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# Fishers PD graduates 40<sup>th</sup> Citizen's Academy class

**FISHERS POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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The Fishers Police Department last Wednesday celebrated the 40th graduating class of the Fishers Police Department Citizen's Academy. Speakers included FPD Chief Ed Gebhart, representatives of the FPD Police Corps, and two graduating members of Class 2022-40. The FPD Cadet Honor Guard made presented the Colors and led the class in the Pledge of Allegiance. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Citizen's Police academy.

Photo provided by Janet Hart Leonard

Popular Reporter columnist Janet Hart Leonard made fast friends with fellow author Jackie Freeman at the Hopewriters Conference.

## The lies of Comparison

Hey Comparison, I heard your voice this week. You tried your best to discourage me.

As I was landing in Charlotte, N.C., for a Hopewriters Conference, I was greeted by the wicked witch of comparison. She was in my head. Before I disembarked from the plane I heard her voice, which sounded a lot like the wicked witch from *The Wizard of Oz*.

Her voice told me the writers who would be showing up were the real deal. Me? I wasn't what traditional publishing

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**COLUMNIST**

**JANET HART LEONARD**  
 From the Hart

# Noblesville High School Leo Club fills backpacks for the homeless

Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club

This past week, the Noblesville Lions Leo Club at Noblesville High School gathered items for the homeless again this year. The Leo Club filled 45 backpacks with toiletries, socks, gloves, hats, blankets, and other items. The backpacks will be passed out to the homeless in Indianapolis. Lion John Smith is the Leo Club Sponsor.

## It's almost time for Carmel Christkindlmarkt

**The REPORTER**

Experience the holidays at the grand opening of the Carmel Christkindlmarkt and The Ice at Carter Green. This year, the market will feature even more huts and an extended season for the market.

[Click here](#) for the Christkindlmarkt website, and [click here](#) for The Ice at Carter Green website.

**Want to work at Christkindlmarkt?**

Be a part of the Christkindlmarkt magic this season by volunteering at the market. Carmel Christkindlmarkt is one of the most popular markets in the United States, attracting well over half a million people since the opening in 2017. It was voted Best Holiday Market in 2019 and 2021 by *USA Today* (no Market in 2020 due to COVID restrictions). In addition, [Wealth of Geeks](#)

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# Noblesville High School teen excels at automotive internship

By **JADE JACKSON**  
 WISH-TV | [wish.tv](http://wish.tv)

A typical day at Reggie's Motorworks in Noblesville looks like exhaust pipes puffing out smoke and loud drills echoing off the walls of the garage where cars are currently being worked on.

Mechanics in uniform are inspecting engines at their respective workstations. Among the group of men working is a girl.

With a pulled-back ponytail, Reggie's Motorworks graphic T-shirt and dark jeans, Sammy Dohnert kneels next to a car lift to remove the lug nuts off a tire. Impact wrench in hand, she uses the tool on the task before heading over to another station to check out an engine with a crew member.

She's a Noblesville High School senior. Her love for cars started from her grandparents but intensified when she got her own car. That's how she knew she wanted an internship with an automotive shop.

"Here they're willing to let me learn anything," Dohnert said. "They let me watch. They let me grab the tools and work on it with them. I feel like they've accepted me as a part of the team."

Reggie Stewart is the owner of Reggie's Motorworks. The business has been at its location since 2011, and as a Noblesville High School grad himself, Stewart was more than happy to partner with the school to offer Dohnert a role. The business has been taking on interns for the last five years. He says he thinks anytime he can affect the life of a young person for the better, it means a lot to them and his team.

They let me grab the tools and work on it with them," Sammy Dohnert said. "I feel like they've accepted me as a part of the team."

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The Carmel Christkindlmarkt is once again up for the honor of being named the best market in the country. Vote at [this link](#) every day through Dec. 5.

voted Carmel Christkindlmarkt as the No. 8 best market in the world!

The market is a blend of presentations by world-renowned woodworkers from the Erzgebirge region, entertainment, plus traditional German foods and gifts being sold from small wooden huts. The market surrounds a beautiful outdoor ice skating rink, The Ice at Carter Green.

Consider volunteering and taking part in countless guests' holiday memories this winter.

[Click here](#) to learn more about volunteer opportunities and to register.

**Vote for Christkindlmarkt!**

The internationally popular Carmel Christkindlmarkt is once again nominated



**Murphy**

for Best Holiday Market from *USA Today* 10Best! But your help is needed to win for a third year.

You may cast your vote once daily, every day through noon on Dec. 5. Winners will be announced on Dec. 16.

"We are honored to be nominated once again for Best Holiday Market," Carmel Christkindlmarkt CEO Maria Murphy said.

"We are so grateful for everyone who has voted for us in the past to help us win the number one spot, and we are hopeful to win the competition this year as well."

As of Saturday evening, Carmel Christkindlmarkt is ranked 2 of 20 markets on the 10Best list.

[Click here](#) to vote now ... and every day until Dec. 5!

was looking for. My words weren't ecclesiastical or spiritual enough. I did not have a large enough platform. I was not well-known in the Christian literary world.

Here I was, searching for the Writing Wizard of Oz who would confirm ... I am a writer.

I met a writer who admitted to also hearing the voice of the wicked witch of comparison. "What am I doing here?" I knew she needed to hear, "My dear, we are all here just trying to find our way to being told we are a writer!" She smiled. I said, "Let's take this journey together. There is more than just power in numbers – there is strength. Come alongside me, I'll save you a seat."

I quickly became friends with another writer who, like me, had been blindsided by life events that would require tissues if written into a movie script. Yet, we are strong women ... as if we have a choice. We needed our writing hearts to be hugged and assured that our words matter. We became instant friends. Several people asked if we were sisters! We not only look alike but our hearts matched up as well. Oh, Jackie Freeman, what a delight you are!

One of the scariest things writers do is put their words



Photo provided by Janet Hart Leonard

out there to be read by other writers. I was putting my words out on the yellow brick road, crowded with other writers, whom I saw as more vivacious, more experienced and having a plethora of amazing words they had written.

Oh comparison, have I told you lately that I hate you?

As the conference continued, I heard story after story of imposter syndrome. I recognized the words that sounded more like battle cries. Write. Edit. Repeat. Everyone at the conference seemed to know, quite well, the sound of the voice of comparison.

But then I heard the voices that reminded every one of us ... our words matter. We ARE writers. Nonfiction authors find their readers and tell them what they wish someone would have told them. Fiction writers entertain the heart as well as the mind. Fiction is an enjoyable road trip for the weary traveler who is attempting to navigate the bumpy roads of real life. Fiction authors give their readers a break from reality.

Cindy Bunch, a Vice President of InterVarsity Press said, "Write what you are called to write."

With those words, my anxiety lessened, and my heart smiled. That is what I

do. I simply write from my heart.

My words may not be read by millions or even thousands. I just hope and pray they are read by those who need them.

Words of hope. Words of encouragement. Words that offer a balm to a hurting heart. And yes, sometimes, words that cause my readers to laugh from a place deep in their bellies.

Comparison, I hear you, but I won't allow you to stop me. Comparison, you will just spur me on to write more. I have the heart of a writer. Fear will not silence me. I'm not worried about the multitude reading my words, just that one reader who needs to hear what my heart has to say.

Comparison, thank you for the inspiration. I am a writer. I didn't need anyone telling me I am a writer. I had the words in me all along. I just had to believe in myself. I had to believe my words mattered. To at least one reader, every week, they do. So, I will continue to write. And I will pray ... "God, let my words make a difference."

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- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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“I really enjoy what I do and if I can share that with somebody and get them involved in the process earlier than I got involved in it, then that seems like a win to me,” Stewart said. “Sammy’s awesome. Honestly, I don’t work with her as much as I would like to because, as the owner, I’m not here every day, but I do get to spend some time with her. When I first met her, her passion for cars really reminded me of me as a child. It’s the way she lights up about cars. It’s really touching.”

Steward said he saw her passion, even outside of the business.

A crew member invited her to a car show in Carmel recently. Stewart’s business was a sponsor of the event. He says he saw Dohnert inspecting the engine bay on a Porsche 911.

“The sheer excitement on her face, not trying to impress me, not trying to impress anybody. I totally knew she was in the right place,” Stewart said.

Dohnert said she thought she was in the right place, too. A previous internship pairing didn’t work out because she felt discriminated against as a girl.

“That didn’t go well because of comments like that were made to me actually by the employees, so I get that this is a male-dominated industry,” she said. “I get questions on why I would want to be a part of this, but I think that if I learn and I put the work in, I can do anything that anybody else could in this industry.”

Dan Nicholson is the internship coordinator at Noblesville High School. They have the largest internship program for students in the state with approximately 300 teens either in career-exploration internships or their cadet-teacher-training program at the middle and elementary schools. Nicholson is one of two full-time internship coordinators, and it’s his job to see what students’ career interests are to give them opportunities of gaining experience.

“My co-coordinator and I spend part of the spring of their junior year interviewing with them to find out a little bit about what their idea is and what their idea means to them,” Nicholson said. “We have students that come in and have a general career path that they’re interested in. We try to ask some questions to narrow down their focus into a particular area of an industry or career that we feel will be the best fit. We look for



Photo by WISH-TV

Sammy Dohnert would like to have her own repair shop in 10 years and employ other women.

things that may be transferable skills, soft skills they’re looking to build on. The city put together a soft skills initiative several years back. We still use that.”

The school is working with over 150 new and established businesses in Noblesville and Hamilton County for its internship program.

Nicholson said they have internships in contracting, manufacturing and trades, engineering, medical, dental, law and more, all based on students’ interests.

“Our goal is that 100 percent of our Noblesville students go into the workforce after graduation,” Nicholson said. “Some of those are going to be directly after high school. Some of those will be after maybe an apprenticeship, a two-year degree or a four-year degree. We want to provide opportunities for all of those.”

From the moment he met Dohnert, Nicholson said he knew right away that she had a very specific passion.

Her knowledge of cars put him to shame since she knew more about automobile engines and styles.

“You can tell she was very passionate about it, but she didn’t know what her path was going to look like, whether she needed to go to school or get started at a garage right out of high school,” Nicholson said. “That’s where we were able to find the connection at Reggie’s. It allows her to explore and expand.”

Dohnert’s internship role at the business is diverse, according to Stewart.

“One day, you’re doing something dirty and hammering on a wheel that’s stuck on because of Indiana

rust,” Stewart said. “The next day you’re programming a computer or using an oscilloscope to look at little lines on the screen to see what electronic items are malfunctioning.”

Reggie’s has five master technicians and another general service technician whom Dohnert said she likes taking turns learning from. She’s also spent time with their service adviser to understand the customer-service side of the business. Stewarts said it’s important to “speak car” with people who may not know about the particulars of their vehicles.

Dohnert said she wants to learn as much as she can at the internship. Anytime she accomplishes a task, it feels rewarding.

“It’s a lot of mental work with trying to keep tabs on what’s going on, what needs to be fixed, and what’s next,” she said. “Plus, this is going back to a customer, and we have a good reputation here at Reggie’s, so it’s very good to have everything work out, especially on my first try with something.”

In 10 years, she said she’d love to be running her own shop and employ other women to work in it because that wouldn’t be something you would normally see.

If not that plan, she would like to be in a shop such as Reggie’s that would offer the option of her own schedule and loyal clientele.

Stewart says he is excited about Dohnert’s future because, now more than ever, her talents are needed.

“Right now in the United States, there is more work that needs to be done on cars than there are people doing that work,” Stewart said. “We need more young people in our industry.”

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The REPORTER

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# Fossas: the endangered cat-like animal in Madagascar

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

Fossas are not the most well-known animal, but in Madagascar they are seen often. They live in every part of Madagascar but tend to stick to the forests. Fossas particularly like humid or dry areas. They colonized the island between 18 and 20 million years ago. This species is considered vulnerable by the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

**Appearance**

The Fossa has a slender body and a long tail that

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**SURIAUNNA BIRMINGHAM**  
Sheridan High School Student

resembles a mongoose. Their name comes from the Greek word *cryptoprocta* which means "hidden anus." Similar to squirrels and cats, Fossas have semi-retractable claws. This helps them move swiftly through the trees while climbing.

**Location & population**

Even though there are 2,500 Fossas left in the wild, the villagers are not a fan of the creature and do little to protect them. They see Fossas as pests and consider them dangerous. Furthermore, the children hear stories of Fossas killing all the chickens and diminishing fires. This causes the villagers

to eliminate any Fossa that comes near. Another reason the Fossa population is steadily decreasing is due to 90 percent of forests being removed. At the current rate of deforestation, by 2060 all forests in Madagascar will be gone. Although Fossas have no natural predators, humans pose a hazard. They have a defense mechanism that helps against humans. When Fossas are threatened, they release an unpleasant scent that scares predators away.

**Diet**

Over 50 percent of the Fossa's diet consists of lemurs while rodents and lizards are at 9 percent, seeds at 5 percent and birds at 2 percent. They hunt both on the ground and in trees. Fossas hunt in a pattern known as

cathedral. This means they peak at certain times of the day, normally in the morning, afternoon, and evening.

**Breeding & development**

Fossa's breeding is very intriguing. While a female is sitting up in a tree, she waits for a male. Once one comes, she decides if it is dominant enough to mate with. Females typically gestate for three months, or 93 days. Offspring numbers are usually two to four but on rare occasions, six. The babies are born with no fur or teeth and weigh 3.5 ounces. Development is often slow, and the pups are with their mother for one to two years.

**Taxonomy**

The Fossa can be pronounced in many different ways: Fuh-Sah, Foo-sah and



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foosha. According to the San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance Library, the origins also come from France (*cryptoprocta*), Spain (*Gato fossa de Madagascar*) and Malagasy (Kava'hy and Kintsa'laViro (Richardson)). The taxonomy order is Animalia, Chordata, Mammalia, carnivora, Eupleridae, *Cryp-*

*toprocta* Chenu, Eupleres, *Chryptoprocta* Feres Bennett. There is only one species of Fossa and limited variations to size and appearance (Wikipedia). The mongoose and fossa evolved from the same ancestor which arrived about 21 million years ago to Madagascar.

## Shamrock Springs kids camp out with a good book



Photos provided by Westfield Washington Schools

Westfield's Shamrock Springs Elementary School transformed their multipurpose room to Camp Read-A-Lot, a campsite where kids could spend time in a relaxed environment and read their favorite books. Judging by the pictures, it looks like they loved it!

## 2022 GIVING TUESDAY

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# Three Noblesville officers graduate from IMPD Leadership Academy



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**Congratulations to Noblesville Police Department Lt. Jordan Granger, Sgt. David Barnes, and Sgt. Corey McGriff who graduated on Friday from the IMPD Leadership Academy Class 2022-2. (From left) Chief John Mann, Officer Matt Foley, Deputy Chief Eric Cunningham, Lieutenant Jordan Granger, Sergeant David Barnes, Sergeant Corey McGriff, Lieutenant Matt McGovern, and Assistant Chief Brad Arnold.**

# Carmel Police respond to shooting

## The REPORTER

At 8:24 a.m. Saturday, Carmel Police responded to a welfare check in the 700 block of Johnson Drive.

Upon arrival, officers discovered Susan Shaw, 63, deceased and John Shaw, 79, suffering from what appeared to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Mr. Shaw was transported to a nearby hospital to be treated for his injuries.

This is believed to be an

isolated incident and Carmel Police have no reason to believe there is any threat to the public at this time.

If you have any information that may be helpful in this investigation, please contact Carmel Police Detective Smiley at (317) 571-2500 or [lsmiley@carmel.in.gov](mailto:lsmiley@carmel.in.gov). You may also call Crime Stoppers at (317) 262-TIPS or [crimetips.org](http://crimetips.org). Please reference Carmel Police case number 22-72609.

# Westfield Chamber will welcome Holocaust survivor Frank Grunwald

## The REPORTER

On Thursday, Dec. 1, the Westfield Chamber will hold a **Special Presentation featuring Frank Grunwald**. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the IMMI Conference Center, 18880 N. East St., Westfield.

being transferred to three additional concentration camps, including Auschwitz.

His life story was turned into a documentary released in 2012 called *Misa's Fugue*. He has a special desire to impact the youth, and he has spoken at nearly 100 high schools and universities.

This event is open to the public, but you must register to attend. [Click here](#) to buy tickets and to see sponsorship options.



**Grunwald**

# Is your group health plan better than Medicare?

Let's assume you are approaching at 65 and, like the rest of America, confused about your Medicare choices. Your spouse wants to continue working for five more years. He will delay taking Medicare Part B because he can remain on his health plan at work.

For more people, their research stops here. Once they learn that they are not required to sign up for Medicare Part B as long as they have a group health plan that is as good or better than Medicare, they accept that they don't have to do anything. Your husband might be better off on Medicare.

To determine the best route, you should do a bit more leg work. Just because you can stay on your employer's group health plan doesn't mean that it is the best option for you. Your employer likely pays a portion of your health insurance. Gone are the days when your insurance was paid 100 percent by your employer. In most instances, employers are not paying any part of the costs for your spouse.

At 65, even if you want to continue to work, Medicare may be a better option. The only way to tell which plan – your employer plan or Medicare – gives you the best benefits at the lowest price is to do a cost comparison. Don't



**SYLVIA GORDON**  
*Make Sense of Medicare*

assume your work plan is better. Often it is not.

To compare plans, you'll have to find out exactly how much you contribute each month for your work health plan. How much does it cost to keep

your spouse on past age 65? You'll be shocked that it is often very high. How high is your annual deductible? The Kaiser Family Foundation found that in 2021, the average deductible for a single worker was \$1,655. If you compare that with a Medicare Supplement Plan G with a deductible of \$233, you can see that Medicare could be a better choice.

Does your work plan have any extra benefits like a great dental program? A Medicare Supplement won't have any dental benefits.

A huge variable is how much you will have to pay for Medicare Part B. The rich pay more. While 90 percent of people are paying \$170.10 each month, you could be paying from \$238 up to \$578 per month. If you do fall into this higher-earner category, it is almost always advantageous for you to stay on your work health plan and delay Medicare until you stop working. That same advice goes for your retired spouse. If she is 65 and stops working, she could go onto Medicare, but if you file your taxes jointly, she'll be subject

to the higher monthly Part B amounts, too. This will almost always make staying on group health the best option.

You can't do the calculation once and be done. Your work health insurance will go up each year. The benefits change as employers run from inflation. You'll have to redo this comparison each year.

Many people are not sure that they can decline Medicare Part B if they continue to work past age 65. The rule is you won't have a late Medicare penalty or be hurt in any way by declining Medicare Part B – as long as you work for a large employer (over 20 employees) that offers a health plan that is as good or better than Medicare.

The self-employed and those that work for small companies must take Medicare at 65 or they will be subject to a hefty late penalty. That penalty lasts a lifetime. People are afraid of the penalty, so they sign up for Part B "just to be safe" and end up spending thousands of dollars unnecessarily. Rarely can you justify paying for both your work health plan and Medicare.

Every situation is unique, so don't make your decisions on speculation.

*Sylvia Gordon is co-founder of The Medicare Family, headquartered in Noblesville, where she educates thousands on Medicare and Social Security in all 50 states. You can learn more at [themedicarefamily.com](http://themedicarefamily.com).*

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# Westfield welcomes three new fire fighters

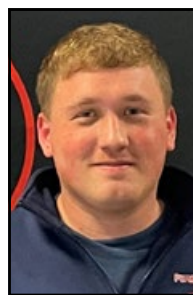
**The REPORTER**  
The Westfield Fire Departments invites the community to welcome three new fire fighters to the city: Ethan Griffith, Colton “Cole” Howard, and Daniel Lambert.

**Griffith** was born and raised in Gas City, Ind., and dreamed of becoming a firefighter as his father served as a volunteer firefighter for Mill Township Fire Department. He is happily married to his wife, Tiffany, and they have a 10-year-old son named Finn who loves to play with the family dog,




**Griffith**

RiverLea. Griffith enjoys staying in shape and being outdoors and that he is truly excited to have the opportunity to serve Westfield Fire and can't wait to see what the future holds.



**Howard**

native, is a second-generation firefighter who followed in his father's footsteps and is a proud son to his mother, a career police officer. His first memories were made in a firehouse, playing and spending the



**Lambert**

night with his father and fellow firefighters. Howard is an avid dirt bike rider who enjoys staying fit and being outdoors. He said he believes being a firefighter is the best job in the world, and he is always willing to help those in need.


**Lambert** is a native of Anderson. When he's not at work, he enjoys wood-working and hunting. When asked why he became a fire fighter, Lambert said he wants to help people on their worst day. He is married to his wife, Jennifer, and they have four children.

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## Still hangin' in there!









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Last Saturday, The Reporter had a picture of tree branches laying over a utility line and across State Road 32 just west of Ditch Road. One week later, this Saturday, the roadway is clear, but the branches are still hanging in there! Have no fear, as sources tell The Reporter this is a communications line, not a power line. There is reportedly no danger of electrocution or even mild shock for those foolish enough to touch these branches, but let's not try it anyway, shall we?

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## LOCAL NEWS & SPORTS COVERAGE IN HAMILTON COUNTY



# Two violent saloon fires show polarizing views on alcohol in 1880s

**Submitted by Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission**

*Editor's note: The following collection of stories appears on the Hamilton County Bicentennial website, which you can view at [this link](#). Also included are excerpts from writings by Hamilton County Historian David Heighway which originally appeared in the Hamilton County Business Magazine. [Click here](#) to subscribe to the Hamilton County Business Magazine for free!*

It's easy to find Hamilton County residents toasting glasses to health and happiness during the holiday season. Some of us host parties where cocktails are as ubiquitous as sugar cookies. But our community hasn't always been as civilized or as tolerant of alcohol consumption.

Hamilton County Historian David Heighway has written quite a bit about the once-divisive topic. Looking back at events in Westfield and Fishers in particular shed light on just how much things have changed.

**November 1881: Fishers' "Battle of Mudsock" saloon standoff**

Page one of the *New York Times* ran the headline "A Fight Among Ruffians," and the *New Orleans Times-Picayune* called the Fishers event that grabbed national attention a "brilliant battle." Heighway's research into the so-called "Battle of Mudsock" affirms more about what this newsworthy event was.

"It was even larger than I originally thought. A fistfight between two men in the fall of 1881 snowballed into an explosion of violence that left one person dead, 32 injured and caused the destruction of two buildings," [Heighway reports](#).

Alcohol-fueled fighting was mostly to blame.

The two saloons where the violence happened were on the south side of what is now 116th Street, one on the east side of the railroad tracks and the other on the west. Edward and Andrew Farrell, brothers who emigrated from Ireland as small children in 1850, owned the western saloon. The eastern saloon was run by Wade Hampton "Hamp" West, a Confederate army deserter.

"Hamp West's building was in a low, swampy area of land and was supported by pilings sunk into the muck. It was known as the 'saloon on poles,'" Heighway writes.

The "Battle of Mudsock" happened on Saturday, Nov. 19, 1881. The following is paraphrased from an [article by Heighway](#) in the *Hamilton County Business Magazine*:

**West's saloon:** Around noon, Barney Reiner, whose family-owned land in Fishers, and drifter "Dutch Joe" got into a fight that was quickly broken up, but not before people took sides.

**Farrell's saloon:** Around 5 p.m., Benjamin Fouch was playing billiards with brothers Daniel and Wesley Lynn while their brother Adam Lynn watched. (A few months prior, Fouch had been forced out of Marion County for threatening a man whom Fouch claimed was paying too much attention to his wife. It was common knowledge that alcohol made this rough character even meaner.) George McCoy entered the Farrell saloon and insulted Adam, presumably about something related to the earlier fight. Fouch then beat up McCoy and threw him out. McCoy came back for more, but this time with

Hamp West and another man. Fouch and the Lynn brothers took their aggression out on West, savagely beating him with brass knuckles and pool cues before letting him go.

**West's:** After washing up in a pond, West returned to his place of business.

**Farrell's:** Fouch and the Lynns finished their game and decided to go to West's for one more drink – rarely a good idea.

**West's:** When Fouch and the Lynns arrived, West told the men he was done fighting and didn't want any more trouble. But another man drew a knife and slashed Daniel Lynn. The fight escalated to a full-scale brawl. Billiard balls were thrown, and West hit Fouch with a brass beer faucet, killing him.

**Farrell's:** Fighting continued at Farrell's saloon! Shots were exchanged but no one was killed. The only critical blow was to Farrell's saloon, which burned down that night.

**West's:** West's saloon was closed and later reported destroyed.

Today, Fishers has at least [four breweries](#) and [14 restaurants](#) with a full bar or beer and wine.

**August 1882: Peace-preaching Westfield women take up hatchets**

Across the county, the strong Quaker influence meant there were no saloons to worry about – that is, until the summer of 1882. That's when William Shaw recognized a business opportunity to serve Westfield's growing population and travelers passing through on the newly finished Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville Railroad, later called the Monon.

"Many saloons at this time were rough, board buildings where a plank across two barrels might serve as a bar counter," Heighway writes, suggesting this might be the kind of crude establishment Shaw built. But the new business owner had procured a proper liquor license from the government.

And because his saloon was conveniently located out of the city limits, city leaders couldn't technically take action against him. The teetotaling Quaker women, on the other hand, would make their wishes known in a big way.

It started off civilly. A group of women visited the saloon and kindly requested that Shaw close his business and sell them his stock. But when Shaw refused the deal, the women let themselves in and trashed the place, pouring out every drop of liquor they could find.

Shaw was undaunted and soon had his place rebuilt and restocked. "Since the building was little more than a shanty, the cost of decorating was low," Heighway writes.

About a month later, on Aug. 14, 1882, a total of 40 women – both Quakers and Methodists – marched from the Quaker meetinghouse to Shaw's place. They bore axes and meant business. As they arrived, Shaw was spotted in a wagon hauling off most of his stock to save them from the women's blows.

He returned to stand guard outside his saloon, but the group, which included the wives of some of the most respected men in the county, walked right past him and got to work with their blades.

"In the space of a few minutes, the structure was completely demolished. The women then took some last liquor bottles, poured them

over the piles of scraps and set fire to them," Heighway writes.

With his saloon in ashes, Shaw was ready to make a deal. For \$25, he agreed to never open another saloon, give up his liquor license and leave town. It was later reported that Shaw had been seen sporting a blue ribbon on his lapel, an accessory worn by members of a temperance campaign.

"Somehow the incident had inspired him to take a pledge not to drink liquor," says Heighway.

Alcohol sales in Westfield weren't allowed until the 1970s. Today, Westfield is home to at least [five breweries and distilleries](#) and at least [12 restaurants with full bars](#).

**Blue laws regarding alcohol sales on Sundays endured in Indiana**

Those events aren't ancient history. It wasn't too long ago that fans of Sunday brunch or the Colts who enjoy a drink at home had to plan ahead. During Prohibition times, "blue laws" banned alcohol sales on Sundays in Indiana.

Blue laws were put in place to honor Sunday as a day of worship and enforce moral codes for everyone. To wit, at one time, people in parts of the county couldn't legally buy ice cream, soda water, candy or gum on Sundays. And there could be no wheeling and dealing at car dealerships or crack of the bat at baseball

diamonds, either.

Indiana's ban on Sunday alcohol sales persisted mostly because of business reasons, not religious ones, until March 4, 2018. That was the day that, with the stroke of his pen, Gov. Eric Holcomb repealed the ban.

In case there was any question about how our current state leaders feel about the importance of access to alcohol, one only has to look back to March 2020, when Gov. Holcomb decided liquor stores were an "[essential business](#)."


Cheers to your good health and happiness this holiday season, no matter how you celebrate!

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In October 2023, Heighway will be joined by Katelyn

Coyne, Hamilton East Public Library's Director of Experiential Learning, to present "A Taste of History: Blind Tiger Bootleggers" at the Fishers library branch. Take a tipple from a Fishers brewery as you hear about teetotalers and bootleggers from Hamilton County during the early 1900s and learn who drove the political forces in Indiana to promote temperance across the state. [Click here](#) to sign up for the Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission's newsletter so you don't miss this free event!

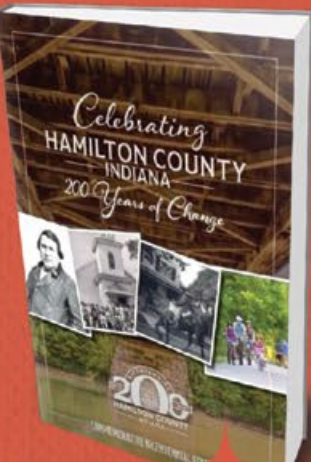
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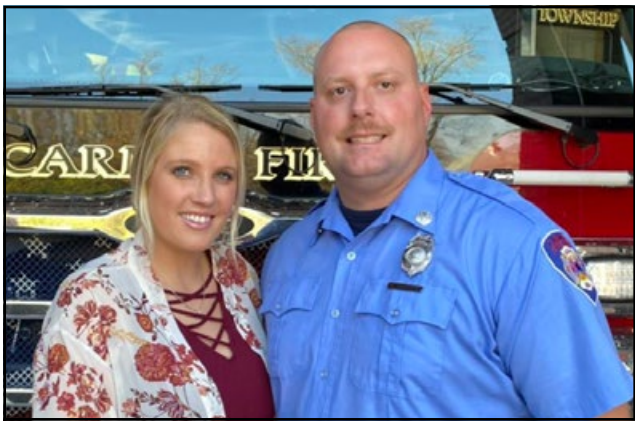
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# Carmel Fire Chief David Haboush promotes Kent Anderson to Engineer



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Congratulations to Kent Anderson of the Carmel Fire Department (CFD) on his promotion to Engineer. Anderson has been with CFD for eight years, and the last five he's been running out of Station 345. His new assignment is driving Ladder 345 on C crew. His wife Kenzie and crew were on station as he received his new badge from Fire Chief Haboush. This promotion was prompted due to a retirement.



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### Letter to the Editor

## Indiana Democratic leadership thanks voters & volunteers for hard work during this election

Dear Hoosier Democrats:

On behalf of our Democratic Party, we wanted to say thank you for your hard work and support this election cycle. Whether you volunteered, invested in our party, attended an event, or ran for office, we are grateful for you and your involvement.

Despite running against an onslaught of outside money against us, we held the line and protected a number of targeted incumbents on Election Day, including Congressman Frank Mrvan who had a big win in northwest Indiana.

We are all incredibly proud of all our candidates who stepped up to run this year.

Mayor Tom McDermott, Destiny Wells, ZeNai Brooks, and Jessica McClellan formed a historic statewide ticket and brought new energy and new ideas to our party. Many new Democrats put their names on ballots this year – from the precinct level to countywide to Congressional districts. Their growing engagement in our party is making us stronger.

We have more work to do to rebuild our party so we can be more competitive

and win more races. Next year's municipal races are good opportunities for us to elect and reelect more Democratic community leaders across the state – and we continue to build on our approach of going everywhere and talking with everyone.

When we became chair and vice-chair of the party last year, we set out to put in place a strategic plan to win by embarking on a new media approach, investing more in year-round organizing and party infrastructure, improving candidate recruitment, and building an INGOP War Room to call out extremism. This work continues and we will do a deep dive into this election so we can see what worked and where we need to grow. Everyone has a seat at that table.

Indiana will be a stronger state and a better place to live and work when there is more balance at every level of Hoosier government: Federal, state, and local. We believe we will get there – it's just a matter of time.

Thank you again for your support.

**Mike Schmuhl, Chair**

**Myla Eldridge, Vice-Chair**

*Indiana Democratic Party*

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## DNR offers free admission to state parks on Black Friday

### The REPORTER

This year, get outside and enjoy Indiana's natural spaces on Friday, Nov. 25.

Admission is free at all Indiana DNR properties, and you can earn the chance to win nearly everything you need for a great picnic from the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation (INRF).

The prize package is valued at nearly \$360, and registration is simple. You just need to sign up for the [INRF e-newsletter](http://INRF.org/e-newsletter) to enter. Entries will be accepted through Saturday, Nov. 26.

For more information about #OptOutsideIN2022

and to learn how to win other great prizes, please visit [on.IN.gov/optoutside](http://on.IN.gov/optoutside).

As the official nonprofit for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, the INRF celebrates Indiana's natural legacy by raising funds to support DNR and its programs. Through land acquisition, outdoor education, and outdoor recreation efforts, the INRF supports preserving Indiana's public lands forever. You can learn more about the INRF at [IndianaNRF.org](http://IndianaNRF.org).



## Employment Opportunity

**The Town of Sheridan, Indiana is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Street Superintendent.**

This position is a department head level position comprised of several upper-level management and leadership duties. Candidates should have knowledge, skill, and experience in leading, planning, controlling, and managing operations of municipal streets and public works.

The full job description is available at [www.sheridan.org](http://www.sheridan.org)

The Town of Sheridan offers benefits of health, vision, and dental insurances along with pension and deferred compensation retirement programs.

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# Get tickets now for these great events at Center for the Performing Arts

## The REPORTER

There's always something for everyone at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel, and December is no different. For tickets to any of these fine events, go to [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org) or call (317) 843-3800.

Center Presents Performances include:

### All Is Calm: The Christmas Truce of 1914

8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2

The Palladium

Tickets from \$25

### Krieg DeVault Holiday Series

Back by popular demand, this one-of-a-kind production is based on a World War I incident in which German and British soldiers on the Western Front laid down their arms briefly on Christmas Eve to bury their dead, exchange gifts, play soccer and sing carols. A cast of 10 actors and singers recreates the remarkable true story of camaraderie, music and peace through songs, poetry, letters and authentic journal excerpts. *"It's not only an outstanding piece of musical theater, but a brilliantly executed production that understands that its power comes from its simplicity."* – St. Paul Pioneer Press

### Canadian Brass Christmas

8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3

The Palladium

Tickets from \$25

### Krieg DeVault Holiday Series

Since forming in the 1970s, this distinctive chamber quintet has toured and released more than 100 albums as the leading standard bearer for the role of brass instruments in classical music. Comprising tuba, trombone, horn and two trumpets, Canadian Brass was the first Western brass ensemble to perform in the People's Republic of China and the first to take the main stage at Carnegie Hall. In this special holiday performance, the group will perform a range of classical, traditional and pop tunes reflecting the spirit of the season.

### Luminare Christmas

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8

The Palladium

Tickets from \$25

### Krieg DeVault Holiday Series

After a crowd-pleasing debut last year at the Palladium, Luminare is returning with a new genre-blending holiday music spectacular. The band is led by keyboardist John Blasucci, known for his many years touring with Dennis DeYoung (Styx) and Mannheim Steamroller. Luminare's debut album, *That Star*, showcases their powerful blend of rock, pop, classical and folk music on the original title track and Christmas



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**You can relive the World War I incident in which German and British soldiers on the Western Front laid down their arms briefly on Christmas Eve to bury their dead, exchange gifts, play soccer and sing carols.**

classics such as "Angels We Have Heard on High," "What Child Is This," "We Three Kings," "Little Drummer Boy" and "Joy to the World."

### Dave Koz and Friends 25th Anniversary Christmas Tour

8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9

The Palladium

Tickets from \$30

### Krieg DeVault Holiday Series

Performance Partner:

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A popular annual tradition at the Center, saxophonist and bandleader Dave Koz's holiday concerts feature stellar special guests performing fresh, lively arrangements of seasonal favorites in a high-energy show for the entire family. In a career spanning three decades, Koz has earned nine Grammy nominations and sent nine albums to the top of *Billboard's* Contemporary Jazz Albums chart. This year's "Friends" include Rick Braun, Peter White, Keiko Matsui and Rebecca Jade.

### Marie Osmond: A Symphonic Christmas Tour

8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10

The Palladium

Tickets from \$55

### Krieg DeVault Holiday Series

Performance Partner: Community

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Marie Osmond has spent over six decades in the entertainment business as a gold- and platinum-selling recording artist as well as a TV personality, dancer, actor, author and public speaker. Since she and brother Donny ended their 11-year Las Vegas residency in 2019, she has traveled

the nation with sell-out shows featuring a 30-piece orchestra. Her latest album is 2021's *Unexpected*, a collection of Broadway and opera classics that debuted at No. 1 on *Billboard's* Classical Crossover Albums chart and later re-entered the chart to spend a total of 24 weeks in the Top 10.

### Michael Bolton: Greatest Hits & Holiday Favorites

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13

The Palladium

Tickets from \$47

### Krieg DeVault Holiday Series

From "When a Man Loves a Woman" to "How Am I Supposed to Live Without You" and more, Michael Bolton's time, love and tenderness have created the soundtrack of our lives. To date, he has seen nine studio albums rank in the Top 10, with nine No. 1 singles. His most recent release, the *Billboard* Classical chart-topper *A Symphony of Hits*, is a collection of his favorites recorded with a full symphony orchestra. Catch the Grammy Award winner's return to the Palladium for an evening of timeless tunes and your favorite songs of the season.

### Celtic Woman: A Christmas Symphony Tour 2022

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15

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Tickets from \$55

### Krieg DeVault Holiday Series

From delicate traditional Irish carols to magnificent uplifting anthems, Celtic Woman has a wealth of seasonal music to gladden your heart. Hear stunning new arrangements of the classic "Silent Night" and the ancient Gaelic carol "Dia do Bheatha" from their holiday album, *The Magic of*

*Christmas*. Listen for the jingle of bells as you glide through the snowy landscape of "Sleigh Ride" and get ready to sing along when it's time to "Deck the Halls." This is a rare opportunity to hear Celtic Woman's angelic harmonies with the thrilling live sound of a full symphony orchestra in an intimate concert setting.

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### Other December events include:

### Faegre Drinker Peanut Butter & Jam: Holiday Cabaret on Strings with Melchior Marionettes

10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 10

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Back by popular demand! Join us for a fast-paced, entertaining cabaret of hand-crafted marionettes. Children and adults will delight in the hilarious antics of the characters and the skill of the puppeteers. Everyone will want to sing along with the holiday classics and favorites. Designed for children ages 1 to 7, Faegre Drinker Peanut Butter & Jam sessions encourage young children to become engaged in the arts.

### Palladium Bookies

6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12

The Palladium

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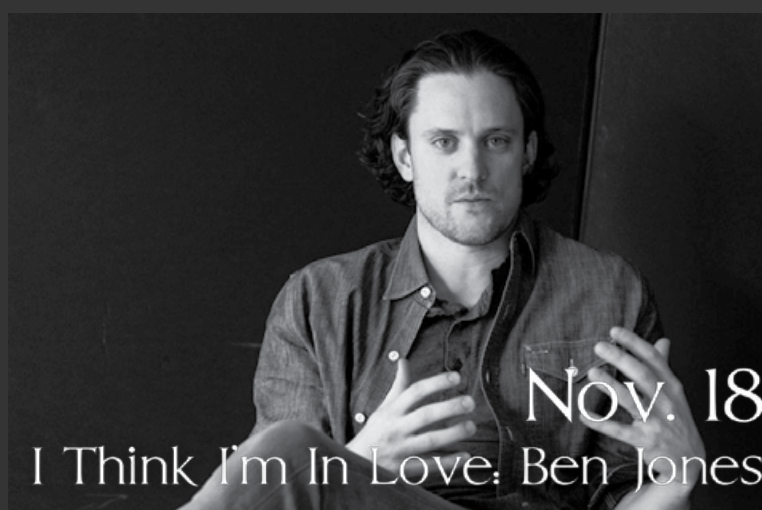
The Palladium Bookies meet every other month to discuss books about the performing arts or related to upcoming performances. Social time is followed by breakout sessions for in-depth discussion. This month's book is *Stories Behind the Best-Loved Songs of Christmas* by Ace Collins. For information and to RSVP, email [Outreach@TheCenterPresents.org](mailto:Outreach@TheCenterPresents.org).

### About the Center for the Performing Arts

The mission of the nonprofit Center for the Performing Arts is to engage and inspire the Indiana community through enriching arts experiences. Its campus includes the 1,500-seat Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington theater and the black-box Studio Theater. The Center presents and hosts hundreds of events each year, including the Center Presents performance series, featuring the best in classical, jazz, pop, rock, country, comedy and other genres. Educational and experiential programming includes children's concerts, summer camps, book clubs, lectures, and classes in music and dance. The Center is home to the affiliated Great American Songbook Foundation and provides space and support services for six resident arts companies. More information at [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org).

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# 70-year-old weightlifts 13M pounds in one month

By LAKYN McGEE  
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At 70 years old, Eric Zalas wanted to become

stronger version of himself.

"I set a challenge for myself. I lifted a little over 13 million pounds in one month," Zalas said. "I would say in the last week I've done about 290,000 pounds. Now, I'd say I've toned it down and probably in any given month I'll do 600,000 [to] 700,000 pounds."

He's worked out at LifeTime Fitness in Fishers for the past five years. "My father, when he

was 93, one day sat in his chair and watching TV and he couldn't get up. That has been a motivation for me," Zalas explained. "I don't really want that to happen so I want to get strong and maintain that strength."

To keep the lifestyle, he goes to the gym five times a week.

"When I get on the treadmill, I like to walk it about 3.3 miles an hour. To make the time pass, I like to listen to old retro music. Sometimes disco music,"

he said. "Other times, I'll watch documentaries."

Zalas called himself competitive.

Originally with a goal of weightlifting 20 million pounds, he got COVID-19 and had to adjust to a smaller number.

Now, he hopes to encourage others to take control of their health.

"If I can do it, you can do it," Zalas said.

[Click here](#) to watch WISH-TV's Lakyn McGee interview Zalas.



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2. The favor, by Nicci French
3. Long Shadows, by David Baldacci
4. No plan B: a Jack Reacher novel, by Lee Child
5. Endless summer: stories, by Elin Hilderbrand

6. Racing the light, by Robert Crais

7. The Matchmaker: a spy in Berlin, by Paul Vidich

8. The maze: a John Corey novel, by Nelson DeMille

9. The Christmas hummingbird, by T. Davis Bunn
10. Bones of holly, by Carolyn Haines

#### New Adult Nonfiction Books

1. Teach yourself visually Python, by Guy Hart-Davis

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Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, Nov. 15

Mental Health First Aid Training

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: The Bridgewater Club

Tuesday, Nov. 22

Young Professionals - Happy Hour

5 to 7 p.m.

Location: SpringHill Suites

Wednesday, Nov. 30

Coffee with the Chamber

8 to 9 a.m.

Location: The Bridgewater Club

DECEMBER

Thursday, December 1

Special Presentation: Dodging the Auschwitz Gas Chamber and 3 other Concentration Camps

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: IMMI Conference Center

Tuesday, December 13

Young Professionals - Coffee & Networking

9 to 10 a.m.

Location: The Club at Chatham Hills

Thursday, December 15

Annual Meeting & Holiday Celebration

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: The Bridgewater Club

## Fishers road construction updates, week of Nov. 14

### The REPORTER

#### State Road 37

To learn more about the State Road 37 Improvement Project and sign up to receive text updates, visit [37Thrives.com](http://37Thrives.com).

#### 141st Street

There are daily lane restrictions currently on 141st Street, west of SR 37, between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. as Citizens Energy Group performs utility work and is anticipated to be completed by Friday, Nov. 18. Arrow boards will be in place.

#### Municipal Drive

Beginning on Monday, Nov. 21, a small section of Municipal Drive will be closed for utility relocation as part of the City Hall demolition project and Arts & Municipal Complex construction project and is anticipated to reopen on Fri-

day, Dec. 9. View closure map [here](#).

#### 116th Street

During the week of November 14, there will be lane restrictions on 116th Street near Municipal Drive between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. as Duke Energy is performing utility work.

#### Resurfacing projects

Road Resurfacing has been completed. Restoration and final close-out items continue to take place in neighborhoods.

#### Development Dashboard

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



# What Hoosier woman created Stove Top stuffing?

## The REPORTER

**1859** – Mayor Samuel Maxwell and the Indianapolis City Council established the first paid fire department. It had previously been a volunteer force. The department began with a hook and ladder company and two hand engines and, in 1860, gained their first steam engine.

**1885** – Charles Edward Henry began production at the Opalescent Glass Works in Kokomo. Still in business, the company is known for its high-quality hand-mixed sheet glass art and colored glass.

**1905** – *The House of a Thousand Candles* by Indianapolis author Meredith Nicholson was published by the Bobbs-Merrill Company. The book became a best seller and inspired a play



and two motion pictures. Many think the book resulted from the author's visit to a home on Lake Maxinkuckee in Culver, Ind.

**1935** – Admiral Richard E. Byrd was guest of honor at the Columbia Club in Indianapolis. The famed pioneer aviator and polar explorer was introduced by Mayor John W. Kern and treated to a concert by the Cathedral High School Band. Byrd spoke of his many experiences and showed movies of his ex-

plorations.

**1949** – The world premiere of the movie *Johnny Holiday* was held at the Lyrical Theater in Indianapolis. Filmed almost entirely at

the Indiana Boys' School, the movie stars William Bendix and Hoagy Carmichael with a cameo appearance by Indiana Governor Henry Schricker.

**2005** – Ruth M. Siems, home economist, died at her home in Newburgh, Ind. For 30 years she was on the innovation staff at General Foods. Her best-known creation was Stove Top Stuffing Mix, introduced in 1972. Over 60 million boxes are sold at Thanksgiving time.

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1 John 3:19-24 (NIV)

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Basketball

# TAKE TWO: Fishers girls overwhelm both opponents at Tiger Den, now 5-0

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**FISHERS** – Sharing is caring. And when it comes to a basketball team, sharing is winning.

The Fishers girls are good at sharing the basketball, so it should not be a surprise that the Tigers are winning quite a bit this season. Fishers, ranked No. 3 in the IBCA one-class poll and No. 4 in the ICGSA Class 4A rankings, improved to 5-0 after two wins Saturday at the Tiger Den.

In their first game, the Tigers cruised past Columbus East – the No. 17 team in the IBCA poll – 73-46. Fishers came back in the evening and sailed past Elkhart by nearly the same margin, 73-45. Nine players scored for the Tigers in the first game, while all 10 players that took to the floor in the evening game got in the scorebook.

“We’ve actually played 10 people in every game this year,” said Fishers coach Lauren Votaw. “And that’s one of the best parts about this team is our depth.”

In the morning contest, the Tigers were in a battle with Columbus East during the first quarter, leading 17-16 after that first period. But Fishers broke away from the Olympians by outscoring them 18-8 in the second quarter for a 35-24 lead.

The Tigers depth took over in that period, with six different players scoring at least two points. Olivia Smith led the way with five, while Talia Harris and Hailey Smith both added four points.

Fishers took further control of the game in the third quarter by outscoring Columbus East 23-13. Hailey Smith scored nine points in that period, with Olivia Smith pouring in another seven. Hailey Smith led the scoring with 18 points, followed by Olivia Smith with 15 and Harris with 11.

“We’ve definitely been sharing the ball great this season,” said Hailey Smith. “But we still have a lot to work on. Obviously, it’s just the start.”

“We want to run fast in transition and get fast buckets,” said Olivia Smith, which she said leads to the Tigers wearing out their opponents. “And then also,



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

**Fishers’ Olivia Smith scored 25 points during the Tigers’ two home games on Saturday. Smith scored 15 points in Fishers’ morning win over Columbus East and 10 points in the Tigers’ evening victory against Elkhart.**

when we’re tired, it just gives us a fresh start to do the same thing over again.”

**Perfect Ten**

Not only did all 10 Tigers players score in Fishers’ evening game, but they all scored at least three points. This game was not as close at the beginning, with the Tigers leading 23-11 after the first quarter. Harris had six points in that opening period.

Fishers led 41-20 by halftime, with nine players scoring at least two points. The 10th player to get on the board, Nevaeh Dickman, did so when she hit a 3-pointer in the fourth quarter.

“They’re extremely talented,” said Votaw. “And they have bought into this idea of, whatever it takes for us to be the best team that we can be. And they are all supportive of one another in whatever role they fill each night.”

The Tigers have now scored 73 points in their last three games, using a

FISHERS 73, COLUMBUS EAST 46				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Joiirdyn Smith	2	0-0	5	3
Talia Harris	5	0-0	11	0
Alycia Triplett	3	0-0	6	1
Hailey Smith	6	6-7	18	0
Olivia Smith	6	3-6	15	1
Karina Scott	1	0-0	3	3
Kate Thomas	2	1-3	5	1
Nevaeh Dickman	0	4-4	4	3
Allison Scheu	3	0-0	6	1
Ava Carter	0	0-0	0	1
Totals	28	14-20	73	14
Score by Quarters				
Columbus East	16	8	13	9 – 46
Fishers	17	18	23	15 – 73
Fishers 3-pointers (3): Scott, J. Smith, Harris.				

high-octane offense and depth to their advantage.

“We actually want to play faster this year than what we did last year,” said Votaw. “We really believe that our depth is one of the things that we want to try accentuate. We believe that we can play fast and do that.”

Harris led the Fishers scoring against Elkhart with 12 points, while Olivia Smith scored 10 points.

**On to Ball State**  
Hailey and Olivia Smith, the Tigers’ sensational senior twins, made news several weeks ago by announcing their commitment to Ball State University. Hailey Smith said that getting a chance to play close to home was a factor in their decision. “When we got the offer from Ball State and we heard everything we wanted to hear on the calls, seeing the facility, it was definitely

FISHERS 73, ELKHART 45				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Joiirdyn Smith	3	0-0	6	1
Talia Harris	5	0-1	12	0
Alycia Triplett	3	1-1	7	1
Hailey Smith	2	5-6	9	1
Olivia Smith	3	3-5	10	2
Karina Scott	3	0-0	9	0
Kate Thomas	3	2-3	8	1
Allison Scheu	1	3-3	5	1
Ava Carter	1	2-2	4	2
Nevaeh Dickman	1	0-0	3	2
Totals	25	16-21	73	11
Score by Quarters				
Elkhart	11	9	11	14 – 45
Fishers	23	18	21	11 – 73
Fishers 3-pointers (6): Scott 3, Harris, Dickman, O. Smith.				

like, that’s where we wanted to be,” said Hailey Smith.

Olivia Smith agreed. “Same thing as she said. They told us everything we wanted to hear. It was close to home, so my mom could come out to the games,” said Olivia Smith. “I knew I didn’t want to be that far away from my mom.”

Fishers will begin Hoosier Crossroads Conference play with its next game, hosting Westfield Friday at the Tiger Den. The Tigers won the HCC championship last season, and Votaw said her team is excited to com-

pete to defend their title.

“Our conference is the toughest in the state, top to bottom, and it’s exciting to get to go out every night and play against people of such a high caliber, such great coaches,” said Votaw. “The challenge is something we’re excited about.”

“Every conference game, we can’t take lightly,” said Hailey Smith. “We got to come out prepared, make sure we’re ready. Watching film in practice, just making sure we’re locked in through the whole week to prepare for games.”

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## Noblesville's Ben Wollenmann commits to Anderson University



Noblesville High School senior Ben Wollenmann has committed to play lacrosse at Anderson University. (Front row, from left) Erin Wollenmann, Ben Wollenmann, and Ivan Wollenmann. (Back row) Noblesville Boys Lacrosse Head Coach Mark Milam.

Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics

## Basketball

### Golden Eagles fall in tough contest

#### The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic lost a hard-fought game with Greenfield-Central on Saturday, 41-38 at the Eagles Nest.

The Cougars led 12-7 after the first quarter and 27-19 at halftime. Natalie Fernandez helped keep the Golden Eagles in the game with seven points, including two 3-pointers in the second period. Guerin Catholic ramped up its defense in the

third quarter, allowing it to get within 32-27 by the end of the period, but Greenfield was able to hold on in the fourth.

Kori Dues led the Golden Eagles' scoring with 13 points, including 10 in the second half. Fernandez and Megan Cobb both had 10 points, with Dues and Fernandez both making three 3s.

Guerin Catholic is 1-1 and plays Tuesday at Hamilton Heights.

#### GREENFIELD-CENTRAL 41, GUERIN CATHOLIC 38

Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Reagan Haines	1-4	1-2	3	2
Natalie Fernandez	3-8	1-2	10	5
Anna Murphy	0-3	0-0	0	2
Kori Dues	5-15	0-0	13	0
Megan Cobb	4-8	1-1	10	2
Sutton Worman	1-5	0-0	2	1
Dana Dues	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	14-42	3-5	38	12

#### Score by Quarters

Greenfield-Central	12	15	5	9-41
Guerin Catholic	7	12	8	11-38

Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (7-26): K. Dues 3-13, Fernandez 3-5, Cobb 1-3, Murphy 0-2, Worman 0-2, Haines 0-1

## Huskies prevail in overtime at Jay Co.

#### The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights won an exciting overtime game at Jay County on Saturday, 45-44.

Katie Brown hit a 3-pointer in the extra period, and that would be the game-winning basket for the Class 3A No. 6 Huskies

as they beat the 3A No. 3 Patriots. Camryn Runner led with 22 points, followed by Ella Hickok and Kaylee Rhoton with nine points each. Brown scored three and Kassidy Schakel had two points.

Heights is 4-1 and hosts Guerin Catholic on Tuesday.



## Sheridan drops conference opener to Carroll, now 0-2

#### The REPORTER

Sheridan dropped its Hoosier Heartland Conference opener on Saturday, falling to Carroll 65-26 in an away game.

The Class 2A No. 4 Cougars outscored the Blackhawks in all four quarters, leading 35-13 at halftime.

Kenzie Garner scored nine points for Sheridan, and also had nine rebounds and two blocked shots. Shelby Eaton collected six rebounds and Chaney Smith had five.

The Blackhawks are 0-2 and host Brebeuf Jesuit on Tuesday for their first home game of the season.

#### CARROLL 65, SHERIDAN 26

Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Lilly Chesney	2-2	1-1	5	3
Ashley Weibel	2-9	0-0	6	1
Nova Cross	1-6	0-0	2	2
Mac Smith	0-0	0-0	0	1
Kenzie Garner	2-13	3-4	9	5
Chaney Smith	2-11	0-5	4	0
Shelby Eaton	0-8	0-0	0	0
Jacquelynne Bates	0-5	0-0	0	0
Totals	9-54	4-10	26	12

#### Score by Quarters

Sheridan	4	9	10	3-26
Carroll	15	20	15	15-65

Sheridan 3-point shooting (2-21) Weibel 2-8, Garner 0-7, Cross 0-2, Bates 0-2, C. Smith 0-1, Eaton 0-1.

Sheridan rebounds (26) Garner 9, Eaton 6, C. Smith 5, Chesney 2, Weibel 2, Cross 1, Bates 1.

## Basketball

### Southeastern blows away Elkhart & Columbus East

#### The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern overwhelmed its two opponents in home games on Saturday.

The Royals, ranked No. 5 in the IBCA one-class poll and No. 6 in the ICGSA Class 4A rankings, first beat Elkhart 81-41. Four Southeastern players reached double digits in scoring: Riley Makalusky had 26 points, Lauren Stewart made three 3-pointers on her way to 13 points, Kennedy Holman added 12 and Maya Makalusky had 10.

Teegan Acres pulled six rebounds, while Maya Makalusky collected five. Acres dished out five assists, while Kennedy Holman and

Olivia Brown both handed out five assists. Kayla Stidham made two blocked shots.

The Royals had even bigger numbers in their second game, cruising past Columbus East 94-42. Maya Makalusky led the scoring this time with 28 points, while Riley Makalusky contributed 19 points. Stewart scored 13 and Acres had 11.

Brown had an outstanding game, with 14 assists, nine rebounds, five steals and two blocks. Makalusky drained five 3-pointers, while Stewart threw in three triples.

Southeastern is 4-0 and plays Tuesday at Center Grove.

#### HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 81, ELKHART 41

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Riley Makalusky	10-17	4-5	26	0
Lauren Stewart	5-9	0-0	13	1
Kennedy Holman	6-7	0-0	12	1
Maya Makalusky	3-11	3-3	10	1
Kayla Stidham	3-6	0-0	8	0
Olivia Brown	3-3	1-2	7	2
Teegan Acres	1-3	1-2	3	2
Addison Van Hoesen	1-3	0-0	2	1
Maine Hooks	0-0	0-0	0	3
Blair Satterfield	0-2	0-0	0	3
Charity Beal	0-1	0-0	0	1
Kayla Brinley	0-1	0-0	0	0
Olivia White	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	32-64	11-12	81	15

Southeastern 3-point shooting (8-16) Stewart 3-3, Stidham 2-5, R. Makalusky 2-4, M. Makalusky 1-2, Acres 0-1, Brinley 0-1.

Southeastern rebounds (26) Acres 6, M. Makalusky 5, Stidham 4, Brown 4, Satterfield 4, R. Makalusky 3, Stewart 2, Van Hoesen 2, Holman 1, Hooks 1, Beal 1, Brinley 1.

#### HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 94, COLUMBUS EAST 42

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maya Makalusky	10-14	3-4	28	1
Riley Makalusky	9-17	0-0	19	3
Lauren Stewart	5-8	0-0	13	0
Teegan Acres	4-5	2-2	11	1
Kayla Stidham	3-6	0-0	7	1
Kennedy Holman	2-4	0-2	4	3
Maine Hooks	2-3	0-1	4	1
Olivia Brown	1-3	0-0	2	1
Blair Satterfield	1-1	0-0	2	0
Charity Beal	1-1	0-0	2	1
Olivia White	1-1	0-0	2	0
Addison Van Hoesen	0-1	0-0	0	2
Kayla Brinley	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	39-65	5-9	94	14

Southeastern 3-point shooting (11-24) M. Makalusky 5-6, Stewart 3-5, R. Makalusky 1-4, Stidham 1-4, Acres 1-2, Holman 0-1, Hooks 0-1, Brinley 0-1.

Southeastern rebounds (27) Brown 9, Acres 4, M. Makalusky 3, R. Makalusky 2, Stewart 2, Holman 2, Satterfield 2, Beal 2, Hooks 1.

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Basketball

# Millers' momentum leads to victory against Lawrence North

The REPORTER

In recent seasons, it has become more of a physical affair with Lawrence North and Noblesville. The Wildcats had won 12 of the 17 meetings coming into Saturday's game, but the tide has changed in recent seasons.

It was no different on Saturday night at The Mill as the host Millers were able to get their third straight win in the series with a 50-43 win over the Wildcats.

LN got off to a 4-0 lead early, but Noblesville came right back and went on a run to tie it 6-6. The Millers got consecutive buckets from Kaitlyn Shoemaker and Reagan Wilson for a 10-6 edge. The Wildcats closed the gap to 10-9 through one.

The Millers took the second 18-13 to make the score 28-23 at halftime, all while getting outrebounded 41-31 for the game, but that didn't deter them.

Each would score 10 in the third, keeping the Miller lead at five, 38-33. Ava Shoemaker accounted for five of the 10 and more importantly knocked down a key three-pointer from the left corner for 33-26. Ava's free throw would then give them their biggest lead of the night at 34-26, but obviously the Wildcats didn't go away easily.

Forcing big LN turnovers in the fourth helped propel the Millers to a home win 50-43 over Lawrence North for a weekend sweep.

Ava Shoemaker (seven rebounds) and Meredith

NOBLESVILLE 50, LAWRENCE NORTH 43				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Kaitlyn Shoemaker	1-8	0-0	2	3
Ava Shoemaker	4-12	4-7	14	2
Reagan Wilson	3-16	6-6	12	0
Meredith Tippner	6-14	2-2	14	2
Dani Mendez	1-3	1-2	3	2
Kate Rollins	0-0	0-0	0	3
C.C. Quigley	1-1	0-0	2	1
Brooklyn Ely	1-2	0-0	3	0
Totals	17-56	13-17	50	13
Score by Quarters				
Lawrence North	9	14	10	10 - 43
Noblesville	10	18	10	12 - 50
Noblesville 3-pointers (3-16) A. Shoemaker 2-5, Ely 1-2, Wilson 0-5, K. Shoemaker 0-3, Tippner 0-1.				
Noblesville rebounds (30) Tippner 10, Quigley 7, A. Shoemaker 5, Mendez 4, Ely 1, Wilson 1, team 2.				

Tippner each scored 14 and Reagan Wilson (four assists) joined them in double-digits with 12. Tippner notched her third double-double in as many games this season with 10 rebounds.

Noblesville (3-0) plays again on Friday at Brownsburg (2-2) and hosts No. 7 Homestead (3-0) on Saturday, Nov. 19.

# Westfield falls to Lawrence Central for season's first loss

The REPORTER

Westfield dropped its first game this season Saturday, falling to Lawrence Central 50-37 at CSI Gymnasium.

The Bears jumped in front of the Shamrocks right away, leading 16-7 after the first quarter. Westfield cut that advantage to 25-20 by halftime, but LC slowly extended its lead in the second half.

Emmrey Collinsworth scored nine points for the 'Rocks, while Ellie Kelleher and Aubrey Crockett each added eight points. Crockett made two 3-pointers.

Kiki Loveless collected six rebounds and Crockett had two blocked shots.

Westfield is 3-1 and plays its first Hoosier Crossroads Conference game of the season Friday at Fishers.

LAWRENCE CENTRAL 50, WESTFIELD 37				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ellie Kelleher	3-9	2-2	8	4
Aubrey Crockett	3-9	0-0	8	1
Emmrey Collinsworth	3-10	2-2	9	4
Kiki Loveless	2-8	0-1	4	1
Lindsey Van Dyke	1-4	0-0	2	1
Reagan Lorenzen	3-6	0-0	6	3
Maren Dee	0-0	0-0	0	1
Mikayla Hatcher	0-1	0-0	0	0
Totals	15-47	4-5	37	12
Score by Quarters				
Lawrence Central	16	9	11	14 - 50
Westfield	7	13	9	8 - 37
Westfield 3-point shooting (3-16): Crockett 2-6, Collinsworth 1-5, Loveless 0-2, Kelleher 0-1, Lorenzen 0-1, Van Dyke 0-1.				
Westfield rebounds (27) Loveless 6, Crockett 4, Lorenzen 4, Van Dyke 4, Kelleher 3, Collinsworth 1, Dee 1, Hatcher 1, team 3.				

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# Greyhounds fall in away game at Huntington North

The REPORTER

Carmel dropped an away game at Huntington North on Saturday, 45-34.

The Greyhounds led 11-8 after the first quarter. Ava Carter came off the bench to hit two 3-pointers. The Vikings came back to tie the game at 15-15 by halftime, and pulled away

in the third quarter, outscoring Carmel 14-7.

Carter finished the game with 13 points and three 3s, while Taryn Fisher added 10 points. Lauren Perry led the rebounds with four.

The Greyhounds are 0-2 and play Tuesday at Zionsville.

HUNTINGTON NORTH 45, CARMEL 34				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Izzy Shepherd	1-5	0-0	2	2
Mackenzie Woods	0-1	0-0	0	0
Lauren Perry	3-6	0-0	7	1
Jamie Elliott	1-2	0-0	2	3
Hannah Lach	0-7	0-0	0	0
Taryn Fisher	4-6	2-3	10	3
Ava Carter	5-8	0-0	13	0
Brooke Thoren	0-1	0-0	0	2
Totals	14-36	2-3	34	11
Score by Quarters				
Carmel	11	4	7	12 - 34
Huntington North	8	7	14	16 - 45
Carmel 3-point shooting (4-21): Carter 3-6, Perry 1-4, Lach 0-7, Shepherd 0-2, Woods 0-1, Elliott 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (15): Perry 4, Woods 3, Shepherd 2, Fisher 2, Elliott 1, Thoren 1, Lach 1, Carter 1.				

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