and is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. Rokita's booth is located in the Agriculture Horticulture Building and will be staffed from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day. A map of the fair may be found [here](#).

In 2022, Attorney General Rokita's office has returned over \$31 million and has over \$700 million yet to be claimed.

Grab an elephant ear, take a ride on the Ferris wheel, and search for what you may be missing at [IndianaUnclaimed.gov](#) or text CLAIM to 46220 to search your name, family, or business.



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**Thanks for reading
The Reporter!**

Leslie Wayne Dixon

November 4, 1971 – June 30, 2022

Leslie Wayne Dixon, 50, Noblesville, passed peacefully on June 30, 2022, at his home in the comfort of his family.



Born in Elizabethtown and raised in Cecilia, Ky., Leslie was the generous and kind #1 son, otherwise known as the eldest of three children. Leslie "Les" Dixon experienced a life filled with love for his family, a quest for learning, and a passion for humor.

He had an amazing childhood filled with faith, loyalty, and unconditional love. Stories abound from his baseball adventures and incredible mishaps with his siblings (like being witness to the parachuting of cats off the deck (none were harmed), throwing dirt clods and taking them in the back, and figuring out how to spray paint a car door to hide swing set scratches for years). At times you could even find him dressed up like Jerry Lee Lewis while playing his piano. He loved to tickle the ivories, and in his prime, he could play a new song after only hearing it a time or two on the radio. Les grew into the warm-hearted, thoughtful, and loyal man who would later capture his wife's heart.

Les was in his element when teaching and caring for others. He found immense joy in being a pilot and flight instructor. He was driven to educate in almost everything he tackled from flight instructing, selling appliances and properties, substitute teaching, and helping others as an insurance adjuster and quality analyst. If you had the honor of his friendship or kinship, you would be regaled with endless facts of games (both board and video), craft sodas, retro candy, muscle cars, and life in general (much of which was learned through his reading of countless Uncle John's Bathroom Readers). He would tell almost anyone who would listen that he was "the most normal person you'll ever know," and ask them to inform his wife as such, which his friends did with glee as she rolled her eyes.

Humor was a life staple for him. He was always there with a quick joke when needed and was one of the most animated joke tellers you have ever met. When he laughed, the joy he found in humor was palpable as his whole being shook with infectious laughter. This joy is part of what drew his wife to him.

While flying freight and flight instructing, Les would meet many of his life-long friends. Addington Field became his home away from home and the place he would often return to when he was in town visiting his family.

Les leaves behind his devoted wife of 11 years, Roma Bonfitto and their two precious furbabies, Apollo and Sam. Other survivors include his parents Claris Ray and Carolyn Joyce Dixon; brother, Steven (Heather) Dixon; sister Kelli (Cody) Ditto; nieces and nephews Parker Hibbard; Emily and Brady Dixon; Payton, Gabriel, and Liam Ditto; various other extended family and close friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Leon and Nema Dixon; Edward and Elizabeth Stewart, step-grandmother, Maude Stewart.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family invites his friends and family to join them in enjoying tasty food and lots of joy while they recount memories and tell their favorite jokes in celebration his life from 5 to 8 p.m. on August 27, 2022, at Addington Field in Elizabethtown, Ky.

Leslie was laid to rest in a private ceremony at Elizabethtown Memorial Gardens where he continues to be surrounded by family.

The Dixon Family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Home with Leslie's care.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Believers in humble circumstances ought to take pride in their high position. But the rich should take pride in their humiliation—since they will pass away like a wild flower. For the sun rises with scorching heat and withers the plant; its blossom falls and its beauty is destroyed. In the same way, the rich will fade away even while they go about their business.

James 1:9-11 (NIV)

Noblesville's Three Dog Bakery celebrating rescue pups on 'DOGust' 1st

The REPORTER

Three Dog Bakery, 13904 Town Center Blvd., Noblesville, is helping rescue pup owners celebrate their furry family members and support area rescues and shelters with its annual DOGust offerings.

DOGust 1 (or Aug. 1) is nationally recognized as the unofficial birthday celebration for all shelter dogs whose birthdays are unknown. Three Dog Bakery invites dog owners to support area rescues and shelters through the sale of a special bandana offered throughout the month and celebrate their rescue dogs by purchasing the bakery's ever-popular dog-friendly birthday cakes.

Established by the North Shore Animal League America in 2008, DOGust has expanded over the years with shelters, pet owners and animal lovers celebrating rescue pups and bringing more awareness to rescue adoptions. Three Dog Bakery will donate proceeds from sales of a specialty bandana available throughout August to rescues and shelters in the

communities it serves. They will also donate a large celebration bone cake to their local rescue for a small birthday party.

"Last year, our customers helped raise nearly \$16,000 for their local rescues and shelters by purchasing our DOGust bandana," Three Dog Bakery Marketing Director Ally Homa said. "We're excited to make this DOGust an incredible birthday celebration for the dogs who have been fortunate to find their forever homes and those being graciously cared for at the rescues and shelters in their communities."

In addition to the sale of the bandanas, dog bone cakes and five-inch and seven-inch round cakes are available for pup parents to purchase. The cakes, which can be personalized, come in a variety of colors. Customers can also request grain-free birthday cakes for their best friends. They also carry accessories, toys, party hats and more to round out their celebration offerings.

Visit threedog.com for more information.

Meeting Notices

The Arcadia Town Council will hold a special meeting to discuss the new water tower at 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 1, 2022, at Arcadia Town Hall, 208 W. Main St., Arcadia.

The Sheridan Public Library Board of Trustees will hold its regular monthly meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 8, 2022, at the Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. 1st St., Sheridan.



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— **SHERIDAN** —

Notice of Executive Session
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Police Commission Members: Steve Fisher, Silas DeVaney III, and Steven Leonard
7/29/22, 8/1/22

— WESTFIELD —

PUBLIC NOTICE
Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN>, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions for the purpose of reviewing and acting on the following petitions:
• 2208-VS-23; 16847 Onward Drive, Debra Randall requests a Variance of Development Standard to encroach eight (8) feet into the thirty (30) foot Minimum Rear Yard Setback to accommodate a swimming pool and deck (Article 4.5(E)(1)(a);
• 2208-VS-25; 16234 Montrose Lane; Michael Green requests multiple Variance of Development Standards to modify the Minimum Side Yard Setback (south) from thirty (30) feet to ten (10) feet and to modify Minimum Lot Size and Lot Frontage Standards so that an Accessory Building (detached garage) may be built on an 0.89 acre +/- legal, nonconforming lot in the AG-SF1: Agriculture / Single-family Rural District. (Articles 4.2(C), 4.2(D), and 4.2(E)(2)); and
• 2208-VS-26; 20334 Commerce Park Drive; Amazon Westfield, LLC by Church Church Hittle + Antrim requests multiple Variances of Development Standards to permit outdoor vehicle storage for a period of five (5) years and to modify landscaping and fencing standards on 4.87 acres +/- in the District 3 Commerce Area of the Northpoint PUD. (Ord. 17-51 Section 7.4(A)(3), UDO Articles 6.8(L), and 6.5(C)(5).
Specific details regarding the cases may be obtained from the Westfield Economic and Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3170.
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— ATLANTA —

LEGAL NOTICE
Town of Atlanta
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
The Atlanta Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on 8/11/2022 at 7:00pm in the Atlanta Town Hall, 105 East Main Street Atlanta, IN 46031 in order to hear the following petition:
DOCKET NO. 081122-2
A special exemption concerning Section SC of the Town of Atlanta Zoning Ordinance in order add automotive fuel and diesel sales to the planned construction of a convenience store that is already permitted under the current zoning.
Project Address Parcel ID: 29-02-02-001-001.000-010
Legal Description Attached? No
The petition may be examined at the office of the Atlanta Building Commissioner, 105 East Main Street, Atlanta, Indiana 46031.
Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing or may file written comments concerning the matter to be heard prior to or at the Hearing.
The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary
Petitioner's Name: Indy Holdings LLC
Date: 7/27/2022
7/29/22, 8/1/22

— COUNTY —

HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING NOTICE
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners will meet on Friday, August 12, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. in Conference Room 1A located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. The meeting is to discuss the American Rescue Plan Act and other county business as needed. Meeting may be accessed virtually by dialing 1.219.225.8177 Conference ID 549724310#
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Alliance Fastpitch pleased with Grand Park

By **RICHIE HALL**
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When the leadership of the Alliance Fastpitch came to visit Grand Park last year, they envisioned what it could be when it came to hosting the organization's Championship Series 16U and 18U event.

Now that the vision has become reality, everybody likes what they see.

The Championship Series tournament continues in full swing this week, and Alliance Fastpitch CEO Jami Lobpries said that seeing Grand Park in person has been "incredible."

"We're getting great feedback, especially from college coaches, the ability to be in one location just makes recruiting easier," said Lobpries. Over 250 college coaches are at the tournament, which Lobpries said "shows the caliber of play."

Lobpries also said that having all the fields in one location has also made the management of the operations smoother, an opinion that is shared by David McCorkle, the Alliance Fastpitch events director.

"The ability to put on an event with the size of this complex, with this many fields and putting this many teams, families and the tournament here at Grand Park is unmatched," said

McCorkle.

Lobpries said that the Alliance Fastpitch signed a three-year deal with Grand Park to host tournaments. That was before the Championship Series event began, and the success of this year's event just confirmed it even more. She said it went beyond the facts that "the facilities are first class" and "the people working at the facility have been first class."

"I think our families are enjoying the area, too," said Lobpries. "There's stuff to do here and it's family-friendly. The setup there at Kokomo Stadium was super nice for that opening day event. People were raving about that complex, that stadium and just the ability to give everybody there a really fun night."

"Working with Grand Park and Bullpen Tournaments has been phenomenal," said McCorkle. "Michael Tucker and his crew have been awesome. We're really excited about the future of our partnership and what we can do here at Grand Park."

Coaches and spectators are in agreement. Jazz Jackson Vesely, the program director of Impact Gold from Houston, also had positive things to say about the tournament and Grand Park.

"I think it's probably one of the nicest complexes in the country," said Jack-



Members of the Impact Gold team from Houston gather at the end of an inning during one of the games at the Alliance Fastpitch Championship Series Thursday at Grand Park. The event continues with Elite Eight play starting today.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

son Vesely. "I think that you guys have great people working here. Lots of concession stands, lots of amenities for the fans. Lots of clean restrooms."

Jackson Vesely said she's been to hundreds, if not thousands of complexes around the country.

"Very family-friendly area," said Jackson Vesely. "Everything is really nice and safe. I've felt very welcome."

The tournament begins Elite Eight play today, with a format similar to that of the Women's College World Series. There are three dif-

ferent tiers of play, with Tier 1 being the highest. Lobpries said the excitement level "just keeps picking up more and more because now it's win or go home. These kids, they want to win. The coaches want to win."

Games continue at Grand Park in Westfield and Championship Park in Kokomo through Saturday. The tournament's championship games are set for Sunday, with the Tier 1 championship games at Purdue University's Bittering Stadium and the Tier 2 and Tier 3 championship games at Championship Park.

Latest Howard Bailey Junior Golf Tour results featuring local players

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July 21 – Muncie Elks Club
BOYS 13-15

7. Owen Medley, Noblesville 85.
- BOYS 16-19**
- T2. Matthew Albright, Fishers 76, T8. Ethan Hoagland, Carmel 82, T13. Austin Kent, Westfield 86; Aiden Storms, Fishers 86.

- GIRLS 13-15**
1. Janelle Garcia, Fishers 75, 2. Lilley Ku, Westfield 85, 3. Sophie Roberts, Fishers 89, 4. Bevin Turner, Fishers 91, T5. Sydney Delagrance, Carmel 93; Harper Bryant, Westfield 93, T7. Liv Cook, Westfield 95, 9. Ava Luo, Carmel 116.

- GIRLS 16-19**
2. Ella Bui, Fishers 79.

July 21 – Woodstock Country Club Prep, Indianapolis
BOYS 11-12

2. Dalen Rippy, Noblesville 85, 6. J.T. Kelley, Noblesville 92.
- BOYS 8-10**
2. Gavin Davis, Fishers 37, 4. Luke Moore, Carmel 41, 5. Simeon Reid, Carmel 46, 6. Zephaniah Porter, Westfield 51.

- GIRLS 11-12**
3. Karis Reid, Carmel 85, 4. Georgia Murnan, Carmel 88, 5. Adley Henegar, Noblesville 100.

- GIRLS 8-10**
1. Taylor Ross, Noblesville 39, 4. Cora Henegar, Noblesville 45.

July 22 – Honeywell, Wabash
BOYS 13-15

- T5. Brayden Worthington, Westfield 78, 9. Jaxon Henegar, Noblesville 83, 10. Dillon Walworth, Carmel 84, T16. Brandon Burt, Noblesville 95; Tyler Marucci, Noblesville 95,

20. Brody Williams, Carmel 100.
- BOYS 16-19**
- T6. Jaxon Wiernik, Westfield 85; Max Kaufman, Westfield 85.
- GIRLS 13-15**
- T3. Lilley Ku, Westfield 81, T6. Ellie Henegar, Noblesville 84, T10. Sadie Edwards, Westfield 87, 12. Madelynn Headlee, Carmel 92.

- GIRLS 16-19**
2. Jaylyn Henegar, Noblesville 87.

July 22 – Honeywell Prep, Wabash
BOYS 11-12

- T4. J.T. Kelley, Noblesville 83, 7. Dalen Rippy, Noblesville 87.

- BOYS 9-10**
2. Gavin Davis, Fishers 40.

- GIRLS 11-12**
3. Karis Reid, Carmel 83, 6. Adley Henegar, Noblesville 98.

- GIRLS 9-10**
2. Cora Henegar, Noblesville 54.

July 22 – Sunrise Prep, Madison
GIRLS 11-12

1. Georgia Murnan, Carmel 98.

July 24-25 – Masters Tour Championship, The Trophy Club, Lebanon
MASTERS GIRLS

1. Michaela Headlee, Carmel 70-75=145, 4. Marissa Spreitzer, Fishers 76-77=153, T7. Janelle Garcia, Fishers 80-77=157; Ava Nguyen, Carmel 81-76=157, T14. Addi Kooi, Westfield 80-80=160; Lauren Stewart, Fishers 79-81=160, T19. Jordan Aam, Noblesville 79-83=162; Kelsey Haverluck, Westfield 85-77=162, 25. Kamryn Williams, Carmel

- 81-85=166, 29. Brette Hanavan, Westfield 84-87=171.

MASTERS BOYS

2. Jake Cesare, Westfield 71-71=142, 4. Patrick Michael, Carmel 70-74=144, 5. Camden Kooi, Westfield 74-71=145, T12. Connor Hendrick, Carmel 71-78=149; Samuel Firebaugh, Carmel 72-77=149; Joseph Armfield, Carmel 74-75=149, T18. Tyler Marcinko, Fishers 77-76=153; Will Harvey, Westfield 77-76=153, T22. Vijeet Akala, Fishers 80-74=154; Matthew Shull, Westfield 76-78=154, T27. Mattingly Upchurch, Fishers 79-76=155; Jordan Huxford, Fishers 72-83=155, 35. Ryan Cesare, Westfield 78-80=158, T40. Kent Fujita, Carmel 81-83=164, T42. Clark Schwartz, Westfield 80-86=166, 45. Dillon Walworth, Carmel 86-81=167.

July 27 – Junior Tour Championship, The Players Club, Yorktown
BOYS 13-15

- T6. Mattingly Upchurch, Fishers 78, T11. Jackson Umthum, Noblesville 81; Dillon Walworth, Carmel 81, 14. Jaxon Henegar, Noblesville 83, 15. Tyler Marucci, Noblesville 85, 18. Lucas Brown, Fishers 89.

- BOYS 16-19**
- T4. Cohen Steill, Westfield 77, T10. Ethan Hoagland, Carmel 81; Matthew Albright, Fishers 81, T19. Brennan Decker, Westfield 84.

- GIRLS 13-15**
2. Janelle Garcia, Fishers 75, 3. Josie Kelley, Noblesville 76, 7. Ellie Henegar, Noblesville 87.

- GIRLS 16-19**
1. Jordan Adam, Noblesville 80, 4. Ella Bui, Fishers 86, 6. Jaylyn Henegar, Noblesville 95.

Ultimate's 'sport with no referees' ethos on display at Grand Park

The REPORTER

A unique and defining element of the sport of Ultimate, "Spirit of the Game," places responsibility of fair play solely on the athletes by requiring each player to make their own calls without a neutral official. These principles, uncommon in contemporary competitive sport, will be on display during USA Ultimate Club's Elite-Select Challenge, hosted by Indiana Ultimate Foundation Aug. 20 and 21 at Grand Park Sports Campus in Westfield.

As the sport's highest level of competition, USA Ultimate's Club division represents the pinnacle of elite-level ultimate. Featuring North America's top athletes and teams, the competition structure equally highlights men's, women's and mixed-gender ultimate – a rarity for team sports. All matches are self-officiated and without the use of referees under ultimate's Spirit of the Game ethos.

Elite-Select Challenge is part of the Triple Crown Tour, a high-profile, invitation-only showcase of five tournaments. The Elite-Select Challenge tournament gives 48 teams across three divisions an opportunity to improve national rankings. Premier teams are invited from the bottom half of the previous year's national championship participants (Elite Flight)

and those that narrowly missed out on qualifying for the National Championships (Select Flight), often leading to a shakeup in the national rankings.

The event is open to spectators at no cost. All are welcome to attend and watch the athleticism, beauty and joy of playing the sport of ultimate. [Click here](#) for more details on the event schedule.

About USA Ultimate

USA Ultimate is a member of the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC) and serves as the official national governing body for the sport of ultimate in the United States. Learn more at usaultimate.org/discover-ultimate.

About Indiana Ultimate Foundation

Indiana Ultimate Foundation is the state's USA Ultimate affiliate operating leagues, teams and events for the sport of Ultimate. Visit indianaultimatefoundation.com for more information.

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Brickyard Weekend fans encouraged to take time to plan ahead with IMS.com

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Fans attending Brickyard Weekend at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, which features the NASCAR Cup Series, NASCAR Xfinity Series and NTT INDYCAR SERIES, are encouraged to “Plan Ahead” through [IMS.com/PlanAhead](#), an interactive web page that serves as a home base for fans heading to the track this weekend.

The “Plan Ahead” page features detailed information about the entire fan experience at IMS, including directions, parking, schedule, gate regulations, digital ticket and parking guides, ADA accessibility and much more.

More Fan Information

All Speedway patrons should be aware of the following to ensure a successful day at the track:

Tickets

Tickets for Brickyard Weekend are available for purchase at [IMS.com](#) or by walking up at the gates Friday, July 29-Sunday, July 31.

- **Friday, July 29:** \$20 for General Admission seating to see Pennzoil 150 at the Brickyard practice and qualifying and Gallagher Grand Prix practice and qualifying. Children 15 and under are admitted free with a paying adult.
- **Saturday, July 30:** \$40 for General Admission seating for Pennzoil 150 at the Brickyard and Gallagher Grand Prix in North Vista Wheelchair, Turn 2 Mounds, Hulman South Mounds, Hulman North Mounds, Turn 4 Mounds, South Terrace, South Terrace – East, Tower Terrace (75-79) and Paddock (9-12). Flex seating locations are available in Southwest Vista (1-10), H Stand (1-6) and Northwest Vista (16-20) for \$55 per adult. Children 15 and under are admitted free with a paying adult in General Admission and Flex seating locations. Reserved seats start at \$60.
- **Sunday, July 31:** \$40 for General Admission seating for the Verizon 200 at the Brickyard in North Vista Wheelchair, Turn 2 Mounds, Hulman South Mounds, Hulman North Mounds and Turn 4 Mounds. Flex seating locations are available in Tower Terrace (75-79), Southwest Vista (1-10), H Stand (1-6) and Northwest Vista (16-20) for \$55 per adult. Children 15 and under are admitted free with a paying adult in General Admission and Flex seating locations. Reserved seats start at \$60.

Public Parking

Parking for Brickyard Weekend is available in a variety of locations inside and around the track. Parking can be purchased on-site or in advance. Race fans can visit [IMS.com](#) to purchase available parking passes.

Friday Parking

- Free parking is available in Lot 7 (North 40) and Turn 3 Infield. Race fans must enter through Gate 10 from 30th Street.
- Paid parking is available in Lot 1B, Lot 2, Lot 3G and Main Gate for \$10.

Saturday Parking

- Free parking is available in Lot 7 (North 40). Race fans must enter through Gate 10 from 30th Street.
- Paid parking is available in Lot 1B,



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Lot 2, Lot 3G and Main Gate for \$20, Turn 3 Infield (pre-paid) for \$25, Lot 6A for \$40 and Gate 1 for \$75.

Sunday Parking

- Free parking is available in Lot 7 (North 40). Race fans must enter through Gate 10 from 30th Street.
- Paid parking is available in Lot 1B, Lot 2, Lot 3G and Main Gate for \$20, Turn 3 Infield (pre-paid) for \$25, Lot 6A for \$40 and Gate 1 for \$75.

Pedestrian Gate Entry

Friday

- Public pedestrian gates open: Gate 1, Gate 2, Gate 6S, Gate 7 South, Gate 7 Vehicle, Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A

Saturday

- Public pedestrian gates open: Gate 1, Gate 2, Gate 3, Gate 6S, Gate 6N, Gate 7S, Gate 7 Vehicle, Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A, Gate 11A

Sunday

- Public pedestrian gates open: Gate 1, Gate 2, Gate 3, Gate 6S, Gate 6N, Gate 7S, Gate 7 Vehicle, Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A, Gate 11A

Fans attending IMS for the Brickyard Weekend will pass through magnetometers as part of the gate entry process.

IMS Museum

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum, located inside Gate 2 of Indianapolis Motor Speedway, will be open Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$14 for guests over the age of 62 and \$8 for guests ages 6-15. Children 5 and under and Museum members are free. Race fans can walk to the Museum from within the Speedway’s infield.

After 1 p.m. on Friday, all Museum visitors must possess an event ticket or credential as well as purchase a general admission Museum ticket to enter the Museum. Gate 2 will not be open for parking at the Museum.

Digital Tickets

Digital tickets can be accessed on the IMS App or on a smartphone’s web browser. Fans are encouraged to ensure the brightness on their phone is turned up before approaching the gate for a seamless scanning of their digital ticket. Race fans are also encouraged to visit the [IMS Digital Ticket guide](#) to manage their digital tickets and enhance their at-track experience.

Weekend Street Parking

Parking restrictions in the Town of Speedway will be enforced during Brickyard Weekend. No parking will be allowed on the south and east sides of any street bound by 25th Street on the north, Georgetown Road on the east, Lynhurst Drive on the west and Crawfordsville Road on the south from 6 p.m. Thursday through 8 p.m. Sunday.

Other streets requiring restricted parking are Main Street between 10th and 16th Streets and 16th Street from Main Street to Lynhurst Drive. During race weekend, three-hour parking will be monitored and enforced on both sides of Main Street between 10th Street and 16th Street.

Road Closures

Race fans should be aware of multiple road closures before making their way to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway during Brickyard Weekend. Those include:

- Speedway Police Department will close Georgetown Road to vehicular traffic south of 25th Street one hour before the start of the Gallagher Grand Prix on Saturday, July 30 and one hour before the start of the Verizon 200 at the Brickyard on Sunday, July 31.
- Speedway Police Department will also close 16th Street between Olin Avenue and the roundabout one hour before the start of the Gallagher Grand Prix and the Verizon 200 at the Brickyard. Additionally, 16th Street will not be accessible from Polco Street, as it will be blocked at 10th Street.
- The Indiana Department of Transportation is reconstructing the Interstate 65/ Interstate 70 interchange between the north split and Washington Street in downtown Indianapolis. I-70 eastbound and westbound traffic will be routed around I-465. I-65 northbound and southbound traffic will be routed through the south split, I-70 and I-465. Drivers southbound on I-65 will not be able to enter westbound I-70, and drivers northbound on I-65 will not be able to enter eastbound I-70.

Additional Resources and Information

No coolers larger than 18 inches by 14 inches by 14 inches can be brought into the facility, which will be strictly enforced. Fans will be allowed to bring one cooler and one standard backpack or book bag per person.

Today at the Track

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Keep reading for more information about Pennzoil 150 at the Brickyard practice and Gallagher Grand Prix practice track activity Friday, July 29 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

SCHEDULE (All times local)

- 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Public gates open
- 9:30 to 11 a.m.: Gallagher Grand Prix (NTT INDYCAR SERIES) Practice 1
- 1 to 2:15 p.m.: Gallagher Grand Prix (NTT INDYCAR SERIES) Qualifying
- 3:05 to 3:35 p.m.: Pennzoil 150 at the Brickyard (NASCAR Xfinity Series) Practice 1
- 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.: NTT INDYCAR SERIES Autograph Session
- 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.: Pennzoil 150 at the Brickyard (NASCAR Xfinity Series) Qualifications

TICKETS: General Admission tickets are \$20 for Pennzoil 150 at the Brickyard practice/qualifying and Gallagher Grand Prix practice/qualifying. Children 15 and under are admitted free with paying adult.

PUBLIC GATES OPEN (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.): Gate 1, Gate 2, Gate 4, Gate 6S, Gate 7S, Gate 7, Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A.

PARKING: Free parking is accessible through Gate 10 in Lot 7 (North 40) and Turn 3. Free ADA parking is available in Lot 7 (North 40), Gate 2 and the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum Lot. Free motorcycle parking is located in Gate 2 and the South Carousel Lot. Paid parking is \$10 in Lot 3G, and pre-paid parking is available in Lot 2.

CASHLESS OPERATIONS: All IMS concession stands and merchandise locations are cashless this year. Tap-to-pay phone payments will be accepted, as will credit and debit transactions. Cash-to-Card machines, which convert paper money onto a temporary debit card, will be located throughout the facility. These funds can be spent inside the venue, outside the venue, online or anywhere in the world where Mastercard/Visa debit cards are accepted. Parking and gate locations will accept cash.

Drivers can learn the locations of work zones and highway restrictions by calling INDOT’s TrafficWise at 1-800-261-ROAD (7623) or viewing an online map at [pws.trafficwise.org](#) or visiting [@TrafficWise](#) on Twitter.

For more information regarding access to IMS, visit [IMS.com](#). For additional information, follow on Twitter the Indiana State Police [@IndStatePolice](#), the Speedway Police Department [@SpeedwayPD](#) or listen to radio stations WFNI-FM 107.5/ WFNI-AM 1070 or WIBC-FM 93.1.

The Speedway Police Department can be reached for non-emergency services by dialing 311 on a cell phone. The goal of 311 is to provide an easy-to-remember number for non-emergency services while freeing up 911 lines for timely emergency response.

MLB standings

Thursday's games				Boston 4, Cleveland 2			
Baltimore 3, Tampa Bay 0				Houston 4, Seattle 2			
Miami 7, Cincinnati 6				L.A. Dodgers 13, Colorado 0			
Philadelphia 8, Pittsburgh 7				Late games			
N.Y. Yankees 1, Kansas City 0				Texas at L.A. Angels			
Toronto 5, Detroit 3				Chicago Cubs at San Francisco			

American League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Yankees	67	33	0.670	-
Toronto	55	44	0.556	11.5
Tampa Bay	53	46	0.535	13.5
Baltimore	50	49	0.505	16.5
Boston	50	50	0.500	17.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Minnesota	52	46	0.531	-
Cleveland	50	48	0.510	2.0
Chicago White Sox	49	49	0.500	3.0
Detroit	40	60	0.400	13.0
Kansas City	39	60	0.394	13.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	65	35	0.650	-
Seattle	54	46	0.540	11.0
Texas	43	54	0.443	20.5
L.A. Angels	42	56	0.429	22.0
Oakland	38	63	0.376	27.5

National League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Mets	61	37	0.622	-
Atlanta	59	41	0.590	3.0
Philadelphia	52	47	0.525	9.5
Miami	47	52	0.475	14.5
Washington	34	66	0.340	28.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	55	44	0.556	-
St. Louis	52	47	0.525	3.0
Chicago Cubs	40	57	0.412	14.0
Pittsburgh	40	59	0.404	15.0
Cincinnati	38	60	0.388	16.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
L.A. Dodgers	66	32	0.673	-
San Diego	55	45	0.550	12.0
San Francisco	48	50	0.490	18.0
Arizona	45	53	0.459	21.0
Colorado	45	55	0.450	22.0

WNBA standings

Thursday's games		Washington 87, Dallas 77	
Minnesota 92, Atlanta 85		Late game	
Connecticut 88, Seattle 83		Los Angeles at Phoenix	

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Chicago	21	7	0.750	-
x-Las Vegas	20	8	0.714	1.0
X-Connecticut	20	9	0.690	1.5
Seattle	18	11	0.621	3.5
Washington	18	11	0.621	3.5
Los Angeles	12	15	0.444	8.5
Dallas	12	16	0.429	9.0
Atlanta	12	17	0.414	9.5
Phoenix	12	16	0.429	9.0
New York	10	17	0.370	10.5
Minnesota	11	19	0.367	11.0
Indiana	5	25	0.167	17.0
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