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TODAY'S WEATHER Today: Mostly cloudy, with a

few flurries possible. Blowing snow from wind gusting to 50mph. Tonight: Blowing snow. Wind gusting to 40mph. Dangerous chill! HIGH: 2 LOW: -2

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Even without the skates, **Mark Jones is still Santa!**





Photos provided by Prevail, Inc. / Facebook Santa Claus visited Prevail on Wednesday to drop off over 100 cases of water and 200 gift cards. Thank you Tom Wood Volkswagen Noblesville for your continuous support and making sure Santa's sleigh was full. Prevail's clients will appreciate this more than you know.

Nature vs. nurture

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

Seeing my birth father's sister, June, in the fall of 2015 was another lightning moment for me. Adoptees typically don't look like anyone else in their family. That certainly had been the case for me.



My mother used to have a picture hanging on her wall from my nephew's wedding in 1996. It's one of the rare photos of Mom and all three of her children. Mom, Mark, and Vicky all look tan as usual. I've always joked over the years that I look like the poor white child from Alaska.

Looking at June on my iPad that evening was almost like gazing into a mirror. Her hair was shorter than mine, but other than that we looked like twins. For the next couple of weeks, I kept thinking, I look like someone! I look like someone! It felt like the final piece of my life puzzle had fallen into place.

As I scrolled through her Facebook page, I was also struck by the fact that we had similar interests and passions. I could tell she was concerned about the environment. June also had a strong faith in God and seemed quite spiritual. She had even attended Indiana University, just like me!

Of course, I showed my husband and sons her picture and shared it with friends as well. Everyone was completely stunned by the resemblance.

"I felt like I was looking at your page," my dear friend Stacey said. "She looks like vou and her interests are the same as well. It's remarkable."

The whole nature versus nurture debate popped up in my head once again. Here was a case where genes played a strong part in who I am. The whole experience made me want to meet her

I brought up that desire the next time I

Westfield Chamber installs 2023 **Board of Directors & Officers**



Photo provided

Last Thursday at the December Chamber Luncheon, the 2023 Westfield Chamber Board of Directors and Officers were installed. Board Chairman Steve Rupp of Keller Williams Realty - The Zulu Group, and three new Board Members, Jill Doyle of Invest Hamilton County, Greg Delagrange of The Hagerman Group, and Andrew Montgomery of Syngenta Seeds were installed as new Directors. A huge thank you goes out to Immediate Past Chairwoman Janelle Campbell of Community First Bank of Indiana and outgoing board members Karen Keinsley of Slattery & Holman and Eric Lohe of CrossRoads Church, who were also honored for all they have done and continue to do for the Chamber.

spoke to my birth father Jack right before Thanksgiving. I knew he had never told his siblings about me. I wondered if that could change in the future.

"Until my wife Dawn is more comfortable about this, I just can't tell them right now." Jack replied. I understood, although it was hard to hear. Every time I looked June up on Facebook it was difficult to not request to be her friend. But obviously I had to, once again, be patient.

It was also difficult for me to be patient about someday meeting my birth mother Linda, although another Thanksgiving conversation helped me in this area.

Carmel PorchFest creates new grant program to support local aspiring musicians

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Carmel PorchFest has announced a new grant program designed to provide financial support for up-andcoming musicians in the community to cover items such as new instruments, lessons, schooling and other musical opportunities in exchange for volunteer hours.

As part of the program, students must volunteer four hours at a Carmel PorchFest event to become eligible for the grant.

PorchFest awarded its first three grants at Holiday PorchFest on Dec. 10 at Midtown Plaza. The recipients were Erin Kong, Taehee Kim, and Brayden Meng – all from Carmel High School.

free, family-friendly event along with a committee of with a variety of local musical acts performing live on neighborhood porches. PorchFest was established in 2014 to promote the Arts & Design District homes, as well as highlight local and to grow, the board and sponstatewide musicians. Porch-Fest also runs the commu-



Photo provided by City of Carmel (From left) Erin Kong, Carmel PorchFest Board President Joshua Kirsh, Taehee Kim, and Brayden Meng.

nity's favorite block party, musicians in the commu-Late Night on Main, hosting nity. Zotec Partners, Duke a handful of concerts every year.

Carmel PorchFest Inc. is new grant program. Carmel PorchFest is a run by a Board of Directors Carmel volunteers and business owners. The events are supported by local **sponsors** and donors who make the events possible.

> sors want to extend their reach to young, aspiring See PorchFest ... Page 2

Energy, and other sponsors made donations to create the

Who can apply?

Students aged 6 to 18 can apply for financial assistance in return for volunteering time at events held throughout the year. Students aged 13 and under will As PorchFest continues need a parent or guardian to volunteer with them.

Nickel Plate Arts celebrating 10th 'Comic Book in a Day'

Celebrity special guest Bob Hall to be in attendance

Plate Arts' Featured Artists,

including Stuart Sayger,

Gavin Smith, and other staff

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all day and will be available

for questions and coaching.

This day-long challenge

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Hall and the other Fea-

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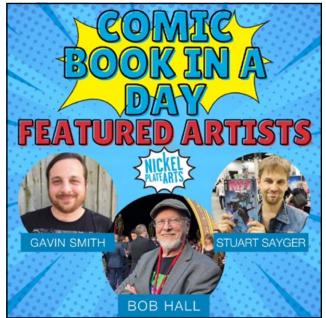
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The Nickel Plate Arts 10th annual Comic Book in a Day Challenge, presented by Browning Day, is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21. Celebrity special guest and legendary comic artist Bob Hall will be in attendance and assisting participants as a Featured Artist.

Hall has worked in the comics industry for more than 45 years and has made appearances in numerous comic cons over the past several decades. Learn more about Bob Hall at **bobhall.com**.

"I'm looking forward to helping the next generation of artists excel in their work during this extraordinary event," Hall said. "Nickel Plate Arts provides the opportunity for continued successes among our community members, pushing the bar higher through events like the Comic Book in a Day Challenge."

The annual event fea-In-person and virtual optures the opportunity to create a comic book from scratch in just eight hours



Graphic provided by Nickel Plate Arts

with the help of Nickel will allow participants to meet other artists and compete for prizes. However, registering for the challenge isn't the only way to enjoy this event. The public is welcome to stop in throughout the day to watch the challenge in progress, meet and shop for artwork from these professional Featured

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How to apply

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page or sign up here. Then account @Carmel-Porchsign up to volunteer at a Carmel PorchFest, Inc. event on the website's volunteer page. The plan is to award grants twice a year.

Support the grant program

If you are interested in becoming a donor to support the grant program, please email info@carmel-



and raffle prizes.





Thanks for reading The Reporter!

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activities

All artwork created in the challenge will be displayed in an exhibit in Ignite Studio and published in a printed comic book.

"Our title sponsor, fit for Comic Book in a Day because creativity and artistry are a core part of their design process," Nickel Plate Arts Director Ailithir Mc-Gill said. "They encourage their staff to explore a wide range of disciplines."

Nickel Plate Arts is also excited to partner once again with the Fishers Library Ignite Studio for this event.

Once a participant has registered, they will be added to Nickel Plate Arts' contact list and will receive updates about the details of this incredible event. A registration fee will pay for a copy of the 'Comic Book in a Day' compilation, which will include each participant's work. Drawing supplies to anyone who needs them for this event will be provided.

If the registration fee for this challenge is a barrier for your participation, please contact Nickel Plate Arts for options.

Champion Ella 2022 Satterfield reflected on her win from last year:

"One thing I think story that not only meant a lot to me, but related to others as well," Satterfield said. "When you make a connection with people, your stories mean a lot more! Art-wise, I always start with thumbnails in my sketchbook before doing anything digital! That way I can see what I want to make before committing a lot of time to the finished piece."

Comic Book in a Day Workshops

Nickel Plate Arts will hold a series of workshops to help you prepare for the upcoming Comic Book in a Day event. These workshops are open to the public.

Wednesday, Jan. 4 from 2 to 3 p.m. - Comics Demo by Returning Champion Ella Satterfield - Turning Everyday Experiences into Great Comics

• Thursday, Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m. - Creative Warm-Up with Bill Wilkison

• Tuesday, Jan. 17 at **6:30 p.m.** - What Makes a Comic Book? with Gavin Smith

• Thursday, Jan. 19 at 6:30 p.m. - Unconventional Comics with Stuart Sayger Additional information

on the workshops can be found at **nickelplatearts**. org/comicbookinaday.





Photos provided by Nickel Plate Arts

(Top) On Jan. 19, Stuart Sayger will present his workshop on "Unconventional Comics." (Above left) Gavin Smith will educate you on "What Makes a Comic Book" on Jan. 17. (Above right) **Returning Champion Ella Satterfield will present** her demo on "Turning Everyday Experiences into Great Comics" on Jan. 4.

Rules and regulations for the challenge can be found at nickelplatearts. org/signature-events/comic-book-in-a-day.

Click here to register for the challenge. You can find the full event details by visiting this link.

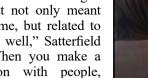
About Nickel Plate Arts Nickel Plate Arts is an umbrella nonprofit organi- ty Tourism, Inc.

zation that creates and coordinates arts and cultural experiences across communities in eastern Hamilton County and the surrounding areas to improve the quality of life for residents, strengthen local economies and enrich experiences for visitors. Nickel Plate Arts is a project of Hamilton Coun-



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

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- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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Due to the hazardous weather conditions, the administrative offices of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office will be closed today, Friday, Dec. 23.

Offices will closed on Monday, Dec. 26 and Tuesday, Dec. 27 in observance of the holidays. on Wednesday, Dec. 28.

Your patience and understanding are appreciated during the hazardous weather and holiday season.

Essential public safety services will remain open: Patrol, Corrections, and Dispatch. Please be prepared for this hazardous weather. Listed below are some resources available to you.

Preparedness

1. Sign up for Smart911, which is also a special needs registry for those who may need additional assistance: smart911.com.

2. **Download** remain **HCEM** App for storm reports, power outages, travel advisories, and more.

3. Make a plan, build Regular hours will resume a kit, and stay informed: emergencies, call 9-1-1. ready.gov.

Need Help?

1. Only call 911 for life-threatening emergencies

2. Call 211 for warning centers, shelters, or other assistance.

3. Find the website for your power provider to monitor progress if there are power outages.

Church News

Christmas Day Services in Hamilton County

All Catholic Churches in the county will hold at least one mass on Christmas Day.

Refuge Christian Church, 11772 E. 196th St., Noblesville, will hold a Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. and a Christmas Day service at 9:30 a.m.

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The City of Fishers offers the following information so you can keep yourself, your family, your pets, the and your neighbors safe during the extreme cold over the next few days.

Stay informed

• For life-threatening

• Sign up for Smart911, a tool Fishers' public safety teams use to share information and updates and respond to households with the provided information. Enroll at smart911.com.

• To stay up to date on Fishers weather conditions or advisories, follow the City of Fishers social media accounts: Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

• Visit fishers.in.us/ Weather for latest information.

· Download the Hamilton County Indiana Emergency Management app available in your app store

• For non-life-threatening events, call 2-1-1 for assistance. Indiana 211 is a free service that connects Hoosiers with help and answers from thousands of health and human service agencies and resources right

The website will include information on warming centers, shelters, and other cold weather resources available if residents need them.

Be prepared

To stay safe during extreme weather conditions, residents should be prepared and stay informed. Here are some tips to prepare for this week's winter weather:

• Limit the amount of time outdoors. Extreme cold can lead to frostbite and hypothermia within 15 minutes.

• Create a safety plan in the event your power goes out.

• Avoid frozen pipes by opening sink cabinet doors and allowing cold water to drip from faucets, keeping garages closed, and disconnecting hoses.

• Do not use a stove or oven to heat the home. Place space heaters on a level, hard, nonflammable surfac-

• Outside activities are not advised. If you plan to run, walk, sled, etc., dress in layers and notify others of your route. Be prepared.

• Park in driveways and off-streets so plows can



The Cicero Street and Utilities Department has a full-time position opening for a Labor-Class I, II, III. The position will be responsible for a variety of duties involved with operating, repairing/maintaining the street, potable water, and wastewater operations and facilities according to applicable rules, regulations, and laws for the Town of Cicero. For a full job description, please visit the Town of Cicero's website at www.ciceroin.org and click on the Government tab, followed by the Job Opportunities tab. From here you will also be able to access the Town's application, which will be required.

Applications will be accepted through Friday, January 6, 2023. Please send application, along with any other pertinent documents to Terry Cooper, 1159 Stringtown Pike, P.O. Box 391, Cicero, IN 46034 or tcooper@townofcicero.in.gov

in their local communities. easily go through neighborhoods to remove snow. **Elderly & vulnerable**

populations

Fishers wants you to stay

 Vulnerable populations are encouraged to stay indoors and abstain from unnecessary travel.

· Check on your neighbors who are elderly, have young children, people living with disabilities, or who are sick.

• Do you depend on power for medical equipment? Create a power-loss plan that may include using a generator, visiting a warming center, or accessing family/friends with power.

· Individuals who require extra assistance in an emergency, are homebound, or have medical equipment reliant on power are strongly encouraged to register with Smart 911.

Winter weather driving

 Check tire pressure and clean wiper blades.

from your vehicle before driving.

• Check the weather forecasts and find alternate routes.

• Keep a safe distance from snowplows and other vehicles.

• Drive slowly and do not use cruise control.

• Watch for travel advisories issued by county and state officials.

• Keep a winter emergency kit in your car.

• Extra socks and mittens

• Emergency blanket

• Reflective emergency

- First aid kit
- Cell phone power cord
- and power bank
 - Ice scraper
 - Flashlight
 - Power outages

In the event residents experience a power outage,

Republic Services

residents may do the following:

• Contact your provider to report the outage. Duke Energy: duke-energy.com/ outages or text 'OUT' to 57801; NineStar Connect: call (317) 326-3131 opt. 9, or visit ninestarconnect. com

• Monitor status of outages at poweroutage.us.

• If you need non-emergency assistance, call 2-1-1.

• If you are medically or physically vulnerable and need assistance due to power outages, call 2-1-1 or dial 9-1-1 if it is a life-threatening emergency.

• If power outages are anticipated to occur an extended period, the City of Fishers will communicate emergency resources and support via Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Smart 911.

Power outage safety

• Do not leave burning · Clean off snow and ice candles unattended or unmonitored.

> · Generators and fuel should always be used outdoors and at least 20 feet away from windows, doors, and attached garages.

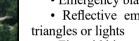
> • If you need assistance, dial 2-1-1 for resources or warming center information. Pet safety

• Keep pets away from space heaters, snow/ice melt, and other hazardous machinery.

• Bring your pets indoors and limit time outside.

• If pets must stay outdoors, per City Ordinance, when the temperature is 40 degrees or lower, shelter for animals must include sufficient, dry bedding material or other means of protection from the weather that will allow the animal to retain body heat when the weather is colder than what an animal of that breed and condition can comfortably tolerate.

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suspends Friday trash service in Carmel

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Due to the predicted severe cold weather and snow accumulation, Republic Services will suspend trash and recycling services today, Friday, Dec. 23. This will delay Friday's trash and recycling pick-up to the rescheduled date of Monday, Dec. 26.

Moving into next week, residents should plan to set out carts on their normal service day with the understanding there may be a one-Services catches up on each route.

Hamilton County Emergency

has issued a Winter Storm Warning, affecting portions of central Indiana, with extremely frigid temperatures. The National Weather Service is forecasting a high of negative 5 degrees for Friday, with wind chill values exceeding 30 degrees below zero. These are dangerous conditions for Republic drivers and homeowners who will need to put trash and recycling out and retrieve carts.

Delaying service is not day delay while Republic ideal, but when extreme weather causes unsafe conditions, this is the best course of action. Thank you Management for your patience.

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

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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** or call (317) 843-3800.

Center Presents Performances include:

Jeff Allen

7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7 The Tarkington Tickets from \$35 Comedy Series

Now in his fifth decade as a working comedian, Jeff Allen has appeared on America's Got Talent, Dry Bar Comedy, HBO, Amazon Prime, Comedy Central, VH1, Showtime, TBN, CBN, Family Net and numerous other television networks and podcasts. He can be heard regularly on SiriusXM's comedy channels, Pandora and Spotify. On his new tour, Jeff Allen 2.0, his sidesplitting comedy drives home the humor in everyday family life, the ups and downs of marriage, the challenge of raising children, the bliss of the empty nest (followed by the unexpected returns to said nest) and the joys of being a grandparent.

The Mavericks 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27 The Palladium Tickets from \$35 atz Sapper & Miller Pop/Ro

Katz, Sapper & Miller Pop/Rock Series

The Mavericks are an eclectic country/rock/Tex-Mex group known for twangy guitars, raucous performances and tunes like "Dance the Night Away" and "All You Ever Do Is Bring Me Down." Founded in Miami and led by front man and songwriter Raul Malo, the multiple CMA and ACM award winners reunited in 2012 after a long hiatus and recently marked their 30th anniversary. The Mavericks' recent release En Español, their 12th studio album and first with all-Spanish lyrics, debuted at No. 1 on Billboard's Latin Pop Albums chart and further expanded the band's stylistic range.



Tickets to see The Mavericks start at \$35 for their Jan. 27 show at The Palladium in Carmel.

Ugly Duckling 11 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. Saturday,

Jan. 28 The Tarkington Old Town Family Series Tickets from \$15

The U.K.-based theater group Tutti Frutti brings to life Hans Christian Andersen's well-known tale with a menagerie of mischievous animals, inventive physicality, and live music and songs that quack and trill. The hero of the story, called ugly and rejected by his siblings, goes on an adventure in search of a place to fit in. Great for ages 5 to 10, this charming production plays with the importance of identity and self-worth and takes us on a journey to discover inner beauty. * * *

Other January events include: Faegre Drinker Peanut Butter & Jam: Animals of the North Pole with Silly Safaris

10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7 The Studio Theater

Tickets: \$10 per child, includes up to two free adult admissions

Presenter Jingle John, posing as a reindeer herder from the Scandinavian Sami culture, introduces us to amazing animals of the Arctic Circle, one of the coldest, harshest environments on the planet. Technically, it is a giant frozen desert, and the animals that live there have specific adaptations for survival. He'll bring mammals, reptiles, a bird and, of course, bugs to demonstrate life at the pole – including a real live reindeer. Designed for children ages 1 to 7, Faegre Drinker Peanut Butter & Jam sessions encourage young children to become engaged in the arts.

JazzTalk: A Conversation with Boney James

7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10 Live online via Zoom Free Born James Oppenheim, Boney James began gigging as a teenager and turned pro at 19. Join host Todd Williams for an engaging conversation about how this four-time Grammy-nominated, multiplatinum R&B/jazz saxophonist, songwriter and producer got his start in the music business. Come hear about his greatest musical influences and find out how he got his famous moniker. James will perform Feb. 18 at the Palladium.

Luminaries: No Room for Squares with photographer Mark Sheldon

2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24 The Palladium, Robert Adam Room Tickets: \$10, includes light refreshments

Freelance photographer Mark Sheldon has photographed thousands of musicians all over the world and has been published in nearly every renowned music magazine and newspaper. In this presentation, he will share some of his favorite photographs and the **Presents.org.**

stories behind the images. Come hear about where his interest in photography came from and how he turned his love of music and his photographic skill into a rewarding career. Luminaries is the Center's weekday speaker series.

Live at the Center: Tay Bronson & the Tackle Box 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25 Online and at the Tarkington Livestream: Free (pay-what-youcan, no minimum) On site: \$5 (pay-what-you-can, \$5 minimum)

Tay Bronson first gained attention in the 1990s as bassist and songwriter for the Indiana-based alternative rock band Push Down & Turn, which toured with artists including Counting Crows and the BoDeans and had songs placed on several national compilations and network daytime dramas. In recent years, Bronson has focused on country-oriented songwriting, performing at national festivals and releasing his solo debut album, Drinks & Memories, in 2020. A follow-up album and full-band tour are planned for 2023.

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 TheCenter-





We live in a troubled world and trying times. The economy is teetering. Gas prices are up. Inflation rages. Crime is on the rise. There are lots of things to shake the foundation of our lives. Where can we turn for help and stability? God and God alone holds the key! Turn to the Messiah for peace, security and hope. May we help you come to know Him?

Isaiah 41:10 "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

At the **Stony Creek Church of Christ**, we assemble on Sundays and Wednesdays to seek a better understanding of Jesus and His ways. You are encouraged and invited to join us for those studies or call for a private study.



Stony Creek Church of Christ

"First Century Christianity in the Twenty First Century" 15530 Herriman Blvd., Noblesville (317) 219-5852 Sunday Bible Study 10:00 am Sunday Worship 11:00 am Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Fishers' own Seth Morrison named to Muskingum University President's List

The REPORTER Seth Morrison of Fishers has been named to the Fall 2022 President's List at above on a minimum load Muskingum University in of 12 completed semes-New Concord, Ohio.

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President's List, students **By KATHERINE** must earn a term gradepoint average of 3.90 or PATTERSON WISH-TV | wishtv.com ter hours of A to F graded yellow trucks salting and plowing the interstates,

Carmel's own Steven Leatherwood named to Union University Dean's List

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for the fall 2022 semester.

Steven Leatherwood of Carmel is among those students.

The Dean's List includes full-time students who achieve a 3.5 grade point average on a four-point scale.

EARN UP TO

Founded in 1823 and A total of 374 students affiliated with the Tennessee have been named to the Baptist Convention, Union Union University Dean's List University is characterized by quality Christ-centered teaching and learning. Union offers liberal arts training in more than 100 majors and programs of study along with professional programs in business, education and nursing.

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• Side streets (Hudson been plowed.

Street, North Blackford Street, North Capitol Avenue)

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Follow Indy Snow Avenue, Michigan Road, Force Viewer for live updates on which roads have

IU Health cardiologist: Snow shoveling may trigger a heart attack

Do you know who's supposed

to plow your street?

By ASHLEY FOWLER WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Before you grab that or sudden cardiac event insnow shovel and start clearing the sidewalk, take a moment to think about your heart.

Snow shoveling places extra stress on the heart, especially among people who aren't used to regular exercise, according to the American Heart Association. It's also dangerous for people who have heart disease, whether they are aware of the disease or not.

Dr. William Gill, a cardiologist with IU Health in Indianapolis, compares shoveling snow to starting a "vigorous workout program inside a freezer." That can raise blood pressure and levels. The risk of heart attack

creases the older or less fit you are, according to Gill. "We should plan not

to tackle the entire driveway at once, for sure!" Gill said. "We should dress for the weather. Get yourself into good warm clothes and make sure you're well hydrated."

meal.

"Shoveling snow after a large meal is probably not a good idea because the body is busy digesting food at that time, also requiring the heart to do more work – for instance, pumping blood to intestines. If we wouldn't go throwing it.

your heart rate to dangerous exercise after a big meal, we probably shouldn't go and shovel snow after eating a snow and experience chest big meal."

Individuals at higher risk of a cardiac event triggered by shoveling snow include: · People who are seden-

tary or obese

Current or former smokers

• People with high cholesterol or high blood pressure

• People with a history

The most important thing to do when shoveling snow is to be aware of the dangers, be prepared, and take short breaks, according to Gill. He says pushing the snow with a shovel is better than physically lifting and

When to call 911

If you're shoveling pain or pressure, lightheadedness, heart palpitations, or irregular heart rhythms, stop what you're doing immediately. Call 911 if the symptoms don't subside shortly after you stop shoveling.

Signs of a heart attack include shortness of breath, nausea, a cold sweat, and discomfort in your chest which may travel to the neck, jawline, upper back, or down the arms.

If you see someone collapse while shoveling snow, call 911 right away.

Learn more about cold weather and cardiovascular disease at the American Heart Association website.

Attorney General Rokita reminds Hoosiers to use caution to avoid scams this winter

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eral Todd Rokita warns for their promis-Hoosiers to avoid scams es to inspect your this winter. This is a time furnace, repair celebrate the holidays your leaky roof, to

door. Don't fall

work. • Before signing a contract or making a payment, contact the

friends, and co-workers for contractors they have used who have done good

pairs, etc.

• Never pay for the entire or a large part of the project before the work begins.

• Don't make the final payment to the contractor

Indiana Attorney Gen-

or knock on your

Gill warns against shoveling snow after a large of heart attack or stroke

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and be with family, but it's also a time for scammers to find new victims, especially when dealing with winter weather.

"Scammers don't hibernate in the winter, and they're counting on, you to be the target of a winter weather scam," Rokita said. "Hoosiers can protect themselves by asking the right questions and doing their research before hiring anyone."

Unlicensed contractors and scammers don't just call you anymore, they email,

or offer to remove snow and ice. Sometimes they don't deliver and they just take

doing some or all the work. weather emergencies while plaint information on conavoiding scams, the Office of the Indiana Attorney General and the Indiana Builders Association offer the following tips to avoid falling victim to a home repair scam:

• Ask your family,

Rokita Attorney Generyour money and run without al's Consumer Protection Division and the Better To prepare for winter Business Bureau for comtractors you are considering.

• Get multiple bids from local contractors in writing.

· Avoid contractors who spontaneously show up at been the victim of a scam, your door offering a "bargain" price for painting, driveway sealing, roof re-

until you know all suppliers of materials and all subcontractors have been paid.

• Get a contract – never rely on verbal or handshake deals. Make sure all promises are in writing and that you understand what you're signing.

· Search online for the company's name with words like "scam" or "complaint."

If you believe you have file a complaint at indianaconsumer.com with Attorney General Rokita's office.



Great American Songbook Foundation opens applications for Songbook Academy 2023

National summer intensive connects high school vocalists with arts and entertainment professionals for week of mentoring, lifetime of networking

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with a passion for singing and the stage can learn directly from Broadway performers and other arts and entertainment professionals at the Great American Songbook Foundation's annual Songbook Academy, now accepting applications for its 14th national summer intensive set for July 15 to 22, 2023.

The Songbook Academy focuses on the pop, jazz, Broadway, and Hollywood standards that have come to be known as the Great American Songbook, but the experience can be life-changing for any young person who wants to gain experience and expertise as a singer in professional or academic settings. Only 40 students nationwide are selected each vear to attend the weeklong intensive at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Alumni have gone on to perform on NBC's The Voice, on Broadway, and at Carnegie Hall and other prestigious venues.

"There's nowhere else that you're going to learn about music in this way," said 2021 and 2022 participant Lydia Herrera of Kennesaw, Ga., now studying in of Musical Theatre at the University of Michigan.

High school students fun schedule of workshops, masterclasses, and perfor- arships, performance oppormances, the 40 students tunities and academic and have opportunities to:

· Learn from award-winning artists, music directors and educators from top college performing arts programs about topics such as vocal technique, song interpretation, stage presence, music history, auditioning for college arts programs, and life as a working professional.

from professional performers including Songbook Foundation Founder Michael Feinstein, the fivetime Grammy-nominated "Ambassador of the Great American Songbook." The other 2023 industry mentors are still to be announced, but previous mentors have included Broadway and Netflix stars Ashley Park and Solea Pfeiffer, performers from the hit musicals Mean *Girls*, *Hamilton* and *Wicked*, and members of Postmodern Jukebox and The Manhattan Transfer.

• Perform in solo and group formats in state-ofthe-art venues for public audiences of a thousand or more, as well as online viewers.

the renowned Department friends with other young artists from across the country, joining an alumni network

Through a rigorous but that provides support and shares information on scholprofessional experiences.

> Although Songbook Academy originated as a judged competition with awards for top performers, it has since evolved into a format that emphasizes camaraderie and mutual support among the participants.

"Songbook Academy is the first arts experience • Gain personal insights I have had where I felt true support and that I was on a real team," said 2022 alum Alexander Kim of Laguna Niguel, Calif. "I was surrounded by peers and mentors who are brilliant examples of what I can attain if I apply myself to the song."

How to apply

To be considered for the Songbook Academy, active high school students as of Jan. 1, 2023, who live in the United States are invited to submit videos with performances of two contrasting songs. Students are encouraged to select songs from the Broadway stage and the Hollywood screen as well as 20th century jazz standards. Submissions are evaluated by a national panel of music educators and industry · Connect and make professionals who provide written feedback to every applicant.

Candidates may apply at



Photo by Wayne Images

Student singers selected from across the nation rehearse for a group performance at the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts during the 2022 Songbook Academy, the flagship educational program of the Great American Songbook Foundation.

app.getacceptd.com/songbookacademy. The application deadline is March 26, 2023, with an early-bird discount available through Feb. 26. Need-based scholarships, fee waivers and other financial-aid opportunities are available.

More details and application information are available at TheSongbook.org/ SongbookAcademy or by email at SongbookAcademy@TheSongbook.org.

About the Great American Songbook Foundation

Great American Songbook Foundation, founded in 2007 by five-time Grammy® Award nominee Michael Feinstein, is to inspire and educate by celebrating the timeless standards of pop, jazz, Broadway and Hollywood. Headquartered at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel, the Foundation advances this rich musical legacy by curating a vast Library & Archives of items representing its creators, per-The mission of the formers and publishers;

operating a multimedia exhibit gallery; overseeing the Songbook Hall of Fame; offering programs for the public and research opportunities for scholars and artists; and educational providing opportunities for student musicians, including the annual Songbook Academy summer intensive. The Foundation is a Cultural Affiliate of the Los Angeles-based Grammy Museum. More information is available at The-Songbook.org.



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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.

Be merciful to those who doubt; save others by snatching them from the fire; to others show *mercy, mixed with fear—hating even the clothing* stained by corrupted flesh.

Jude 1:20-23 (NIV)



Meeting Notices

Pursuant to IC 5-3-1-2(b) Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023, in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Carmel Plan Commission Residential Committee will not meet as scheduled on Tuesday, Jan 3, 2022, due to no items to review. The Carmel Plan Commission

Commercial Committee will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2022, in the Caucus Room on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel.

Send Meeting Notices to: Notices@ReadTheReporter.com

The Noblesville Firefighter Pension Board will meet in an Executive Session at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6) and (7) with respect to an individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction and regarding records deemed confidential by law. A public meeting will follow

the executive session and will take place at the Hamilton County Professional Fire Fighters Local 4416 Union Hall, 399 S. 14th St., Noblesville, to vote on the matter presented in the Executive Session.

The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners held an emergency meeting virtually at 10 a.m. on Dec. 22, 2022, for discussion of county operations due to the impending storm.

Workshop to guide farm families through generation transitions

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To successfully guide a farm operation from generation to generation, farm owners and families need to have a plan for where they are going and knowledge of how they will fund that transition. The Purdue Extension Succession Planning Team will hold workshops along with individualized sessions to help farms strategically structure a farm succession plan.

The "Farming Together: Cultivating Relationships and Having the Cash to Bring in the Next Generation" workshop will be a day-long event hosted at 10 Indiana locations. Workshops will be held at various locations from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jan. 12 through Feb. 2, 2023.

"Farm owners often want to start with legal mat-

ters associated with tran- lunch included. Registration sition planning. However, farm families need to find consensus on their goals and where they envision the operation moving in the future first," said Renee Wiatt, Purdue family business management specialist. "A large part of agreeing on goals and future vision for through proper relationships and communication, as well as knowing where to start."

A local lawyer will be available at each of the regional meetings. After the workshop, families can Library, 120 East Mulberry schedule virtual guidance sessions for individualized discussions with the Purdue team and collaborators 861 Salisbury Road, Richto discuss topics of their mond choice.

shop is \$30 per person with Road 25 E., Reynolds

is online. The list of workshop locations is as follows: • Jan. 12: Mooresville Public Library Community Room, 220 W. Harrison St., Mooresville

• Jan. 17: Purdue Exten-6656 N. State Road 59, Brazil • Jan. 19: Purdue Extenthe farm can be achieved sion Bartholomew County Office, 783 S Marr Road, Columbus

• Jan. 19: Hopewell Mennonite Church, 805 N. Main St., Kouts (Central time)

• Jan. 25: Kokomo Public St. Room 100, Kokomo

• Jan. 26: Purdue Extension Wayne County Office,

• Jan. 26: White County The cost for the work- Fairgrounds, 12 N. County

• Jan. 26: Purdue Extension Harrison County Office, 247 Atwood St., Corydon

• Feb. 1: Spencer County Youth & Community Center, 1101 E. County Road 800 N., Chrisney

• Feb. 2: Huntington sion Clay County Office, University Habecker Dining Commons, 502 Lake St., Huntington

The Purdue Succession Planning Team is comprised of Purdue Extension educators and specialists who seek to address the needs of families planning the continuation of farm businesses. The team currently offers programming through regional workshops, succession planning presentations and farm family consultations. The workshops are made possible through grant funding from North Central Extension Risk Management Education.

Sen. Mike Braun leads effort to protect every American's retirement fund

Submitted by Sen. Mike **Braun's Press Office**

(R-Ind.), Bill Hagerty (R-La.), James Lankford (R-Oka.), John Kennedy (R-La.), and Richard Burr (R-N.C.) have introduced a Congressional Review Act (CRA) resolution S.J. Res. 68 to nullify the Biden administration's Department of Labor (DOL) rule that would encourage fiduciaries to support liberal policy priorities over maximizing Americans' retirement security. Rep. Andy Barr (R-Ky.) led the effort in the House of Representatives.

"When Amerworkers ican Senators Mike Braun invest in their retirement, they should be able to trust their financial advisors to be investing with their best interin mind," ests Sen. Braun said,

Braun "not the interests of liberal lecting Plan Investments activists. American retirement funds have already taken such a hit from Joe Biden's failed economic policies, they should not be politicized. I am proud to lead my colleagues in this

woke 401k rule and protect Americans' retirement

funds." Background In November,

the Biden DOL finalized a rule, Prudence and Loyalty in Seand Exercising Sharehold-

er Rights, that would rescind a Trump era rule that focused on financial factors and replace it with a focus on environment, social, and corporate governance effort to overturn the Biden (ESG) factors when con-

administration's sidering investments and shareholder proxy voting by fiduciaries.

A number of studies have shown that ESG investing policies have worse rates of return. In comparison to other investment plans, ESG investors generally end up paying higher costs for worse performances.

In July, Sen. Braun introduced legislation to build a stronger retirement system for Americans by clarifying the fiduciary duty of plan administrators to select and maintain investments based solely on financial factors.

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Basketball



Reporter photos by Kent Graham

(Above left) Donovan Hamilton scored 19 points for the Southeastern boys team during its game with Carroll. (Above right) Hamilton Southeastern's Riley Makalusky led all scorers with 27 points during the Royals' win over Fort Wayne Carroll on Thursday.

Southeastern girls get big lead early, but boys fall behind in doubleheader

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The Hamilton Southeastern girls basketball team two 3-pointers. ran away from Fort Wayne Carroll 58-44 Thursday in the first game of a morning girls-boys doubleheader between the host Royals and the Chargers.

Southeastern, No. 3 in Class 4A, took care of things quickly by outscoring Carroll 20-3 in the first quarter. Riley Makalusky scored eight points during that period, with Maya Makalusky adding six points. The Royals then steadily added to their lead over the next two quarters, going up 35-15 by halftime and 48-25 after three periods.

Riley Makaluksy added another nine points in the second quarter and six more in the third. She finished with a game-high 27 points, the Royals in all four quar- that period.

while Maya Makalusky added 14 points, including

Riley Makaluksy led the rebounds with seven, followed by Teegan Acres with six and Maya Makalusky with five. Olivia Brown dished out 11 assists, while ranked Maya Makalusky made four steals and blocked two shots.

Southeastern is 13-1 and will play next week at the Paul Loggan Memorial Tournament at North Central. The Royals will take on two out-of-state teams, playing Springsboro (Ohio) on Wednesday and Henderson County (Ky.) the next day.

Hamilton Southeastern's boys team fell to Carroll 69-46 in the second game of the doubleheader on Thursday.

FORT WA	YNE CARROLL 69,
HAMILTON	SOUTHEASTERN 46

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF		
Donovan Hamilton	6	4-4	19	0		
Reph Stevenson	0	5-6	5	0		
Deion Miles	1	2-3	4	1		
Christian Pfeifer	2	0-0	5	2		
Braeden Totton	2	3-4	9	3		
Michael Griffith	0	0-1	0	1		
Myles Holman	0	1-2	1	0		
Eli Robinson	0	0-0	0	3		
Gavin Papandria	1	0-0	3	0		
Totals	12	15-20	46	10		
Score by Quarters						
Carroll	16	17	24	12 – 69		
Southeastern	10	9	19	8 – 46		
Southeastern 3-pointers (7) Hamilton 3, Totton 2, Pfeifer 1, Papandria 1.						

ters of the game, leading 16-10 after one period and 33-19 at halftime. Southeastern did score 19 points in the third quarter, including 11 from Donovan Hamilton. The Chargers outscored He would hit two 3s during

Hamilton totaled three 3s for the game and led the Royals scoring with points. Braeden Totten 19 made two triples on his way to nine points.

HAMILT	ON SOU	UTHEASI	FERN 58,
FORT	WAYN	E CARRO)LL 44

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF			
Maya Makalusky	5-7	2-5	14	0			
Teegan Acres	1-7	1-2	3	1			
Riley Makalusky	12-22	2-2	27	1			
Olivia Brown	2-3	0-0	4	1			
Maine Hooks	0-0	0-0	0	4			
Kennedy Holman	2-5	0-0	5	4			
Kayla Stidham	1-6	0-0	2	2			
Lauren Stewart	1-2	0-0	3	4			
Blair Satterfield	0-0	0-0	0	0			
Kayla Brinley	0-1	0-0	0	0			
Charity Beal	0-0	0-0	0	0			
Olivia White	0-0	0-0	0	0			
Addison Van Hoesen	0-0	0-0	0	0			
Totals	24-53	5-9	58	17			
Score by Quarters							
Carroll	3	12	10	19 – 44			
Southeastern	20	15	13	10 – 58			
Coutboostors 2 point aborting (5) M. Makaluaku 2.2 Halman							

Southeastern 3-point shooting (5) M. Makalusky 2-3, Holman 1-2, Stewart 1-2, R. Makalusky 1-2, Brown 0-1. Southeastern rebounds (28) R. Makalusky 7, Acres 6, M. Makalusky 5, Holman 3, Brown 3, Stidham 3, Hooks 1.

Southeastern is 2-4 Homestead Tournament. The day by taking on South Bend and plays next week at the Royals begin play Wednes- St. Joseph at 10 a.m.



Basketball-

Huskies falter at Franklin Co. Tournament, but rebound to take down Seton Catholic

TRITON CENTRAL 53,

The REPORTER

the Hamilton Heights boys basketball team Thursday at the Franklin County Tournament, including a memorable finish.

The Huskies played Seton Catholic in the third-place game of the tournament, and the two teams went to overtime. Heights trailed 74-72 with 0.7 seconds left, but Phoenix Vondersaar threw up a three-quarter court shot that went in the basket, and gave the Huskies a 75-74 victory.

"Just a great memory for Phoenix and our whole team," said Huskies coach Chad Ballenger. "They stormed the court. We're going crazy in the locker room. It was great to get a win and head into the holidays. Made the bus ride home a lot more enjoy- long 3-pointer was the bigable."

Heights did get home which was rushed to com- school record.

pletion in order to get every-It was a crazy day for one home before the anticipated winter storm arrived.

> The Huskies' game with Seton Catholic was close all the way through. The Cardinals led 15-11 after one quarter and 29-24 at halftime. Tillman Etchison helped keep Heights in the game with 10 points in the first half, including two 3-pointers.

The Huskies cut Seton Catholic's lead to 44-42 by the end of the third quarter, and pulled even with the Cardinals at 63-63 at the end of regulation. Heights was on fire from long range, as the team had drained 14 3-pointers through four quarters, including five from Sam Dawson, and three each from Etchison and Evan Williamson.

Of course, Vondersaar's gest one of all. That was the

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 48					
Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Phoenix Vondersaar	1-1	0-0	2	0	
Maddox Bohland	2-6	2-5	6	1	
Tillman Etchison	2-7	0-0	5	0	
John Irion	5-11	3-4	13	4	
Sam Dawson	4-9	2-4	12	0	
Evan Williamson	1-5	2-2	5	2 2	
Simon Knott	1-1	0-0	2		
Colin Kuhn	0-0	0-0	0	1	
Nathan Yoder	1-1	0-0	3	0	
Totals	17-41	9-15	48	10	
Score by Quarters					
Triton Central	9	19	15	10 – 53	
Hamilton Heights	13	7	11	17 – 48	
Heights 3-point shooting (5-17) Dawson 2-6, Williamson 1-4,					
Etchison 1-2, Yoder 1-1, Irion 0-4.					
Heights rebounds (19	,	7. Etchison	3. Irion 2	. Williamson	
2, Vondersaar 1, Yoder 1, Dawson 1, Knott 1, team 1.					

"That's what kept us in the game," said Ballenger.

Etchison had an outstanding game, with a double-double of 22 points and 10 assists.

15th triple of the game for some," said Ballenger. "He gave him 15 points. Mad- riod, outscoring the Hussafely from the tournament, the Huskies, which tied the finally took the initiative dox Bohland also reached kies 19-7 for a 28-20 lead. to score." The coach said double-double status with Triton Central then led 43-Etchison is "really trying to 13 points and 10 rebounds. get people involved" and he John Irion contributed 10

he can. He can really be a assists."

Simon Knott	0-0	0-0		0	0		
Totals	28-61	4-6		75	15		
Score by Quarters							
Seton Catholic	15	14	14	20	11 – 74		
Hamilton Heights	11	13	18	21	12 – 75		
Heights 3-point shooting (15-29) Dawson 5-8, Etchison 3-8,							
Williamson 3-6, Vondersaar 2-3, Irion 2-3, Bohland 0-1.							
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HAMILTON HEIGHTS 75

SETON CATHOLIC 74 (overtime)

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3-4

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FG

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6-11

8-20

4-6

5-13

3-6

0-0

Heights rebounds (26) Bohland 10, Irion 5, Vondersaar 4, Etchison 3, Yoder 2, Dawson 1, Knott 1.

"played the way we think points and five rebounds.

Heights

John Irion

Sam Dawson

Nathan Yoder

Phoenix Vondersaar

Maddox Bohland

Tillman Etchison

Evan Williamson

The Huskies played scorer and lead the team in Triton Central in their firstround game, falling 53-48. Three more Heights Heights led 13-9 after the players reached double first quarter, but the Tigers "Tillman played awe- figures. Dawson's five 3s took over in the second pe-31 after three quarters.

Irion had 13 points for

Heights, followed by Dawson with 12. Bohland led the rebounds with seven, while Etchison dished out six assists.

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The Huskies are 3-7 and will take a couple weeks off before returning to action on Jan. 6, when they play a Hoosier Conference East Division game at Northwestern.

Noblesville comes out on top at Limestone Classic

The REPORTER

home from Bedford just in in the fourth. time to beat the weather.

This was after the Millers beat two very good teams at the Limestone Classic, hosted by Bedford North Lawrence. Class 4A No. 8 Noblesville followed up its upset of the host and 4A No. 4 Stars on Wednesday by beating 4A No. 7 Lake Central 54-32 Thursday morning.

"It went well," said Millers coach Donna Buckley. "The kids played really well against two very good basketball teams. Playing at Bedford is always a challenge."

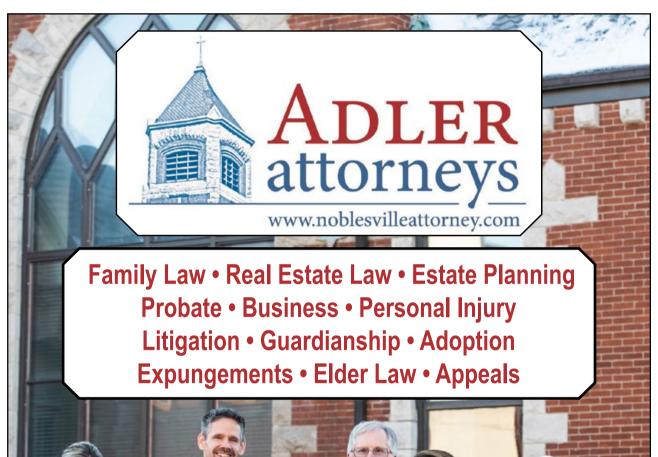
The challenge on Wednesday was timing. No- maker also got a double-doublesville took its finals that ble, as she made 10 steals.

advantage to 42-28 after The Noblesville girls three periods, then held the basketball team returned Indians to only four points

"Our defensive pressure really took them out of anything they wanted to do," said Buckley.

The coach said her team "played well from start to finish in that game. Kaitlyn Shoemaker, Reagan Wilson, Meredith Tippner, those three, they had an incredible tournament for us."

All three of those players reached double figures in scoring: Tippner had 17 points, Wilson 14 and Shoemaker 13. Tippner collected 10 rebounds for a double-double, with Wilson pulling five rebounds. Shoeday, then had to hop on the Shoemaker and Wilson both



bus for a two-hour drive to Bedford.

"I wasn't sure what to expect, but our kids, they came out and played well, a ton of energy," said Buckley.

had little trouble with Lake Hall of Fame Classic, which Central. Noblesville led by 11 points after one quarter, and maintained that margin at halftime, leading 29-18. The Millers increased their in the Saturday Reporter.

dished out four assists.

"It was great to watch these kids go out and make a statement this weekend," said Buckley.

The Millers are 11-3 and On Thursday, the Millers will now prepare for the takes place next Thursday (Dec. 29) at the famed New Castle Fieldhouse. Read more about that tournament

NOBLESVILLE 54 ,	LAKE CENTRAL 32
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Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF			
Kaitlyn Shoemaker	5-12	1-2	13	2			
Brooklyn Ely	0-1	0-0	0	0			
Reagan Wilson	5-15	2-2	14	1			
Meredith Tippner	7-13	3-4	17	1			
Dani Mendez	1-1	4-4	6	4			
C.C. Quigley	0-0	0-0	0	0			
Kate Rollins	2-5	0-0	4	2			
Carly Motz	0-2	0-0	0	0			
Totals	20-49	10-12	54	10			
Score by Quarters							
Lake Central	7	11	10	4 – 32			
Noblesville	18	11	13	12 – 54			
Noblesville 3-point shooting (4-16) Shoemaker 2-6, Wilson 2-6,							

Rollins 0-2, Ely 0-1, Tippner 0-1. Noblesville rebounds (29) Tippner 10, Wilson 5, Quigley 4,

Shoemaker 3, Mendez 3, team 4.

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Sports

Basketball-Purdue freshman Braden Smith plays wingman to the biggest story in college basketball

By CHARLIE CLIFFORD WISH-TV | wishtv.com

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At 6-foot flat, Braden Smith simply needed to come to terms with reality.

Amongst the giants of college basketball's top programs, he just didn't fit. As the calendar turned to 2022, 99.9 percent of college basketball was sure of it.

Dealing with a foot injury that jeopardized the latter half of his final prep season at Westfield High School, Smith watched from the bench. His three scholarship offers were from Toledo, Montana State, and Purdue.

Other schools that showed interest during the recruiting process surely empathized with the 18-year-old point guard. After all, Smith was a nice kid who undeniably overachieved with the physical tools he was given. He would likely sit out the rest of his senior season, head to Purdue, and redshirt for head coach Matt Painter as a freshman.

No one on the outside expected to hear Braden Smith's name again for some time.

And then, it happened.

After a grueling, expedited rehab process, Smith returned to action for Westfield as the postseason tipped off.

His first act? Twenty-eight points, 10 assists, and six rebounds in the Rocks' upset of No. 1 ranked Fishers High School.

Back-to-back 22-point performances followed as Smith and Westfield knocked off central Indiana powerhouse Carmel High School and handed the storied program its first defeat in IĤSĂA postseason play in four seasons.

For the first time in program history, Westfield years," Westfield head bashoisted a sectional title tro- ketball coach Shane Sumptphy; Smith, committed to er said. "Matt Painter called Purdue, stirred up excite- me back near the end of the those guys. They are not college game this season.



Photo by Joshua Herd Purdue freshman Braden Smith has proven himself as a reliable point guard as a freshman for the Boilermakers. The Westfield graduate is an integral part of the No. 1-ranked Purdue team.

his coaching staff.

Westfield's postseason run was stopped in the regional final by Kokomo High School and its sensational junior center, Flory I get goosebumps watching Bidunga, but Smith had him run out there with the done enough to earn Indiana's most prestigious high school basketball award: Indiana Mr. Basketball.

first time Purdue landed back-to-back Indiana Mr. Basketball winners - Smith and 2021 winner Caleb Furst — since landing three players in the mid-1960s. That group — Rick Mount, Billy Keller, and Hunter Jr. (Butler Univer-Denny Brady — turned out sity), and Isaiah Thompson to be pretty decent.

called me for the very first tential option to orchestrate time, I said, 'Braden Smith is the best point guard in the state of Indiana right now, and he has been for two to be what Painter cared

are right.' He makes some passes, and you just have to be around him every day to understand it. It is really special watching him play. starters."

The road ahead, once again, didn't prove easy.

After his senior season The honor marked the with Westfield, Smith underwent foot surgery and missed all of Purdue's summer practice sessions.

Once healthy, the departure of all three of Painter's top options at point guard Jaden Ivey (NBA), Eric (Florida Gulf Coast Univer-"When Matt Painter sity) — left Smith as a pothe offense as a true freshman.

Quickly, Smith proved about most: Reliable with the basketball.

ers," Painter said earlier this 20-point night in a victory season, referring to Smith over Marquette in the first and guard Fletcher Loyer. "When their shots don't go down, they give you a lot of things with their intangibles. He (Smith) is diving 6 Gonzaga and No. 8 Duke for loose balls. You have to en route to the Phil Knight get on the floor and he loves Legacy Classic Champisticking his nose in there. onship in Portland over He's really good at it."

Purdue center Zach Edey is the clear reason tion bearing down after the why, racking up eight double-doubles in 11 contests while leading the nation in rebounding.

If the season ended today, the National Player of the Year Award would go to the ferocious and nimble Edey, a 7-foot-4-inch tower who has only played organized basketball for six years.

But every star needs a supporting cast, and Painter has molded pieces old and new into a consistent unit that is equipped to shoot and "That's what I like about defend with any team in the ty to keep a proper perspective should serve him well.

An example of this occurred last weekend at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. Following the Boilers' victory over Davidson, Smith broke away from the locker room postgame to meet his former Westfield coaches and teammates, who had moved their game just so they could catch him in action in person.

It's just one example of who Braden Smith, the person, is.

Upon high school graduation, Smith left a pair of signed sneakers in an unmarked locker for an unassuming future Westfield high schooler to find.

Months later, Coach Sumpter sprung from his office during an eruption inside the locker room. Neither he nor anyone else knew Smith had hidden the sneakers. There, in the hands of a Westfield freshman, was the signed pair of Pumas, accompanied by a giant smile.

'The one thing people don't understand about Braden Smith...they watch him play on the floor, and people say he plays a little bit arrogant," Sumpter said. "He just plays with a chip on his shoulder. But, off the floor, Braden Smith is not like that at all. He is just a tremendous person."

A freshman point guard, in the Big Ten, on the No. 1 ranked team in America? You need a little crazy to make it. And there are plenty more adjectives to describe However, Smith's abili- Braden Smith than that.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

of Purdue's six consecutive

victories over Power Five

conference teams, including

18-plus point defeats of No.

With Big Ten competi-

start of the new year, expec-

tations have skyrocketed

around West Lafayette, and

the road ahead to March will

be no less grueling than in

Thanksgiving.

the past.

Tuesday, Dec. 27

BOYS BASKETBALL Alexandria Tournament Sheridan vs. Cardinal Ritter, 10 a.m. Southwestern Shelbyville vs. Alexandria, noon Third-place game, 6 p.m. Championship game, 8 p.m.

ment amongst Painter and season, and he said, 'You just those high school scor-

Smith dazzled with a





Wednesday, DEC.21, Basketball

Upcoming Broadcasts

Boys Basketball

7:10 pm Central Christian Championships | Boys Varsityl | Indiana SRN **Thursday, DEC 22, Basketball**

Girls Basketball

3:55 pm Carroll vs Fishers | Girls JV | Fishers Sports Network

5:20 pm Carroll vs Fishers | Girls Varsity | Fishers Sports Network

7:10 pm Lebanon vs Guerin Catholic | Boys Varsity | Indiana SRN

Tuesday, DEC. 27, Basketball

11 am Lawrence Central vs Chesterton | NHS Holiday Tourney | HCTV Sports 12:45 pm Columbus North vs Norwell | NHS Holiday Tourney | HCTV Sports 2:30 pm Castle vs Northridge | NHS Holiday Tourney | HCTV Sports 4:15 pm Northridge vs Noblesville | NHS Holiday Tourney | HCTV Sports 6:00 pm TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Game 5 | HCTV Sports 7:45 pm TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Game 6 | HCTV Sports Wednesday, DEC. 28, Basketball

TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Game 7 | HCTV Sports **11** am 11:10 am Morristown Holiday Classic - Morning Session | Indiana SRN 12:45 pm TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Game 8 | HCTV Sports 2:30 pm TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Game 9 | HCTV Sports 4:15 pm TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Game 10 | HCTV Sports 4:40 pm Morristown Holiday Classic - Evening Session | Indiana SRN 6:00 pm TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Game 11 | HCTV Sports 7:45 pm TBD | Noblesville H.S. Holiday Tourney | Championship | HCTV Sports



Noblesville Holiday Tournament

Lawrence Central vs. Chesterton, 11 a.m. Columbus North vs. Norwell, 12:45 p.m. Crown Point vs. Castle, 2:30 p.m. Northridge vs. Noblesville, 4:15 p.m. Consolation games, 6 and 7:45 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Twin Lakes Tournament North White vs. Rochester, 3 p.m. Mount Vernon vs. Crown Point, 4:30 p.m. Westfield vs. Kankakee Valley, 6 p.m. Clinton Prairie vs. Twin Lakes, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 28

BOYS BASKETBALL Anderson at Carmel, 4:30 p.m. **Homestead Tournament** Pool A: Hamilton Southeastern vs. South Bend St. Joseph, 10 a.m. Munster vs. Homestead, 11:30 a.m. Munster vs. Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. South Bend St. Joseph vs. Homestead, 7:30 p.m. Pool B: Fishers vs. Mishawaka Marian, 10 a.m. Bishop Dwenger vs. Valparaiso, 11:30 a.m. Valparaiso vs. Fishers, 6 p.m. Mishawaka Marian vs. Bishop Dwenger, 7:30 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL Fishers at Jeffersonville, 5:30 p.m. **Alexandria Tournament** Tri-Central vs. Alexandria, 10 a.m. Seeger vs. Sheridan, noon Third-place game, 6 p.m. Championship game, 8 p.m. Paul Loggan Memorial Invitational, North Central Avon vs. North Central, 10 a.m. Henderson County (Ky.) vs. Gibson Southern, 11:45 a.m. Springsboro (Ohio) vs. Hamilton Southeastern, 1:30 p.m. Twin Lakes Tournament Semi-finals and consolation games, 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Seventh-place game, 4 p.m. Fifth-place game, 5:30 p.m. Third-place game, 6 p.m. Championship game, 7:30 p.m. **SWIMMING** Carmel diving at Homestead (with Zionsville), 10 a.m. Fishers at North Central Holiday Invitational, 11:30 a.m. Homestead and Zionsville swimming at Carmel, noon WRESTLING

Carmel, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern at Mooresville Holiday Classic, 9 a.m.

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