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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Partly sunny.
Tonight: Partly cloudy.



HIGH: 87 LOW: 66

Dave Mundy: Sheridan Schools prepared for community's growth

Topics at State of the Schools included enrollment, safety, facility upgrades

The REPORTER

"I believe that a key to Sheridan Community Schools' success is partnering with this great community."

That's what Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy said as he opened his "State of the Schools" presentation. In the spirit of that partnership, Dr. Mundy held his first community meeting on Tuesday in the Sheridan Elementary School cafeteria.

In Sheridan, a big topic of discussion is always growth, and Dr. Mundy

presented data of current enrollment, comparing it to enrollment over the past 10 years, as well as what is projected by professional demographers. Based on the statistics presented, the demographic studies have been accurate in predicting enrollment. The current SCS enrollment is 1,066, which represents consistency to a slight decline over the past 10 years, while projections indicate slow and

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Photo provided by Sheridan Community Schools
Sheridan Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy thanked those who took time to attend this year's State of Schools address.

Examining my adoption records

As my adoption and reunion story continues, I've changed some names, places, and dates.

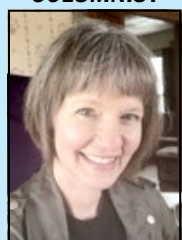
Imagine my excitement two weeks later to come home for lunch and find an envelope in the mailbox from the State of Ohio. I practically flew up our steep stairs to my husband's office to share the news with him. I couldn't bear to open the envelope up alone and was grateful John was home for lunch that day. His eyes widened in surprise at what I held in my hand.

I noticed that the envelope wasn't too bulky and wasn't certain what that meant. Surely it would be bigger if it contained medical records. I sat down across from John and shook as I opened it.

The first thing I saw was my original birth certificate. Of course, I had viewed my other one many times with my mother and father's names on it. But this was the real deal, and nothing was whited out.

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COLUMNIST



AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

Annual Prevail Gala celebrates hope



Reporter photos by Stu Clampitt

Prevail, Inc.'s signature gala, The Celebration of Hope, took place on Aug. 27 at the Renaissance Indianapolis North, 11925 N. Meridian St., Carmel. The sold-out event had 400 guests and raised over \$200,000 for Prevail. The organization, which advocates for victims of crime and abuse, could still use your help. If you want to donate so they can continue to do their work in Hamilton County and beyond, go to prevailinc.org and click on the Donate button. (Above, from left) Capt. Scott Goff, Brittany Winebar, Natasha Robinson, Jocelyn Vare, Jessica Paxson and event speakers Brooklyn and Sabrina were all smiles at the end of the night. See more photos on Page 5 and at ReadTheReporter.com.

Mayor Cook: Westfield will not tolerate violence

The REPORTER

On Thursday, Westfield Mayor Andy Cook released this statement following the attempted murder of a Westfield Street Department employee Monday night.

The arrest of a suspect in the assault and attempted murder of a City of Westfield Street Department employee this week shocked and stunned the citizens of our city.



Cook

Two of our Street Department employees were involved in an unprovoked attack on Monday afternoon when they were assaulted by a male with a handgun who attempted to discharge the weapon at one of our employees. Fortunately, the gun did not fire.

The victim was then pistol whipped before the suspect left the area shouting racial slurs at the two men.

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Watch Us Farm raises funds & spirits



Reporter photos by Stu Clampitt

Dinner at Dusk, the Watch Us Farm fundraising event, took place on Aug. 28 at The Barn at Sixpence near Whitestown. Watch Us Farm employs high-functioning adults with autism, brain injury, and intellectual impairments in a secure and nurturing environment. Learn more at WatchUsFarm.com. (Above, from left) State Representative Donna Schaibley, Watch Us Farm advocate and committee member Lisa Everling, Watch Us Farm Executive Director Janice Agarwal, and Watch Us Farm advocate and committee member Laura Campbell took a moment to pose for The Reporter's camera at the event. See more photos on Page 7 and at ReadTheReporter.com.

Noblesville's The Farmers Bank "Blue Jean Friday" funds benefit county parks

The REPORTER

The Farmers Bank Assistant Vice President and Market Manager Sydney Loomis, on behalf of his Noblesville's banking center's staff, met with Hamilton County Parks and Recreation (HCPR) Deputy Director Bruce Oldham and proudly donated nearly \$500 to HCPR.

The funds were generated through the bank's "Blue Jean Friday" charity fundraising program in which participating The Farmers Bank employees

agree to pay a fee for the privilege of wearing blue jeans at work on select Fridays. Oldham said that the generous "Casual Friday contribution" is greatly appreciated and will be put toward parks maintenance and improvements.

To learn more about HCPR, visit MyHamiltonCountyParks.com, call (317) 770-4400 or follow [Hamilton County Parks on Facebook](https://Facebook.com/HamiltonCountyParks). You can follow The Farmers Bank on Facebook at Facebook.com/thefarmersbank.



Photo provided by Hamilton County Parks & Recreation
HCPR Deputy Director Bruce Oldham (left) thanks Sydney Loomis, The Farmers Bank Assistant Vice President and Market Manager, for his staff's Blue Jean Friday donation.

Carmel Education Foundation looking to scare up support

The REPORTER

The 14th annual Carmel Education Foundation (CEF) Ghosts and Goblins 5k/2k Race will kick off at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22 at Carmel High School.

The race is open to all community members and is especially appealing to families. Participants can choose to run or walk a 5k or 2k timed course, both of which start and finish at Carmel High School. Strollers are welcome and costumes are encouraged.

Early bird pricing is available through Sept. 15. Individual registration (age five and older) is \$20 and Carmel Clay students are \$10. Pre-ordered race shirts are \$10 for short sleeve and \$15 for long sleeve.

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MAYOR COOK

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This incident has left me shaken and angry. This behavior has no place in our society, and it won't be tolerated in this city. Neither will intolerance and racism. The safety of our employees has always been my priority as mayor and an assault on one is an assault on our city.

I'm grateful for our diverse workforce and the women and men who proudly serve our citizens. They deserve our gratitude and respect, not mistreatment.

I'm relieved that the victim of this vicious attack is recovering and will soon return to work. I also commend Westfield Police for making a swift arrest.

As a city and as a society, we must address the difficult questions as to why this type of behavior is spreading across the country. Are we ignoring mental health issues, or are the consequences of criminal actions no longer a sufficient deterrent? Regardless we must find answers and quickly.

For as long as I am mayor, violence and racism will never find safe harbor in our city.

SHERIDAN

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steady growth over the next 10 years, with an estimated a total K-12 increase of 200 students by 2032.

Although there is often talk about potential housing additions in a small community, Mundy shared that there are currently only three developments that are in the town pipeline.

Dr. Mundy explained that another factor in enrollment is transfer students. SCS is one of the two districts in Hamilton County that accepts transfer students from other districts. The data presented showed 159 transfer students from 15 different school districts, with the majority coming from Westfield and Clinton Central. In response to a parent question, Mundy added, "We absolutely enjoy our out-of-district students. They are an integral part of our daily culture, and we look forward to continuing to increase our number of out-of-district students over the next few years."

To be ready for the controlled growth coming to the community, Mundy presented short- and long-term planning for facility upgrades in three phases. Phase 1 has begun with the construction of a fieldhouse that will provide two additional gyms for athletic and classroom use, as well as an upgraded fitness center that will be used for classes and after school. Phase I also includes two additional classrooms for the high school and upgraded concessions and locker rooms for football.

Phases II and III are in the cost estimating phase, as the board and administration with community input is exploring auditorium upgrades, bringing softball and soccer on-site, and other general building upgrades. Long-term planning also includes exploration of the best place for a new school when the time comes to build one.

Mundy explained that a strength of Sheridan has been small class sizes, and he provided data showing that the elementary still has room to keep class sizes relatively small. He also shared that the elementary was designed to expand wings to build capacity at a relatively low cost and maintained the SCS commitment to quality education, which includes small class sizes.

Moving to another topic that is a great concern to parents, Dr. Mundy introduced Dr. Melissa Hampton, High School Assistant Principal and Corporation Safety Director, who shared information about safety updates at Sheridan. She explained that SCS has moved to a four-level safety system that allows it to be consistent with other Hamilton County school districts and first responders. She shared that students and staff will be trained in the A.L.I.C.E. method in response to a violent intruder.


Hampton also said that that through the generosity of the Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs, vape sensors are being installed in high school bathrooms and will likely be added at the middle school in the future.

Other safety activities include a camera audit, re-keying the district, and replacing card readers. The importance of not propping open doors is being stressed to students and staff and signs are posted on doors as a constant reminder. She added that the safety team is reviewing several safety policies, and it will develop a three-year plan for multiple safety initiatives to be implemented at SCS.

Dr. Mundy then addressed the topic of the large number of new teachers this school year. He shared data about the 18 new teachers to the district, as well as data about why teachers have left SCS over the last five years. The data suggests that the departures are for a variety of reasons, ranging from retirement (30 percent) to leaving education (5 percent), and many reasons in between.

"We really are being successful," Mundy said. "For the most part, teachers are not leaving to go to other districts – they have many different reasons. We believe we are staying competitive with our teacher salaries and have a culture where teachers want to teach. That also showed up in the hiring process, and we were very pleased with our pool of outstanding candidates."

Mundy closed on an enthusiastic note, thanking the audience for taking time to attend and noting that there are a lot of great things happening at Sheridan, and expressing his appreciation for the great community support and partnership.




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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GHOSTS & GOBLINS

Prizes will be awarded to age category winners.

Proceeds from the race benefit Carmel Clay students and teachers through the award of CEF Great Idea grants, district wide programs that engage students in hands-on learning experiences, and scholarships for graduating seniors.

Katie Overbeck, Carmel Clay Schools 2022 Teacher of the Year, will kick off the race and will also be a costume judge. WISH-TV Morning Anchor Scott Sander will serve as the event emcee, and entertainment will be provided by WHJE students. Pre- and post-race activities include a costume contest, a vendor fair with plenty of giveaways, and a raffle for local fitness and wellness themed packages. Attendees are encouraged to bring shoes that they have outgrown or no longer need to donate to Souls4Soles, an international organization that turns shoes into opportunities for kids who are experiencing homelessness or living in poverty.

CEF Executive Director Jennifer Penix attributes the

success of this annual race to the teachers, students, and families who have made this event a part of their fall tradition. Each of the 15 Carmel Clay schools' leadership teams and PTOs help promote the race to their families, and every school can receive a \$500 Goblin Grant to promote wellness in their communities.

"This is truly a city-wide event that includes a planning team of CEF board members, community members, and school leaders," Penix said. "With more than 2,500 attendees, we are grateful for the tremendous support we receive from our local community partners who sponsor this event year after year, provide donations, and gather teams to join the race. Please visit our website at GhostsAndGoblinsRun.com to see who our partners are – we cannot do this without them!"

Mark your calendars and register through Sept. 15 to benefit from the early bird registration rates. From Sept. 16 through Oct. 16, registration fees are \$35 for individuals and \$15 for Carmel Clay Schools (CCS)

students. Between Oct. 17 and Oct. 20 fees are \$45 per individual and \$20 for CCS students. Final registration fees on Oct. 21 and 22 are \$60 per individual and \$40 per CCS students. The race will happen rain or shine, and registration fees are non-refundable.

Visit GhostsandGoblinsRun.com for event information, registration, sponsorship, or volunteer links, or contact the Carmel Education Foundation at foundation@ccs.k12.in.us with questions.

About the Carmel Education Foundation

One of the oldest foundations of its kind, the Carmel Education Foundation was created to help Carmel Clay students achieve their full potential. Since 1966, the Foundation has awarded over \$2.1 million in college scholarships to Carmel High School seniors and over \$850,000 in education grants to inspire lifelong learning for Carmel Clay students. The Foundation is governed by a volunteer board of directors who give their time and energy to accelerate the mission by funding grants, awarding more than 80 scholarships annually and expanding resources for Carmel Clay Schools.

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RECORDS

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The name my birth mother had originally given me was the first thing on top – Autumn Sun. I thought it sounded absolutely beautiful. I saw my birth mother's name next – Linda Ann Fitzgerald. The certificate listed her address in Cleveland, Ohio, along with some surprising information such as what month she began prenatal care (second) and when her last period had started.

It was obvious to me that Linda had taken good care of me in the womb and my heart flooded with gratitude. I was disappointed to see nothing under the section for information for my birth father. The next page did have a section showing each of their races, which was "white," and how many years of school they had completed.

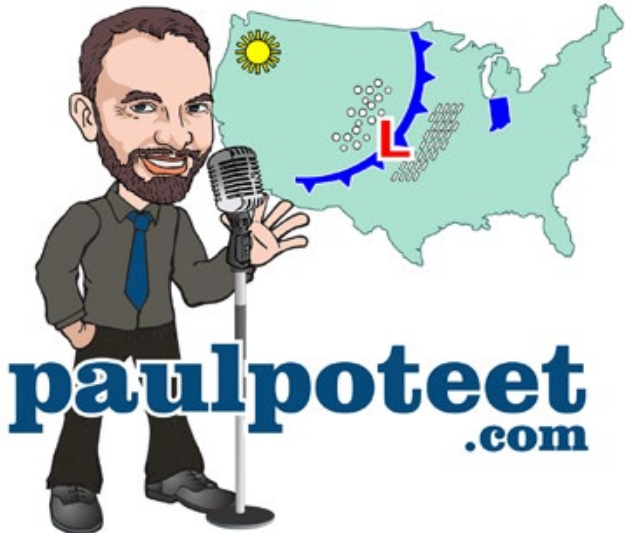
The third page was a triplicate copy of my record of adoption from the Indiana State Board of Health, with my maiden name typed at the top. The next portion had my parents' names, dates of birth, address, and employment information. My eyebrows rose at what I saw in the second section.

Linda's name was listed, along with my birth father's name – Jack Richer.

The Certification of Clerk of Court showed that my adoption was final on March 19 the year after I was born. I thought about what my mother and father must've gone through as they waited six months to be certain I could truly be theirs. That wait must have felt long and agonizing.

The final page was the Ohio Department of Health Division of Vital Statistics Listing Information Concerning Adoptive Parents. This information was used to establish a new birth certificate for me. It showed both my name at birth and my name after adoption. I felt my heart melt seeing my mother's handwriting and then a bit of sadness.

Mom had listed that she had two living children and one child that had been born alive and was now deceased. I thought of Laurie up in Heaven at that moment and wondered if she had been watching over me all these years. She was the other big sister that I never got to meet.



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Photo provided by Phi Beta Psi, Delta Chapter
The Cicero American Legion Riders helped the Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Psi Sorority raise \$4,500 for cancer research.

Phi Beta Psi Sorority & Cicero American Legion Riders: powerful partners in the fight against cancer

The REPORTER
Thirty-six motorcycles dodged the raindrops in support of the sixth annual Motorcycle Run co-sponsored by the Cicero American Legion Riders from Chapter 341 and the Delta Chapter (Arcadia/Cicero) of Phi Beta Psi Sorority.

Phi Beta Psi's national project is giving yearly grants to physicians and scientists who are diligently working on research to fight cancer.

The run kicked off with a breakfast at the Cicero American Legion. The ride included stops at Pendleton American Legion, Fortville American Legion, and Noblesville American Legion before returning to Cicero for raffles of numerous donated items, one \$100 gift card and two \$100 bills. The heartwarming generosity of everyone involved in the event generated \$4,500.



Photo provided by Phi Beta Psi, Delta Chapter
No fundraiser is complete without a great buffet!

Delta Chapter members say they have been incredibly blessed to be able to partner with the Cicero American Legion Riders. They are an awesome group who have generous hearts of service and love for God, country and others as they selflessly support veterans, the community, children and fundraising projects with their time, donations and financial support.

Delta Chapter thanks these donors for their generosity: First Farmers Bank

(Cicero), The Farmers Bank (Noblesville), Port Cicero, Cicero Market, 10 West, Edward Jones Investments/Amanda Sylvester (Elwood), Dark Side Roasters, Big Dog Smokehouse BBQ, Cicero Barrel Company, Robinson Appliance Service (Cicero), Titus Bakery (Westfield), Dean's Auto Parts (Cicero) Alexanders (Cicero), Pizza House (Cicero), Harley Davidson (Kokomo), and Atomic Johnny's (Alabama).

From the desk of Hamilton Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood

Update No. 90
I want to thank you for your support and preparation which led to an outstanding start to the 2022-23 school year. Our educators and staff have been spending time developing relationships and laying the groundwork to engage, motivate, and help students on their learning journey throughout the year ahead.

We continue to build upon our successes through our outstanding educators and staff, involved community, strong partnerships, and extremely effective school board. In fact, behind every successful school district is a visionary and effective school board committed to positive educational outcomes.

Elected by district residents, our school board is uniquely poised to assess academic performance, establish a vision for progress, collaborate on strategies for goal attainment, and maintain a clear commitment to the staffing and developmental requirements needed for success. They are in tune to the needs of the school community, support the district and school administrators,

and implement meaningful policies.

During my tenure as superintendent, the collaborative efforts of our past and current school board members have made real and profound

changes throughout our campus in curriculum, amenities, learning environments, and opportunities that have enhanced the overall student experience resulting in greater student achievement. I am deeply grateful to Dr. Kevin Cavanaugh, Arnett Cooper, Julie Davis, Doug Ozolins, and Gretchen Pennington for their service and stewardship of our school district. Together they bring unwavering leadership, advocacy, and benefit to Heights. Learn more about our five-member board along with dates, times, and locations of our board meetings in the year ahead [here](#).

In other reminders, the HHHS Honor Society will host their first Blood Drive of the school year from 3 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 7. Register to schedule your time to make a life-saving difference [here](#).

Back to School Night at HHMS is set for 6 to 8 p.m.

on Thursday, Sept. 15. Hamilton Heights' annual Homecoming Parade launches from the high school parking lot at 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 16. The Huskies match up against the Tipton Blue Devils later that night. Halftime festivities include the introduction of the Homecoming Court and crowning of this year's king and queen. The HHHS Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony begins at noon on Saturday, Sept. 17 at the high school gymnasium.

Hamilton Heights Alumni Association All-Schools Reunion Open House is set for 2 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 17 at the Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center.

Plan to enjoy exciting football action at this Friday's season opener on our newly renovated artificial turf field. The Huskies welcome the Rensselaer Central Bombers. Bonus! Our middle and high school bands will be recognized.

I want to give a shout out to our educators, staff, and volunteers whose positive contributions at Hamilton Heights is noticed and appreciated. Celebrate those efforts through a relaxing and enjoyable Labor Day holiday! See you back on campus on Tuesday, Sept. 6!

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Community goes all out for Prevail



Reporter photos by Stu Clampitt

Hope was celebrated in style last Saturday at the Renaissance Indianapolis North, 11925 N. Meridian St., Carmel, during Prevail's annual signature gala. Cocktail hour before dinner featured a silent auction and plenty of smiles like those seen on the faces of (above left) Nickel Plate Express Executive Director Emily Reynolds, Nickel Plate Express board member and Hamilton County Republican Women Treasurer Lisa Everling, and Carmel City Council member Laura Campbell. The dinner and live auction were a huge success to a sold-out room. Some notable attendees include Tom Wood Volkswagen Noblesville's Mike Bragg (above right), whose whole table posed for The Reporter's camera after the auction; (below middle) Indiana House District 32 Republican candidate Fred Glynn, Duke Energy Government & Community Relations Manager Mark LaBarr, and (below right) Indiana State Treasurer Republican candidate Daniel Elliott. Prevail asked us to thank some of their major sponsors, including Gaylor Electric, Presenting Sponsor Hare Chevrolet, Partner Sponsor Biddle Memorial Foundation, Sloderbeck Heating & Cooling, Andy & Amber Freiburger, and Frank & Charlotte Pichler.



Reporter photos by Stu Clampitt

(Above left, from left) Fishers City Council member and Indiana Senate District 31 Democratic candidate Jocelyn Vare, Prevail, Inc. Executive Director Mindy Konrath, and Hamilton County Deputy Prosecutor Jessica Paxson. (Above right) Friends of The Reporter and Prevail, Inc. Emily Reynolds, Lisa Everling, Laura Campbell, Hamilton County Superior No. 4 Judge Rick Campbell, and Dr. Ray Baumgartner.



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Oak Trace students headed for stars with fundraiser launch



Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools
It's fundraising time and Oak Trace Elementary School in Westfield has kicked off its Walk-A-Thon in interstellar fashion. Administrators addressed the school in inflatable astronaut costumes to mark the launch of their fundraiser. Every school has a fundraiser, and all the money goes toward providing all Rocks with a great learning environment. Be on the lookout for ways you can help support a specific school or donate to the district as a whole.

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Debunking the spending myth in Carmel

When the words “spending” and “Carmel” are used in the same sentence, it is often in the context of someone trying to criticize the city and use scare tactics about how the sky is falling.

However, there’s a different kind of spending that is happening in Carmel more frequently than those self-proclaimed pundits would like to admit – private entities who are investing their dollars within our city limits instead of anywhere else in the world. Why? And why is that a good thing?

It’s not uncommon to see a local TV station report on a \$25 million investment by a private company coming to Indianapolis. Yet in Carmel,

\$200 million in private investment is just another routine series of major economic announcements. Why do companies like GEICO, Allied Solutions, Republic or any of the other 118 corporate entities now in Carmel want to invest their money here?

It’s because Carmel has invested in itself. When looking to move or build a corporate headquarters, almost every company emphasizes the ability to attract and retain employees as a primary objective. Over the last 20 years, Carmel has prioritized enhanced amenities that do just that. Roundabouts, cultural attractions, streetscapes, public spaces, free parking, and

access to nightlife are the kinds of things companies searching for a new location are looking for. Add in great schools, a safe community, and low taxes (we’ll get to that in a minute), and you get a winning recipe for success – one that leaders from across Indiana and throughout the country have been trying to replicate.

But why does this private investment matter? LOW TAXES! In Indiana, commercial property taxes are capped at 3 percent of assessed value, three times that of residential property taxes. When you figure that a typical retail strip mall might generate \$120,000 in annual tax revenue but a corporate headquarters on the same piece of land can easily generate \$400,000 in tax revenue, it’s obvious to see how attracting private in-

vestment positively impacts the tax owed by residential property owners. The extra dollars go to support police, fire, parks, streets, etc., all while ensuring residential taxes in Carmel are the fifth-lowest in Indiana. This doesn’t even take into account the increased income and sales taxes that come along with the jobs filling the corporate HQs.

In Carmel, the investments the city has made have paid off time and time again as private companies have invested their money into our community. The result is a world-class city with quality amenities and low taxes for our residents.

Spending in Carmel isn’t a problem; it’s the reason for our success.

Jeff Worrell is one of three At-Large members on the Carmel City Council.



JEFF WORRELL
Carmel Cents

Labor unions endorse State Sen. Kyle Walker

The REPORTER

The Indiana State AFL-CIO and the Indiana State Pipe Trades Association (ISPTA) on Thursday announced their endorsements of State Senator Kyle

Walker in his re-election campaign for Senate District 31. Walker’s district encompasses parts of Hamilton and Marion counties, including all of Fishers and part of Lawrence.

In its endorsement, the Indiana State AFL-CIO thanked Walker for his strong commitment to working families. The Indiana State AFL-CIO is a federation of more than 400 local unions representing nearly 300,000 working Hoosiers.

“Senator Walker has been a champion for working families in his district and across the state,” said Brett Voorhies, President of the Indiana State AFL-CIO. “We thank him for his efforts to bolster our economy as well as his support for issues including workplace safety, retirement security and efforts to buy and build in Indiana.”

Walker also received the endorsement of the Indiana State Pipe Trades Association (ISPTA), a 100-year-old organization representing pipefitters, plumbers, welders and HVAC tech Locals across Indiana.

“State Senator Kyle Walker earned the support of the Indiana State Pipe Trades Association because



Walker

he’s proven to be a leader who listens and who will stand up for the hard-working men and women who do quality work to build the backbone of our economy,” ISPTA Executive Director Darrek Davis said. “We believe our members and all Hoosiers can count on Senator Kyle Walker to be an advocate for good-paying jobs, training and skills development, excellent affordable healthcare and a strong quality of life.”

“I’m proud to be endorsed by the Indiana State AFL-CIO and the Indiana State Pipe Trades Association,” Walker said. “These organizations do important work to support hardworking Hoosiers. In the Senate, I will continue to fight for working families and policies that grow our economy and good-paying jobs.”

Walker has also been endorsed by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce.

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Get ready for Heights home game chili cook-off for FFA

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights FFA Boosters will hold its inaugural chili cook-off fundraiser before the Hamilton Heights vs. Tipton home football game on Sept. 30.

The fun begins at 5:45 p.m. near the ticket stand at the football field gate at the high school.

Bowls of chili with all

the fixings will be served for \$5, but folks can also try a sample of each chili entry, then add donations to the buckets for their favorites – which is how the winner will be chosen.

For more information, including how to enter your chili into the competition, check out the [event page on Facebook](#).

Growing success & community support

Watch Us Farm relies on year-round corporate, foundation, and private support to provide adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities the opportunity to learn, work, and thrive in a jobs program on a farm. Learn more at WatchUsFarm.com. (Reporter photos by Stu Clampitt)



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Carmel fifth graders head to JA BizTown for next three years thanks to Carmel Ed. Foundation

The REPORTER

For the next three years, Carmel Education Foundation (CEF) will partner with Junior Achievement (JA) of Central Indiana to send all Carmel Clay Schools (CCS) fifth-grade students to JA BizTown through the newly announced ACHIEVE initiative. Previously, the financial obligation was absorbed by either the school, parent teacher organizations or families, hence only half of the 11 elementary schools in the district participated. Now, every fifth grader will have equal access to this unique learning opportunity.

In the JA BizTown simulated city, there are 15 businesses that represent all aspects of free enterprise, including governance, banking, health, utilities, industry, entertainment, and more. While there, students get to be “an adult for a day,” including learning how to balance their income with necessary expenditures such as taxes and purchases, how to work together as a community, and the functions of business.

Over the next three years, the ACHIEVE initiative will also support sending eighth-grade students to JA JobSpark, a hands-on career exploration fair that allows students to learn what skills are needed for jobs that are available in today’s world, especially those that are in demand in Indiana. Additionally, high school students will have the opportunity to engage in a JA 4E Fair, which highlights post-secondary options, including education, employment, enlistment, and entrepreneurship.

“This is why we are here,” CEF President Dallas Shelby said. “To connect our students with opportunities from our community so that everyone benefits and we go further together.”

CEF Executive Director Jennifer Penix worked closely with Dr CCS Assistant Superintendent Amy Dudley and Junior Achievement President and CEO Jennifer Burk to create the ACHIEVE initiative, which is possible because of the success of CEF’s Ghosts and Goblins 5k/2k race in October and the Taste of Carmel in March, as well as investment from community partners in support of expanding the impact of CEF to engage more students.

“Being able to integrate Junior Achievement curriculum that meets our state standards in multiple areas is an essential part of this endeavor,” Dr. Dudley said. “Most importantly, providing the opportunity for more than 1,500 students to be fully engaged in both JA BizTown and JA JobSpark in 2022-2023 elevates the learning opportunities for our students, further preparing them for their own future success. We appreciate that the foundation has been instrumental in this partnership.”

Every six years, CCS examines curriculum in particular disciplines. Much of the JA curriculum that will be included in the classroom relates to social studies for elementary and middle school grades, and business and social studies in the high school, all of which have recently been or are currently in their respective evaluation phases, hence the timing is perfect for implementation.

“Creating this opportunity for Carmel Clay students to engage with Junior Achievement in elementary, middle, and high school allows them to experience the full continuum of the rich history of success of JA programs,” Burk said. “We aim to inspire each individual to find a career path that best aligns with their skills and interests and we know that these young people are the future of our cities, state, and nation. We are thrilled to work together with the leaders of Carmel Clay Schools and Carmel Education Foundation.”

CEF welcomes community businesses who want to be part of the ACHIEVE initiative, either through financial investment, or by supporting schools with volunteers. Please contact CEF Executive Director Jennifer Penix for more information at jpenix1@ccs.k12.in.us.

Bier Brewery announces new expansion into Noblesville

The REPORTER

Bier Brewery has been working with the City of Noblesville to open a new 6,000 square-foot taproom at 1618 S. 10th St. Located on four acres of property, the new family-friendly establishment will serve BIER, wine, cider, cold brew coffee, wine slushies and food.

The plan includes a dog park, kids’ playground, covered outdoor seating, a private room, and a large outdoor green space with bike access to the Allisonville Road Trail. It will have a focus on working with the community, local farmers and sustainable environmental practices throughout the operation. The space also will be welcoming as a coworking office space with plenty of room to accommodate staff, guests and families.

“Bier Brewery is known for its quality and taste, and I know their commitment to excellence will make them a success in Noblesville,” Mayor Chris Jensen said. “Our administration has invested heavily into our city’s gateways, including a new trail and road improvements along the South Tenth Street corridor. I’m excited for our residents to have Bier Brewery as a new dining and recreation option in this area of the community.”

This will be the third and largest location for Bier Brewery, which also has taprooms at 5133 E. 65th St., Indianapolis, and 13720 N. Meridian St., Carmel. This is a multi-million-dollar investment for Bier Brewery to complete the project.

“We are very excited to be adding our third location in Noblesville,” said Ryan Connor, Director of Sales and Distribution for Bier Brewery. “The City of Noblesville has been a great partner and very welcoming to our ideas and goals. We are anxious to get started as soon as we tie up loose ends.”

Bier is a local family-owned and operated brewery that opened in 2010. The operation started out small by Jerry (father) and Darren Connor (son) as a small-scale nano brewery. It has since evolved to include Darren’s siblings, Ryan Connor and Leah Keene, and expanded in 2015 to a 20-barrel system in order to keep pace with growing demand for its product, which now consists of more than 130 beer selections. It opened the 4,300 square-foot, all-ages taproom location with food service in Carmel in 2018.

With a steadfast focus on crafting quality brews, Bier Brewery is a perennial award-winner in statewide and national craft beer competitions. Bier Brewery was awarded the Indiana Brewers Cup Champion award in both 2011 and 2012, and has garnered over 110 medals at state, national, and international competitions.

Bier Brewery has been involved with the Noblesville Chamber of Commerce as a Taste of Business vendor and featured in their Birdies & Brews Golf Outing fundraiser along with numerous other fundraisers in the Noblesville area. The taproom also plans to host community organizations and local musicians on their outdoor patio. The new taproom is expected to open in summer 2023.





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Harvest Fest returns to Fishers for 3rd year

Fishers Arts Council & Sun King Brewing to sponsor family-friendly event full of artists, authors, music, food

The REPORTER

Fishers Arts Council and Sun King Brewery will sponsor the third annual Harvest Fest on from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 11 at the Ambassador House and Fishers Heritage Park at White River, 10595 Eller Road, Fishers. This year's family-friendly event features over 50 artists and artisans, more than 10 local authors, eight non-profits, three bands, and plenty of food and drink for all.

This free, family-friendly festival began in 2020. In three short years, it has grown to focus on fundraising for several Fishers-serv-



ing non-profits, shopping directly from local artists, and showcasing Fishers musicians. This year's non-profits include Fishers Parks Foundation, Fishers Police Corps, Fishers Historical Society, Gal's Guide Library, Studio Outside the Box, Janus Developmental Services, Knights of Columbus Council 2963,

and Fishers Arts Council. Each organization will offer something different to raise money, including art activities, raffles, food, and more. The featured bands will be Sweet Tunes, Typical Summer, and Matt & Aly Acoustic Duo.

Fishers Arts Council (FAC) will have an art activity (courtesy of a grant from

the Penrod Society) led by FAC board president Laura Villanyi, and Studio Outside the Box will have a personalized button-making activity. Both Studio Outside the Box and Janus Developmental Services will offer art creations made by those who use their services.

Bring your appetite and grab lunch (or an early din-



Photo provided

The fine artist Walt Thacker is only one of more than 50 local artists who will be at this year's Harvest Fest.

ner) from the Fishers Police Corps and Knights of Columbus. Additional food trucks will be available, including Kona Ice and Triple Play Catering & BBQ of Fishers.

Fishers Parks Foundation will offer face painting and Gal's Guide Library will have fun book-based items, and, of course, library cards.

The Ambassador House will be open, courtesy of the Fishers Parks Department and The Fishers Historical Society. The historical society has created a self-guided audio tour (and print version), so bring your smart phone to follow along as you tour the Ambassador House at Fishers Heritage Park at White River.

"I am beyond thrilled with how much Harvest Fest has grown since 2020," FAC Executive Director Les Reinhardt said. "Working with the Fishers Parks Foundation and Fishers Parks, especially Lisa Knowles and Sarah Sandquist, has made the process of managing this event so enjoyable. Also, welcoming Sun King Brewing as a sponsor has helped immensely. We are truly thankful for how our community comes together to make this event possible, and we are proud to be able to offer a fundraising opportunity for Fishers-serving non-profits in a fun, art fair atmosphere."

Ben Shine, Community Development Director of Sun King Brewing, has worked with FAC in the past during Fishers Arts Crawl events.

"We were more than happy to help out this year, as we love supporting local artists and the Fishers Arts Council," Shine said. "Our Fishers Small-Batch Brewery, located alongside the Fishers Test Kitchen in the Fishers District, includes gallery space displaying Hamilton County artists."

Shine even extended the sponsorship to the Arts Council's "Second Friday" art gallery receptions.

"Our patrons have enjoyed the local brews from Sun King during our monthly receptions; we're thankful for our renewed relationship, thanks to Ben." Reinhardt said. "After our successful author's table at Art on the Prairie this past June, we wanted to bring authors with us to Harvest Fest. This time we'll be featuring an Author's Booth

— and many of the authors will be there to talk about their books and sign them for you! We're so excited to expand this opportunity for local authors in Indiana."

Over 50 local artists and artisans will join Harvest Fest this year. There's a variety of items ranging from fine art to jewelry to toys to personal care, all skillfully handmade right here in central Indiana. Bring the kids, bring your appetite, and bring a wagon to take these treasures home with you.

Participating artists & artisans

• **Fine Art:** Zakia Abid, Brad Baker, Ingrid Blount, Aimee Bruno, Regina Bunting, Nancy Chase, Gregory Fesko, Jacob Hernandez, Nyla Kerstiens, Krystal Mobley, Julie Moreno, Ranj Puthran, Mark Rouse, Maria Schechter, Christina Sprowl, Cristina Tanaskovich, Walt Thacker, Amanda Thompson, Hanna Delight Weaver

• **Jewelry:** Susan Abdelsalam, Ingrid Blount, Christy Brocken, Joni Clark, Shawna Disbrow, Tracy Gordon, Seronia Harris Everett, Krystal Highbaugh, Katy Jamison, Beverly Jerabek, Ashley Kilgore, Candace Lander, Valencia Montgomery, Widya Ukkas

• **Ceramics/Pottery:** Deb Beam, Olivia Harris, Morgan Kerberg, Tina Mangos, Deanna Poelsma, Catherine Schlebecker, Nick Wilson

• **Woodworks:** Chris & Tanya Hays, Jack Looper, Sana Mulla, Anita Strauss, Anna Villanyi

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• **Accessories:** Whitney Bennett

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• **Soaps & Personal Care:** Vicki Nelson, Angela Rosenau, Kesha Stallings

Fishers Heritage Park at White River is located near the intersection of 106th Street and Eller Road in Fishers. A banner for the event will be placed near the entrance road to the park. Parking is available in front of the Ambassador House (located along the same entrance road) as well as at the park itself. This is a public park and dogs are welcome if they are on a leash and picked up after.

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Be safe when sharing back-to-school photos of your kids

The REPORTER

With the school year once again in full swing, social media is full of adorable back-to-school photos. Often, these pictures feature a child holding a "first day of school" sign with basic information, such as their name and grade.

But before you jump on the trend and snap a similar picture of your little one, read these tips and be cautious about what you share.

Back-to-school photo tips

• Avoid sharing personal details about your child. Back-to-school photos often involve kids holding a board with their full name, age, height, and other details. Scammers or predators could use this information to commit identity theft or earn your child's trust.

• Leave off information about kids' schools. Even sharing the name of your child's school, teacher, or grade level could make them a target for unscrupulous people. Not to mention, these details are often used as security questions

for banking or credit card accounts.

• Double check your privacy settings. Review your social media account's privacy settings regularly. Be mindful of whom can view your posts. You may want to remove personal information from your account that others can see, such as your telephone number or address.

• Watch out for phony friend requests. Don't accept friend requests from strangers. Also, think twice before you accept a friend request from someone you are already connected with. It could be an impostor trying to access your information and friends list.

For more information

See BBB's article on sharing senior photos on Facebook, this scam alert about Facebook quizzes, and sharing your COVID-19 vaccine card on social media.

[Click here](#) to check out BBB's new page dedicated to scams on social media.

For more tips for staying safe online, read [BBB's tips on staying cyber secure](#).

Westfield's own Ben Braun selected for Stanley K. Lacy Executive Leadership Series

The REPORTER

American Structurepoint Executive Vice President and Partner Ben Braun is among 25 central Indiana leaders selected to participate in the Stanley K. Lacy (SKL) Executive Leadership Series. This highly competitive program seeks to grow the ranks of emerging community leaders by encouraging them to help address communitywide issues in central Indiana.

Braun will join the SKL program's 46th class. Participants meet monthly from September to June with local leaders, professional experts, and community decision makers to learn more about community issues. Class members are chosen for their:

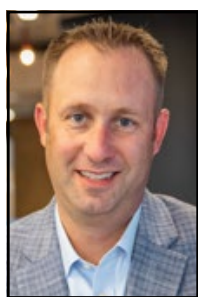
- Significant community involvement and

professional achievements.

- Record of achievement and participation in voluntary community activities.

- Willingness to expand their leadership role in the community.

Braun joined American Structurepoint upon graduating from Purdue University in 2001. He has held several roles in his 21 years with the company, including inspector, engineer, and the company's first recruiting manager. In August 2014, he was promoted to the vice president of corporate affairs, became a partner in 2017, and was promoted to executive vice president in 2020. He is responsible for companywide recruit-



Braun

ment, human resources, and special projects to increase the company's growth.

Braun is also the executive champion and board member of American Structurepoint's award-winning Give Back community service program. In 2021, the program distributed nearly \$150,000 to nonprofit organizations in the communities the company serves.

Braun's community service beyond American Structurepoint includes 12 years of volunteering in leadership roles at St. Mary's Early Childhood Center in Indianapolis, including serving as president of the Board of Directors in 2017 and 2018.

He currently leads the program committee and continues to serve on the executive committee. St. Mary's offers high-quality preschool programs for children living in poverty and provides professional training for educators.

In 2014, Braun founded and became the leader of the All Pro Dads Chapter at Oak Trace Elementary in Westfield where his children attend school. He led this program through August 2022. Each chapter encourages fathers to become more involved in their children's lives and be strong role models.

"It is a true honor to be selected for the Stanley K. Lacy program," Braun said. "I look forward to joining my classmates in exploring ways to build on initiatives to advance Central Indiana."

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow. It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.

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AG Todd Rokita responds to ACLU & Planned Parenthood abortion ban lawsuit

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita issued this statement on Thursday regarding the actions his office will take in defending *Senate Bill 1* in the new lawsuit.

"The Left can't stand a culture of life, along with all the progress and protec-

tions secured by the pro-life movement. Hoosiers respect and value all lives, including the lives of the unborn. The ACLU and Planned Parenthood push back every time there is a win for liberty, and my office will not back down in the fight to protect our future generations. The Indi-

ana Constitution says nothing about securing the right to abortion, which the state outlawed before, during, and after the time of constitutional adoption. The text, history, and structure of our Constitution excludes any serious argument that abortion is a fundamental right in our state."



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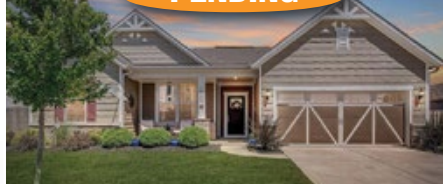
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(Above left) Ellen Roberts hit 11 kills for the Tigers during their four-set win at Noblesville on Thursday. (Above right) Gabby Weihe had seven kills and four blocks for the Millers. [Click here](#) to see more match images.

Tigers prevail over Millers in hard-fought four sets

By **RICHIE HALL**
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NOBLESVILLE – Thursday night’s Hoosier Crossroads Conference volleyball match between Fishers and Noblesville at The Mill was about as close as a four-set match could get. Both teams fought to the very end, but it was the Tigers that prevailed, 25-21, 15-25, 25-23, 25-22. It was an exciting match, with several big hits and aces, amazing plays and the intensity was sustained throughout

the entire night. Fishers won a close first set, but the Millers were able to take control in the second set and steadily increase their lead. Ava Harris had several kills, including a net tip that won the set. The third set was the closest of the entire match. Noblesville again led early, going up by as much as 17-13. But the Tigers made a four-point run to the match at 17-17; Leslie Groff hit a kill, Ava Tester served an ace, Margo Hernandez put down a kill, then Tester tied

the set with another ace. The Millers jumped out to a 22-19 lead before Fishers won six of the next seven points to take the set. “Noblesville, heck of a team,” said Fishers coach Steven Peek. “I thought they were phenomenal and really consistent and we were really not, but we really found a way to do the things that we are exceptional at, at the right times.” In the fourth set, Fishers blasted out to a 9-3 lead, which included kills from Hernandez and Groff, an

ace by Adi Amirrezvari and a Roberts block. But the Millers stormed back to tie the set at 9-9. Harris served three straight aces and Aubrey Stitcher hit a kill. The back and forth continued again all through the set. Fishers led 22-20 before Noblesville tied it up with a Harris kill and ace. But the Tigers took the next three points for the match, with Roberts hitting a kill and Ava Vickers serving an ace on match point. “We fought,” said Peek. “We’ve been talking a lot

about fighting no matter what, being tenacious. We absolutely did that from start to finish, which I love to see.” Vickers hit 14 kills and made six blocks, with Roberts getting 11 kills and Lucy Kay putting down 10. Hernandez dished out 41 assists and also had eight digs. Amirrezvari led the defense with 17 digs and also served four aces. Brynn Zastrow collected eight digs and Groff hit four aces. Harris led Noblesville’s offense with nine kills and five aces, and also got 13 digs. Madison Brown handed out 27 assists and served four aces. Gabby Weihe added seven kills and four

blocks while Reese Resmer hit six kills. Ava Rundle had 23 digs. “I think that they fought the whole, entire time,” said Noblesville coach Annie Poulson. “They never gave up. They fought continuously.” Poulson said that it was a “step up” for the Millers team. “I think it’s given us some confidence and we’re prepared to see them later,” she said. Fishers is 2-0 in HCC play and 5-3 overall, and plays Saturday at a tournament in Providence. The Millers are 0-2 in the conference and 8-2 overall, and play Tuesday at McCutcheon.

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This week's Hamilton County games

The REPORTER

Week 3 of the Indiana high school football season will see the start of conference action for many leagues, including the Hoosier Crossroads Conference. The HCC openers include the season's first all-county game. Noblesville travels to the Fishers stadium tonight for a 7 p.m. kickoff. It will be a matchup between two teams with 2-0 records and that are receiving votes in the Indiana Football Coaches Association's Class 6A poll.

The Millers are already getting solid production out of junior running back Logan Shoffner, who has run for 311 yards and three touchdowns in his first two games. Two more juniors, Gage Gulley and Blake Widget, have rushed for 195 and 131 yards respectively.

Gulley also has three touchdowns on the season, with Widget scoring twice. Juniors Austin Hastings and Gavin Kinyon lead the defense with 23 tackles each.

Tigers coach Curt Funk said Noblesville "plays with great effort" and is "very fundamentally sound in all three phases of the game." "They will present us with a lot of challenges with their size and physical style of football."

"We are excited to start HCC play and compete," said Funk. "We know every week is going to be a challenge."

Fishers senior quarterback Lucas Minns has completed 13-of-24 passes so far for 278 yards and a pair of touchdowns, while junior Khobie Martin is the top rusher, with 173 yards and three scores. Senior Aidan Zimmer has six receptions. Senior Grady Stanley and junior Kaleb Sweeney both



Kirk Green/File photo
Fishers' JonAnthony Hall got the Tigers on the board last week with a 35-yard touchdown reception with 10 seconds left in the first half.

have 11 tackles on defense. "Fishers is very fast on both sides of the ball," said Millers coach Dave Sharpe. The coach said "it's just amazing how explosive Khobie Martin and Carson Dunn are." Sharpe also noted the experience of Minns, who he said has "been able to spread the ball to their fine receivers as well."

As for the defense, Sharpe said "they play incredibly hard. They all have high motors and they just fly to the ball."

"We have much respect for Coach Funk and Fishers football because they play so hard and we hope to match their intensity Friday," said Sharpe.

OTHER GAMES AT A GLANCE

- Carmel will welcome Cass Tech from Detroit on Friday for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

Both teams are looking for their first win of the season. The Technicians are 0-1, having lost to Southfield Arts and Technical 56-54 last week, while the 6A No. 6 Greyhounds dropped a close Copper Kettle game at Center Grove, 31-27.

- Guerin Catholic will take on Heritage Christian

at 7 p.m. in a game at the Eagles' Nest.

Both teams are 2-0 to start the season. Heritage, ranked No. 8 in 2A, opened with a 55-20 win against Traders Point Christian, then won at Shenandoah 52-33. The 3A No. 5 Golden Eagles got big wins over McCutcheon 45-21 and at Lafayette Central Catholic 47-10 in last week's Bishop's Cup game.

- Hamilton Southeastern goes on the road to open HCC play, traveling to Avon for a 7 p.m. game.

The Orioles are off to an 0-2 start, falling at Lawrence North 32-25 then dropping a 44-13 Week 2 contest to Ben Davis. Meanwhile, the 6A No. 5 Royals are 2-0, with wins at Lawrence Central 12-7 and North Central 45-14.

- Sheridan hosts Tri-Central tonight in a 7 p.m. Hoosier Heartland Conference game.

This is the conference opener for the Trojans, who are 1-1 so far this season. Tri-Central fell to Madison-Grant 48-7, then rebounded to beat Wes-Del 34-0. The Blackhawks, who are receiving votes in the 1A poll, are also 1-1, dropping



Kent Graham/File photo
Noblesville's Gavin Kinyon is one of the Millers' defensive leaders early in the season, with 23 tackles over the first two games.

ping their opener to Western Boone 35-12 before beating Clinton Central 47-0 in their HHC opener.

- Westfield plays at Riverview Health Stadium tonight, taking on Zionsville in a 7 p.m. HCC contest.

The Eagles, back in 6A after a one-year stop in 5A, are 2-0 for the season. Zionsville beat Pike 31-24, then defeated Boone County rival Lebanon 42-6. The Shamrocks are 1-1, falling to New Palestine 42-28 in their opener before beating Lawrence Central 42-27. Both teams are receiving votes in the 6A poll.

Tonight's Football Games

Detroit Cass Tech at Carmel, 7 p.m.

Heritage Christian at Guerin Catholic, 7 p.m.

Noblesville at Fishers, 7 p.m.

Southeastern at Avon, 7 p.m.

Tri-Central at Sheridan, 7 p.m.

Zionsville at Westfield, 7 p.m.

Rensselaer Central at Heights, 7:30 p.m.

- Hamilton Heights start the season, with victories over Kankakee Valley 19-0 and North Newton 55-0. Heights is 1-1, beating Lapel 34-7 in its opener before falling to North Montgomery 14-7.

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HSE overpowers Noblesville at all-county boys tennis meet

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern boys tennis team, ranked No. 5 in the state, beat No. 28 Noblesville 5-0 in an all-county dual meet on Thursday.

The Royals won four of the five matches in straight sets. The No. 3 singles match was a battle, with Southeastern's Leo McVeigh coming back against the Millers' Jack Gigante, 4-6, 7-5, 6-2.

This was the second

all-county win for the Royals this week; earlier they beat No. 23 Westfield 5-0.

Fishers, ranked No. 6 in the state, swept past Franklin Central 5-0 on Wednesday.

In singles, No. 1 Reese Knoderer scored a 6-0, 6-0 shutout, with No. 2 Matthew Kordesh winning 6-1, 6-1 and No. 3 singles Aidan Foley won 6-0, 6-2. In doubles, No. 1 Thomas Bender and

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No. 1 singles: Rohan Galla def. Ethan Feliciano 6-1, 6-1

No. 2 singles: Paul Schneider def. Jack Brenneman 6-1, 6-0

No. 3 singles: Leo McVeigh def. Jack Gigante 4-6, 7-5, 6-2

No. 1 doubles: Abhi Chadda and Nolan Houseman def. Rory Bushong and Liam Shepard 6-2, 6-3

No. 2 doubles: Logan Bill and Elliot Cox def. Camden David and Caden David 6-2, 7-5

Jack Butler were 6-0, 6-3 winners and No. 2 Quinn Perusse and John Mills got a 6-3, 6-0 victory.

Soccer: Greyhounds trump Tigers, Heights defends home front

The REPORTER

The Carmel boys soccer team beat Fishers 2-1 Thursday in an all-county game between two of Class 3A's ranked teams.

Junior Connor Dora scored a first-half goal for the No. 6 Greyhounds. The No. 3 Tigers tied the game in the second half, but Carmel's Alex Kaczmarek put in the game-winning goal.

Senior Braden Thomson made one assist.

"Tonight was a fantastic game to be a part of," said Carmel coach Shane Schmidt. "The team is continuing to play better game after game."

The 'Hounds are 4-2-2 and play Tuesday at Lawrence North. Fishers is also 4-2-2 and hosts Hamilton Southeastern Tuesday in the Mudsock game.

beat Kokomo 3-1 on Thursday to stay unbeaten at home.

Sam Harpham, Mathew Rezsanya and Phoenix Vondersaar all scored goals for the Huskies.

Heights is 5-1-1 and plays at the Hoosier Conference tournament next week. The Huskies will be seeded second at the event.

Sheridan's girls dropped a 2-1 game at Western Boone on Thursday.

The Blackhawks scored first when Mac Smith kicked the ball in the net from 19 yards. Cecilia Timme made the assist. But the Stars scored twice before halftime and held the lead throughout the second half.

Sheridan is 3-2 and plays 1A No. 4 Heritage Christian at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Paul Loggan Invitational at North Central.

Carmel girls come out on top at three-team golf meet

The REPORTER

The Carmel girls golf team won a three-team meet with Noblesville and Hamilton Southeastern Thursday at the Sagamore Country

Club.

The Greyhounds scored a 158 to the Millers' 169 and the Royals' 171. Carmel's Michaela Headlee was the meet medalist with a 37,

followed by Ava Nguyen 39, Claire Swathwood 40, Sophie Mock 42, Kamryn Williams 46 and Sophie Cassidy 47.

Caroline Whallon led

Noblesville with a 39, followed by Josie Kelley 42, Jordan Adam 43, Olivia Fowler 45, Savannah Munson 45 and Olivia Anderson 47.

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Washington 1, Oakland 5				Atlanta 3, Colorado 0			
N.Y. Mets 5, L.A. Dodgers 3				Arizona 5, Milwaukee 0			

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East	W	L	PCT.	GB	East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Yankees	79	52	0.603	-	N.Y. Mets	84	48	0.636	-
Tampa Bay	72	57	0.558	6.0	Atlanta	81	51	0.614	3.0
Toronto	70	59	0.543	8.0	Philadelphia	73	58	0.557	10.5
Baltimore	69	61	0.531	9.5	Miami	55	75	0.423	28.0
Boston	64	68	0.485	15.5	Washington	45	86	0.344	38.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB	Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	68	61	0.527	-	St. Louis	76	55	0.580	-
Minnesota	67	62	0.519	1.0	Milwaukee	69	61	0.531	6.5
Chicago White Sox	65	66	0.496	4.0	Chicago Cubs	56	75	0.427	20.0
Kansas City	53	79	0.402	16.5	Cincinnati	51	78	0.395	24.0
Detroit	50	81	0.382	19.0	Pittsburgh	49	81	0.377	26.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB	West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	84	47	0.641	-	L.A. Dodgers	90	40	0.692	-
Seattle	73	58	0.557	11.0	San Diego	73	59	0.553	18.0
Texas	58	72	0.446	25.5	Arizona	62	68	0.477	28.0
L.A. Angels	57	74	0.435	27.0	San Francisco	61	68	0.473	28.5
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