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# Westfield Lions welcome three new cubs to pride

**Submitted by Larry Clarino**

The Westfield Lions Club welcomed three new members into the local pride Thursday night, Jan. 5, at the first program meeting of 2023.

The new Lion cubs are Carrie Larrison, a long-time councilor at Westfield High School and wife of Lions Club Secretary Jeff Larrison; Melissa Paradise, who has returned to Westfield from Austin, Texas; and Ron Mangus of Noblesville, who moved to Westfield to be with the grandkids.

The three new Lions were inducted by Lions Past District Governor Bob Benson, himself a Westfield native. This was the first induction ceremony at the new Lions Clubhouse on 169th Street just west of U.S. 31.



Three new members inducted to the Westfield Lions Club. (From left) Ron Mangus, sponsored by Brian Abraham; Melissa Paradise, sponsored by Rodney Benson; and Carrie Larrison, sponsored by Jeff Larrison.



Photo provided

## The power of whatever

*"My faith is in God. So, whatever He has planned for me, that'll be it."*

Damar Hamlin had no idea what those words would come to mean ... to him and so many others. Those were the words he spoke when he was in college.

Lying motionless on the football field Monday night, while an assistant athletic trainer worked feverishly to bring him back to life, God was giving Damar an amazing "whatever."

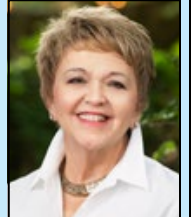
A football nation was brought to its knees. Those burly football players were wiping tears and praying, as they surrounded their Buffalo Bills teammate. Damar was fighting for his life, and he did not even know it.

The football world, both its athletes and its viewers, were shaken.

The TV commentators struggled to keep their composure. Some were not able to do so. ESPN analyst and former quarterback, Dan Orlovsky, took a bold stance and prayed, live on air. It's a sad commentary on our society when praying is considered bold.

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COLUMNIST



JANET HART LEONARD  
From the Hart

# \$10K Meijer donation helps Carmel Fire Auxiliary continue outreach

**The REPORTER**

The Carmel Fire Auxiliary does amazing work in and around the Carmel community, performing outreach in many ways.

One way is the support of Carmel Community AEDs. An AED, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest.

Most recently, the Auxiliary has worked toward getting AED stations installed along Carmel's trail network and in Carmel Clay Parks locations.

The Auxiliary also supports the Safe Haven Baby Box Fund. The baby boxes are part of the Safe Haven Movement, offering desperate mothers a way to surrender their newborns anonymously for adoption. Carmel's Baby Box is located at Station No. 45, 10701 N. College Ave.

Most people in the area are familiar with the Auxiliary's



Photos provided by Carmel Fire Department

Meijer Supermarket recently donated \$10,000 to the Carmel Fire Department Auxiliary.

Community Assistance Program (CAP). This year the program was able to provide a holiday meal and pantry items for 175 families, along with presents for the children of those families.

The Auxiliary also supports programs such as the Firefighter

for a Day Camp, Public Safety Day, and Medical Supplies for Ukraine, as well as providing firefighter/family support. It hosts pancake breakfasts twice a year so the families of Carmel firefighters can get to know each other. It sponsors a CarmelFest

parade float for the Carmel Police Department's (CFD) mascot Sparky and passes out candy along the route. It also supports the CFD Peer Support Team by sponsoring training events.

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## It's here! Time to celebrate county's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday

**The REPORTER**

The stage lineup continues to grow as the Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission kicks off the county's 200th year celebration with a free, family-friendly event at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 22 at the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

Acclaimed local singer-songwriter Josh Kaufman, season 6 winner of *The Voice* and long-time local musician, will serve as emcee of the Hamilton County Bicentennial Opening Ceremony, with other performers including Mudsock Jazz Combo, the Moon-town Pickle Stompers, the Freetown Village Singers, and Conner Prairie storyteller Dwight Gallian.

Speakers will include local elected officials as well as county historian David Heighway. Attendees will receive a goodie

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# Sheridan library announces winter concerts

**The REPORTER**

Sheridan Public Library (SPL) has announced its Winter Concert Series.

- Jan. 14, 6 to 8 p.m.: The Elizabeth Lee Duo
- Feb. 11, 6 to 8 p.m.: Hunter Waincott

These local artists will put on concerts in front of the cozy fireplace located in the library, 103 W. 1st St., Sheridan. Tickets are on sale now at the front desk for \$10. Tickets will also be available for \$12 at the door the day of the concerts.

This series is sponsored by United Animal Health and all proceeds go to Friends of the Sheridan Public Library to directly support SPL.

To learn more about the artists, go to [sheridan.lib.in.us/winter-concert-series](http://sheridan.lib.in.us/winter-concert-series).



Photos provided

The Elizabeth Lee Duo (left) and Hunter Waincott (right) are slated to perform in the Winter Concert Series at Sheridan Public Library.

# County honors 170 employees for many years of service

**The REPORTER**

Hamilton County is celebrating 170 employees for their service to the community.

Each year the Board of Commissioners and Human Resources Department recognize and honor employees for long and meritorious service by presenting service awards at the end of each five years of employment.

"Our goal is to bring to the citizens and taxpayers of Hamilton County the most responsive governmental services possible," Human Resources Director Sheena Randall said. "Employing top

quality people, providing them with meaningful work, and retaining their services helps serve the public efficiently and effectively."

Rex Foutz and Mervin Hair, both with the Highway Department, and Jenny Sundling in the Clerk's Office top this year's list of employees with the most longevity, all having been employed with the county for 40 years.

"Hamilton County has always been a great place to work," Foutz said. "I feel my



Randall

skills are constantly being developed while also achieving significant personal growth and job satisfaction. Plus, I love the farmer's tan I get every year."

This year, three employees will celebrate 35 years, five will mark 30 years, 20 will observe 25 years, 16 will be honored for reaching the 20-year milestone, 45 will mark 15 years, 36 will celebrate 10 years, and 42 will reach five years. See the full list at [ReadTheReporter.com](http://ReadTheReporter.com).



Photo provided by Hamilton County Government (From left) Jennifer Sundling, Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt, Mervin Hair, Commissioner Christine Altman, Commissioner Steve Dillinger, and Rex Foutz.



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# Latest news from Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank (HCHFB) is growing in 2023 – and you're invited to grow with them. Keep reading for the latest news from HCHFB, including how you can hold your own food drive.

**Work for HCHFB**

HCHFB is looking for a Food Procurement Coordinator. This position will manage and grow both meat and produce access for the food support network within Hamilton County using resources provided by HCHFB.

The Board of Directors and staff are excited to meet

**HAMILTON COUNTY HARVEST  
FOOD BANK**

prospective applicants interested in serving our community via this vital and timely position.

For more information and to find out how to apply, go to [tinyurl.com/5n9y6fhc](https://tinyurl.com/5n9y6fhc).

**Save the date**

HCHFB will hold its annual meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21.

**Help collect food**

Food purchases in 2022 accounted for over 50 percent of all food distributions. You can help by donating money, food, or even holding your own food drive. Go to [tinyurl.com/HCHFB-food-drive](https://tinyurl.com/HCHFB-food-drive) to learn more.

**Donations can be mailed to:** Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank, P.O. Box 881, Noblesville, IN 46061, or you can donation online at [hchfoodbank.org/online-giving](https://hchfoodbank.org/online-giving).

**If you need help**

HCHFB maintains a list of food pantries within Hamilton County. See an up-to-date list as of Jan. 5 at [tinyurl.com/2763tcfs](https://tinyurl.com/2763tcfs).

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Thank you for helping to feed hungry families and neighbors in Hamilton County. Your support is changing lives. Visit [hch-foodbank.org](https://hch-foodbank.org) to learn more.

**Thanks for reading!**

Sheriff's Office K9  
Echo gets body armor

Photo provided by Hamilton County Sheriff's Office / Twitter

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office K9 Echo has received a donation of body armor. Vested Interest in K9s, Inc., made the generous donation. Read more about this great organization at [vik9s.org](https://vik9s.org).

Photo provided by Community First Bank

(From left) Community First Bank's Bob Hickman, Pete Needler, Jeff Magginnis, Greg Gordon, Scott Hammersley, Adam Pleva, and Duane Kamminga accept the award from Indiana Statewide CDC's Jean Wojtowicz.

# Community First Bank named Indiana Small Business Lender of the Year

The REPORTER

Community First Bank of Indiana is the state's Small Business Lender of the Year for 2022.

The annual award is given by Indiana Statewide Certified Development Corporation (ISCDC), which works with local lenders to provide financing from the U.S. Small Business Administration 504 loan program. The SBA 504 loans help owners of expanding or startup small businesses buy real estate, buildings, and equipment. The main feature of the 504 loan program is that it allows borrowers to pay a below-market down payment and repay the loan with a fixed low interest rate over a long term.

Community First Bank is headquartered in Kokomo and also has five locations in Westfield, Noblesville, and Indianapolis. The commercial loan officers provid-

ing the winning loans were Duane Kamminga, Jonathon Malin, and Greg Gordon.

"We were honored to receive this recognition from the ISCDC," said Chief Credit Officer Bob Hickman. "From the day Community First was founded almost 20 years ago, one of our primary missions has been meeting the borrowing needs of small businesses throughout our market. The SBA 504 program and our partnership with the ISCDC is a great tool for helping businesses to expand and grow successfully."

The winner of the Small Business Lender of the Year Award is the institution that generates the largest volume of loans with the Indiana Statewide CDC as a percentage of bank deposits. Loans made by the end of the Fiscal Year, Sept. 30, qualify for this annual award. Twenty-eight financial institutions

contended for this year's award. Community First Bank was announced the winner of the Fiscal 2022 Lender of the Year award at Indiana Statewide CDC's annual meeting.

**About Community First Bank**

Community First Bank (CFB) was chartered in 2003 in Kokomo and is committed to keeping outstanding customer service, local decision-making, and relationship-building at its core. The locally owned and operated bank currently has branches in Indianapolis, Kokomo, Westfield, and Noblesville. CFB has been named as one of the Best Places to Work in Indiana for eight consecutive years by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce. Additional information can be found at [CFBIndiana.com](https://CFBIndiana.com). MEMBER FDIC, Equal Housing Lender.

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# Carmel invites public to MLK Day commemoration

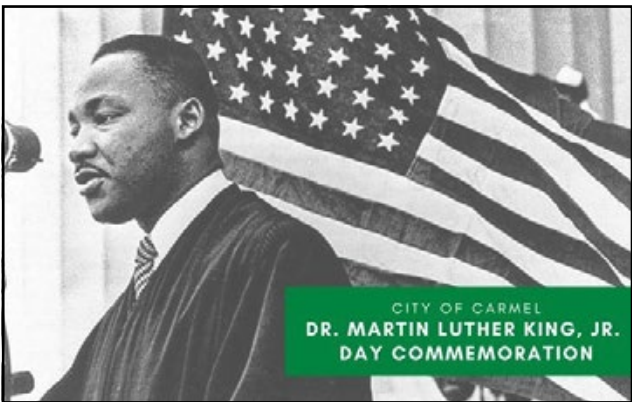
**The REPORTER**

Join the City of Carmel, the Mayor's Advisory Commission on Human Relations, Blair Clark, Carmel High School Choir – Ambassadors, the Carmel Ebenezer Church Praise Team, Dr. Shaune R. Shelby, 4Mation dance troupe, the Carmel Interfaith Alliance and more for the city's commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The fifth annual event will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 16 in the Tarkington Theater at the Center for the Performing Arts.

This commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s work will feature music, dance, performances and spoken word highlighting the theme "On Being a Good Neighbor."

This event is free and open to the public.



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## Meet National Women's Soccer League pros at Sogility in Westfield

**The REPORTER**

Sogility invites you to attend an autograph signing and soccer training tips event with National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) professionals.

The professionals attending are Annika (Schmidt) Creel and Alia Martin. The event will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 11 at Sogility, 16500 Southpark Drive, Westfield.

"I had the privilege to get to know these young women during their youth and am equally proud to say we have provided them a place to train

in the offseason to help them prepare for the NWSL season," Sogility CEO Jimmy Carson said. "They wanted to inspire future youth players and this is a great way to show what our players can go if they continue to work hard."

Creel played at Butler University and currently plays for the Houston Dynamo. Martin played at the University of Michigan and for the Washington Spirit.

For more information on the event contact Director of Marketing & Communications Sam Wade at [sam@sogility.net](mailto:sam@sogility.net).

# Fishers encourages volunteering & community service for MLK Day

**The REPORTER**

Fishers' 2023 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration will offer residents several ways to give back to the community and celebrate the message of kindness from MLK Jr., with a community-wide food drive and volunteer opportunities throughout the city.

**Community-wide food drive**

With local food pantries experiencing an increase in demand and a decrease in supply, the City of Fishers will hold a community-wide food drive on Monday, Jan. 16. Food donations will be collected with a Pack the Bus event at the city's parks and all three Fishers Kroger

stores from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Donations will be collected at the following parks and Kroger stores:

- Brooks School Park: 11780 Brooks School Road
- Cyntheanne Park: 12383 Cyntheanne Road
- Flat Fork Creek Park: 16141 E. 101st St.
- Harrison Thompson Park: 13573 Conner Knoll Pkwy.
- Nickel Plate Amphitheater: 6 Municipal Drive
- Holland Park: 1 Park Drive
- Saxony Hall: 13362 Pennington Road
- Heritage Park: 10595 Eller Road
- Kroger: 9799 E. 116th St.
- Kroger: 11700 Olio Road
- Kroger: 7272 Fishers Cross-ing Drive



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In addition, residents can order donations from the city's Amazon Wish List ([tinyurl.com/37v26brv](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B09V26BRV)).

**Volunteer opportunities**

MLK Day is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to improve their

communities. This year, Fishers residents are invited to volunteer with the city.

- Christmas tree mulch spread at Billericay Park: Saturday, Jan. 14, 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- Onion seed planting at the Fishers AgriPark: Saturday, Jan. 14, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

# The Great Dine Out returns to Hamilton County

By **AMICIA RAMSEY**  
WISH-TV | [wish9.com](http://wish9.com)

More than 50 Hamilton County restaurants are participating in the Great Dine Out.

It's a month-long promotion where restaurants offer deals and discounts on food items for both dine-in

and carryout. The event is designed to help restaurants traffic after the holidays.

Customers can expect specials ranging from a free dessert or appetizer to \$5 off a meal.

Customers visiting participating restaurants can redeem the offers with their smartphones.

Go to [visithamilton-county.com/great-dine-out](http://visithamilton-county.com/great-dine-out) and fill out a brief form with general information including your name, number, and email address. A link to a free mobile passport called the "Great Dine Out Pass 2023" will be sent to you via email and text. Save the passport and present it to

a staff member at a participating restaurant to receive a deal or discount.

Anyone who completes five mobile check-ins at participating restaurants will receive a \$25 gift card to a local restaurant, while supplies last.

January 2023 marks the third year for this the event.

**The REPORTER**

Westfield's Grand Junction Plaza will be the site of a special programming series highlighting the process of creating some of the area's best beverages.

The science and natural method of creating spirits, beer, and wine will be demonstrated by Westfield experts and crafters. Learn how your next beverage came to life and sample some local favorites.

These adult programs

will take place weekly on select Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Café Pavilion building located in Grand Junction Plaza. Attendees must be aged 21 or over and present valid photo ID at check-in. Light snacks will also be provided.

The first session is Thursday, Jan. 12 with Urban Vines Winery & Brewery.

Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at [tinyurl.com/FarmToGlassGJP](http://tinyurl.com/FarmToGlassGJP).

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### The Great Dine Out in Hamilton County

### January 2-31, 2023

It's great to dine out—enjoy the company of others, participate in local culture, and support local restaurants all while earning special deals on food. Simply check in at participating Hamilton County restaurants with the Great Dine Out digital passport. If you check in five times, you'll get a \$25 local restaurant gift card—while supplies last.

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Boards & Commissions

Fishers boards and commissions are a great way for citizens to get involved in their local community. These groups provide input and direction for the council on decisions that can impact Fishers for years to come. This participation from our residents is essential to maintaining our status as one of this country's best places to live.

Graphic provided by Jocelyn Vare

Who gets picked to serve on a City of Fishers board or commission? Not you

If you are the kind of person who wants to get involved with city government or community volunteer work, a city board or commission should be the perfect on-ramp.

The City of Fishers website reads: “Fishers

boards and commissions are a great way for citizens to get involved with their local community. These groups provide input and direction for the council on decisions that can impact Fishers for years to come. This participation from our residents is essential to maintaining our status as one of this country's best places to live.”

In reality, citizen applications are not reviewed or even acknowledged. Appointments to city boards and commissions in Fishers are made behind closed doors and current appointments are just blindly renewed for another term. If you are one of the dozens of citizens who applied, you are not being considered.

Back in January 2021, I demonstrated to the City Council that this problem needed to be fixed ([tinyurl.com/bdfb2nsw](https://tinyurl.com/bdfb2nsw)). I reviewed the makeup of all the Fishers boards and commissions at that time and found an egregious lack of diversity. For example, only 20 percent of all appointments are women. Since these appointments lack transparency and fail to consider citizen applications, there is zero opportunity for more women to serve. New ideas will never enter the room if seats at the table are only offered to the people currently sitting in them.

At that time, 47 citizen applications were received. Forty-seven people wanted to serve. None were considered. The city did not recruit citizens to apply. In short, the City Council's Republican majority did not want new citizens participating in these boards and commissions.

How did the City Council majority respond when I flagged this concern and made a recommendation to evaluate current appointees and open up future appointments? They said absolutely nothing.

Our community's local news blogger, Larry in Fishers, commented on this after my remarks at the January 2021 meeting ([tinyurl.com/yc2mwa3b](https://tinyurl.com/yc2mwa3b)). He said, “It concerns me that city council appointments to boards and commissions fail to reflect that diversity of today's Fishers.”

A year later, a task force of selected city councilors was created to evaluate all city committees and consider creating a new Rules Committee. The taskforce's efforts were commandeered by the Republican majority. They recommended giving full authority to one person, the City Council President, to independently make all the appointments to boards and commissions. Thankfully, that proposal was defeated ([tinyurl.com/yjnurv4f](https://tinyurl.com/yjnurv4f)).

The Indianapolis Star reported, “A proposal to give the Fishers City Council president final say on appointments to boards and commissions ran into resistance this week by (the two Democrat) councilors who said it was secretive, unnecessary and fails to increase diversity on the citizen panels.” ([tinyurl.com/mr3jjuu2](https://tinyurl.com/mr3jjuu2))

Finally, in January 2022, a Fishers City Council standing Rules Committee was formed. The purpose of the new Rules Committee is to recommend the appointments to city boards



JOCELYN VARE

and commissions ([tinyurl.com/yc77298r](https://tinyurl.com/yc77298r)). Finally, a transparent and formalized appointment process would be created!

Not so fast. Although created in January, the committee didn't conduct its first meeting until December. When

the committee met for the first time to consider the 2023 appointments to city boards and commission, the Rules Committee meeting lasted only five minutes! ([tinyurl.com/3cw2swxa](https://tinyurl.com/3cw2swxa))

The Rules Committee approved a draft of 2023 appointments to city boards and commissions at its Dec. 15, 2022, meeting. The city attorney prepared that draft and the committee approved it as presented. Each of the appointments in the draft was a renewal of the current appointee.

No new appointees were considered. Many applications were submitted by citizens this year who wanted to be considered for these appointments, even though the city did not promote this opportunity. These applications were not reviewed by the committee at its meeting.

Who in our community gets picked to serve on a City of Fishers board or commission? Not you.

Not unless you already serve on a board or commission. And that can really explain why there is a lack of diversity in these appointments again. This is unacceptable.

I have directed chairperson Selina Stoller to reconvene the Rules Committee, fix the errors on the appointment recommendations, consider all the new applications and review the current roster of appointees. In addition, I offered this example of a best practice for Fishers to adopt. A City of South Bend ordinance includes simple procedures for appointing citizens to city boards and commission ([tinyurl.com/afvsvr6xe](https://tinyurl.com/afvsvr6xe)). These new procedures would be a big improvement in transparency for Fishers.

In conclusion, the City of Fishers is the sixth-largest city in the state. We are looked upon as a leader, one of the few bright spots in Indiana. Our city government practices here should be precise, transparent, and thoughtful. It's not hard.

It is clear from this two-year-long journey that the current city administration and majority of the city council do not take the responsibility board and commission appointments seriously. The Republican majority is determined to control these appointments and have no concern about a lack of transparency. They are not serving the entire community. They are serving themselves and hope you don't notice.

Thankfully, the appointments do not have to be finalized until Jan. 17, 2023. There's still time to do it right. And, it requires more than a five-minute meeting for the Rules Committee to fulfill its responsibility.

Fishers residents, if you'd like to be considered for an appointment to the City of Fishers board or commission, please complete the online application at [fishers.in.us/257/Boards-Commissions](https://fishers.in.us/257/Boards-Commissions). We must try to make our city better and better represent the people who live here. I'm here, fighting for this with you.

Jocelyn Vare currently serves as the first Democrat elected by the city of Fishers and was a candidate for State Senate District 31 in 2022. Learn more at [JocelynVareForFishers.com](https://JocelynVareForFishers.com).

A life well lived & well loved

Dear Readers, I'm afraid I must pause my adoption and reunion story today. Noblesville lost one of its greatest residents a week ago. Betty Gerrard, known to many as Betsy Birdwhistle, passed away at the age of 101 on Dec. 30, 2022.

I'm not certain I can adequately express what her friendship meant to me, but I'm going to try in this little column.

I've lived in Noblesville since 1998 and had often heard about Betty. Amazingly, we first met on a front porch during the Noblesville Preservation Alliance Home Tour in the fall of 2011. The reason that is amazing is that she lived on the other end of my block, and I never knew it!

Betty was dressed in her Conner Prairie costume that morning. I said hello to her, and she replied, “Amy Shankland! I've been wanting to meet you.” Our friendship began that very day.

I discovered that we had

so much in common. We both loved tea – in fact, Betty had what I lovingly called “A Tower of Tea” in her kitchen. We also loved to read, be outside whenever possible, and enjoy a good conversation. Finally, we loved God with all our hearts and worked on growing our faith, sometimes together.

I wrote and shared an essay about her in 2015 when she turned 94. I thought it would be fitting to share it with you today.

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*A smile that lights up your day. Sparkling blue eyes. Hugs that warm the soul. These are traits of my adopted grandmother, Betty. At 94, she says she is full of years, but not old. She acts more like 64. Though I'm sure she has aches and pains, I never hear Betty complain.*

*Betty and her brother grew up in the Great Depression, but they were always provided for. Her words and actions*



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*always show that God is number one in her life. She was devoted to her husband Jimmy, who served in World War II and passed away in 2004, and raised a son and daughter with a firm, loving hand.*

*Betty has lived and traveled all around the country and enjoyed spreading happiness to everyone she met. Many folks here remember her 42 years of working as an interpreter at Conner Prairie Living History Museum, a place she adores. Thousands of Conner Prairie's visitors were touched by her warm, loving presence. People are drawn to Betty's*

*kindness and radiant spirit. Time flies by whenever we converse. I enjoy our “sleepovers” where she says we “do our hair and talk about boys.”*

*If you ask Betty how she is, she replies, “I'm rich and good lookin'!” She doesn't mean rich in the money sense, however. Betty is rich with what is important in life – God, family, and friends. To me, a life well-lived is one that brings joy to others. Betty is my inspiration for how to do just that.*

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Rest in Peace, my sweet friend. I look forward to seeing you again in Heaven!

Get Saalman a cookie! And other blood drive stories

The first time I donated blood, I passed out.

I was 18, barely weighing the 110 pounds necessary to donate.

I survived the actual blood draw. It was afterwards that it did me in.

The Red Cross lady removed the needle and tube from my inner elbow, bandaged and wrapped it. She helped me sit at the table's edge. A man offered his body as a human walker for transport to the snack table. I shrugged him off. I took a few steps, saw spots, and felt oddly light. The gym floor gave way like a trampoline.

Being passed out brought a wonderful sense of peace. It was better than a calculus class coma. Coming to, I found myself supine on the gym floor. The beastly wrestling coach, kneeling, held my knees in an upward bend. I had no idea why he was demonstrating one of his demonic wrestling holds on me. I wasn't even on the wrestling team.

His demeanor always scared me. He hailed from the mean streets of NYC and brandished that fact like the badge of a perpetual badass. It worked on us southern Indiana boys. It kept us in line in the hallways.

While he held my knees, his usually gruff voice sounded unusually soft. “You'll be alright, Saalman,” he said. He hollered over his shoulder, as if a real life and death drama had unfolded, “Get Saalman a cookie.” Then, calm and concerned, he said, “Do you like chocolate chip, Saalman? What's your favorite cookie?”

Talk about surreal. I never dreamed I would be talking cookies with the wrestling coach. I was still confused as to why we were wrestling.

“You just gave blood, Saalman,” he explained.

“Oreo,” I responded.

When I sat upright, the gym exploded with clapping students, as if I were a football player, who, after a few motionless minutes, miraculously rose from the turf following a nasty, whip-lashing hit. In my case, though, any compassion soon dissolved into comedy.

“Get Saalman a cookie,” a wisecrack shouted from the top bleachers, mimicking the wrestling coach. His followers chanted the same. These hecklers were my closest pals. With friends like that, who needs enemas?

I didn't donate blood again until my mid-30s. I did not faint the second time, nor ever again. A full stomach beforehand helps ensure this.

I became very consistent in donating blood, up until COVID-19 struck. Only in the latter part of last year, after learning of a national blood shortage (a crisis due perhaps to back-pedaling, pandemic-driven pausers like me), did I recommit to this heroic practice when I returned to the bloodmobile and donated a pint during an event hosted by my employer, Kimball Electronics, in Indianapolis.

I know many people who donate blood, but I know far more people who don't. The latter is puzzling. Consider some facts from the American Red Cross:

- The need for blood is constant. Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.
- More than one million new people are diagnosed with cancer each year. Many of them will need blood, sometimes daily, during their chemotherapy treatment.
- A single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood.
- One in seven patients entering a hospital will need a blood transfusion.
- Every day, Red Cross blood donors are the lifeline for



Photo provided by Scott Saalman

Doug Hass of Carmel donates blood at a Kimball Electronics blood drive.

car accident victims, parents with complicated childbirths, individuals battling cancer and people with sickle cell disease.

So, why not donate? Some people have a morbid fear of needles.

Some people get freaked out imagining an entire pint of blood exiting their body. After all, a body houses only about 10 pints. But guess what? The body recreates the missing blood.

Many people just don't even think about donating.

There's a 1963 John Updike short story, called “Giving Blood,” that addresses the worry of Richard Maple as he travels with his wife to Boston to donate blood, a first for him. “Sweetie,” Richard blurted, “will they hurt me?” Adds Updike, “...he had, less through his own determination than through the diffidence of the solicitors, evaded pledging blood. It was one of those tests of courage so trivial that no one had ever thought to make him face up to it.”

So, does it hurt? For me, the worst part is the quick finger prick – a slight pain – that has to happen to test your hemoglobin.

For some, it's not the blood they don't want to donate, it's the time.

According to the Red Cross, “The actual blood donation typi-

cally takes less than 10-12 minutes. The entire process, from the time you arrive to the time you leave, takes about an hour and 15 min.”

I donate the time and blood because I want to make a difference in someone's life, just as donors made a difference for my mother in 1963. The baby arrived 10 weeks premature, 2 pounds, 8 ounces, dying six hours later. For four days, my mother hemorrhaged. My father's co-workers rushed to the hospital to donate blood. Mom lived, giving birth to me the following year. I'm happy to be here. I have coworkers whose family members lives were saved due to blood donations, too.

When I fret over the time it takes and the fear of the pinprick, I simply ask myself, “How can I not donate blood?”

Consider the Red Cross statistics and ask yourself, “How can I not donate blood?”

Updike was right. If no one makes you face up to doing it, why do it?

It's a little test of courage that makes big impact.

I'm asking you to face up to it.

Remember, there are free cookies and other snacks in it for you, something I deprive myself of at home. That's another reason I do it.

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bag while supplies last and a potentially a special, limited-quantity commemorative item.

Tickets for this historic event are free and going fast. Attendees must reserve tickets in advance under the event listing at [thecenterpresents.org/Tickets-Events](https://thecenterpresents.org/Tickets-Events) or by phone at (317) 843-3800. The Center for the Performing Arts has provided key support for the event. Other Bicentennial sponsors include Duke Energy, Hamilton County Board of Commissioners and Hamilton County Tourism Inc., among many others.

The Opening Ceremony will be the first of many free, family-friendly events celebrat-

ing the Hamilton County Bicentennial throughout the year. A full calendar of events is available in digital and physical form, soon to be in local businesses. Stay up to date with activities by signing up for the Hamilton County Bicentennial newsletter at [hamcoturns200.com/e-newsletter](https://hamcoturns200.com/e-newsletter) or follow HamCoTurns200 on Facebook and Instagram.

About the Hamilton County Bicentennial

The Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission was established by the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners as the official oversight agency for the 200th anniversary of the county during all of 2023. It will host the celebration



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Acclaimed local singer-songwriter Josh Kaufman will serve as emcee of the opening ceremony.

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# Klingenmeier ‘Clues’ in on Beef & Boards’ 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary season

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre opens its 50th season with *Clue* – Sandy Rustin’s adaptation of the film version written by Jonathan Lynn, with original music by Michael Holland. The film and play are, of course, based upon situations and characters in the eponymous Hasbro board game.

Eddie Curry directs an all-star cast of performers in this mystery farce. The ensemble of Scot Greenwell as Mr. Green, Sally Scharbrough as French maid Yvette, David Schmittou as butler Wadsworth, Cara Statham Serber as Mrs. White, Suzanne Stark as Mrs. Peacock, Jeff Stockberger as Colonel Mustard, John Vessels as Professor Plum, and Deb Wims as Miss Scarlet fill the stage with a wide variety of comedic techniques. At its best, the production is an almost vaudevillian display of schtick.

The action takes place at Boddy Manor (hats off to Michael Layton’s door filled set design), where the invited guests are assembled in order to meet



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**KEN KLINGENMEIER**  
*A Seat on the Aisle*

with their common blackmailer Mr. Boddy, and to deal with his demands for an increase in their payments to him. As various characters are bumped off, the mystery grows – who is a murderer and how can they be stopped?

A fine supporting cast: Ben Asaykwee, Hannah Boswell, Carrie S. Neal and Tristan Ross fill in an array of roles. In a play written with endless wordplay, physical comedy, over the top portrayals, lightning quick bits (Ms. Neal’s moment on stage is especially hilarious), and multiple surprise endings – every actor’s performance is presented with a sharp edge and the laughs are plentiful.

**Bottom line:** *Clue* makes for a very funny, very entertaining start to B&B’s celebration season. The comic aspects of the show, mixed in with the mysteries that are offered, are a definite hit with this reviewer.

Information about B&B’s current production of *Clue*, and their 2023 50th Anniversary Season, can be found online at



Photo by Julie Curry

(Clockwise from top left) The suspects include John Vessels as Professor Plum, Jeff Stockberger as Colonel Mustard, Scot Greenwell as Mr. Green, Suzanne Stark as Mrs. Peacock, Cara Statham Serber as Mrs. White, and Deb Wims as Miss Scarlet.

[beefandboards.com](http://beefandboards.com) or you may call the B&B box office at (317) 872-9664.

Read more great play reviews from *A Seat on the Aisle* at [asota.wordpress.com](http://asota.wordpress.com).

# Poof & Lucy

Ever since I was a little girl, there was an ad with a picture of a small child standing next to a gigantic dog. I always loved the picture and knew one day when I was grown up that I would have a dog that looked like the one standing next to this girl in the picture. It was a Newfoundland; a big, slobbery, lazy and absolutely beautiful dog.

Fast forward many years later, I’m moving into my first home on my own with my husband and the time came to talk about getting a dog. My husband is not one who needed to be talked into getting a dog. He loves dogs just as much as me. He wanted to wait a couple of months to settle in our house and take a vacation we had planned for that summer before diving into a puppy. His reasoning made sense, but it was not going to work for me.

I found a Newfoundland pup in northern Indiana that was in need of a home, and we set up a day to go and just meet her. They referred to her as “orange” since that was the color of her ribbon they used to distinguish their pups.

It was December in the year of 2013, just a mere few days after Christmas that we went up on icy roads to meet the pup. We arrived at the farm with such excitement. We both knew you don’t go and look at a puppy. We both knew that we were meeting our first dog together and starting an adventure. It was snowing and absolutely freezing; the kind of cold where your extremities ache and you cannot warm yourself.

We walked into a heated barn on their farm, and there was the orange puppy. We both melted and she took to my husband as if she was his soulmate. Instantly, we both loved her and knew she was ours, but the truth is, from day one, she was always his and the same for him. She decided at that moment that he was her number one person, and I would always be secondary in her life. She loved me, no doubt, and I loved her so much my heart hurt, but I was second. She was always the other woman in our relationship, and it was unspoken how much those two had unending devotion to each other.

Her name was Stella, but she went by many names. Poof, McDoo, Newf Poof who goes woof, just to name a few. We called her Poof. She grew into this gigantic black and white (Landseer) Newfoundland. She was striking in her appearance, not just for her size, but her beauty.

This was the dog who was there for the first 10 years of our life together. This was the dog who laid next to us on the couch as we shared the joy of finding out we were pregnant, saw us bring home two babies, watched us grieve as we lost two pregnancies, and was there for every single one of life’s ups and downs. This was the dog who sat there staring at us as we welcomed each kid home and another dog with a look on her face that said, “Are you kidding me?” We used to joke that she would roll her eyes, go light a cigarette, have herself a smoke, and be less than pleased with us for being traitors.

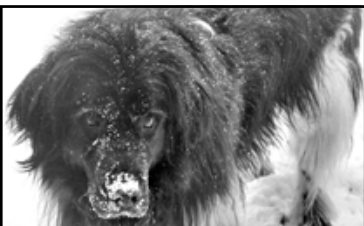
Ten years passed with her more quickly than I cared to believe. When you have a dog of a certain size and age, you always have that dreaded fear in the back of your mind that life is short and every little thing that was once minor seems more anxiety-ridden because no matter how old they are, you’re never ready.

The day came, somewhat out-of-the-blue for us. It was horrible and one that I would like to rid my mind of forever. We were emotionally gutted. I haven’t grieved like this since losing my own dad. I kept telling myself that my kids are OK and that I need to put this in perspective and function, but in reality, she was a dog to everyone else, but she was my first kid. She was the one who in essence made me a mom.

We had to make the heart-breaking and devastating, but appropriate decision to let her be at peace. I have lost dogs before and felt devastation, but this was different. I was an adult, and it was up to my husband and me to do right by her. There wasn’t a grownup to take care of this situation and shelter me from the harsh reality of what needed to be done. The car ride home from the vet still



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*When Nature Speaks*



Photos provided by Megan Rathz  
**Stella “Poof” Rathz (top) and Lucille “Lucy” McGillicuddy Rathz (above).**

brings tears to my eyes as I write this. We both knew at some point we were going to get another dog, but neither of us was ready. We had just lost a beloved family member when we said goodbye to Poof. You do not just wake up and decide you’re ready. We both knew that after

adopting our second dog from a rescue in Muncie called ARF (Animal Rescue Fund) that when the time came to get another dog that they would be coming from there. I decided to reach out to the lady I had corresponded with when we adopted our second dog to let

her know our situation and reiterated that while we were NOT ready to get another dog emotionally, that at some point we would be and wanted to make sure our adoption information was current from our last adoption. We did agree that while we were not ready, that when the time did come, her name would be Lucy. We both have always loved the name and it would be the name of our next dog.

A couple of weeks go by, and I receive a text from the same lady with a picture of a pup and a text that read, “We have a litter of half husky/ quarter lab/ and quarter border collie. One female left.” I was in the middle of work and saw her name appear on my text and instantly my heart started beating faster. I can hear my pulse and start to think, *Oh my God. I don’t know if I’m ready. There’s no way my husband is ready, but she is so cute and we are so sad.*

I knew I had to handle this delicately with my husband. I sit down at my desk and flip my desk calendar to December 13, and I notice that it happened to be the Feast Day of St. Lucy. I immediately knew it was a sign.

I sent my husband a screenshot of my conversation and her picture. He immediately, as I knew he would, started with trepidation and saying he didn’t know if he was ready. I then sent him the photo of my desk calendar with St. Lucy. It was met with crickets. I knew what this meant. He was processing all of this. He told me to call him. The next thing I know we are seriously discussing the possibility of this puppy.

The lady at the rescue called him (per my request) to discuss the puppy, her situation, and any questions he may have. She asked if we wanted to schedule a meet and greet. He said that he would talk to me and we would let her know that day. He told me to give him a call and when we spoke, we both agreed our minds were racing and needed some time to think on this without the influence of the other person. I said why don’t we just not talk for a couple of hours and each give this some thought before we say how we are feeling.

Two hours later, I called him and he told me we had a meet and greet scheduled for noon that Saturday. We were just going to meet her. It doesn’t mean we are taking her home that day or at all.

As that week progressed, we started referring to her as Lucy. This sad weight we had been carrying around seemed to lift a bit. The next thing I know, my husband is ordering her an *I Love Lucy* Christmas stocking and both of us ordered her toys for Christmas.

Saturday rolls around and the time had come to meet this pup. In walks Lucy and I knew just as I did with Poof, our lives were about to change. She was our next great adventure. We didn’t even discuss it. We just knew meeting her that she was ours. It is snowing and absolutely freezing again, but once again I melt when I see her.

The name Lucy means “light.” She has been a beacon of light during a period of darkness in our home and hearts. I will always remember Poof and I will always miss Poof. I will forever maintain a large part of my heart for her, but it is in her loss that I realize my heart has room for more love to give, and the space I made is just Lucy’s size.

I love Lucy and she loves not only me, but all of us. I’ve told her many times that we needed her and I know she needed us, too. Afterall, nobody really goes to meet a puppy.

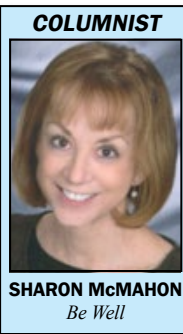
Megan Rathz is a wife, mother and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.

# Time is a limited resource, so take opportunity to improve your health

“Every nanosecond is a moment in history after it’s passed.” – Lt. Commander Data, Star Trek, The Next Generation

Motivation – don’t we get just a little weary of hearing that word in the month of January? We barely get through the holiday season without being reminded that we should feel guilty about “overindulging” and the reminder to do something about it! Every infomercial on dieting, exercising, organizing, taking a class, running a race, etc. just loves to tell us we need to get motivated!

The unfortunate thing is that it is true. I have heard, overheard, and participated in many conversations the past few months about getting motivated in January. The object of that motivation is usually losing weight and/or getting more fit and healthy. Both good objectives for most of us out-of-



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shape Americans!

The demands of family, work, relationships, home ownership, pets, and anything else imaginable seem often to take precedent over those goals, however. Looking back at the months gone by, for example ... already passed, gone, done. We cannot go back

in time. We *can*, however, assert control over healthy goals for our present and future.

What are you going to do with your “nanoseconds” today, tomorrow, and beyond? We humans often say that we don’t have “time” to focus on preparing meals and eating healthy (do you have time to sit in a long line of cars in a drive-thru?) or that we just cannot seem to “fit in” that 20 to 30 minutes for a workout several times each week, but we seem to manage to carve out time for *American Idol* or *NCIS*, social media, video games – you get the picture.

I can say with experience that through our youth and mid-years that those nanoseconds don’t seem very important for most of us. However, as we begin to pass the “middle years” we realize that apart from health conditions beyond our control, most of us have not been the best stewards of our bodies. According to the Harvard School of Public Health, one of the most recent and careful global estimates finds that roughly 500 million adults are obese (defined as a body mass index, or BMI, of 30 or higher). That’s almost 10 percent of men and 14 percent of women – and it’s nearly double the rate of obesity in 1980. Nearly 1.5 billion adults were overweight or obese (defined as a BMI of 25 or higher.) If nothing is done to reverse the epidemic, more than 1 billion adults are projected to be obese by 2030.<sup>1</sup>

Obviously, there is nothing we can do about the passing of time, but each day we all have a total of 24 hours, 1,440 minutes, 86,400 seconds, and a LOT of nanoseconds (*One nanosecond is to one second as one second*

*is to 31.71 years – so you do the math!*) Each day provides another opportunity to focus on some aspect of your health and well-being – these opportunities may be short in duration around your busy schedule, but they do exist.

As we take on this new year of 2023, remember that you can be in charge of increasing your fitness level, developing a healthier eating plan, and finishing up the year knowing that those nanoseconds have been well cared for along the way!

Wishing you all the best in your health and fitness goals in the year ahead! You can do it!

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**Sharon McMahon, CNWC**  
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# Trapping for fur under my dad’s tutelage

As a young man, my father was a trapper. He told me of his exploits, gathering fox, raccoon, muskrat and mink fur as a money-making project. He loved being an entrepreneur.

Unfortunately, his profits were all lost in the Great Depression when the local bank went under. When I asked for help in setting up a similar trapping operation, he indicated that I was on my own. However, he said if I would trap for mice, rats, pigeons, and groundhogs he would be happy to go into business with me. He set forth a schedule of payments for each category. I had a morning routine, setting traps in the granary for mice and rats, which



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was quite successful. Groundhogs paid more but were harder to catch.

Our farm, grandmother’s farm, and a third farm formed three points of a triangle, each leg 1.5 miles apart. Dad had let me begin driving the car between the three farms when I was 13. “Set the groundhog on top of the front sight and pull the trigger,” he had advised. “The shotgun would do the rest.” Dad said, “Groundhogs are curious. If they catch sight of you and run into their hole, just set about 30 feet in front of the hole and soon they will stick their head out. Boom!”

To make sure I caught them off guard, he told me that as I

approached the farm to rev the car, put it in neutral, and turn off the key (in a 1958 Pontiac with ‘three in the tree’ I could do that). I was to open the door as the car glided into the barn’s driveway. Slowly creeping around the edge of the barn, I almost always found a groundhog. As soon as it saw me it would set up on his hind legs on alert ready to be blasted. It would hold this position for two or three seconds, just long enough to get off a shot.

As I became more adventurous, I told my dad that I wanted to trap mink. It paid more than anything else. He told me there weren’t any mink in our area and they were too tricky for me to catch. I had my first one within a week.

My cousin decided he wanted help with his trap lines, and we would go venturing in the local

creek. He had traps set up on both sides of the creek. One winter day, my cousin easily crossed to the other side of the frozen creek. I didn’t realize that he was much lighter than me until the ice cracked and down I went. By the time I got out and got to the car, I thought I was going to freeze to death.

I’d forgotten about trapping until the idea was called to my attention by Charles McMillan. He had recalled to me his trapping experiences as a youth and suggested it might be a good newspaper article. Those days are gone. The Department of Natural Resources website notes that to trap nowadays you have to get a license even to hunt skunk!

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## LIONS

Carrie Larrison was sponsored by Lion Jeff Larrison, with Melissa Paradise sponsored by current president

Rodney Benson. Ron Mangus was sponsored by Lion Brian Abraham.

“We are looking to grow

so we can get back to doing what Lions do best: serve the community,” Jeff Larrison said. “We are planning ser-

vice days with Indiana Diabets Youth Camp, Third Phase Homeless Shelter, and several projects close to our hearts.”

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## POWER

The assistant athletic trainer, Denny Kellington, had no idea when he arrived in Cincinnati that he would save the life of one of his players. While he was qualified and prepared to do so, he didn’t know he would be called – not to help with a broken bone, but with a stopped heart.

The Cincinnati Bengals and the Buffalo Bills nev-

er imagined they would be meeting in the hallway outside the locker rooms. Their unity mattered. In that hallway, there were no opposing teams.

As people all over the sports world began to pray for Damar, they also recognized their need to pray for the Bengals player who hit him. Tee Higgins was hurting too. As a wide receiver, he made the hit. A fair hit. I can’t begin to imagine how he felt. While it wasn’t his fault, he still had to feel immense guilt.

Damar, without being able to say a word, spoke to the hearts of the football

world. God has an amazing plan for his life. Imagine the stories his mother is telling him. As he asks the doctors who won the game, they tell him that he won the game of life. And he did.

One man, without his ability to say a word, brought thousands of people to talk to God. One man was changing lives. One man had set a goal for a \$2,500 toy drive. It has now reached \$8 million.

So much good from a near tragedy.

I look forward to hearing about the conversations that Damar will have in the

future. Damar’s “whatever” looks much different than he ever could have imagined. His “whatever” is making a difference in the lives of so many.

May we never doubt the power of “whatever” God has planned for us. Just ask Damar. He is still here to tell us of its power. He now has a voice. There will be power in his voice. He will have a story to tell. Oh, the beauty of his ... whatever.

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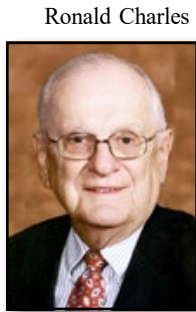
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### Ronald Charles Morse

June 11, 1931 – January 2, 2023



Ronald Charles Morse, 91, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, January 2, 2023, at Prairie Lakes Health Campus in Noblesville. He was born on June 11, 1931, to Fay and Esther Mae (Dinger) Morse in Morenci, Mich.

Ronald proudly served his country in the United States Army. He was a graduate of Taylor University where he played basketball and baseball. Ronald received his master's degree in adult education from Michigan State University. He worked as the personnel director as well as the adult community education director for Troy, Mich., school district. Ronald also served as board member of SOC Credit Union and was a member of the Rotary Club of Troy, Mich. He coached basketball in Michigan at Clawson High School and enjoyed golf, playing his last round of

golf on his 90th birthday with his children and grandchildren. Ronald was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Morse; sister, Janet Catherine Watkins; sons, Todd (Toni) Morse, Bradd (Kristina) Morse, and Darin (Heather) Morse; daughter, Jill Morse Hutchinson; and 13 grandchildren, Trey (Hailey), Tobin (Kaylyn), Max (Shelby), Tabor, Zoe (Justin), Melodi (Alec), Troyer, Alex, Jack, Tessa, Sam, Ian, and Teagan.

In addition to his parents, Ronald was preceded in death by his brother, P. Kenneth Morse.

Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m., with services at 3 p.m., on Saturday, January 14, 2023, at First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville, 1207 Conner St., Noblesville. A coffee and dessert reception will follow the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306, by phone at (718) 987-1931, or online at t2t.org.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Wilma Jean Wilson

March 18, 1936 – January 3, 2023



Wilma Jean Wilson, 86, Noblesville, passed peacefully surrounded by family on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at Piatt County Nursing Home, Monticello, Ill.

Visitation took place on Monday, January 9, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at the funeral home, with Pastor Eric R. Gale of First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville officiating. Burial will follow at Flanner Buchanan-Oaklawn Cemetery, 9700 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis.

Wilma was born to Clarence and Clara Audra Bracken on March 18, 1936, at their home near Cicero. She attended Walnut Grove Schools and graduated with the class of 1954. She started working at Sears & Roebuck personnel department. Wilma married Victor Van Dwight Wilson on October 7, 1961, at First Presbyterian Church, Noblesville. She was a homemaker and mother, while working at Jim Dandy Restaurant. Wilma was a 10-year 4-H member of Hamilton County Extension and later involved Extension Homemakers Club. Wilma was a Worthy Matron of Eastern Star Radiant #200. She was a skilled seamstress and an avid fan cheering on the Noblesville Millers Athletics and Band.

Wilma is preceded in death by her husband, Vic; parents, Clarence and Audra Bracken; and a sister-in-law, Maxine Bracken.

Wilma is survived by her two children, Victor Van Wilson (significant other Tammy Brown) of Fishers and Jan Elaine Wenke (Wilson) (spouse Joe Wenke) of Monticello, Ill. Grandchildren include Joey, Jacob, Jeremiah, and Kal. She is also survived by two brothers, both of Ladoga, Ind., Merrill Bracken (Maxine) and Eddie Bracken (Trudy); and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Piatt County Nursing Home nurses and staff for their care of Wilma in her last years.

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### Jarred William Freeman

March 23, 1999 – January 2, 2023



Jarred William Freeman was born in Indiana on March 23, 1999.

He was a loving, quick-into-everything infant. He was a mathematically gifted, spontaneous, impulsive child who never made the same mistake twice. He was an overly anxious, frustrated teen/young adult fighting to find purpose and fulfillment. He wrestled with identity and purpose all the time, yet always wanted to comply, be included, make a difference, be remembered, and bring laughter to others. He was a unique, one-of-a-kind breed.

Over the last several days, we've received numerous texts from friends with one common theme – Jarred had the biggest f...ing heart and would do anything for anyone!

Jarred was a daredevil, a water boy, and extremely compassionate. He loved music, played piano, drums, guitar, he'd beat on anything, and loved jamming to Justin Bieber songs on the radio with his favorite boss! He always wanted to be surrounded by friends or with family.

As Jarred moved through each era of his life, he explored a large variety of fashion trends (Scooby-Doo, soccer, skateboard, Husker, tough guy, model, party animal, wear all my jewelry at once, Champion, to name a few). He met many of you along the way.

The last six months was the intentional era. He went off to California to get help, came home with a deeper love for family, a drive to better himself, and a desire to draw really close to family and a few friends. He took classes and got certified nationally as a Peer Recovery Specialist and began work in a Treatment Center. In his words, he wanted to do it so he could help others not have to suffer like he has. He intentionally spent time with family, drawing closer to us, sharing more of himself, his desires, his dreams, his anxiety, and his pains. He bonded with Erica, Quentin, and Rex in ways he never had before.

Yet, the one consistency in his life was his love of family and foundation of faith. His first tattoo was "Family", his second a cross. He put the Chinese symbol "faith" on his side, and a music symbol behind his ear before adding flowers and a Koi fish to his arms.

It all ended on the morning of December 24, 30 minutes before a car ride to Michigan to celebrate Christmas. He fought for nine days before he was carried home to heaven. Yet, sign after sign in the hospital let us know he was surrounded by angels and comforted before beautifully being carried across the finish line on January 2, 2023, at 11:11 a.m. There is no doubt he is with God! After 23.5 years, we proudly watched him march into heaven as our little drummer boy.

He will not be forgotten.

At his core, Jarred always gave to those around him with everything he could. To continue his giving spirit, family asks that, in lieu of flowers, you donate to Bearbones Movement, a non-profit close to Jarred's heart, that fosters love, safety, and growth for young adults and exposes them to Christian community. Donations can be sent directly through their donation page, [tinyurl.com/BearbonesMovementDonation](https://tinyurl.com/BearbonesMovementDonation).

He is survived by his parents, Howard and Mary Pat Freeman; sister, Erica (Quentin) Swaim; nephew, Rex William Swaim; grandparents, William & Joyce Freeman; and numerous extended family members.

Visitation took place on Saturday, January 7, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. A memorial service for only family and close friends followed with Pastor Corey Shonborn officiating. Burial will be at Hamilton Memorial Gardens in Westfield at a later date.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### James Paul White Jr.

February 13, 1951 – December 26, 2022



James Paul White Jr., 71, of Noblesville, passed away on Monday, December 26, 2022, at Clearvista Lake Health Campus in Indianapolis. He was born on February 13, 1951, to James Paul White Sr. and Janet Gail (Bragg) White in Noblesville.

James proudly served his country in the United States Navy aboard the USS Hunley during the Vietnam War. He enjoyed arrowhead hunting especially with his mother, trapping and hunting with his father, and fishing. James was a very polite and cordial man with a good heart and was a protective big brother. His world revolved around his daughter and grandson.

He is survived by his daughter, Janet Kathryn White; grandson, Coleman Lee White; sister, JoLynn Sims; nieces, Chana, Meloncel, and Billie Jo; as well as several first, second, and third cousins.

In addition to his parents, James was preceded in death by his wife, Tamara Battles; and his nephew, William Haskell Cook III.

Graveside services with military honors were held on Friday, January 6, 2023, at Marion National Cemetery, 1700 E. 38th St., Marion, Ind.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Francis Joseph Pichler

April 25, 1933 – January 4, 2023

Francis Joseph Pichler, 89, Fishers, passed away on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at his home surrounded by his family. He was born on April 25, 1933, to John and Emelia (Kettler) Pichler in Ambridge, Pa.

Frank graduated from Duquesne University in Pennsylvania with a bachelor's degree in business and was a businessman through and through. He proudly served in the United States Army. Frank retired from being the owner and operator of Anderson Fireplace Shoppe. He was a member of Holy Spirit Parish of Geist Catholic Church. Frank enjoyed traveling, playing Pinochle, and playing singles tennis well into his 80s. He loved spending time with his family, especially time with all his grandchildren who lovingly called him granddad.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Charlotte Pichler; children, John (Sherry) Pichler, Elaine (Dale) Lester, Denise Pichler, and James (Debbie) Pichler; stepchildren, Cheryl Riwiitis and Scott (Theresa) Heatherly; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife in 1992, Clara L. Pichler; and brother, Joseph Pichler.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held with service at noon on Friday, January 13, 2023, at Holy Spirit Parish at Geist Catholic Church, 10350 Glaser Way, Fishers. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to the time of service at the church. Private family burial will be at Maplewood Cemetery in Anderson with Military Honors.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to O'Connor House, P.O. Box 1061, Carmel, IN 46082 ([theoconnorhouse.org](https://theoconnorhouse.org)); or Prevaill, Inc., Attn: Donations, 1100 S. 9th St., Suite 100, Noblesville, IN 46060 ([prevailinc.com](https://prevailinc.com)).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Richard L. "Rick" Brown

October 11, 1947 – December 29, 2022



Richard L. "Rick" Brown, 75, Cicero, passed away at 3:05 a.m. on Thursday, December 29, 2022, at home. He was born in Hillsdale, Mich., on October 11, 1947, to Alfred Hoverd and Edla Lorietta (Sears) Brown. Rick married Evelyn Mae Odom on August 7, 1969; she survives.

Rick was a firm believer in hard work, which made it important to him to set the appropriate goals for himself. After getting started in the car business, owning a dealership became a major goal for him to achieve. That goal came true in the early 2000s as Rick became owner of Dan Young GM, a dealership that he had been working at since the early 1990s. Rick would often be found at classic car shows, enjoying the history of the automotive industry.

Rick was very active in the Tipton community. His operation and ownership of Dan Young General Motors for many years provided an avenue for him to make meaningful contributions to many throughout the area. Rick was very involved with holiday philanthropy, participating with the Kokomo We Care and Tipton We Share programs.

When Rick was not at the dealership, he enjoyed boating and activities on the lake. Many memories were made during the trips to Dale Hollow for family vacations. He loved to bowl and enjoyed the yearly Elks National Bowling weekend. Rick was a member of the Tipton Elks Lodge and the Moose in Tipton and was a former member of the Tipton Rotary Club.

Rick served his country in the Army from December of 1966 through December of 1968.

Survivors include his wife Evelyn of Cicero; children, Jim Cripe and wife Angela of Whitestown, Sheri Gruwell and husband Tim of Daleville, and Joe Brown and wife Christy of Cicero. Grandchildren include Taylor Cripe, Jeremy Cripe, Andrew Walters, Andrea Gruwell, Madison Brown, and Katelyn Brown. Rick has four great-grandchildren: Natalie, Emma, Gracelynn, and McKinlee Walters.

Funeral services for Rick were held on Saturday, January 7, at Young-Nichols Funeral Home in Tipton with Rev. Jeff Harlow presiding. Burial with military rites conducted by the Tipton American Legion and the U.S. Army followed at Cicero Cemetery in Cicero. Visitation took place on Friday, and again before the service on Saturday.

Memorial donations may be made to Tipton County Foundation, 1020 W. Jefferson St., Tipton, IN, 46072.

Condolences: young-nichols.com

### Elizabeth Nancy Ann Alexander Gerrard

August 6, 1921 – December 30, 2022



Ann Alexander Gerrard, 101, Noblesville, passed away on Friday, December 30, 2022, at Sanders Glen in Westfield. She was born on August 6, 1921, to Harry and Nora (Auch) Alexander in Indianapolis.

Elizabeth attended Noblesville High School and graduated from Broad Ripple High School. She married Jimmy Gerrard on June 2, 1942. Elizabeth worked for Conner Prairie Living Museum as an interpreter for over 40 years.

She is survived by her son, Erik G. Gerrard; daughter, Melody A. (Garry) Robertson; grandson, Jared M. (Christy Marie) Robertson; granddaughter, Christina L. (John) Stevenson; great-granddaughter, Norah Rose Robertson; brother, Edward Alexander; nephew, Andrew Alexander; nieces, Nancy (Steve) Compton and Susan (Leo) Herrera; as well as several great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to her parents, Elizabeth was preceded in death by her husband, Jimmy G. Gerrard; and her brother, Alvin Alexander.

Private family graveside services will be held.

Memorial contributions may be made to Sanders Glen, 334 S. Cherry St., Westfield, IN 46074; or Paradigm Hospice, 8904 Bash St., Suite B, Indianapolis, IN 46256.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

### Betty Jean (Beard) Pickett

November 18, 1928 – December 31, 2022

Betty J. (Beard) Pickett, 94, Sheridan, passed away on December 31, 2022. Betty was born on November 18, 1928, to Glen and Ruth (Ramsey) Beard.

Betty was a graduate of Sheridan High School, class of 1946. She was a member of Six Points Church. Betty worked at Aero Drapery in Westfield for 15 years. She loved camping, cooking, crafts, gardening, and singing in the church choir.

Betty married Gene Pickett on August 14, 1946. They were married for 64 years.

Together they had three children Ruth Ann (John) Hines, Eula Jean Walker, and Eric (Teresa) Pickett; six grandchildren, Jason (Joanne) Hines, Jennifer (Cameron) Groce, Erica Walker, Ashley (Zach) Sharp, Jillian Pickett, and Brandon (Kaitlyn) Pickett; four great-grandsons; and one great-granddaughter. She is also survived by a sister, Mabeth (Martin) Little.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, and husband, Eugene B. Pickett.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, January 7, 2023, at Fisher Family Funeral Services, 508 E. Sixth St., Sheridan. Family and friends gathered prior to time of service. Pastor Scott McDermid officiated. Burial followed at Crown View Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Six Points Church, 1545 W. 226th St., Sheridan, IN 46069.

Everyone is invited to sign the online guestbook, leave a condolence, or share a memory at [fisherfunerals.com](https://fisherfunerals.com).

### Helen Ferne Liebengood

August 25, 1918 – January 1, 2023



Helen Ferne Liebengood, 104, passed away on Sunday, January 1, 2023. She was born on August 25, 1918, in Amistad, N.M., to the late Metta and Henry Herber.

The family moved to Guymon, Okla., in the Panhandle, where Helen graduated from high school in 1936. This area of Oklahoma was the heart of the dust bowl. After graduating from Hill's Business College in Oklahoma City, she married Thomas Wesley Glaze. Helen was employed as Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools in Guymon until she moved to Culver, Ind., in 1954, where she was employed at Culver Military Academy as Personnel Director. On November 11, 1967, Helen married Dr. Howard B. Liebengood and they moved to Silver Lake, Ind., where she lived until moving to Yorktown, Ind., in 2011, and then to Fishers in 2022.

Helen is survived by her daughter, Tommye Lou Glaze Beavers, Miss Indiana 1960 (husband Robert) of Fishers; daughter-in-law, Gail Glaze (husband Martin) of West Lafayette; granddaughter, Stacey Raifsnider (husband Ross) of Fishers; two step-grandchildren, Anne (husband Adam) and John (wife London); wives of deceased grandson (Kelly) and deceased step-grandson (Serena); two nieces, Erika and Metta; four great-grandchildren, Chris, Kate, Kayla, and Jacob; four step-great-grandchildren, Harper, Jack, Henry, and Genevieve; and one great-great-grandson, Garret.

Those preceding Helen in death include her previous husbands, Thomas Glaze and Dr. Howard B. Liebengood; sister, Lou Zetty; son, Robert Glaze (aka Cowboy Bob); stepson, Howard S. Liebengood; grandson, Brad Beavers; step-grandson, Howard C. "Howie" Liebengood; and niece, Heidi Zetty.

A Celebration of Life will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, January 14, 2023, at Minnetrista Center, 1200 North Minnetrista Pkwy., Muncie, IN 47303.

Memorial contributions can be made to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, 600 SW 11th Ave., Amarillo, TX 79101 ([calfarley.org](https://calfarley.org)).

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# Center for the Performing Arts welcomes Elliott as new development team member

## The REPORTER

The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel has named Elizabeth Elliott to the new position of Partnership Development Coordinator, responsible for stewarding relationships with the nonprofit Center's corporate and community partners and supporters.

An Indianapolis resident, Elliott arrives with experience in marketing at Opera Columbus in Ohio and advancement and sponsorships at Music for All in Indianapolis. She holds a bachelor's degree in Vocal Performance from the Indiana University Jacobs

School of Music, where she was a Hudson Holland Scholar.

Elliott will work alongside Lindsay Fish, the Center's Director of Partnership Development.

"Elizabeth's prior experience shows a real passion for the arts and an understanding of the importance of our community relationships," Fish said. "We continually look for ways to be better stewards of our corporate supporters. The addition of Elizabeth enhances our capacity



Elliott

to maintain those connections and exceed expectations."

## 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 in Carmel includes the 1,500-seat Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington proscenium 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 for all ages includes children's concerts and 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 is available at [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org).

# Carmel student dies following crash

## The REPORTER

The Carmel Police Department announced that Michael Jent, 16, Carmel, passed away the morning of Sunday, Jan. 8 from injuries he sustained in a crash that occurred early last Friday morning.

At approximately 5:19 a.m. last Friday, Carmel police responded to a report of a vehicle that had crashed into the Olivia on Main building on the southwest corner of Main Street and Old Meridian. Jent was se-

riously injured in the crash and was transported to an area hospital. The crash was not believed to be intentional. Jent was the only occupant of the vehicle.

Carmel High School encourages any students who are struggling at home to dial 988 to access a 24-hour hotline to talk to a live counselor. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with the Jent family as well as the students and staff of Carmel High School as they continue to process this tragic loss.

# Be a hero & donate blood with Westfield PD

## The REPORTER

The Westfield Police Department will play host to an Indiana Versiti blood drive from 11:15 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

on Wednesday, Jan. 11. Sign up for a spot to donate blood on Jan. 11 by going to [tinyurl.com/WestfieldBloodDrive011123](http://tinyurl.com/WestfieldBloodDrive011123).

# Janowicz named Artistic Director of Carmel Community Players

## The REPORTER

Carmel Community Players (CCP) has named Hannah Janowicz as Artistic Director.

Native to Indianapolis, Janowicz has been involved in performance art from a young age, performing in over 20 productions, and providing costuming, makeup, prop making, and assistant direction for many more.

She graduated from Ball State University with a B.S. in Public Communication and Theatre Studies, with an emphasis in Arts Administration and Advocacy.

Since then, she has worked in marketing, ticket sales, and community outreach for various theatre companies, including Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre,

Indiana Repertory Theatre, and Muncie Civic Theatre. She's also recently returned to the stage and was featured in CCP's 2022 productions *The Fantasticks* and *Shipwrecked! An Entertainment*.

Janowicz is replacing Lori Raffel, whom she met while working on CCP's production of *Shipwrecked*. Raffel, who has served on CCP's Board of Directors since 1999, stepped down as Artistic Director in November.

"Hannah taking over the artistic direction is a great start in a new direction," Raffel said. "I have enjoyed every minute of my



Janowicz

experience with CCP, and I plan to continue directing for them. I am thrilled with Hannah accepting this position, and I know she will bring her considerable knowledge and creativity

with her."

"The CCP community welcomed me so warmly as an actor," Janowicz said. "I'm eager to step into the role and begin preparing for a new season, as I know I have big shoes to fill. Community Theatre cultivates such a unique space for play, exploration and connection. As theatre artists, we never truly stop learning, be it through auditions, board

meetings, rehearsals, or a seat in the audience. What a gift it is to learn while we play! I'm so fortunate to begin this journey with CCP. I believe we have new stories to tell, new faces to meet, and new opportunities to bring our audiences back for more."

In her role as Artistic Director, Janowicz is responsible for managing the mainstage artistic activity of the Carmel Community Players, reporting to the Board of Directors. In addition, she assumes responsibility for conceiving, developing, and implementing the artistic vision and the focus of the theater.

For more information, contact Rich Phipps at [info@carmelplayers.org](mailto:info@carmelplayers.org).

# Alexander named County Council president

## The REPORTER

Ken Alexander has been elected president of the Hamilton County Council. He replaces Steve Schwartz in the role. Amy Massillamany will serve as Vice President. Election of officers is an annual practice at the first meeting of each year.

Alexander was first elected to the Hamilton County Council in 2018. He represents District 4 which includes Adams and Washington townships, and part of Clay Township.

Prior to joining the County Council, Alexander has worked on many skyline transforming projects in Indiana and the Washington,

D.C., metro area. Shortly after the completion of the Sydney & Louis Eskenazi hospital in downtown Indianapolis, Alexander accepted the opportunity to serve his community as the City of Westfield's Director of Public Works and then as the first Executive Director of the Grand Park Sports Campus. He says working for the City of Westfield opened his eyes to the impact of local government.

In 2019, Alexander started his own business, GKA Services, which provides construction and develop-



Alexander

ment oversight to projects in and around the Indianapolis area. It is that same critical eye for projects and financial controls that drives him in his role as a County Councilor.

Alexander and his wife Jenni have been married for 16 years. They have three children.

Mark Hall and Tim Griffin also joined the Hamilton County Council for their first meeting.

Hall was elected to represent District 3 in the November election which includes Noblesville, Jack-

son, Wayne, and White River townships. He is the Founder and CEO of three workforce solutions companies – TalentLogistiX, Tech Trades, and PinPoint Resources.

Griffin was elected to represent District 1 in the November election which includes nearly all of Carmel and the western edge of Fishers. He works as a firefighter and public information officer for the Carmel Fire Department.

To learn more about the Hamilton County Council and find information about contacting individual members, go to [hamilton-county.in.gov/649/County-Council](http://hamilton-county.in.gov/649/County-Council).

# Smith named Noblesville Common Council president

## The REPORTER

Aaron Smith was elected the new president of the Noblesville Common Council following a vote during an organization meeting held last Tuesday evening. Darren Peterson was elected as vice president.

"We have a lot of projects coming out of the ground this year and I am excited to work closely with Aaron and the rest of our common council members," Mayor Chris Jensen

said. "The strong working rapport between this administration and council will prove helpful as we move projects forward that improve east to west connectivity and vibrancy to our community."

Smith is in his first term and served as the council's vice president last year. Smith is a small business



Smith

owner operating in downtown Noblesville and lives with his wife and two children in Old Town.

"I am eager to step into my new role as we see key infrastructure and capital projects move forward this year," Smith said. "The strategic development of our city is exciting to be a part of while protecting and enhancing

our downtown core. This will be a year of strong growth and strategic change that I am excited to be a part of as council president."

Smith is the representative from District 3, which includes historic downtown Noblesville.

The Council holds its regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. The Council's next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 10 at City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

# Obituaries

## DeMeris A. (Ann) Rassi February 25, 1935 – December 30, 2022

DeMeris A. (Ann) Rassi, 87, passed away peacefully at Ascension St. Vincent's Hospital on Friday, December 30, 2022. She was born February 25, 1935, in Ligonier, Ind.

Ann was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond R. Rassi, Jr.; sister, Linda Kay Holderman (Hugh); mother, Margaret Ellen Reese; and father, Kenneth William Schick.

Surviving are two children, Kirk Wayne Rassi (Elizabeth Ann Brown) of McKinney, Texas, and Kimberly Ann Rizzo (Vincent R.) of Westfield. She has four grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

The viewing will take place from 10 to 11 a.m., with the memorial service beginning at 11 a.m., on Friday, January 13, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville.

The family wishes to thank the medical staff and caregivers at Ascension St. Vincent's Hospital, Wellbrooke of Westfield, and Paradigm Hospice for their compassionate care and support. Knowing that my mother was loved and cared for has given us much needed peace.

Condolences: [randallroberts.com](http://randallroberts.com)

## Ricky Lee Ruffin, Sr. June 12, 1960 – December 29, 2022

Ricky Lee Ruffin, Sr., 62, Westfield, passed away on Thursday, December 29, 2022. He was born on June 12, 1960, in Martinsville, Ind.

Rick retired as owner of Ruffin Motors in Westfield serving the community for over 20 years. He enjoyed traveling, especially to Myrtle Beach. Rick was a big NASCAR fan, and his two favorites were Jeff Gordon and Chase Elliott. He adored his grandkids.

He is survived by his wife, Sabrina Ruffin; mother, Joyce (Ruffin) Smith; daughter, Shannon McBride; sons, Ricky Ruffin, Jr., Travis (Alexandria) Ruffin, and Andrew Ruffin; siblings, Sheila (Cass) Clark, Fred Ruffin, and Sandra Smith; grandchildren, Peyton, James Joseph, Gage, Vincent, Axl, Max, and Rosie.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Chauncey Ruffin and Margarite Ruffin; and brothers, Joe Ruffin and Jerry Ruffin.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at his home. Please contact family for details.

Memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Foundation 30 S. Meridian St., Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204 ([rileykids.org](http://rileykids.org)). Condolences: [randallroberts.com](http://randallroberts.com)

## Gloria Merz May 21, 1939 – December 29, 2022

Gloria Merz, 83, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, December 29, 2022, at Community Hospital North in Indianapolis. She was born on May 21, 1939, in Nappanee, Ind.

Gloria was a homemaker and also worked as a department manager for Keltsch Pharmacy in Fort Wayne. She attended St. Louis de Montfort Catholic Church and enjoyed helping others, which she demonstrated through her time with Beginning Experience Ministry in Fort Wayne. Gloria enjoyed the penny slots at casinos, loved the ocean, and enjoyed cooking. She loved playing cards, especially euchre and peanut, and games with her friends, children, and grandchildren.

Gloria is survived by her children, Scott (Lisa) Merz, Lisa Roy, and Erik Merz; six grandchildren, Drew Merz, Chris Merz, Isaac Merz, Allison (Reed) Peterson, Michael (Kelsey) Jenkins, and Reece (Abi) Zillman; and six great-grandchildren, Elijah, Hannah, Rylee, Addi, William, and Evelyn.

Gloria was preceded in death by her father and stepmother, Donald & Bessie Beezley; and her mother and stepfather, Emma (Helmuth) & Merrill Schmeltz.

Visitation and the Mass of Christian Burial were held on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at St. Louis de Montfort Catholic Church, 11441 Hague Road, Fishers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The V Foundation, 14600 Weston Pkwy., Cary, NC 27513 ([v.org/about-us](http://v.org/about-us)). Condolences: [randallroberts.com](http://randallroberts.com)

# AUXILIARY

Currently, the Auxiliary is actively working on two projects. The first is for the Hoosier Burn Camp. The Auxiliary is collecting gently used or new purses for their purse pull at the Hoosier Burn Camp Masquerade Ball coming up in February. Find out more about the event, hosted by Colts interim coach Jeff Saturday and his wife, by visiting [hoosierburncamp.org/masquerade-ball](http://hoosierburncamp.org/masquerade-ball).

Hoosier Burn Camp is

an opportunity for young people who have suffered the physical and emotional trauma associated with a severe burn injury to be 'just one of the kids' in a safe and supportive environment.

The Indiana Diaper Bank also benefits from the efforts of the CFD Auxiliary. Diaper bins are located at each Carmel fire station, and a diaper drive was held during the month of December.

To aid the Auxiliary in its efforts, Meijer Supermar-

ket donated \$10,000 to the Carmel Fire Auxiliary on Dec. 13.

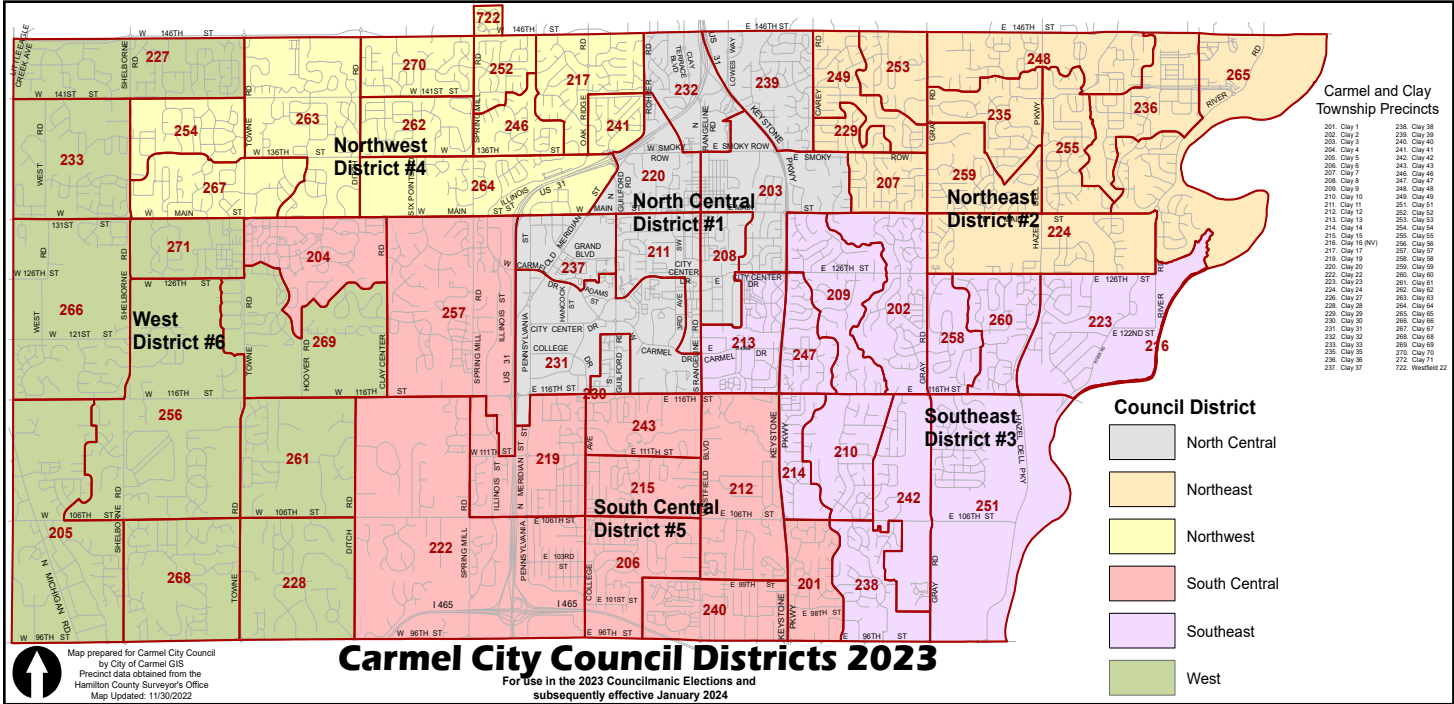
"This donation is specifically geared toward the programs the Auxiliary supports all year long," said Renee Butts, Public Education Officer for CFD and President of the Auxiliary. "We are so grateful for Meijer. It is through companies like Meijer that the Carmel Fire Auxiliary is able to continue to have an even greater outreach for our community

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and have a bigger impact!"

If you would like to assist the CFD Auxiliary by making a donation, you can send a check payable to CFD Auxiliary, Inc., 2 Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032. If you want to be specific in the area you are donating to, indicate the area in the memo line. You can also directly contribute to the AED campaign by visiting [qrco.de/bctbTw](http://qrco.de/bctbTw) or the Baby Box fund by visiting [qrco.de/bcy9FD](http://qrco.de/bcy9FD).





See a version of this map with much higher resolution at [tinyurl.com/CarmelCouncilMap2023](https://tinyurl.com/CarmelCouncilMap2023). There you can zoom in and out by holding the “Ctrl” button on your keyboard and using the scroll wheel on your mouse.

# Carmel implements new districts for 2023 elections

**The REPORTER**

As the 2023 municipal election season nears and candidates announce their intentions regarding the Primary Election in May, residents should take note of the new Carmel City Council districts that were

mapped out and approved by the City Council in November 2022 ([tinyurl.com/2v5f7e3y](https://tinyurl.com/2v5f7e3y)). These new district lines go into effect with this year's elections. Many residents will be voting for different council representation than in the past.

Note that residents who live in The Village on Spring Mill neighborhood are located within Carmel's Northwest District, even though the neighborhood is located northeast of the intersection of Spring Mill Road and 146th Street in Washing-

ton Township. If you have any questions about your address and what changes, if any, were made, you can call the Hamilton County Elections Office at (317) 776-8476 and they can help you.

## Noblesville Fabric Arts Show accepting submissions

**The REPORTER**

Artists with a fondness for fabric are invited to participate in the Noblesville Fabric Arts Show in August 2023. The show is made possible through a partnership between Nickel Plate Arts and the Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission's representative from Noblesville. The Fabric Arts Show will take place in Noblesville (location to be announced), with an opening reception on Aug. 4 during First Friday events. The People's Choice Awards ceremony will take place on Sept. 1. The Fabric Arts Show includes two categories for en-

try: 1. heirloom or antique, and 2. modern or newly created. To be considered for the show, pieces must have a Hamilton County connection either through subject, maker, history, or current owner. Show sponsors encourage artistic interpretations of Hamilton County's history through new pieces of fabric art. Applicants may submit more than one piece. The deadline for submission is July 22, 2023. Applicants can complete a form to submit their pieces for consideration at [tinyurl.com/2023FabricArtsSubmission](https://tinyurl.com/2023FabricArtsSubmission). **About the Bicentennial** The Hamilton County Bi-

centennial Commission was established by the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners as the official oversight agency for the 200th anniversary, happening in 2023. It will do so in partnership with the Hamilton County Historical Society, Hamilton County Tourism, Inc, and lead sponsor Duke Energy. The official 2023 Bicen-

tennial event lineup includes upwards of 45 one-of-a-kind events funded by the Bicentennial's grant program. In addition, a traveling exhibit will be available to the public at more than 25 locations around the county. Access the complete events calendar on the Bicentennial website at [hamcoturns200.com/events](https://hamcoturns200.com/events).



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## ATI posts auditions for world-premiere of *Mr. Confidential*

**The REPORTER**

Actors Theatre of Indiana (ATI) is offering a fantastic opportunity for actors, singers, and dancers in central Indiana. A world premiere production of *Mr. Confidential* is coming to the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. For this audition, ATI is seeking Equity and Non-Equity Actors and Singers who dance and/or move well for roles. All actors must be considered a local hire. Actors, singers, and dancers of all ethnicities, gender identities, and ages are encouraged to audition. This musical, based on a true story, is a giddy, vibrant tale set in New York and Hollywood at their most glamorous and dangerous. The sizzle starts here: a story of family, dreams, innocence, love and scandal. When Bob Harrison created *Confidential Magazine* in 1952, he gave the public gossip, humor and sex. But he also offered something totally unexpected – the truth about the rich and famous. It quickly became the No. 1-selling magazine in America. Soon, Harrison wasn't just telling the story ... he was the story, with headlines, scandals and a wild ride of his own. *Mr. Confidential* requires seven male and seven female roles. Each performer should prepare one song in the style of the show. *Mr. Confidential* is a jazz style score with influence of 1950s standards. More information and examples of the score can be found at [mrconfidentialmusical.com](https://mrconfidentialmusical.com). Auditions will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21 in Rehearsal Rooms 141/142 at the Studio Theater at the Center for the Performing Arts. Callbacks will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 22. For an appointment, performers should contact Kevin Casey, Production Stage Manager, at [kcpasm@mac.com](mailto:kcpasm@mac.com). Please include headshot and resume.

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# Fishers swimmers take home trophies

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**FISHERS** – After a busy week, the Fishers swim teams contained a bunch of tired, but happy Tigers.

Fishers competed in three high-level meets last week, culminating with a trip to Hamilton Southeastern to compete in the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet last Saturday. The Tigers swept both the girls and boys team championships, winning the two trophies in different ways.

The Fishers girls team won with 505 team points, comfortably ahead of the Royals’ 381.5 points. The Tigers won eight events, with everyone from superstar seniors to talented freshmen getting victories.

Meanwhile, Fishers’ boys team scored 459.5 points, with Zionsville the runner-up. The Eagles scored 415 points, but claimed 10 of the 12 events, including a handful of new meet records.

The Tigers boys used their solid depth to stay ahead of Zionsville. In five events, Fishers had three swimmers place in the top eight. That included a 1-2-5 finish in diving, where the Tigers’ Jack Roby edged out his teammate Jacob Schade by less than a point to give Fishers its only event victory.

The Tigers did get four runner-up finishes. Connor Carlile took second in the 200 and 100 freestyles, Tommy Johanneman was second

in the backstroke, and the 400 free relay team of Tommy Hines, Keaton Chop, Taichi Kataoka and Carlile finished the meet with another runner-up result.

Hines also placed third in the 500 free, with Daniel Bennett getting third in the breaststroke. Fishers had its other two relays finish third, starting with the medley squad of Carlile, Bennett, Victor Herbert and Hudson Lee. The 200 free relay team of Lee, Bennett, Kataoka and Chop also took third.

“We knew it was going to be tough and they had to reach deep,” said Tigers coach Joe Keller of both teams. “They did that. They showed some real fortitude. We had to make some switches, some kids that still aren’t felling well. We’ve dealt with a lot of illness.”

Yet the Tigers stepped up. Keller gave Diego Katazuka as a “good example” of this: Katazuka swam a 5:05 at last Thursday’s Mudsock meet, but dropped seven seconds between then and the HCC meet, finishing eighth in 4:58.55.

“That’s what you want,” said Keller. “Kids having pride in the team, in their own swimming and stepping up and performing. And we had a lot of that happen today.”

Meanwhile, the Fishers girls were getting several blue-ribbon swims. Senior Jo Jo Ramey was involved in four wins; she started the meet by teaming with Avery Stein, Kate Mouser and

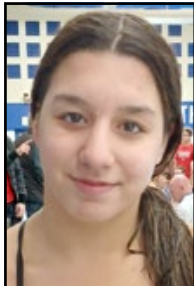


The Fishers swim teams won both the girls and boys team championships at the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet last Saturday at Hamilton Southeastern. The Tigers girls won eight events, while the Fishers boys used their depth to overcome a strong Zionsville team.

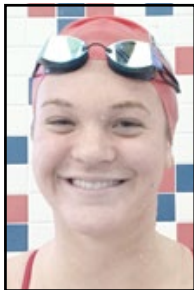
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Claire Francis to win the medley relay. Ramey then picked up two individual wins in the 200 free and backstroke, and finished the meet by joining Addison Carlile, Nalanie Cortez and Mouser for a victory in the 400 free relay.

“It was really fun,” said Ramey. “I think coming into it, we were all super tired. But we knew that we had to perform in order to win. This is always a pretty close meet, especially for our boys, so it’s really exciting just racing and having fun. It’s a good meet to prepare for championship season.”



Ledwith



J. Ramey

Carlile, Francis and Stein were also part of the winning 200 free relay, along with Emma Schwertfeger. Carlile won the 50 free, Francis was first in the 100 free and Stein triumphed in the breaststroke.

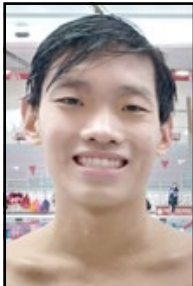
Hamilton Southeastern’s Audrey Crawford got two victories, sweeping the individual medley and butterfly events. The Royals were able to hold off Zionsville by 17.5 points for second place. As for the Southeastern boys, Jihoon Jung picked up a victory in the individual medley.

Jung said he was happy to get the win. He also spoke about the turnaround of swimming in the Mudsock meet on Thursday, then coming back to compete in the HCC on Saturday.

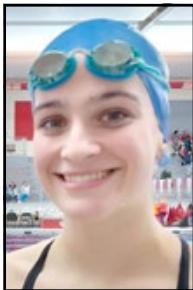
“It was definitely hard managing the two, but I just tried to think of it as a sectional,” said Jung. The sectional is a two-day event, with preliminaries on Thursday and the finals on Saturday.

“It went well, so I’m happy,” said Jung.

Noblesville’s girls got a win from freshman Sabrina Ledwith, who was first in



Jung



Crawford

the 500 freestyle.

“I think I did pretty good,” said Ledwith. “I think I executed my race plan pretty well.”

Aidan Biddle was the top finisher for the Millers boys, taking second in the breaststroke.

Westfield got a fifth-place finish from its girls 400 free relay team of Kate Peck, Isabella Amaya, Bridget Mick and Alexa Boillat. In the boys meet, Ben Morse finished fourth in the 100 free and sixth in the 50 free.

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## Basketball



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(Above left) Hamilton Heights’ Camryn Runner celebrated with her family after the Huskies’ victory at Lewis Cass on Thursday. Runner scored 18 points to move past the 1,000-point milestone; she has 1,004 points in her career. (Above right) The Hamilton Heights and Northwestern girls basketball team honored breast cancer patients with their Pink-Out game last Saturday at the Huskies’ gym. Heights raised \$1,435.04 for the IWIN Foundation and presented a check after the game.

# Huskies win at Lewis Cass; Runner crosses 1,000-point plateau

By **CRAIG ADKINS**  
*For The Reporter*

**WALTON** – Hamilton Heights took a road trip in Hoosier Conference East Division action last Thursday night and couldn’t have left Walton any more satisfied.

The Huskies got started early and kept their feet on the gas with a dominating road win over the Lewis Cass Kings, 47-15.

Heights had plenty of time off to prepare for the stretch run and they were anxious to get back out on the court and that was completely obvious. The Huskies last played on Dec. 20 at home against Lapel and also were given a week off last week.

Storming out to a 15-2 lead after one quarter, the Huskies were in complete control from the opening tip.

“I’m really proud of the team tonight. Coming off an extended break where we gave the girls a week off, I thought overall we executed fairly well,” said Hamilton Heights head coach Keegan Cherry.

The host Kings woke

up in the second with their better scoring quarter of the night, besting Heights 9-7, but were still doubled up 22-11 at halftime.

“We missed some defensive rotations there in the second quarter, but only gave up four points in the second half. I’m pretty pleased with that effort,” continued Cherry on his team’s defensive statement.

“Lewis Cass played a box-and-one defense on Runner and we had other girls step up and make shots. And that’s what it takes, players beating zones,” stated Cherry on the installed defense the Kings played to try to stop Runner.

The second half was all Huskies as they would out-score Lewis Cass 25-4 en route to a 47-15 blowout win over the Lewis Cass Kings.

Heights kept it steady in the final two quarters, allowing for Camryn Runner to reach the 1,000-point milestone in her career.

“I’m happy for Camryn Runner. She passed the 1,000th point milestone,” said a proud Keegan Cherry. “She is one of the most

humble kids we’ve coached here at Heights. She does things the right way and works really hard. She’d be the first to acknowledge that for every basket she’s made, there’s been an assist from a great teammate,” Cherry continued on Runner.

“As a program, we were really excited to celebrate this accomplishment with

her tonight. But no doubt, she’s a special player. And what’s really cool, she’s an even better person,” said Cherry complementing Runner.

Runner began the night with 986 points and finished with 18 points to lead all scorers. She now has 1,004 points in just 58 career games for the Huskies and

she’s just a junior.

Kaylee Rhoton joined Runner in double-figures with 11 points, including three of her four field goals from three-point land. Ella Hickok added seven and Katie Brown chipped in with five.

### Close loss

Hamilton Heights played another East Division game

last Saturday, this time hosting Northwestern in the Huskies’ annual Pink-Out game, which honors those affected by breast cancer. After the game, Heights presented a check in the amount of \$1,435.04 to the IWIN Foundation, a breast-cancer support charity.

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# Royal wrestlers win Mudsock trophy

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**FISHERS** – The Mudsock wrestling meet between Hamilton Southeastern and Fishers last Wednesday was almost like a bowling competition.

Why? Because there were pins all over the place.

That may qualify as a “dad joke,” but there is a solid amount of truth to it. Twelve of the 14 matches between the Royals and the Tigers were decided by fall. Southeastern got more pins, and thus won the meet, 48-30 in a loud, competitive dual at the Tiger Den.

The Royals picked up seven falls, while Fishers got five pins. Southeastern also won the two bouts that were not decided by fall; both of those were hard-fought decisions. That gave the Royals a total of nine victories; they clinched the meet by winning four matches in a row late in the meet.

“It’s very emotional,” said Southeastern coach Nick Brobst. “It’s like wrestling your brother. Like I say every year, I hope that



(Left) The Hamilton Southeastern wrestling team won the Mudsock meet last Wednesday night, beating host Fishers 48-30. The Royals won nine matches, seven of them by pin. (Right) Fishers’ Chayce Yant got a win for the Tigers, taking the 120-pound match.



Fishers wins every other dual except for this one.”

Both teams had several talented wrestlers in their lineup for the Mudsock trophy. The meet started at 126 pounds, and the Tigers’ Griffin Ingalls, No. 7 in IndianaMat.com’s state rankings, got a pin just 35 seconds into the first period.

Fishers’ Quenton Riley won at 132 by fall, giving his team an early 12-0 lead.

The Royals came back to take the next three matches, starting with the two decisions. Chris Casler won the 138-pound bout 5-0, while Adan Gerstner was a 4-1 winner at 145 pounds.

After that, everything else was a pin. HSE’s Zach Lang tied the meet at 12-12 with a pin at 152, getting the call with one second left in the period. Lang is ranked No. 12 at 145 pounds.

The Tigers’ Xavier

Smith moved his team ahead 18-12 with a second-period pin at 160 pounds. Southeastern won the next two matches, with Zack Wagner taking the 170-pound bout and Said Soufiyane winning at 182.

Fishers’ Chris Quarles tied the meet again with a quick pin at 195, making the score 24-24. But the Royals took care of business by winning the next four matches. Jackson Goodyear was the 220-pound winner, No. 4-ranked Dom Burgett got a first-period fall at 285,

Aidan Smalley won at 106 and Tyler Jackson had a first-period pin at 113.

“It’s all about just being consistent and mentally staying strong,” said Burgett, who is undefeated for the season. “If you see your teammate going out there and getting pinned, it’s knowing that it’s an individual thing, and no one’s out there but you, so you got to do your best. And also, there is a team aspect. We have to rally behind each other, too. I think we did a good job of doing that.”

Chayce Yant finished the

meet at 120 with a first-period pin for Fishers.

“Our kids that were expected to win came out and did their job,” said Tigers coach Frank Ingalls. Fishers got all of their wins by pin, but the Royals got more pins, and that made the difference.

“If we would’ve got some guys to fight a little harder and just lose by decision as opposed to getting pinned, it would’ve been a much better outcome,” said Ingalls. “That’s just something we got to keep working on.”

## Fishers sweeps Southeastern off their feet at Mudsock swim meet

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**FISHERS** – The Fishers swim teams stepped up big time during the midst of a tough week last Thursday, sweeping Hamilton Southeastern in both the girls and boys competitions of the Mudsock meet, which took place at the Fishers aquatic center.

The Tigers girls won 120.5-65.5, while the boys were 135-51 winners.

In the girls meet, the Tigers claimed 10 of the 12 events. That included double wins for Nalanie Cortez in the 200 and 100 freestyles, and Jo Jo Ramey in the 50 free and backstroke. Gretchen Osmun was first in diving, Frankie Ramey won the 500 free and Avery Stein took

the breaststroke. Fishers also swept all three relays.

The Tigers boys were victorious in 11 events, starting with double wins for Jonny Hines in the 200 and 500 freestyles and Connor Carlile in the individual medley and 100 free. Keaton Chop won the 50 free, Jacob Schade was the diving champion, Tommy Johanneman was first in the

backstroke and Daniel Bennett triumphed in the breaststroke. Just like the girls, the Fishers boys swept all three relays.

While the Tigers won big, there were bright spots for the Royals. Audrey Crawford picked up two wins in the girls meet, placing first in the IM and the butterfly. Jihoon Jung won the butterfly in the boys meet.

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**GIRLS MEET**  
*Team scores: Fishers 505, Hamilton Southeastern 381.5, Zionsville 364, Noblesville 270, Brownsburg 175.5, Westfield 174, Franklin Central 124, Avon 109.*

**200 medley relay:** 1. Fishers (Jo Jo Ramey, Avery Stein, Kate Mouser, Claire Francis) 1:47.08, 2. Southeastern (Naomi Haines, Katelyn Kertin, Audrey Crawford, Ash Saple) 1:47.68, 4. Noblesville (Sabrina Ledwith, Maya McDonald, Haddie Vohs, Exley Tricker) 1:52.37, 6. Westfield (Alex Irvin, Kate Harrison, Alexa Boilat, Bridget Mick) 1:56.46.

**200 freestyle:** 1. J. Ramey (F) 1:52.45, 4. Ledwith (N) 1:57.17, 5. Nalanie Cortez (F) 1:58.46, 6. Emma Schumacher (F) 1:59.43, 8. Lauren Bergman (HSE) 1:59.86, 9. Tricker (N) 2:01.47, 10. Kate Peck (W) 2:02.23, 11. Julia Kiley (HSE) 2:03.20, 13. Olivia Motz (N) 2:03.50, 14. Isabella Amaya (W) 2:04.15, 21. Kate Cassidy (W) 2:08.63, 22. Meghan Voelker (HSE) 2:08.88.

**200 individual medley:** 1. Crawford (HSE) 2:05.44, 2. Stein (F) 2:06.21, 3. Mouser (F) 2:10.15, 5. Avery Hannon (F) 2:14.49, 6. Anna Stolle (HSE) 2:15.07, 7. McDonald (N) 2:17.14, 8. Eloise Harrison (HSE) 2:18.29, 10. Irvin (W) 2:18.85, 12. Emily Knott (N) 2:20.75, 15. Katie Sutton (N) 2:24.33, 20. Ellie Hill (W) 2:29.28, 24. Bella McNally (W) 2:40.35.

**50 freestyle:** 1. Addison Carlile (F) 24.22, 2. Francis (F) 24.75, 4. Emma Schwertfeger (F) 24.87, 5. Kiley Zoeller (HSE) 24.95, 7. Saple (HSE) 25.16, 8. Ava Olson (HSE) 25.31, 13. Ellie Hayward (N) 25.99, 15. Julia Santerre (N) 26.50, 16. Mick (W) 26.55, 17. Amelia Field (N) 26.57, 21. Marie Rocca (W) 28.56, 23. Abby Zentz (W) 29.80.

**One-meter diving:** 2. Eryn McMahon (N) 368.55, 3. Ella Penny (HSE) 354.10, 4. Gretchen Osmun (F) 340.25, 7. Ally Doyle (W) 295.60, 9. Ava Pavich (N) 250.75, 10. Alexis Ball (W) 242.90, 11. Lainey VanTrees (F) 242.60, 114. Ava Cox (HSE) 222.75, 16. Kate Jansen (F) 216.50, 17. Adriana Salgado (HSE) 162.75.

**100 butterfly:** 1. Crawford (HSE) 56.41, 2. Bergman (HSE) 58.81, 3. Carlile (F) 58.86, 4. Vohs (N) 59.40, 6. Mia Wilson (F) 1:00.19, 7. Knott (N) 1:00.68, 8. Boilat (W) 1:00.81, 9. Grace Newton (HSE) 1:01.66, 11. Lisa Bradford (F) 1:02.20, 16. Mallory Mehninger (N) 1:07.82, 18. Elana Morse (W) 1:10.46, 24. McNally (W) 1:19.66.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Francis (F) 53.82, 2. Cortez (F) 53.94, 4. Zoeller (HSE) 55.06, 5. Schwertfeger (F) 55.28, 6. Olson (HSE) 55.47, 9. Saple (HSE) 56.02, 13. Mick (W) 58.53, 15. Sutton (N) 59.17, 16. Field (N) 59.48, 18. Harrison (W) 1:00.47, 19. Kyra Blackwell (N) 1:00.84, 22. Zentz (W) 1:03.36.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Ledwith (N) 5:06.09, 2. Mouser (F) 5:08.15, 4. Frankie Ramey (F) 5:17.94, 6. Bradford (F) 5:26.25, 7. Peck (W) 5:26.79, 8. Amaya (W) 5:29.09, 12. Motz (N) 5:34.99, 14. Warren (HSE) 5:37.92, 16. Voelker (HSE) 5:38.73, 17. Julia Kiley (HSE) 5:38.85, 18. Hayward (N) 5:39.63, 19. Cassidy (W) 5:39.64.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. Fishers (Carlile, Schwertfeger, Francis, Stein) 1:36.64, 2. Southeastern (Zoeller, Bergman, Kertin, Stolle) 1:39.39, 4. Noblesville (Tricker, E. Knott, Field, Hayward) 1:42.04, 8. Westfield (Irvin, Harrison, Peck, Amaya) 1:48.49.

**100 backstroke:** 1. J. Ramey (F) 56.38, 3. Haines (HSE) 57.98, 4. Newton (HSE) 1:00.62, 5. Hannon (F) 1:00.78, 6. Vohs (N) 1:01.55, 7. Boilat (W) 1:02.53, 8. Wilson (F) 1:02.97, 12. Santerre (N) 1:05.38, 13. Irvin (W) 1:05.55, 14. Graham (HSE) 1:05.59, 15. Hill (W) 1:06.30, 19. Mehninger (N) 1:08.91.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Stein (F) 1:05.35, 3. Stolle (HSE) 1:08.22, 4. Harrison (HSE) 1:08.25, 5. McDonald (N) 1:08.72, 6. Kertin (HSE) 1:09.40, 7. Schumacher (F) 1:10.26, 8. Tricker (N) 1:10.35, 9. F. Ramey (F) 1:10.51, 12. Harrison (W) 1:14.20, 15. Ali Knott (N) 1:15.34, 19. Rocca (W) 1:19.81, 22. Anna McKeown (W) 1:23.75.

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. Fishers (Carlile, Cortez, Mouser, J. Ramey) 3:32.18, 3. Southeastern (Crawford, Zoeller, Stolle, Bergman) 3:37.30, 4. Noblesville (Ledwith, Hayward, Vohs, McDonald) 3:47.06, 5. Westfield (Peck, Amaya, Mick, Boilat) 3:52.58.

**BOYS MEET**  
*Team scores: Fishers 459.5, Zionsville 415, Brownsburg 296.5, Noblesville 274.5, Hamilton Southeastern 260.5, Avon 145.5, Franklin Central 144.5, Westfield 106.*

**200 medley relay:** 3. Fishers (Connor Carlile, Daniel Bennett, Victor Herbert, Hudson Lee) 1:37.56, 4. Noblesville (Caleb Mathis, Aidan Biddle, Graham Kulp, Jonah Setmeyer) 1:40.37, 5. Southeastern (Jacob Frey, Collin Huston, Jihoon Jung, Derek Robison) 1:40.54, 8. Westfield (Luca Barbosa, Ethan Braasch, Will Chambley, Henry Pham) 1:53.38.

**200 freestyle:** 2. Carlile (F) 1:41.66, 4. Jonny Hines (F) 1:47.24, 5. Jack Warren (HSE) 1:47.71, 8. AJ Adams (F) 1:48.93, 9. Lane Monger (N) 1:49.60, 11. Mason Snyder (N) 1:49.88, 16. Liam Westlund (N) 1:54.43, 19. Clayton Juffer (HSE) 1:58.74, 20. Daniel Harter (HSE) 1:58.87, 21. Sagan Blansette (W) 2:01.44, 23. Jack Ellis (W) 2:04.93, 24. Jackson Burgess (W) 2:22.03.

**200 individual medley:** 1. Jung (HSE) 1:56.41, 2. Bennett (F) 1:58.09, 4. Taichi Kataoka (F) 2:01.76, 5. Kulp (N) 2:03.96, 6. Cooper Archer (F) 2:04.52, 7. Biddle (N) 2:04.75, 10. Zak Armstrong (N) 2:06.27, 12. Huston (HSE) 2:07.90, 14. Barbosa (W) 2:09.93, 18. Chambley (W) 2:13.06, 19. Frey (HSE) 2:13.20, 23. Braasch (W) 2:19.08.

**50 freestyle:** 5. Keaton Chop (F) 22.54, 6. Ben Morse (W) 22.58, 8. Lee (F) 22.65, 9. Tommy Johanneman (F) 23.01, 10. Chouci Ding (HSE) 23.14, 13. Jonah Setmeyer (N) 23.52, 14. Justin Baccam (HSE) 23.55, 15. Robison (HSE) 23.60, 18. Pham (W) 24.47, 19. Shepard Huff (N) 24.50, 20. Locke Taylor (W) 24.87, 22. Oliver Mark (N) 25.13.

**One-meter diving:** 1. Jack Roby (F) 451.40, 2. Jacob Schade (F) 450.45, 3. Aiden Kless (N) 360.80, 4. Gavin Tucker (HE) 352.70, 5. Kirby Danglede (F) 337.50, 9. Colton Suhan (N) 299.30, 10. Troy Borrero (HSE) 297.45, 11. Kaegan Johnson (HSE) 271.80, 13. Noah Flynn (W) 233.20.

**100 butterfly:** 3. Jung (HSE) 53.46, 4. Herbert (F) 53.50, 5. Eduardo Sanchez (F) 53.74, 6. George Kallas (F) 54.97, 9. Kulp (N) 55.19, 10. Armstrong (N) 55.62, 12. Robison (HSE) 55.98, 14. Jason Hua (HSE) 56.18, 16. Aaron Hand (W) 58.57, 18. Caleb Mathis (N) 59.98, 19. Cole Kim (W) 1:00.17, 22. Sam Cassidy (W) 1:07.94.

**100 freestyle:** 2. Carlile (F) 47.07, 4. Morse (W) 49.09, 6. Chop (F) 49.72, 8. Snyder (N) 49.80, 9. Lee (F) 49.85, 10. Ding (HSE) 50.32, 11. Eli Pache (HSE) 50.82, 13. Westlund (N) 51.99, 17. Setmeyer (N) 52.67, 19. Nolan Pugh (HSE) 53.10, 20. Taylor (W) 53.18, 23. Pham (W) 59.53.

**500 freestyle:** 3. Hines (F) 4:43.54, 4. Adams (F) 4:51.38, 7. Monger (N) 4:57.21, 8. Kitazuka (F) 4:58.55, 9. Warren (HSE) 5:00.48, 10. Sam Halvorsen (N) 5:07.39, 11. Mark Berger (N) 5:08.12, 17. Harter (HSE) 5:18.35, 18. Juffer (HSE) 5:22.63, 19. Blansette (W) 5:25.47, 22. Ellis (W) 5:39.71.

**200 freestyle relay:** 3. Fishers (Lee, Bennett, Kataoka, Chop) 1:28.17, 4. Southeastern (Robison, Ding, Pache, Warren) 1:33.20, 6. Noblesville (Mathis, Westlund, Wyatt Wade, Snyder) 1:34.68, 7. Westfield (Hand, Taylor, Pham, Morse) 1:34.74.

**100 backstroke:** 2. Johanneman (F) 55.82, 4. Jeremiah Ledwith (N) 56.91, 5. Frey (HSE) 57.18, 6. Kallas (F) 57.37, 8. Huff (N) 58.81, 11. Mathis (N) 59.26, 13. James Gropp (F) 59.86, 15. Kruz Luhmann (HSE) 1:00.31, 16. Eric Joesten (HSE) 1:00.88, 19. Hand (W) 1:05.33, 21. Kim (W) 1:09.59, 23. Jackson Burgess (W) 1:16.24.

**100 breaststroke:** 2. Biddle (N) 59.49, 3. Bennett (F) 59.69, 4. Pache (HSE) 1:00.46, 5. Huston (HSE) 1:00.63, 9. Kataoka (F) 1:02.56, 10. Herbert (F) 1:03.85, 11.2. Anthony Mathis (N) 1:04.17, 16. Halvorsen (N) 1:05.66, 17. Chambley (W) 1:05.83, 18. Pugh (HSE) 1:06.77, 19. Barbosa (W) 1:07.27, 20. Braasch (W) 1:07.34.

**400 free relay:** 2. Fishers (Hines, Chop, Kataoka, Carlile) 3:12.57, 3. Southeastern (Jung, Ding, Pache, Warren) 3:21.43, 4. Noblesville (Kulp, Setmeyer, Snyder, Biddle) 3:22.71, 7. Westfield (Hand, Taylor, Barbosa, Morse) 3:28.22.

## Basketball

# Golden Eagles soar into new year with resounding win over Lebanon

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**NOBLESVILLE** – The Guerin Catholic boys basketball team’s defense has been steadily getting better over the past couple weeks.

And the Golden Eagles took a quantum leap as they flew into the new year. Guerin Catholic hosted Lebanon last Tuesday at the Eagles Nest and had its best defensive performance of the season, cruising past the Tigers 61-29.

It was the first time the Golden Eagles had held an opponent under 30 points since Nov. 30, 2019, when Guerin Catholic beat Manual 63-29. Needless to say, GC coach Bobby Allen was proud of his team’s effort.

“We were locked in about playing defense off the ball and being engaged in every possession, and our guys showcased that tonight,” said Allen.

Lebanon led for some of the first quarter, going up 8-4 early in the period. But Guerin Catholic took control by nailing three straight 3-pointers.

With that, the Golden Eagles led 13-8 and never trailed again. Kayden Sloggett ended the run with a 3 for the Tigers, but Guerin Catholic scored six consecutive points to finish the quarter ahead 19-11.

Kamea Chandler began the second period with a lay-in, and the Golden Eagles were up 21-11. Lebanon scored five straight points after that, and Allen called a quick timeout. Guerin Catholic got it together and went on a 13-3 run to hold a 34-19 halftime advantage. Sorensen helped out by going 6-of-6 from the free-throw line during the quarter.

The Golden Eagles rolled through the third period, leading 46-26 when it finished. Sorensen added five points, including another 3. Guerin Catholic then dominated the fourth quarter, allowing the Tigers just three points.

Eight different GC players scored, led by 18 points from Sorensen. Cherry and Chandler both added nine points. Chandler and Ty Sanders each collected six rebounds, and Sorensen made six steals.

## Chatard sweeps Golden Eagles

Guerin Catholic was swept in both games of a Circle City Conference girls-boys doubleheader with Bishop Chatard last Friday night at the Eagles Nest.

In the girls game, the Golden Eagles lost 51-41. The Trojans led 16-12 in the first quarter, then jumped ahead 34-21 by halftime. Megan Cobb scored seven



Reporter photo by Richie Hall  
**Guerin Catholic’s Ty Sanders was one of the rebounding leaders for the Golden Eagles during their win over Lebanon last Tuesday at the Eagles’ Nest. Sanders had six rebounds and also scored six points.**

points for Guerin Catholic in the first half.

The Golden Eagles cut into Chatard’s lead in the third quarter, getting within 42-34 by the end of the period. Natalie Fernandez had five points. But the Trojans clinched the game by outscoring GC 9-7 in the fourth period.

Fernandez had 14 points for Guerin Catholic, with Cobb adding 13 points.

In an earlier game, Guerin Catholic’s girls got a road win at Park Tudor last Wednesday, 29-23.

The Golden Eagles led 8-6 after the first quarter,

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## Sheridan girls win two games at home

### The REPORTER

The Sheridan girls basketball team cruised past Crawfordsville 62-31 last Tuesday at Larry Hobbs Hall.

The Blackhawks led 13-4 after one quarter and 29-9 at halftime, then pulled further away in the third period, outscoring the Athenians 22-9 for a 51-18 lead. Kenzie Garner earned a double-double

of 22 points and 14 rebounds, and also had five steals.

Ashley Webel scored 10 points, followed by Lilly Chesney with nine rebounds and eight points. Jacquelynne Bates added six points and five steals.

Sheridan got a big Senior Night victory last Thursday, beating Hoosier Heartland Conference opponent

Tri-Central 45-32.

The Blackhawks led 14-9 after the first quarter, but the Trojans came back to tie the game by halftime at 18-18. Sheridan got back in the lead during the third period, which finished with the Hawks up 31-28. Sheridan then had a fantastic defensive fourth quarter, outscoring Tri-Central 12-4.

Kenzie Garner reached double-double status again, scoring 22 points and collecting 14 rebounds. Lilly Chesney added nine points, while Chaney Smith had eight points and four assists.

The Blackhawks improved to 2-3 in conference play and 8-8 overall. Sheridan will host Speedway Thursday.



Basketball

# Blackhawks' defensive power pulls them over the finish line

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**SHERIDAN** – By making a defensive switch, the Sheridan boys basketball team went into overdrive last Friday night.

The Blackhawks were engaged in a tight battle with Hoosier Heartland Conference opponent Tri-Central at Larry Hobbs Hall. Sheridan was up by 34-32 midway through the third quarter, but a defensive adjustment sent the Blackhawks on a long run that carried them to the finish line. That combined with outstanding offensive performances from Trent DeCraene and Caleb Wright led to Sheridan getting a 63-48 win over the Trojans.

"It takes everybody in our program," said Hawks coach Bill Bowen. "We feel that we're getting a little bit better. Every game is going to be a battle."

The battle was on in the first quarter, with both teams holding the lead on different occasions. Wright was hot from outside, making three 3-pointers during that quar-

ter; his third triple put the Blackhawks ahead 13-9. But Tri-Central finished the period on an 8-2 run to lead 17-15.

Sheridan began the second quarter with six unanswered points. Evan Krupp tied the game on a putback, then DeCraene made a layin and Owen Bell hit two free throws. The Blackhawks led 21-17 and would not trail again. Seconds later, Carsen Aleman's basket put Sheridan up 23-18.

The Trojans came back to tie the game by halftime at 26-26. DeCraene opened the second half with the first of many layins to put the Blackhawks up 28-26. He played brilliant during the critical first few minutes of the third quarter, scoring eight points to keep Sheridan out front, and neutralize Tri-Central's Drake Ramseyer, who had five points during that time.

Trenton Patz made four free throws in a row to bring the Trojans to one last tie,



**DeCraene**

"Then they really whipped it. They had a nice attack and we gave up some baskets that we shouldn't give up. So then, we adjusted to half-court trap and it was good for us."

Indeed, it was a very good adjustment for the Hawks, as they blasted off on a 25-4 run that lasted until the final 90 seconds of the fourth quarter. During that time, Sheridan did not allow Tri-Central any baskets – all four of the Trojans points were from free throws.

Meanwhile, the Blackhawks were scoring often. Bell drained a 3 to get Sheridan ahead for good at 41-38. Wright made a layin, then DeCraene went off again, with four consecutive layins. DeCraene made two to finish the third quarter, and two more to start the fourth, putting the 'Hawks up 51-38.

"All credit goes to my coach and teammates," said DeCraene. "They give me the ball when I'm open. We found a couple mismatches, and we made it happen."

Bowen said the Trojans were "shading Caleb Wright pretty strongly, so Trent found seams to the basket. The other thing he did is, he really attacked the basket.

Didn't settle, was really aggressive going to the basket and things went well for him and for us."

Wright still got his points, of course, scoring six in the fourth quarter. Wright's putback got Sheridan ahead 61-42, then Tyler Garner's layin gave the 'Hawks their biggest lead at 63-42. Landon Grant hit two 3-pointers for Tri-Central during the final minute and a half, but the game had long been decided by then.

DeCraene finished with 26 points, easily a career-high. Wright was next in line with 17 points. Eight different Sheridan players scored at least two points. DeCraene and Wright also both had five rebounds and handed out four assists.

The Blackhawks went on the road last Saturday to play another HHC game at Rossville. Sheridan lost to the Hornets 54-41.

Rossville jumped out to an 18-9 lead after the first quarter. The 'Hawks cut that advantage to 27-20 by halftime, but the Hornets outscored Sheridan 27-21 in the second half.

DeCraene again led the Blackhawks with 17 points and handed out five assists. Wright scored 11 points, while Williams led the rebounds with five. Also scoring were Garner with seven points, Bell with three and Eli Kolb with two; Kolb also collected four rebounds.

The Blackhawks are 2-3 in conference play and 7-6 overall. Sheridan plays one game this week, hosting Elwood on Saturday.



Photo by Si DeVaney III

Sheridan's Carsen Aleman scored four points for the Blackhawks during their 63-48 win over Tri-Central last Friday. Aleman was one of eight Sheridan players to score during the game.

## Greyhounds pull away from Shamrocks

### The REPORTER

An all-county boys basketball game went Carmel's way last Saturday.

The Greyhounds hosted Westfield at the Eric Clark Activity Center, and pulled away in the second half for a 49-38 victory. Carmel led 11-8 after one period, with Spencer White making a 3-pointer on his way to scoring seven points in the quarter.

The Shamrocks came back to lead 21-20 at halftime. Four different Westfield players scored, led by Trey Buchanan's five points. The Rocks led 19-14 after Buchanan hit a 3-pointer, but Carmel made three triples, including two by Alex Couto, to get back into the game.

The Greyhounds took over in the third quarter, outscoring Westfield 16-5 for a 36-26 lead. Sam Orme got going with seven points, while Couto nailed another 3. Carmel then added 13 more points in the fourth to seal the win, holding off the Shamrocks, who had Alex Romack score seven during that period.

Couto scored 14 points, followed by Orme with 13 and White with 10 points. Ryan Clevenger added nine points and Logan Reinhart finished the scoring with three points.

Romack led all scorers with 17 points, followed by Buchanan with eight. Charles Farrell and Armani Middlebrooks both added four points, Caleb Wise scored three and Sam Bishop had two points.

### Friday games

Westfield got a comeback victory last Friday night at CSI Gymnasium, roaring through the third quarter to beat Yorktown 59-47 for its sixth consecutive win.

The Shamrocks led 15-11 after one period, with Romack scoring six points. The Tigers dominated the second quarter, allowing Westfield only four points. Yorktown held a 26-19 halftime lead, but the Rocks blasted back, outscoring the Tigers 21-8 in the third period.

Wise came off the bench to lead the way for Westfield in that quarter, scoring eight points, including a 3-pointer.

Buchanan also threw in a 3; both he and Romack scored five in the third. The Rocks led 40-34 once the dust settled, and they cruised through the fourth quarter with 19 points to seal the win.

Romack finished the game with 16 points, while Buchanan nailed three 3s on his way to 15 points. Farrell had eight points, as did Wise.

Also last Friday night, two longtime rivals got together in Greenwood at Center Grove for the 26th meeting in their series.

Center Grove and Carmel went toe-to-toe in a top 10 matchup that gave the fans their money's worth, but the Greyhounds fell to the Trojans, 43-41.

The Trojans got off to a great start in the first, getting a comfortable lead at 18-11 and would be able to lengthen their advantage at halftime to 27-18.

Carmel still trailed through three periods, 37-29, but they made some headway for a comeback.

The 'Hounds were able to put their defense to the test in the fourth quarter and it worked, for the most part.

They doubled up the host Trojans in the final frame 12-6, and tied the game at 41-41 with just one second left.

Marcus Ankney sank his only two free throw attempts of the game with just one second left, giving Center Grove a 43-41 win over Carmel.

This was the first win for Center Grove in this series of former MIC opponents since Jan. 7, 2011, snapping Carmel's 11-game winning streak against the Trojans.

Orme led the Greyhounds with a team-high 20 points and seven rebounds, while shooting 6-for-11 from floor and going 6-of-6 at the foul line. White added eight and Couto six.

Carmel is 8-4 and hosts Cathedral on Wednesday before playing at Fort Wayne Snider on Saturday. Westfield is 8-2 and plays Friday at Hamilton Southeastern as part of a Hoosier Crossroads Conference girls-boys doubleheader.

## ON-LINE PUBLIC AUCTION

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**Wed., January 4th @ 3pm**

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HEIGHTS

The game between the Huskies and the Tigers was hard-fought, with Northwestern winning 35-34. The Tigers led 8-7 after one quarter; Heights came back to lead 14-10 in the second period, but Northwestern went on an 8-0 run, then led 23-19 at halftime.

A steal and basket by

McKenna Layden gave the Tigers a 25-19 advantage, but back-to-back 3-pointers from Hadleigh Cherry and Hickok tied the game at 25-25. Layden and Runner then exchanged layins to make the score 27-27, but a layin by Lexi Hale finished the third quarter and put Northwestern up 29-27.

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with Cobb scoring four points. The Panthers cut that lead to 17-16 by halftime, and were still within 21-20 after three periods. But Guerin Catholic's defense held Park Tudor to three points in the fourth.

Fernandez and Cobb both had 10 points for the Golden Eagles, with Fernandez scoring four in the fourth quarter.

The Golden Eagles boys played an up-and-down game with Chatard, ultimately falling 51-44. Guerin Catholic led 16-7 after one quarter and led 24-10 during the second period. The Trojans came back to 24-15 by halftime, then rolled through the third quarter, pouring in 20 points to lead 35-31. Chatard added another 16 points in the fourth quarter to get the win.

Three Golden Eagles

reached double figures. Robert Sorensen had 14 points, with Dylan Murans contributing 11 and Kamea Chandler scoring 10. Chandler and Ty Sanders both collected six rebounds, with Jack Cherry and Bryson Cardinal both pulling five. Chandler dished out six assists.

The Guerin Catholic girls are 1-2 in conference play and 6-9 overall, and travel to Roncalli on Tuesday for another CCC contest. The Golden Eagles then take on two more opponents on the road, playing at University on Thursday and Lebanon Saturday.

The Guerin Catholic boys are 1-1 in the conference and 7-5 overall, and travel to Covenant Christian Friday for a Circle City game, then host Herron Saturday.

WESTFIELD

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED LEASE WESTFIELD WASHINGTON SCHOOLS

You are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held before the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") on February 14, 2023 at the hour of 7:00 p.m. (Local Time) at the School Corporation Administration Center, 19500 Tomlinson Road, Suite B, Westfield, Indiana, upon, a proposed lease agreement (the "Lease") to be entered into between Westfield Washington Multi-School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation"), as lessor, and Westfield Washington Schools (the "School Corporation"), as lessee.

The proposed Lease upon which hearing will be held is for a term of twenty-two (22) years, commencing with the acquisition of title to a portion of Carey Ridge Elementary School building to be renovated by the Building Corporation. The Lease provides for rental during renovation in the maximum amount of \$5,000,000 per payment payable on June 30 and December 31 beginning on June 30, 2024 until completion of construction. Thereafter, the Lease provides for a maximum annual rental of \$14,000,000, payable on June 30 and December 31 of each year during the term of the Lease, commencing with the completion of the building or December 31, 2024, whichever is later. As additional rental, the School Corporation shall maintain insurance on the building as required in the Lease, shall pay all taxes and assessments against such property, as well as the cost of alterations and repairs, and shall pay rebate amounts to the United States Treasury, as necessary. After the sale by the Building Corporation of its ad valorem property tax first mortgage bonds to pay for the cost of the building, including the acquisition of the sites thereof and other expenses incidental thereto, the annual rental shall be reduced to an amount equal to the multiple of \$1,000 next higher than the sum of principal and interest due on such bonds in each twelve-month period ending on January 15 plus \$5,000, payable in equal semiannual installments.

The Lease gives an option to the School Corporation to purchase the property on any rental payment date.

The building to be renovated will be a portion of the Carey Ridge Elementary School building in the School Corporation located at 16231 Carey Road, Westfield, Indiana.

The plans and specifications, including the estimates for the cost of said renovation as well as a copy of the proposed Lease, are available for inspection by the public on all business days, during business hours, at the Administration Building of the School Corporation, 19500 Tomlinson Road, Suite B, Westfield, Indiana 46074.

At such hearing all persons interested shall have a right to be heard upon the necessity for the execution of the Lease, and upon whether the Lease rental provided for therein to be paid to the Building Corporation is a fair and reasonable rental for the proposed building. Such hearing may be adjourned to a later date or dates, and following such hearing the Board of the School Corporation may either authorize the execution of the Lease as originally agreed upon or may make modifications therein as may be agreed upon with the Building Corporation.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2023.

Westfield Washington Schools

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1/9/23

LEGAL NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION CAUSE NO. 37389 GCA 133

APPLICATION OF WESTFIELD GAS, LLC, D/B/A CITIZENS GAS OF WESTFIELD FOR A CHANGE IN ITS GAS COST ADJUSTMENT CHARGE FOR THE PERIOD MARCH, APRIL, AND MAY 2023

NNnotice is hereby given that the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission will conduct a public Evidentiary Hearing in the above-captioned Cause in Room 224 of the PNC Center, 101 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, commencing at 2:15 p.m. on February 13, 2023. This hearing is open to the public.

If an accommodation is required to allow an individual with a disability to participate, please contact the Office of the Executive Secretary of the IURC at 317.232.2701 or TDD 317. 232.8556 at least 48 hours in advance.

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY 317.232.2701

BY: IURC – Ann Pagonis, ALJ

DATE: January 4, 2023

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1/9/23

ARCADIA

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Hamilton Heights School Corporation (owner-HHSC) will receive SEALED BIDS for the HHSC 2023 Renovation Projects.

Sealed bids will be received in the Hamilton Heights Administration Building, 410 W Main St. Arcadia, IN 46030 until 2:00 PM Owner's local time on Thursday February 2nd, 2023. Bids will be publicly opened promptly after the deadline. Bids received after 2:00 PM will be returned unopened.

The project will be constructed under a Single Prime Contract with bids received on a lump sum basis. Each proposal shall include all labor, material, and services necessary to complete the projects in strict accordance with the Construction Drawings and Project Manual. Prime bidders and their subcontractors must be certified and in compliance with the Indiana General Assembly's House Enrollment Act #1019.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 10 AM at Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center; 420 W North St. Arcadia, IN 46030.

All questions concerning bidding this project shall be directed to CSO Architects, 317-848-7800. Contact Brent Hite, bhite@csoinc.net with all correspondence. Potential Bidders or material suppliers that make direct contact with any HHSC employee or Board Member are at risk of disqualification.

The contract documents shall be on file and may be examined at the Office of the Architect (CSO Architects, 8831 Keystone Crossing Blvd., Indianapolis, IN 46240), and local plan rooms. Contact the printer indicated for a listing of plan rooms and plan holder lists.

Interested Prime Bidders may obtain Contract Documents for bidding at no cost from Eastern Engineering, 9901 Allisonville Road, Fishers, IN 46038, Phone: (317) 598-0661; fax: (317) 598-0630; or at www.easternengineering.com. A Prime Bidder is defined as any Contractor submitting a Bona Fide bid for the work as described in the contract documents. Subcontractors and material suppliers may purchase plans from Eastern Engineering.

The successful bidder shall, upon acceptance of his bid, be required to procure and pay for a 100% Performance Bond/Labor and Material Payment Bond in the amount equal to the contract price, and such bond shall comply with all laws of the State of Indiana governing public contracts let by governmental units.

Each Bona Fide bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, a cashier's check, or a Bid Bond for 10% of the Base Bid plus all additive Alternate Bids payable to the Hamilton Heights School Corporation. Bonds shall be made only with approved surety companies and shall remain in force and effect until the contract is executed. No bid shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids for 60 days without consent of the Owner. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in bidding.

Board of School Trustees  
Hamilton Heights School Corporation  
410 W. Main St.  
Arcadia, IN 46030

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The Tigers led for most of the fourth quarter until there was under a minute left, when Hickok made a steal and Runner scored to put Heights up 34-33. Hale answered that with a lay-in seconds later, and that proved to be the winning

basket.

"It turned out to be exactly how we thought it would be," said Keegan Cherry. "We had the best player on the floor, but they had the biggest team on the floor. And their size is a problem for us. They really

COUNTY

NOTICE

You are hereby notified that the Hamilton County Commissioners have petitioned the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) for an order establishing a Regional Sewer District to be known as the Hamilton County Regional Sewer District (RSD).

A public hearing will be held on January 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. (local time), at the Commissioners Courtroom in the Hamilton County Government Center, 1 N 8th Street, Noblesville, IN., 46060 to receive public comments on said Petition. IDEM will accept written comments on the petition until February 3, 2023, at the following address:

Mrs. Angela Bottom  
Office of Water Quality  
Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
100 North Senate Ave., IGCN-1255  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

For more information regarding the formation of regional water and sewer districts, see Indiana Code 13-26. Additionally, an electronic copy of the petition to form the Hamilton County Regional Sewer District can be found at https://www.in.gov/idem/cleanwater/2400.htm.

Individuals with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodations for participation in this event should contact the Indiana Department of Environmental Management Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator at:

ADA Coordinator  
Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
100 North Senate Ave., Suite 1322  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Please provide a minimum of five (5) days notification.

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Public Notice

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Merit Board meets monthly in the main conference room of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Rd, Noblesville, IN 46060. The meetings are held at 6:30pm on the fourth Wednesday of each month except for November and December.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Merit Board is a body established under Indiana Code 36-8-10-3, and County Ordinance.

The 2023 regular meeting dates are listed below:

- January 25th
- February 22nd
- March 22nd
- April 26th
- May 24th
- June 28th
- July 26th
- August 23rd
- September 27th
- October 25th
- November 15th – third Wednesday
- December – No scheduled meeting

Prior to the regular meeting on January 25, 2023, the Board will hold an executive session at 5:45pm to receive information about and interview a prospective employee pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5).

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1/9/23

Notice

Written offers to a Request for Proposals/Qualifications for the purpose of providing a Public-Private-Partnership will be received by the Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Dept (the "Dept"), 400 Lafayette Rd, Noblesville, IN 46060 on or before January 25th, 2023, for a Public-Private Agreement (as defined in IC 5-23-2) related to the potential designing, constructing, operating, transferring, and developing of upgrades to the utility infrastructure and other facilities as the Dept determines (the "Project(s)") in the County pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Indiana Code, including, but not limited to, Indiana Code Section 5-23. Submittals must be time-stamped at 12:00 p.m. or before. Qualification's time-stamped at 12:01 p.m. or after will be returned unopened to the Bidder.

Packets containing the detailed Request for Proposals/Qualifications and related requirements, terms and conditions can be obtained by contacting (Chris Stice, hamilton.parks@hamiltoncounty.in.gov 317-770-4400)

The Dept will consider various factors in evaluating the offers, including, without limitation: (i) offeror's experience with developing similar projects; (ii) offeror's demonstrated ability and capability to perform the work, including offeror's reputation as indicated by the references for performing this type of work; (iii) offeror's approach to develop the Project; (iv) offeror's proposed financing solution; (v) offeror's proposed fees during the scoping period; (vi) how offeror will self-perform a minimum of 70% of the work included in this Project with their own workforce; and (vii) other factors deemed appropriate by the Dept in the context of the services and products to be provided by the offeror.

The Dept reserves the right to modify or cancel the Project(s) at any time before a developer enters into a formal agreement with the Dept, including at any point during the scoping period. The Dept reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals/Qualifications at its sole discretion. The Dept may enter into discussions with any individual developer to clarify and assure a full understanding and responsiveness to the solicitation requirements.

R1899

1/9/23, 1/16/23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is given that on the 23rd day of January, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County ("the County") will hold a public hearing considering Resolution No. 1-23-2023-1, which Resolution authorizes the transfer a 1.882 acre parcel of undeveloped property presently owned by Hamilton County to Hoffman Developers, LLC, ("Hoffman"). The 1.882 parcel will transfer to Hoffman in exchange for a 2.302 acre parcel of property to Hoffman. The two (2) parcels to be exchanged have been appraised pursuant to Indiana Code 36-1-11-4. The 1.882 acre parcel to be conveyed by the County to Hoffman, has an appraised value at One Hundred Seventy-eight Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$178,800). The land to be received by the County from Hoffman, has an appraised value of Two Hundred Eighteen Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$218,700). The parcels are contiguous and are located on the south side of 146th Street and east of Towne Road. Neither parcel has direct access or frontage to either 146th Street or Towne Road.

The public hearing will be held in the Commissioners' Courtroom, first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Persons interested in the Resolution may participate and be heard at the public hearing.

Copies of the Resolution are available for inspection in the Office of the Hamilton County Auditor located on the second floor of the Historic Courthouse, 33 N. 9th Street, Noblesville, Indiana 46060.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2023.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF

HAMILTON COUNTY

By: Robin Mills,

Auditor of Hamilton County

R1903

1/9/23

NOTICE OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/QUALIFICATIONS HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY ACCESSIBILITY POINT, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CENTER, AND CHILDCARE FACILITY PROJECT

HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA  
In accordance with Indiana Code Section 5-23 et seq., notice is hereby given that sealed Proposals and Statements of Qualifications ("Proposals") in response to the Request for Proposals and Qualifications ("RFPO") to Design, Build, Operate and Maintain the Hamilton County Public Safety Accessibility Point, Emergency Management Center, and Childcare Facility (the "Project"), through a public private partnership agreement, will be received by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana (the "County" or "Owner"), at the office of the Hamilton County Auditor, located at historic courthouse, 33 N. 9th St., #L21, Noblesville, IN 46060, Attention: Kim Rauch, until 10:00 A.M. Eastern time on January 25, 2023. Any Proposal received at 10:01 A.M. on January 25, 2023 or thereafter will be returned unopened.

In general, the Project consists of potentially developing, constructing, operating, and transferring a facility comprising a new public safety accessibility point ("Dispatch Center"), emergency management center ("EOC"), and childcare facility ("Childcare Facilities"). The County currently contemplates that the Project will include:

- Estimated 50,000 square foot structure to house the Dispatch Center, the EOC, and Childcare Facilities
- Office space and storage space for the EOC and EMA employees
- Appropriate structural reinforcement for security and to ensure continual operations/services
- Outside storage for emergency vehicles
- Utility connection to the structure
- Upgrading the site's current drainage system
- A twenty-four seven (24/7) childcare facility that will provide services to the County's employees, specifically the County's public safety employees that work less than daily hours

All necessary utility and site improvements to support the Project  
Packets containing the detailed RFPO and related requirements, terms and conditions can be obtained by contacting the County's authorized Representative, Dan Stevens, at dan.stevens@hamiltoncounty.in.gov, by phone at (317) 776-9719, or may be picked up in person between the hours of 9:30 am and 4:00 pm at 1 Hamilton County Square Suite 157, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Proposals must be submitted as outlined in the RFPO and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein.

Proposals shall be reviewed on the basis of on the basis of the best qualified submission's qualifications, approach to the Project, and ability to deliver the County with the best value over the life of the Project, as determined by the County. Interviews may be conducted at the Owner's discretion based on the conditions set forth in the RFPO documents.

Upon review and selection, the County will either enter into an agreement with a selected Proposal or reject all Proposals. The County reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Proposals, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the County, in the County's sole discretion. The County also reserves the right to waive irregularities in any Proposal, and to accept any Proposal which is deemed most favorable to the County. The County may enter into discussions with any individual developer to clarify and assure a full understanding and responsiveness to the solicitation requirements.

Submissions are not public documents and will not be made available to other proposers or members of the public during the selection process. However, the identity of proposers is public information and may be disclosed during the process.

Proposals due  
January 25, 2023 10:00 A.M.

/s/Robin M. Mills, Auditor  
Hamilton County Auditor

R1904

1/9/23, 1/16/23

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extended into that 3-2 zone. Not having a true post player that we can work through and play through was a big hindrance for us tonight. But credit to them, their defense is pretty good."

Runner scored 15 points, followed by Rhoton with

eight points, Hickok with six and Hadleigh Cherry with five.

The Huskies are 1-1 in East Division play and 12-3 overall. Heights finishes up its division schedule this week, playing at Western on Tuesday and Tipton Saturday.

SHERIFF SALES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2205-CC-003223, wherein Fifth Third Mortgage Company n/k/a Fifth Third Bank, National Association was Plaintiff, and Molly Lee Connor, The Retreat Homeowners Association, Inc. and State of Indiana through its Department of Revenue, were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 16th day of February, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:

**Condominium Unit A, Building #3 in the Retreat Horizontal Property Regime, as set ( forth in the "Declaration of Condominium Ownership of the Retreat (A Horizontal Property Regime)", recorded June13, 2000, as Instrument No. 00000028729, Supplemental Declaration of Condominium Ownership of the Retreat (A Horizontal Property Regime) dated October 10, 2000 and recorded October 11, 2000 as Instrument No. 200000051010 and Plans for The Retreat Condominium Tract 1, recorded June 13, 2000 as Instrument Number 200000028728, Affidavit of Scrivener's Error recorded September 29, 2000 as Instrument Number 200000048944 together with an undivided percentage interest in the Common Areas and Facilities, which interest shall not be separately conveyable, but shall pass title with the Unit. 29-13-12-401-015,000-018**

**and commonly known as: 9741 San Marco Pass, Indianapolis, IN 46280.**

Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # 29D02-2205-CC-003223 in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.

Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II

Hamilton County Sheriff

DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.  
41 E Washington St., Suite 400  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Clay

Township

9741 San Marco Pass, Indianapolis, IN 46280

Street Address

The Sheriffs Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.

DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR

R1819

1/2/23, 1/9/23, 1/16/23

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) SS: HAMILTON COUNTY  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA  
CAUSE NO. 29D03-2201-MF-000253

VILLAGE CAPITAL & INVESTMENT, LLC )  
PLAINTIFF )  
vs )  
BEVERLY J. ASHER; CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA). )  
NA; VILLAGE FARMS, INC. )  
DEFENDANTS )

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of an Order of Sale, directed to me from the Clerk of the Hamilton Circuit Court and pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered on 10/21/2022, I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the office of the Sheriff of Hamilton County, in Hamilton County, Indiana, located at 18100 Cumberland Rd., Noblesville, IN 46060 on February 16, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Local Time, the fee simple title together with the rents, profits, issues and income or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, interest, costs and accruing costs of the following described real estate located in Hamilton County, Indiana, to-wit:

**Lot Numbered 645 in Village Farms, Section Fifteen, an addition in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded as Instrument Number 9718968 and corrected by Certificates of Correction recorded as Instrument Numbers 9731567 and 9744808, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.**

**Commonly known as: 404 Fox Lane, Carmel, IN 46032-5091**

**State Parcel Number: 29-09-14-404-019,000-015**

Township: Washington

This sale is to be made in all respects pursuant to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, approved March 7, 1931, and entitled An act concerning proceedings in actions to foreclose real estate mortgages, providing for the sale and custody of the mortgaged premises and repealing all laws conflicting therewith (see Indiana Code).

It is further provided by law that there shall be no redemption from such sale, and the purchaser at such sale, upon complying with the terms of his purchase, shall be entitled to immediately receive from the undersigned, Sheriff of Hamilton County, a deed conveying to him, the purchaser, the fee simple title in and to said real estate.

Taken as the property of the Defendant(s) stated above at the suit of Village Capital & Investment, LLC. Said sale to be without relief from valuation and/or appraisement laws.

THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OF THE STREET ADDRESS PUBLISHED HEREIN.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II

Sheriff of Hamilton County

Attorney for Plaintiff  
Codilis Law, LLC  
8050 Cleveland Place  
Merrillville, IN 46410  
(219) 736-5579  
15-21-02553

NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.

R1820

1/2/23, 1/9/23, 1/16/23

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Superior Court 1 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29C01-1702-MF-002001 wherein RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing Corporation was Plaintiff, and Stacy M. Swanson, Ryland Mortgage Company and SunBlest Farms Property Owners Association were Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 16th day of February, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.

**Lot Numbered Forty-four (44) in Sunblest Farms, Section 14C, an Addition to the Town of Fishers, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded November 17, 1987 as Instrument No. 87047650 in Plat Book 14, Pages 153-156, and amended by a Certificate of Correction recorded January 28, 1988 as Instrument Number 8801756 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.**

**More commonly known as 11839 Ashton Dr, Fishers, IN 46038-1403**

**Parcel No. 29-10-36-408-011,000-006**

Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II

Sheriff

MATTHEW S. LOVE

Plaintiff Attorney  
Attorney # 18762-29  
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.  
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400  
Indianapolis, IN 46250  
(317) 237-2727

Delaware

Township

The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.

NOTICE



— COURT NOTICES —

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )  
COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2212-MI-9828 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Ekaterina Lyalka )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Ekaterina Lyalka, whose mailing )  
address and residence address is: )  
2610 Maple Creek Dr., Westfield, )  
IN 47074, in HAMILTON County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that )  
Ekaterina Lyalka has filed a petition )  
in the Hamilton Court requesting that )  
name be changed to Katherine Miller. )  
Notice is further given that a hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on March )  
31, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. )  
Ekaterina Lyalka )  
Petitioner )  
Date: December 19, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Judicial Officer )  
R1810 12/26/22, 1/2/23, 1/9/23

**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION** )  
Estate No. 29D01-2212-EU-000608 )  
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF )  
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA )  
IN THE MATTER OF THE )  
ESTATE OF SHARON M. )  
LAWLISS, DECEASED. )  
Notice is hereby given that )  
MICHELE A. BLOYD, was on )  
the 19th day of December, 2022, )  
appointed Personal Representative )  
of the Estate of Sharon J. Lawliss, )  
Deceased. )  
All persons having claims against )  
said estate, whether or not now due, )  
must file the same in said Court )  
within three (3) months from the date )  
of the first publication of this notice, )  
or within nine (9) months after the )  
decendent's death, whichever is earlier, )  
or said claims will be forever barred. )  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this )  
19th day of December, 2022. )  
Kathy Kreag Williams, CLERK )  
HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT )  
NOEL LAW )  
Katherine J. Noel (23080-34) )  
101 North Washington Street )  
P. O. Box 826 )  
Kokomo, IN 46903-0826 )  
(765) 457-4427 )  
R1816 1/2/23, 1/9/23

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2212-MI-9878 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Stephanie Ann Gapsiewicz )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Stephanie Ann Gapsiewicz, whose )  
mailing address and residence )  
address is: 8820 Jaywick Drive, )  
Apt 101, Fishers, Indiana 46037, in )  
HAMILTON County, Indiana, hereby )  
gives notice that Stephanie Ann )  
Gapsiewicz has filed a petition in the )  
Hamilton Court requesting that name )  
be changed to Stephanie Ann Gae. )  
Notice is further given that hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on the 31 )  
day of March, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
Stephanie Ann Gapsiewicz )  
Petitioner )  
Date: December 19, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Circuit Court Clerk )  
R1827 1/2/23, 1/9/23, 1/16/23

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2211-MI-009220 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Elizabeth Claire Thompson )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Elizabeth Claire Thompson, whose )  
mailing address and residence )  
address is: 8308 Bighorn Ct, Fishers )  
IN 46038, in HAMILTON County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that )  
Elizabeth Claire Thompson has filed a )  
petition in the Hamilton Court )  
requesting that name be changed to )  
Elizabeth Claire. )  
Notice is further given that hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on the )  
March 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
Elizabeth Claire Thompson )  
Petitioner )  
Date: November 23, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Circuit Court Clerk )  
R1875 1/9/23, 1/16/23, 1/23/23

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2211-MI-009227 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Denise Marie Thompson )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Denise Marie Thompson, whose )  
mailing address and residence )  
address is: 8308 Bighorn Ct, Fishers )  
IN 46038, in HAMILTON County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that )  
Denise Marie Thompson has filed a )  
petition in the Hamilton Court )  
requesting that name be changed to )  
Denise Marie Pichler. )  
Notice is further given that hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on the )  
March 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
Denise Marie Thompson )  
Petitioner )  
Date: November 29, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Circuit Court Clerk )  
R1874 1/9/23, 1/16/23, 1/23/23

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2211-MI-009220 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Dorian Claire Thompson )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Dorian Claire Thompson, whose )  
mailing address and residence )  
address is: 8308 Bighorn Ct, Fishers )  
IN 46038, in HAMILTON County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that )  
Dorian Claire Thompson has filed a )  
petition in the Hamilton Court )  
requesting that name be changed to )  
Dorian Claire. )  
Notice is further given that hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on the )  
March 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
Dorian Claire Thompson )  
Petitioner )  
Date: November 23, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Circuit Court Clerk )  
R1876 1/9/23, 1/16/23, 1/23/23

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STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2212-MI-9522 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Harry Ben Marcus )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Harry Ben Marcus, whose mailing )  
address and residence address is: )  
8572 N. Cabana Dr. #213, Fishers, )  
IN 46038 in HAMILTON County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that )  
Harry Ben Marcus has filed a petition )  
in the Hamilton Court requesting that )  
name be changed to Brian Harry )  
Marcus. )  
Notice is further given that the )  
hearing will be held on said Petition )  
on: March 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
Harry Ben Marcus )  
Petitioner )  
Date: December 13, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Clerk of Courts )  
R1812 12/26/22, 1/2/23, 1/9/23

**29D01-2212-EU-000604 )  
Hamilton Superior Court 1** )  
STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )  
COURT )  
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2212-EU-000604 )  
IN THE MATTER OF THE )  
SUPERVISED ESTATE OF )  
JEANNIE FREDRICKSON, )  
DECEASED. )  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** )  
Notice is hereby given that on the )  
19 day of December, 2022, Dawn )  
Remmel-Fields and Connie Curran )  
were appointed Administrators of )  
the Estate of Jeannie Fredrickson, )  
deceased, who died on November )  
10, 2022. )  
All persons who have claims against )  
this estate, whether or not now due, )  
must file the claim in the office of )  
the clerk of this court within three )  
(3) months from the date of the first )  
publication of this notice, or within )  
nine (9) months after the decedent's )  
death, whichever is earlier, or the )  
claims will be forever barred. )  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this )  
19 day of December, 2022. )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court )  
R1823 1/2/23, 1/9/23

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2211-MI-008766 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Rosa Josefina Machado )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Rosa Josefina Machado, whose )  
mailing address and residence address )  
is: 12890 Old Meridian St. Apt. 333, )  
Carmel, IN 46032, in HAMILTON )  
County, Indiana, hereby gives notice )  
that Rosa Josefina Machado has filed )  
a petition in the Hamilton Court )  
requesting that name be changed to )  
Rosa Josefina Williams-Lu. )  
Notice is further given that hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on the )  
March 31, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
Rosa Josefina Machado )  
Petitioner )  
Date: November 7, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Circuit Court Clerk )  
R1871 1/9/23, 1/16/23, 1/23/23

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2207-MI-004854 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Disney Powless )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Disney Powless, whose mailing )  
address and residence address is: )  
12842 Tradd St Apt 3C, Carmel, )  
IN 46032, in HAMILTON County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that )  
Disney Powless has filed a petition )  
in the Hamilton Court requesting )  
that name be changed to Disney )  
Parkington. )  
Notice is further given that hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on the )  
March 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
Disney Powless )  
Petitioner )  
Date: October 4, 2022 )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Circuit Court Clerk )  
R1873 1/9/23, 1/16/23, 1/23/23

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )  
COURT )  
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2211-EU-000550 )  
IN THE MATTER OF )  
THE UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION OF THE )  
ESTATE OF )  
DEREK R. KNIEF, DECEASED )  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** )  
Notice is hereby given that on )  
November 2, 2022, Richard R. Knief )  
was appointed personal representative )  
of the estate of Derek R. Knief, )  
deceased, who died on October 2, )  
2022. )  
All persons having claims against )  
this estate, whether or not now due, )  
must file the claim in the office of )  
the Clerk of this Court within three )  
(3) months from the date of the first )  
publication of this notice, or within )  
nine (9) months after the decedent's )  
death, whichever is earlier, or the )  
claims will be forever barred. )  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this )  
November 2, 2022. )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Clerk of the Superior Court )  
of Hamilton County )  
R1890 1/9/23, 1/16/23

**29D01-2212-EU-000630** )  
Altman, Poindexter & Wyatt LLC )  
Anne Hensley Poindexter )  
90 Executive Drive, Suite G )  
Carmel, IN 46032 )  
(317)350-1000 )  
**NOTICE OF HEARING ON )  
PETITION TO DETERMINE )  
HEIRSHIP** )  
Cause No. 29D01-2212-EU-000630 )  
TO ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF )  
SUSAN ANNE SHAW, DECEASED. )  
Notice is hereby given that in the )  
above entitled estate proceedings that )  
on November 12, 2022, the Decedent, )  
Susan Anne Shaw, died testate a )  
resident of Hamilton County. On )  
December 30, 2022, a Petition for )  
Determination of Heirship was filed )  
with the Hamilton County Superior )  
Court 1. )  
A hearing on said Petition will be )  
held on January 26, 2023 at 10:00am )  
in Superior Court 1 of Hamilton )  
County, Indiana, at which time the )  
Court will enter a decree determining )  
the heirs of such Decedent and their )  
respective interest in such estate or )  
any part thereof. All persons claiming )  
or having any interest in such estate, )  
or any part thereof, as an heir or )  
through an heir of such Decedent, and )  
all known heirs of the Decedent are )  
required to appear in said Court on or )  
before such date and make proof of )  
their heirship or claim through an heir )  
of such Decedent. )  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on )  
January 5, 2023. )  
Kathy Kreag Williams )  
Clerk of the Superior Court for )  
Hamilton County, Indiana )  
R1902 1/9/23

— CICERO —

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

**Town of Cicero (OWNER)**  
**P.O. Box 650**  
**Cicero, Indiana 46034**

Notice is hereby given, that the Town of Cicero, Hamilton County, Indiana, by and through its Stormwater Utility Board, hereinafter referred to as the OWNER, will receive sealed bid packets for the construction of the Brinton Street Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

Sealed bids must be received by the Town of Cicero, through the Stormwater Utility Board no later than 10:00 A.M. (Local Time) on February 7, 2023. Bids received after such hour will be returned unopened. Bids received prior to this time shall be opened and publicly read at the public meeting scheduled to take place on February 7, 2023, at 10:15 A.M. at the Town Hall, located at 70 N. Byron Street, Cicero, Indiana 46034. All interested citizens are invited to attend and should any citizens require special provisions, such as handicapped modifications or non-English translation personnel, the Town will provide such provisions as long as the request is made by February 6, 2023.

**Description of Work:**  
Project includes approximately 1,800 LF of storm sewer and manhole rehabilitation (primarily using trenchless technology), new storm manhole, storm sewer sections, and road and general restoration items.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 1:00 P.M. (Local Time) on January 20, 2023, at the Town Hall. All prime contractors, subcontractors, small, minority or women owned enterprises and other interested parties are invited to attend. This meeting is not mandatory, but attendance is strongly recommended. Any questions, comments or requests for clarification should be made to Chris Rowlett at United Consulting, 8440 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 200, Indianapolis, Indiana 46250:

Telephone: (317) 895-2585  
Fax: (317) 895-2596  
E-mail: chris.rowlett@ucindy.com

All prime contractors, subcontractors, small, minority, disadvantaged and/or women business enterprises and other interested parties are invited and encouraged to submit a Bid. Contractors and subcontractors performing public works with a value of \$300,000 or greater must be certified by the Indiana Department of Administration (IDOA) in accordance with IC 4-13.6-4.

The Bidding Documents may be examined at the following locations:

- United Consulting, 8440 Allison Pointe Blvd., Suite 200, Indianapolis, Indiana 46250
- Town of Cicero, Utility Office, 331 E. Jackson Street, Cicero, Indiana
- Dodge Data & Analytics (Plan Room)
- BX Indiana Construction League (Plan Room)

Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained at the office of United Consulting, located at 8440 Allison Pointe Blvd., Suite 200, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46250 (phone 317-895-2585; fax 317-895-2596), upon a nonrefundable payment of \$150 for each set. Any questions, comments, or requests for clarification should be made to United Consulting.

The work to be performed and the bid to be submitted shall include sufficient and proper sums for all general construction, mechanical installation, labor, materials, permits, licenses, insurance, and so forth incidental to and required for the construction of the facilities.

Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the Project and the name and address of BIDDER. All bids must be submitted on the bid forms as identified in the Contract Documents and Specifications.

No Bid will be considered unless submitted on a copy of the printed Proposal Form in the Bidding Documents. BIDDERS must obtain Bidding Documents from United Consulting to be included in the project plan holders list to ensure proper notification of any Addendum. Failure to obtain Bidding Documents in this manner may be deemed as non-responsive and may result in Bid rejection.

Each Bid must include the following completed and executed items:

1. Proposal Form
2. Form 96 (State Board of Accounts)
3. BIDDER's Financial Statement (if required by Form 96)
4. Bid Bond or certified check (5% of Bid amount)
5. E-Verify Affidavit
6. BIDDER's written plan for a program to test BIDDER's employees for drugs in accordance with IC 4-13-18.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable BIDDER's bond made payable to the OWNER, in a sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the highest aggregate bid, which check or bond will be held by the OWNER as evidence that the BIDDER will, if awarded the contract, enter into the same with the OWNER upon notification from him to do so within ten (10) days of said notification.

Failure to execute a Contract and to furnish Bonds, certificates of insurance, and IDOA certification, as hereinafter set out will be cause for forfeiture to the OWNER of the amount of money represented by the certified check or BIDDER's Bond, as and for liquidated damages.

Approved performance and payment bonds guaranteeing faithful and proper performance of the work and materials, to be executed by an acceptable surety company, will be required of the Contractor at the time of contract execution. The bonds will be in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

The OWNER reserves the right to reject any bid, or all bids, or to accept any bid or bids, or to make such combination of bids as may seem desirable, and to waive any and all informalities in bidding. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least ninety (90) days.

A conditional or qualified Bid will not be accepted.

Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible BIDDER. The low, responsive, responsible BIDDER must not be debarred, suspended, or otherwise be excluded from or ineligible for participation in federally assisted programs under Executive Order 12549.

All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the project throughout. Bids shall be properly and completely executed on bid forms included in the Specifications. Bids shall include all information requested by Indiana Form 96 (Revised 2010) included with the Specifications. Under Section III of Form 96, the BIDDER shall submit a financial statement. A copy of the proposed Financial Statement to be submitted with the bid is included in the bid documents section to these specifications. The OWNER may make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the BIDDER to perform the work and the BIDDER shall furnish to the OWNER all such information and data for this purpose as the OWNER may request. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such BIDDER fails to satisfy the OWNER that such BIDDER is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Agreement and to complete the work contemplated therein.

Each BIDDER is responsible for inspecting the Project site(s) and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the Contract Documents and Specifications. The failure or omission of any BIDDER to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any BIDDER from any obligation with respect to its Bid.

Wage rates on the project shall not be less than the federal wage scale published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

BIDDERS on this work shall be required to comply with the provisions of the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended. The BIDDERS shall also comply with the requirements of 41 CFR Part 60 - 4 entitled Construction Contractors - Affirmative Action Requirements. A copy of 41 CFR Part 60 - 4 may be found in the Supplemental General Conditions of the Contract Documents and Specifications.

The BIDDER's attention is also called to the "Minority/Women Business Participation" requirements contained in the Project Specifications. The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs has adopted a State goal of 10% participation for minority and women owned businesses for construction related or purchase related contracts for the work.

The Contractor must meet guidelines and practices established by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and appropriate federal regulations including: 1) Executive Order 11246, 2) Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968, as amended, 3) Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, 4) OMB Circular A-102, 5) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 6) Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 7) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 8) Executive Order 12138, 9) Conflict of Interest Clause, 10) Retention and Custodial Requirements for Records Clause, 11) Contractors and Subcontractors Certifications, and others that may be appropriate or necessary.

Contract procurement is subject to the federal regulations contained in the OMB Circular A-102, Sections B and O and the State of Indiana requirements contained in IC-36-1-9 and IC-36-1-12.

Any contract(s) awarded under this Advertisement for Bids are expected to be funded in part by a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, as administered by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies or employees is or will be a party to this Advertisement for Bids or any resulting contract.

Pursuant to Chapter 5, 5-4 of the Labor Standards Administration and Basic Enforcement Handbook 1344.1 Rev 2; "No contract may be awarded to any contractor that is debarred, suspended or otherwise ineligible to participate in Federal or Federally assisted contracts or programs. Any contract awarded to a prime contractor or subcontractor that is found to be ineligible for award must be terminated immediately." Prior to contract award prime contractors are to be actively registered or seeking registration with SAM.gov to determine eligibility/debarment status.

BIDDERS shall be required to meet all applicable State requirements including but not limited to those in IC 4-13.6-4, IC 4-13-18, 5-16-13, 22-5-1.7 and 36-1-12.

By the order of the Town of Cicero,  
Town of Cicero, Town Council  
Bruce Freeman, Stormwater Utility Board President  
January 2023  
R1813 1/2/23, 1/9/23

— CARMEL —

**NONOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
**City of Carmel, Indiana**  
**Board of Public Works and Safety**  
**One Civic Square**  
**City of Carmel, Indiana 46032**  
**Brookshire Golf Course Cellular Tower and Equipment**

**Project:**  
**Building Addition**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Works and Safety for the City of Carmel, Hamilton County, Indiana will receive sealed bids for the above described "Project" at the office of the Clerk, One Civic Square, Carmel, Indiana (City Hall) until 10:00 a.m. EST on February 1st, 2023 and, commencing as soon as practicable thereafter on the same date, such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Council Chambers of City Hall. No late bids will be accepted.

All bids and proposals shall be properly and completely executed on the proposal forms provided with the plans and specifications, which will include the non-collusion affidavit as required by the State of Indiana. The bid envelope must be sealed and have the words "**BID – Brookshire Golf Course Cellular Tower and Equipment Building Addition**".

A bid bond or certified check in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid must be submitted with each bid. A one hundred percent (100%) performance and payment bond will also be required of the successful bidder. It is intended that actual construction of all work divisions shall be started as soon as practicable, and each bidder shall be prepared to enter promptly into a construction contract, furnish a performance bond, and begin work without delay in the event the award is made to him.

The Project consists of, but is not necessarily limited to, the following: All items within the Construction Documents dated July 21st, 2022 (7-21-22), as amended and supplemented, are by the General Contractor and its Subcontractors. Generally described below:

- Install and provide a new 175' monopole tower with 4' lightning rod (total 179') with (5) Site Pro Towers RDS-296 (Monopole Double Support Arm Kits).
- Install a new foundation system.
- Install a new 35' x 35' fenced gravel compound.
- All site grading and excavation required to complete project.
- Install a new electrical service run to building main distribution panel.
- Install new individual carrier sub panels.
- Install common and carrier specific conveyance outlets and lighting system.
- Install Fire Prevention detection and suppression systems.
- Install Alarm monitoring system.
- Install a new asphalt access drive.
- No water or sewage services run to the site.
- Install new building, tower and site grounding system.
- Install new equipment building addition and foundation.
- Install new cast in place concrete retaining wall and foundation.
- Install new HVAC system.
- Install new stand-by 130KW diesel generator and foundation.
- Install new individual fenced carrier equipment enclosures.
- Install new common and carrier specific cable trays.
- Removal of existing maintenance building roofing and installing new standing seam metal roof.
- Install sub-surface roof drainage system.
- Install new vertical prefinished metal siding on existing maintenance building and new construction.

Contract Documents for the Project have been assembled into one bound project manual, which together with drawings, may be examined at the following locations:

City of Carmel  
Department of Engineering - 1st Floor  
One Civic Square  
Carmel, IN 46032  
(317) 571-2441

Copies of such drawings and project manuals must be obtained from Reprographix (Reprographix.com). Payments and costs of Contract Documents are non-refundable.

Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of drawings and Contract Documents and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of drawings and Contract Documents.

This Project will be funded by the City of Carmel.

A **pre-bid conference** for discussions of the Project, the bidding requirements and other important matters will be held on **January 23, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.** in the Caucus Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall (One Civic Square). All prospective bidders are invited to attend the pre-bid conference. The pre-bid conference is **not** mandatory.

For special accommodations needed by handicapped individuals planning to attend the pre-bid conference or public bid opening meeting, please call or notify the city of Carmel, Engineer's Office, at (317) 571-2441 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto.

No bidder may withdraw any bid or proposal within a period of thirty (30) days following the date set for receiving bids or proposals. The Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety reserves the right to hold any or all bids or proposals for a period of not more than thirty (30) days and said bids or proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said period. The City of Carmel reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitations when it is not in the best interests of the governmental body as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with IC 5-22-18-2

Sue Wolfgang  
Clerk  
R1817 1/2/23, 1/9/23

— FISHERS —

**Invitation to Bid**  
**Hamilton Southeastern Schools Lantern Road Elementary School Renovations**

Notice is hereby given that Pepper Construction, LLC will receive bids for the Hamilton Southeastern Schools Lantern Road Elementary School Renovations project located at 10595 Lantern Rd, Fishers, IN 46037.

**The following bid packages are out for bid:** BP-01: Selective Demolition; BP-02: General Trades; BP-03: Architectural Woodwork; BP-04: Roofing (Alternate); BP-05: Doors, Frames and Hardware (supply only); BP-06: Glass & Glazing; BP-07: Gypsum Board Assemblies & Acoustical Ceilings; BP-08: Tiling; BP-09: Flooring; BP-10: Fluid-Applied Flooring; BP-11: Painting & Finishing; BP-12: Window Coverings; BP-13: Food Service Equipment; BP-14: Fire Suppression; BP-15: Plumbing; BP-16: HVAC; and BP-17: Electrical/Low-Voltage.

Work will begin June 2023 and conclude by July 31, 2024.

All bidders must complete & submit prequalification documents prior to the bid submission deadline.

A **pre-bid meeting** (not mandatory but encouraged) will take place **Thursday, January 12, 2023, 3:00 PM ET**.

All bidders are required to be prequalified with Pepper Construction prior to the bid submission deadline.

**Bids are due electronically: Thursday, January 19, 2023, 2:00 PM ET.**

Bidders may request electronic prequalification and bidding documents by emailing Caitlin Poe at epoe@pepperconstruction.com

R1802 12/26/22, 1/2/23, 1/9/23

**NOTICE**

According to the lease by and between #1297: Damon Massie and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit. The Manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: Mattress, furniture, bags, kids items & misc. Items will be sold online at [www.storage treasures.com](http://www.storage treasures.com) or otherwise disposed of on February 3, 2023 at 11:00am, at the location listed below to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes. StorageMart @0372 at 10415 Allisonville Rd. Fishers, IN, 46038 phone 317.558.9571 option 2

R1893 1/9/23

**NOTICE**

According to the lease by and between #1302: Schnieder Pierre and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit. The Manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: Mattress, furniture, misc items. Items will be sold online at [www.storage treasures.com](http://www.storage treasures.com) or otherwise disposed of on February 3, 2023 at 11:00am, at the location listed below to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes. StorageMart @0372 at 10415 Allisonville Rd. Fishers, IN, 46038 phone 317.558.9571 option 2

R1894 1/9/23

**NOTICE**

According to the lease by and between #1371: Christopher Washington and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit. The Manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: Large black plastic bags. Items will be sold online at [www.storage treasures.com](http://www.storage treasures.com) or otherwise disposed of on February 3, 2023 at 11:00am, at the location listed below to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes. StorageMart @0372 at 10415 Allisonville Rd. Fishers, IN, 46038 phone 317.558.9571 option 2

R1895 1/9/23

**NOTICE**

According to the lease by and between #2016: Jennifer Rouse and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit. The Manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: ladder, metal shelves, tools, outside and garden supplies, lamps, plastic bins, misc. Items will be sold online at [www.storage treasures.com](http://www.storage treasures.com) or otherwise disposed of on February 3, 2023 at 11:00am, at the location listed below to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes. StorageMart @0372 at 10415 Allisonville Rd. Fishers, IN, 46038 phone 317.558.9571 option 2

R1896 1/9/23

— NOBLESVILLE —

**PUBLIC SALE NOTICE**

Hamilton Center Storage, Noblesville, Indiana 46060 will offer for sale by auction all items stored by the following named individuals/tenants:

**Christian Kane Unit# 2033**

All items belonging to the above-named tenants and stored in the units identified above, will be sold to the highest bid at Hamilton Center Storage located at 14532 Marilyn Road, Noblesville, Indiana 46060 on February 16, 2023, at about 11:00 a.m.

For any additional information, contact the Hamilton Center Storage manager at (317) 219-6495. Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

R1892 1/9/23

Submit Public Notices to:

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Reporter photo by Kent Graham  
Noblesville's Luke Etchison scored six points for the Millers during their 57-45 win over Muncie Central last Saturday at The Mill.

## Noblesville boys bounce back to beat Muncie Central

### The REPORTER

The Noblesville boys basketball team scored a bounce-back win last Saturday, beating Muncie Central 57-45 at The Mill.

The Millers led 15-12 after one quarter, with Luke Almodovar scoring six of those points. Noblesville then ramped up its defense in the second period, allowing the Bearcats only six points. The Millers poured in 16 points in that quarter, giving them a 31-18 halftime lead. Justin Curry came off the bench to hit two 3-pointers.

Muncie Central rolled through the third period, outscoring the Millers 19-7. That cut Noblesville's lead to 38-37. But the Millers responded and pulled away in the fourth quarter, outscoring the Bearcats 21-8. Aaron Fine stepped up with eight points, including a 6-of-6 effort from the free-throw line.

Fine finished the game with 17 points, followed by Almodovar with 14. Seven Millers scored: Cooper Bean had seven points, Curry and Luke Etchison each added six points, Hunter Walston scored five and Preston Roberts had four points.

The Millers are 8-3 and play two games this weekend. Noblesville hosts Zionsville Friday in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference girls-boys doubleheader, then plays Saturday at Connersville.

# Millers fend off feisty Cathedral for eighth consecutive victory

By CRAIG ADKINS  
For The Reporter

**NOBLESVILLE** – Last Saturday afternoon, the Noblesville Millers welcomed in the Cathedral Irish. It was the first matchup between the two schools since 2001, when Cathedral won 75-35.

This time, it would be the Millers getting the win to extend their winning streak to eight in a row now with a 64-53 victory over the Irish.

The first period was tight from the opening tip. Noblesville was able to lean on sophomore Meredith Tippner, who accounted for nine in the quarter and she was just about matched by Cathedral's Layla Gold, netting seven herself.

"Honestly, we missed a couple shots. We've been shooting the ball really well in this stretch," said Noblesville head coach Donna Buckley on how her team has shot during their current eight-game winning streak.

"We just didn't shoot it as well as we have. If we had knocked a couple of those down, the momentum totally swings and it might have looked a little different," continued Buckley on the Millers' rough shooting performance to start the game.

Regan Wilson scored the game's first basket from 16 feet out, but not until 1:14 into the contest. Tippner was the go-to in the first, propelling the Millers on a 9-2 run after being tied 2-2, giving Noblesville an 11-4 lead at that point.

The Irish and Millers traded scoring stints the rest of the first, but the Millers were able to stretch the lead twice to six, leading 17-11 through one.

Cathedral tied it up at 17-17 immediately to start the second on a Catherine Cline three from the right wing.

Dani Mendez then sank two free throws for a 19-17 Miller edge.

Layla Gold then made a

basket with the free throw to put the Irish out in front again 20-19.

Brooklyn Ely took a pass in the left corner for a triple and a 22-20 Noblesville lead again. Just after that, a Cline layup tied it for the third time at 22-22.

After a defensive stop, Reagan Wilson found room in the Irish defense and spotted up for a wide open three at the top of the key for a 25-22 lead that Noblesville would not relinquish.

Noblesville went on a 6-3 run to end the half, thanks to baskets consecutively from Tippner, Wilson and Tippner again for a 31-25 halftime lead for the Millers.

"In the first half, we just missed a few shots. It was the difference and that allowed them to hang around," added Buckley on how Cathedral kept the game close in the first half.

Things started to click better in the third for the Millers. Their lead increased to seven, nine and got as high as 12 at 45-33. They hit the boards harder and shots were falling better as they picked up the speed on both ends of the court.

"The third quarter, we did knock those shots down. And, you see what we look like when we make shots, we get going. We speed you up and we're a very different basketball team," stated Buckley on how her team thrives on playing at a faster tempo than their opponent.

Regan Wilson found her way to score seven of the last nine points in the third for the Millers, including another three from the top of the arc for a 54-40 lead after three.

"At halftime, we talked about getting a good start in the second half and being confident when you shoot the basketball. Reag and Tipp just kind of went off in that quarter. When you get one of

our kids going, whether it's Reagan and Tippner today or Shoemaker (Kaitlyn), we've got kids that can fill it up real fast," stated Buckley on how Noblesville's confidence was key to opening up the game and the Millers getting back to their normal style of play.

Noblesville started off the fourth with a Tippner bucket, giving the Millers their largest lead of the game at 16 points, 56-40.

The Irish once again leaned heavily on Layla Gold. She was able to score seven of her game-high 25 points.

Just like it was throughout the game, it was a game that Tippner and Wilson took advantage of every opportunity and fed off of each other throughout.

"We always want to challenge teams. Can you play with us for 32 minutes? That third quarter definitely at both ends was how we've been playing," Buckley on how the Millers eventually got back to how they're used to.

The Millers kept their lead comfortable in the fourth, notching their eighth win in a row and ninth in their last 10 with a 64-53 matinee win over Cathedral.

Cathedral drops to 7-9 on the season. Layla Gold led the Irish with 25 points and eight rebounds. She was joined in double digits by

Catherine Cline with 14 and four boards.

Noblesville (15-3) keeps its momentum going and will look to continue its streak when it takes a road trip to Mount Vernon (12-5) on Jan. 10.

The Millers were led by Meredith Tippner tying Gold for game-high honors with 25 points and also grabbed seven rebounds. Reagan Wilson produced another great offensive day with 21 points and four boards. Kaitlyn Shoemaker had seven and Dani Mendez six.

Earlier in the week, the Millers beat Ben Davis 75-59 last Tuesday at The Mill.

Noblesville led 20-5 after the first quarter, with Wilson and Tippner both scoring six points. The Millers poured in another 20 points in the second period for a 40-17 halftime lead. Noblesville led 57-30 after three quarters, then held off a 29-point fourth quarter from the Giants to get the double-digit win.

Tippner had another double-double, this one totaling 23 points and 11 rebounds. Wilson scored 22 points and Kaitlyn Shoemaker added 10 points and six rebounds. Mendez collected six rebounds and made six steals, while Wilson dished out eight assists.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham  
(Above) Noblesville's Kaitlyn Shoemaker scored seven points and collected seven rebounds during the Millers' win over Cathedral last Saturday.



**PREVAIL**  
Advocating for Victims of Crime & Abuse

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

- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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