

FRIDAY, JAN. 20, 2023

ARCADIA | ATLANTA | CICERO | SHERIDAN CARMEL | FISHERS | NOBLESVILLE | WESTFIELD



TODAY'S WEATHER Today: Cloudy to mostly cloudy. Wind gusting to 30 mph. Tonight: Becoming partly cloudy.

Hamilton County's Hometown Newspaper

www.ReadTheReporter.com Facebook.com/HamiltonCountyReporter



LOW: 26 **HIGH**: 33

Noblesville Rotary pays for six kids at Ivy Tech this fall





Knowing medical history can save adoptees' lives

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

I'm glad to see more states doing what Ohio did in 2015 – opening their adoption records for all to see, to benefit not only adoptees, but birthparents as well. I

feel this way for many



reasons. The first, and in my mind the most important, is so adoptees can have their medical history.

My doctors have all been glad to finally be able to plug in my family history to make my records complete. In fact, I became more aggressive about breast cancer screening thanks to learning that my birth mother Linda's sisters both battled breast cancer (and thankfully won). Linda was especially relieved in our first conversation to hear that I had been getting mammograms annually since age 35.

Like a lot of women, I have dense breasts. Mammograms often miss detecting suspicious cells in these types of breasts. Ultrasounds are an important next step for women like me but are not always covered by insurance. With my new information in 2015, I insisted on having an ultrasound. I am thankful I did. My local women's center watched a spot on my right breast that the mammogram didn't reveal. Happily, my follow up ultrasound revealed that all was well.

I'm grateful to have taken this extra step. I may not have without knowing my family's medical history. I have a feeling I'm not alone.

The Surgeon General created a national public health campaign a few years ago to encourage everyone to learn more about their family health history. The Surgeon General's Family History Initiative focuses on what health care professionals have known for decades - that common diseases often run in families. Heart disease, cancer, and diabetes can often be passed down from one generation to the next, as well as other diseases like hemophilia, cystic fibrosis, and anemia.

Reporter photos The Rotary Club of Noblesville met for breakfast on Thursday at Ginger's Café, 1111 S. 10th St., Noblesville. The Rotary Club presented a check for \$13,991 to Ivy Tech Hamilton County for its scholarship fund. The Reporter was told this money will cover the cost of one semester of tuition for six local students. (Above left, from left) Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen, Ivy Tech Director of Development Kathryn Shema, Rotary Club of Noblesville President Jack Kreman, and Rotary District Governor Mekey McAllen. (Above right) Noblesville Rotarian Keith Gates was honored for his exceptional giving to Rotary International. He is pictured with Club President Jack Kreman. Learn more and find out how to join at NoblesvilleRotaryClub.org.

Tony Murray moves up the ladder & Jim Butts is new L4416 president

The REPORTER

International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Local 4416 President Jim Butts recognized outgoing President Tony Murray at the General Membership Meeting held Tuesday night.

President Emeritus Murray was presented with a president emeritus proclamation, and the Local 4416 Union Hall has a new name: the Anthony L. Murray Hall.



Murray served as Local 4416 president since its inception 18 years ago and has played an integral part in organizing all of Local 4416's districts and other IAFF locals in Hamilton County.

Murray accomplished the following for Local 4416 members:

• Purchasing and renovating the Local 4416 Union Hall

• Established the Hamilton County Peer Support Unit to ensure members mental health was cared for

County Professional Fire Fighters Foundation, which resulted in the Chad Hittle Memorial Scholarship, the Hamilton County Hardship and Bereavement Fund, and the Fishers Fat Head Challenge.

Photo provided by Westfield Fire Department / Facebook

Local 4416 President Emeritus Tony Murray (left) was recognized and thanked for his years of service and dedication to Hamilton County fire fighters. Congratulations to Jim Butts (right), newly appointed Local 4416 President.

Due to his involvement and · Established the Hamilton leadership within the International Association of Fire Fighters, members have benefited from the following:

> • IAFF Fireground Survival Course

• IAFF HAZMAT Tech Course

- GIS Studies and Analysis
- IAFF Peer Fitness Training Fighters.
- SAFER Grants • Fire OPS 101
- MFA

President Emeritus Murray for his years of professionalism and

ilton County Professional Fire

Murray will now serve as President of Professional Firefighters Union of Indiana, and Thank you to Local 4416 he will continue to serve on the Local 4416 Board.

Learn more about Local dedicated service to the Ham- 4416 at local.iaff.org/local4416.



Photo provided by Sheridan Community Schools Quite a crowd came out for fun and games at Sheridan Elementary School's K-2 Family Game Night earlier this week.

Sheridan kids just want to have fun!

The REPORTER

Sheridan Elementary School (SES) enjoyed a K-2 Family Game Night on Tuesday. Principal Valerie Roberts shared

She explained that the Family Game Night tradition was started back in 2017 by the school counselor, Amy Lents.

With a two-year COVID that with over 200 families in break, Mrs. Lents said she was attendance, the students enjoyed very excited to be able to rereturning for some evening fun. turn it to the schedule of events

this year.

"Tonight was a great turn out!" Lents said. "It is wonderful to offer an event with no pressure - just old-fashioned family fun with pizza and board games!"

wander from table to table with graders as well.

over 30 different games available. SES staff members were on hand to help play games, share pizza, and celebrate a special night. A Family Game Night will be offered on Feb. 8 Students were allowed to for SES third, fourth, and fifth See *Medical* . . . Page 2

Westfield's own Alyssa Shoemaker welcomed into National Society of **Collegiate Scholars**

The REPORTER

Alyssa Shoemaker of Westfield has accepted an invitation of lifetime membership in the National Society of Col-

legiate Scholars (NSCS), the nation's leading certified honor society for high-achieving first- and second-year college students with a minimum gradepoint average of 3.0.



Shoemaker

NSCS is an honors organization that invites less than 10 percent of all eligible students nationwide to join the ranks of its diverse membership each year. A leading interdisciplinary academic honor society, NSCS is made up of scholars from two-year, four-year, and online institutions.

'NSCS is more than just a symbol of academic achievement; it is a distinction of honor," NSCS Founder Steve Loflin said. "Our scholars are some of the best of the best who have shown an unwavering commitment to academic excellence early in their collegiate journey. These dynamic individuals embody the NSCS pillars of scholarship, leadership, and service, and many go on to become active contributors within their respective fields."

See Shoemaker ... Page 2

Opinion & News



Hello, Hamilton County!



MEDICAL

in this series of columns, I used to battle psoriasis. conversation with Linda that both she and my half-sister have it as well. Years ago, I went months soon it was a struggle just without knowing what was to get comfortable enough going on with my skin. At first, I thought it was a yeast infection and my OB/GYN treated it as such. Then I had bright red, painful, hot

Read it here. Read it first.

As I mentioned earlier patches of skin develop under my arms. My primary care physician examined I learned in my very first me at that point and suggested using petroleum jelly to soothe my skin.

Nothing helped me, and to fall asleep at night. I did some online research and thought I had an internal yeast infection, so I went on a special diet of no sugar, dairy, fruit, grains, or meat. I lost weight, since there was barely anything I could eat, and still didn't get relief three weeks later.

My dear friend Stacey practically begged me to go to a dermatologist. I finally took her advice and got in to see mine right away. He took one look at me and diagnosed me with inverse psoriasis. Thanks to a steroid cream, I finally had relief three days later – and

from Page 1

fortunately began to eat normally again.

I would have been spared a lot of pain and problems if I just had complete knowledge of my family medical history. I would have known that my birth mother suffered from psoriasis and would have come to a quicker resolution. And this was just a (mostly) minor autoimmune disorder. Imagine what adoptees could do to prevent major diseases or illnesses if they just had this knowledge.

What about instances where an adoptee needs tissue or blood from a biological relative to save their life? I know most cases like these can force adoption records to be opened, but it is often a long process - one that can cause unnecessary suffering and, in the worstcase scenario, death.

CARMEL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA of Earth, Wind & 7:30pm, SAT., JANUARY 28 TICKETS START AT JUST \$25 Call the Center's Fifth Third Bank Box Office 317.843.3800 BOOMING ARS ST PLANER PEDCOR

SHOEMAKER

Founded in 1994 by veteran student affairs professional Stephen Loflin, NSCS continues to remain true to its promise of recognizing, elevating, and connecting high achievers. With a portfolio of exclusive benefits that include access to over \$500,000 in scholarships, chapter funds and awards annually, professional development resources, exclusive tailored content, and leadership and service experiences, NSCS is poised to support member growth and development throughout their academic and collegiate journey.

"NSCS members' deep

from Page 1

commitment to service, integrity, and scholarship positively impact their campuses and local communities every day," Loflin said.

Notable NSCS distinguished honorary members include former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, U.S. Ambassador Dr. Robin Renee Sanders, the late Senator John McCain, and former U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala.

"We welcome Alyssa Shoemaker to our community of like-minded, high-achieving nationwide scholars," Loflin said.

Learn more at **nscs.org**.



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

To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:

- Individually packaged snacks
- Lysol
- Hand sanitizer
- Disinfecting wipes

Drop off items at **Tom Wood Volkswagen** in Noblesville, 14701 Tom Wood Way.



Once you take charge, there's **NO GOING BACK ID.4 Electric SUV**



RESERVE YOURS TODAY! at Tom Wood Volkswagen Noblesville*

'See dealer for details.



14701 Tom Wood Way Noblesville, IN 46060 317.853.4552

TomWoodVolkswagenNoblesville.com





OFFICIAL CLUB CAR DEALER SALES • SERVICE • PARTS

(317) 688-6290 3510 E 96th Street | Indianapolis, IN 46240



IN 2023, WE ARE ALL **HISTORY BUFFS!**

This is what Hamilton County history looks like this year:

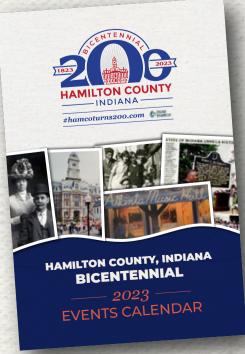
LIVE THEATER • LIGHTS ON THE RIVER • FISH FRY FAMILY FARMS • HISTORICAL REENACTMENTS • ACTING CLASSES MILITARY PRESENTATIONS • CEMETERY TOURS • OLD TREES • LIVE MUSIC ICE CREAM SOCIALS • WATERCOLOR PAINTING • TRAIN RIDES • WALKING TOURS LOCAL ARTISTS • EARLY AGRICULTURE • GENEALOGY • YARD GAMES **VINTAGE BOARD GAMES • MARCHING BANDS • FARM EQUIPMENT •** VINTAGE BASEBALL • PARADES • SPORTS FOR ALL • STORYTELLING • PUBLIC ART • FRISBEE GOLE MEMORIALS • FISHING TALES • PROHIBITION 101 • LOCAL AUTHORS • CHURCHES • MINI GOLF **OPEN HOUSES • FOOD TOURS • ANTIQUE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS AND MORE!**

CAN YOU EXPERIENCE ALL 9 HAMILTON COUNTY TOWNSHIPS THIS YEAR?

Each one will get a special showcase month.

March White River Township **April** Jackson Township **May** Adams Township **June** Washington Township **July** Noblesville Township

August Wayne Township September Fall Creek Township **October** Delaware Township **November** Clay Township **December** Bicentennial Bash



For details on all of the official **Hamilton County Bicentennial** events and programs, visit: HamCoTurns200.com





Bicentennial Partners



HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD of COMMISSIONERS

News & Opinion

From the desk of Hamilton Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood

Update No. 99 In last Friday's Indiana Department of Education Weekly Update from Dr. Katie Jenner, she shared several goals, including a statewide literacy goal of 95 percent of third grade students demonstrating reading proficiency

4

dents who pass the IREAD-3 assessment in third grade are roughly 35 percent more likely to graduate high school, which is why we have been diligently working on helping our students at the elementary level develop in key literacy skills.

graders at Hamilton Heights Elementary School posted the second highest IREAD scores in Hamilton County (which has the highest IREAD-3 scores in the state) during the last round of testing. While this is great progress, we Month. School board members as mentors. Through support-



need to achieve and exceed that statewide literacy goal! * * *

Plan to enjoy exciting orange and blue action at the third annual Hickory Classic Wednesday, Jan. 25

skills and passing IREAD-3 by at the historic Hoosier Gym in 2027. Statistics show that stu- Knightstown. The eighth-grade tions to the district, being good boys and girls basketball players from Hamilton Heights and Tipton will compete in a fun evening of Hoosier Hysteria. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in advance at HHMS or at the door. The Husky Sports Network will stream a live video It's paying off! In fact, third feed that can be accessed here. * * *

I want to take this opportu-

nity to recognize the invaluable portunity to thank the many role of the Hamilton Heights community volunteers for the School Board of Trustees as part positive impact they have on of School Board Appreciation our students' lives every day

plan to continue giving are ordinary people who have ive, one-on-one relationships, community. Collectively, the school board works closely with parents, education professionals, and community members to create the educational vision, goals, and policy for the district. These individuals are re-

basketball event next sponsible for communicating the needs of the school district to the great place to work! We have public and the public's expectafiscal stewards, and improving student achievements and outcomes. Thank you, Dr. Kevin Cavanaugh, Arnett Cooper, Julie Davis, Ben Lehman, and Gretchen Pennington for your advocacy, commitment, vision, and voice. Our district is in good hands under your leadership!

I also want to take this op-

scheduled for the

Ricketts): Pirates of

the Caribbean – The

& Lopez (arr. Kazik):

Badelt (arr.

our students what they an extraordinary dedication to these volunteers enhance the the students and schools in our educational experience and help students reach their potential in inspiring and life-changing ways. Shoot me an email if you would like to know more about volunteering your time and talent as a mentor at Heights. * * *

> Hamilton Heights is also a opportunities for individuals to join our team to help enhance the overall educational experience for our students in the classroom, on the bus, or in the cafeteria. You can check out the available positions and/or to apply today by going to hhschuskies.org/employment.

We are grateful for our community's longstanding history of support and involvement. Thank you for being an integral part of our efforts to meet the needs of each and every student along their educational journey at Heights! #WeAreHuskies

Westfield's own Jaxon Howard makes Dean's List at Heidelberg

The REPORTER

Heidelberg University in Tiffin, Ohio, has announced the names of 387 students who have earned academic recognition on the fall semester dean's list. Included on the list is Jaxon Howard, a sophomore from Westfield.

According to Provost Dr. Bryan D. Smith, students must be enrolled full time and meet academic criteria set forth by the university to be named to the dean's list.

Founded in 1850, Heidelberg offers 26 majors, 27 minors and 10 pre-professional programs, awarding the bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, and bachelor of music degrees, as well as master's degrees in counseling, business administration and athletic training. For more information visit heidelberg.edu.

Denise Luster named United Way of Central Indiana's chief strategic intelligence officer

The REPORTER

United Way of Central Indiana announced Wednesday that Denise Luster has been named the nonprofit's first chief strate-

as a vice president since 2017. She oversees

a team of people focused on research and

data, provides executive leadership, vision

and accountability on analytical research

projects, and creates data-driven solutions

affairs management and a Master of Busi-

ness Administration in finance, both from

Indiana University. She is a fellow of the In-

diana University Tobias Leadership Center.

Luster has a bachelor's degree in public

gic intelligence officer. Luster, previously the vice president of impact research and analytics, has worked for United Way for nearly 25 years.

Luster began her career at the nonprofit as a research assistant in 1998 and has served

for United Way.



Luster

Carmel Symphony Orchestra's Family Fun Concert set for Jan. 29 at Palladium

The REPORTER

An extraordinary, interactive tor for Family Fun is program of some of the world's Carmel High School greatest music, specially de- Director of Orchessigned for children, will be pre- tras Thomas Chen, sented on Sunday, Jan. 29 by the who also serves as Carmel Symphony Orchestra Orchestra (CSO).

CSO's annual Family Fun Music Education As-Concert begins at 3 p.m. at the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts, 1 Carter Green, Carmel. Tickets are family-friendly priced at just \$5 for youngsters and \$17.50 for adults, and they are available now at the Palladium Fifth Third Bank Box Office, by calling (317) 843-3800 or online at thecenterpresents.org.



During the performance, youngsters in the audi-

ence will be invited to join CSO musicians on the Palladium stage to witness musical magic up close. Following the concert, the kids can try out various musical instruments on display in the CSO "instrument petting Blue Danube, Waltzes I & II Z00."



Chen

"Remember Me" from Coco • Anderson-Lopez & Lopez (arr. Krogstad): Music from Frozen

are:

Pearl

• Mozart: Eine Kleine Nacht*musik*, I. Allegro

• Strauss: On the Beautiful • Copland: Rodeo: Four cor.

Among selections Dance Episodes, IV. Hoe-Down • Beethoven: Symphony No. Family Fun program 5 in C minor op. 67, I. Allegro con brio

• Tchaikovsky: Swan Lake, No. 29, Scene

• Rossini: Overture to Wil-Curse of the Black liam Tell, Finale

Additional information • Anderson-Lopez about Family Fun and a preview of the remainder of performances during CSO's current season can be found at carmelsymphony.org.

> The 2022-23 Carmel Symphony Orchestra season is supported by the City of Carmel, the Center for the Performing Arts, the Palladium and Ped-

Westfield Winter Market returns this Saturday

The REPORTER

The Winter Market of takes place • Glaux Co. from 9 a.m. to noon every Saturday .H&S Knife Sharpening through April 1 at West Fork Whis- • Happy Mutt Pet Bakery key, 10 E. 191st St., Westfield.

Fungi Meadows

- Heritage Homestead Farms, LLC



Letter to the Editor -Noblesville reader encourages "solidly conservative" folks

Stop by for baked treats, meat, fresh eggs, cheese, dog treats, honey, jams, fresh flowers, handcrafted items and so much more. The market is free and open to the public.

Want to volunteer?

Volunteers are needed to help with • Lazy Labs Bakery the Westfield Winter Market. Click here to access the Volunteer Interest Form.

Volunteers are welcome to dress casually at the Market. A name tag will be provided for you to wear while volunteering at the event. Volunteers are asked to shop before or after their shift so that your full attention can be given to working the Market.

This Saturday's vendors

- A Couple Kids Family Farm
- Artisan Luuma
- Babydoll Boutique
- Bluebell House Flowers LLC
- Chez Pauline Homemade French bakery
- Cool Creations Company
- Country Fun Freeze
- Creative Wandering
- Creolicious Bakery
- Darling Impressions
- Eagle Creek Apiary
- E-Love's Garden
- · Etta's Gooey Goodies

- Hoosier Cookie Company
- Jay's Shea
- Just Millie and Me
- Kiger's Artisan Soapery LLC Kim's Key Lime Cookies, Inc.
- M•Bakes
- Mary D Jellies and Preserves Middlefork Meadows LLC
- Pet Wants Noblesville
- · Pig's Tale Charcuterie
- PipKing Creations with Soule
- Polish Cottage Polska Chata
- Poppin' Sweet Confections
- Revolt CBD LLC
 - Rylee & Co. Dog Boutique
 - Saphiraomatic Travel
 - Savagecakeartistry
 - Simply Chunky Creations
 - Simply From Scratch
 - Sub Zero Treats, LLC
 - The Garnacha Spot LLC
 - The Goodie Basket
 - Thirty-one sales consultant
 - timbar
 - Travelin Tom's Coffee
 - unsoaped, LLC
- Your Grandpa's Old Fashioned
- Zukes Cave
- WESTFIELD-WINTER MARKET
- LOCAL NEV OCAL SPORT Hamilton County's Hometown Newspaper **ReadTheReporter.com**

Dear Editor:

I am writing today to reach out to qualified, solidly conservative citizens with an interest in serving our great community and preserving our way of life.

to run for local office

Feb. 3 is the deadline to file to run for the May 2 municipal primary elections for all municipal public offices.

Unfortunately, in my view, many times people are hesitant to step forward for various reasons, even though they have all the essential skills and knowledge necessary to make a fabulous public servant. I think you may be pleasantly surprised how much local support you could achieve!

If you care about our community and want to make a difference, I encourage you to register as a candidate for office in 2023.

Jake Clark

Noblesville

Letters to the Editor do not reflect the opinions of The Reporter, its publisher or its staff. You can submit your own Letter to the Editor by email to News@ReadTheReporter.com. Please include your phone number and city of residence. The Reporter will publish one letter per person per week.

Start the New Year off Right! **Certificate of Deposits**

6 Month CD

ommun

Bank of Indiana

13 Month CD



CFBindiana.com/cd-ira-rates

Membe *APY is Annual Percentage Yield. APY is effective as of 1/5/2023 and is subject to change without notice. Minimum balance to open account and obtain APY is \$1,000.00. Early FDIC withdrawal may be subject to penalty. Fees may reduce earnings on the account. Other standard rate maturity terms are available. **Minimum \$25,000 to open account.



Westfield Democrats gather to discuss importance of upcoming local elections



Photo provided by Hamilton County Democratic Party The Westfield Democrats held their first event of the year at Cool Creek Park Nature Center on Friday, Jan. 13. More than 70 Democrats connected with each other and with former candidates. Democrats heard from Josh Lowry, Joey Mayer, and Matt McNally about the importance of municipal elections in 2023. For more information on how to get involved, email westfielddemocrats@gmail.com.

Get In the Know with Noblesville Schools

Submitted by **Noblesville Schools High schoolers** in the spotlight

Noblesville school at January's board meeting. Students presented on the high school's journalism programs, including their academic mission, student engagement, culture of excellence and state recognition. Support and follow NHS journalists at Miller Media Now.

New high school courses

With over 300 course options, NHS continues to enhance academic opportunities for students to best prepare them for college in Hamilton County and and careers.

The following new courses were recently approved: Robotics Design and Innovation, Principles of Teaching, Astronomy, Meteorology, Advanced Placement Science Research, Sports Officiating.

ivers needed

drivers, custodians, food service employees, and classroom assistants.

Bus drivers are still High safely transporting students School was the spotlight to and from school, but the driver shortage has been causing delays for some bus routes. These delays happen when a driver must cover two routes instead of one due to staff vacancies.

School officials have been working hard to ensure all student transportation needs are met and all available licensed staff are assisting with routes.

Ten bus driver positions need filled. Noblesville Schools bus drivers are the highest paid school drivers are eligible for benefits.

bus driver Amber Siversten. Click here to explore careers at Noblesville are open to the general Schools.

Upcoming events

ville food and wine festival **blesville Music**. benefiting North Elemen-



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools Noblesville High School students spoke at the January board meeting to board members about the high school journalism programs.

27 to April 7.

 Kindergarten registration opens April 17.

• Noblesville students are highly accomplished Click here to meet in academics, athletics and performing arts, and many of our high school events • The Savor Nobles- Millers Athletics and No-

Did you k

• Spring break is March championships on the same day. Since 2014, NHS has won a total of 12 athletic state championships. Click

here to learn more. **District leadership**

Dr. Daniel G. Hile joined Noblesville Schools as superintendent in July 2022, and he enjoys conpublic. Find specific event necting with the communiinformation at Noblesville ty. Please feel free to reach out to school staff, district leaders or to Dr. Hile personally if you have school questions, concerns, or ideas to share.

State lawmakers should agree to fund land conservation, trails & state parks

Time spent our Indiana in parks and natural spaces grounds us. It helps us slow down, helps us connect with friends and family and it helps us experience the wonders of the natural world around us. That excitement we feel

when we see a bald eagle,

when we with our small

children spot a deer, or even

the rare glimpse of a bob-

cat or other shy wildlife, is

a feeling that can only be

that Governor Holcomb

has prioritized land conser-

vation and trails in his pro-

posed budget to the Indiana

treasure. According to the

U.S. Department of Com-

merce, outdoor recreation

adds nearly \$13 billion an-

nually to our Indiana econ-

omy and provides employ-

ment to 107,000 Hoosiers.

Use of our parks has never

dress, Governor Holcomb

Our Indiana parks and natural spaces are a Hoosier

That is why I am thrilled

found in nature.

General Assembly.



proudly called out that our state park inns have the highest occupancy rate in the country! And yet, habitat for wildlife is shrinking. According to

the Indiana Department of Nat-

ural Resources, only 15 percent of the state's original wetlands remain, and in recent years, 85 Indiana counties have lost forest acreage.

Any valuable asset requires care and investment in order for that value to be maintained and grow. Please join the Hoosier Environmental Council in asking Rep. Jeff Thompson (R-Lizton), Rep. Chuck Goodrich (R-Noblesville), and their fellow members of the House Ways and Means Committee to approve Governor Holcomb's budget request for land conservation, trails, and our state parks.

Visit hecweb.org for details and learn how you can get involved.

Sam Carpenter serves been higher. In fact, in his as the Executive Director of recent State of the State ad- the Hoosier Environmental Council.



Like many businesses tary is Feb. 2. across the nation, Nobleschallenged by labor shortages. There are vacancies among several support staff areas including bus

ville Schools is currently Noblesville Schools Education Foundation's premier party of the year, will 29, 2022, when girls cross click here for his most rebe March 10 at the Embassy Suites.

Noblesville High • Miller-Palooza, the School set an Indiana High School Athletic Association state record on Oct. more about Dr. Hile, and country, girls soccer, and cent State of the Schools boys soccer all won state address.

Click here to learn

FBI & partners issue national public safety alert on sextortion schemes

Over 3,000 minor victims targeted in 2022 across United States

The REPORTER

The FBI, in partnership with Homeland Security Investigations and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, is issuing a national public safety alert regarding an explosion in incidents of children and teens being coerced into sending explicit images online and extorted for additional explicit material or money – a crime known as sextortion.

Over the past year, law enforcement agencies have received over 7,000 reports related to the online sextortion of minors, resulting in at least 3,000 victims, primarily boys. More than a dozen sextortion victims were reported to have died by suicide. The FBI, U.S. Attorney's Office, and law enforcement partners implore parents and caregivers to engage with their kids about sextortion schemes in order to prevent them in the first place.

Sextortion schemes occur in online environments where young people feel most comfortable – using common social media sites, gaming sites, or video chat applications that feel familiar of children is a despicable and safe. On these platforms, crime that may go unrecog-

predators often use fake ac- nized by friends and family otherwise comply with the counts and target minors.

Through sextortionists convince the young person to produce an explicit video or photo. Once predators acquire the images, they often threaten to release the compromising material unless the of Indiana. "Victims of sexvictim sends additional sexually explicit material. Some of these criminals demand money or gift cards to keep them from releasing the compromising material in their possession. Often, these predators demand payment through a variety of peer-to-peer payment applications. In many cases, however, sextortionists release the images even if ing exploited, they are vicadditional material is sent or payments are made. The shame, fear, and confusion that victims feel when they are caught in this cycle often prevents them from asking for help or reporting the abuse and may drive them towards self-harm.

The United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Indiana prosecuted several "sextortion" related cases in recent years.

"Sexual

of the victims. In this digital deception, age, it is imperative that we stay informed of the deception and other tactics sexual predators use to harm our children," said Zachary A. Myers, United States Attorney for the Southern District tortion may feel confused. embarrassed, and as if there is no escape. I strongly urge parents and caregivers to engage with the children in their lives to discuss this crime and help law enforcement agencies prevent the abuse before it happens."

What if you or your child are a victim?

If young people are betims of a crime and should report it. Contact your local FBI field office, call 1-800-CALL-FBI, or report it online at tips.fbi.gov.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) has outlined steps parents and young people can take if they or their child are a victim of sextortion, including:

• Remember, the predator is to blame, not your exploitation child or you.

· Get help before deciding whether to pay money or predator. Cooperating or paying rarely stops the blackmail and continued harassment.

• REPORT the predator's account via the platform's safety feature.

• BLOCK the predator and DO NOT DELETE the profile or messages because that can be helpful to law enforcement in identifying and stopping them.

• Let NCMEC help get explicit images of you off the internet.

• Click here to learn how to notify companies yourself or visit cybertipline.org to report to the authorities for help with the process.

• Ask for help. This can be a very complex problem and may require help from adults or law enforcement.

• If you don't feel that you have adults in your corner, you can reach out to NCMEC for support at gethelp@ncmec.org or call NCMEC at 1-800-THE-LOST.

Take a moment to learn how sextortion works and how to talk to your children about it. Information, resources, and conversation guides are available at fbi. gov/StopSextortion.



notice. Fees may reduce earnings. Must sign up for online banking and receive eStatements and complete at least fifteen (15) point of sale (POS) transactions which post and settle during the statement cycle to earn advertised APY. Limit one account per tax reporting name. Interest tiers apply as follows: 2.96% interest rate and 3.00% APY applying to daily ances up to \$14,999.99; 0.25% interest rate and APY ranging from 3.00% to 1.89% applying to the portion of the daily balance between \$15,000 and \$24,999.99; 0.25% interest rate and APY ranging from 1.89% to 1.27% for all balances in excess of \$24,999.99. This example assumes a maximum total balance of \$40,000. Other terms and conditions may apply. Ask for details

Member FDIC





News & Opinion





OneZone Chamber introduces first group of 'The Honors' inductees

The REPORTER

6

Starting in 2023, One- · Martin Marietta Zone Chamber of Com- · Miller Auto Care merce's first group of busi- • NAVIENT nesses will be inducted into • PNC Bank - Fishers The Honors.

The Honcelebrates ors long-standing members of One-Chamber Zone and their exemplary commitment to the work they do. Throughout 2023, OneZone will celebrate these com-

panies through social media, luncheons, blogs, and they will be prominently displayed in the entrance of OneZone's office.

- Appel Heating & Air Conditioning
- Boomerang Development
- CarDon & Associates
- Carmel Welding & Supply
- · Century Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- CNO Financial Group, Inc.
- · Coots, Henke & Wheeler
- Fearrin Insurance Agency
- · Fishers Veterinary Hospital
- FORUM Credit Union
- Fritz in Fishers Auto Sales
- Hamilton East Public Library Hogan Transfer & Storage

Meeting Notice

The Board of the Indianapolis Airport Authority will meet at 8 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 20, 2023. Board members will either attend in person in the Airport's Board Room (Room 11T.413) located inside the main terminal building of the Indianapolis International Airport, 7800 Col. H. Weir Cook Memorial Drive, Indianapolis, or attend remotely. The public is also invited to participate by remote access using Zoom at tinyurl.com/IAAJanuaryBoard.

One Zone Heroes of the Fourth Turning presents a "different view of conservatives" than ever seen

By LARRY ADAMS A Seat on the Aisle

"What we need to do is have a big conversation!" - Kevin

"I mean, if you're a hero, that implies a villain, right?" – Teresa

A day later, I'm still not quite sure what to think of American Lives Theatre's (ALT) most recent offering.

Well, other than it being one of the best acted, best directed and most thought-provoking shows I have ever seen on an Indy area stage or elsewhere, as well as being perhaps the boldest show choice I can possibly imagine in the modern era. There's that, I guess.

Heroes of the Fourth Turning, the Pulitzer Prize nominated creation of playwright Will Arbery, centers on four young, deeply religious and conservative friends who have returned to their college town in Wvoming for a party honoring the new president of Transfiguration College. The Charlottesville riot lies just one week in the past, while a solar eclipse awaits tantalizingly - or perhaps forebodingly – only two days in the future.

As the party dies down and the alcohol begins to flow around the firepit, the friends in various combinations do indeed have a "big conversation" – about politics, of course, but also about religion, friendship, betrayal, empathy, suffering, success and failure, strength and weakness,

righteous resolve in the face of a coming war and aimless wandering in the desert of an unfulfilled life.

There are moments of laugh-out-loud humor, but also ominous flashes of a disturbing and building darkness; a foundation of genuine love and camaraderie, but one repeatedly shaken by spasms of jealousy, disappointment, and bitter disagreement. There is intelligence, and ignorance, and frailty, and nuance. In short, there is Truth - not necessarily in their views and opinions, but in their humanity.

In a brief conversation after the curtain, ALT's artistic director, Chris Saunders, told me that he was drawn to Heroes because it fit perfectly with American Lives Theatre's mission.

"It presents a layered and complex portrayal of a voice not often heard coming from the American stage," he offered. "It's a different view of conservatives than has ever been seen onstage."

These are, of course, profound understatements. As someone with over three decades of involvement with the arts and at least a passing awareness of the current state of the entertainment industry, I must admit I went into the show thinking any message more complimentary than "Well, maybe they're not all literally Hitler after all" would be nothing short of a theatrical Christmas miracle. What I got, however, was much more than just that.



Photo by Rob Slaven / Indy Ghost Light Photography Taylor Cox and Devan Mathias in a scene from Heroes of the Fourth Turning, on stage at Basile Theatre in the IndyFringe Theatre through Jan. 28.

Instead of a stereotypical bunch of mustache-twirling, melodrama villains or vapid, overtly racist and misogynistic rednecks, Heroes presents a surprisingly fully fleshed-out portrait of thoughtful and intelligent people, with all their glorious failures and flaws, struggling to answer the big questions of their lives sometimes succeeding brilliantly, sometimes failing miserably.

Villains? I don't think there really are any here. Heroes? Well, I'm still not quite sure what to think about that either.

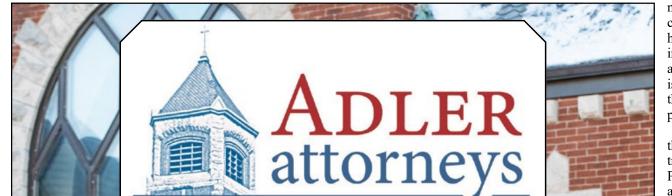
What's certain, however, is the strength of ALT's production of this show in literally every aspect. The beautifully evocative alley stage, with set design by Daniel McCullough and lighting design by Tim Dick, sets the tone perfectly even before the opening scene. Alley staging is at best a theatrical challenge and at worst a blocking nightmare, but when successfully employed as it is here, draws the audience into the reality of the characters' world in a way that is simply not possible with proscenium staging.

truly an actors' showcase. sure what to think. Playwright Arbery is an absolute maestro when it comes to language, but it takes an extremely skilled cast and director to carry such a heavy script successfully from the page to the stage; in lesser hands, an audience could be forgiven for feeling that this rather wordy piece suffers from the literary equivalent of Ama*deus 's* "too many notes." Fortunately, this talented cast consisting of Taylor Cox, Gigi Jennewein, Tyler Lyons, Devan Mathias and Morgan Morton, under the inspired direction of Andrew Kramer, is more than up to the challenge. The effortless overlapping of dialogue, the pacing, the natural flow of movement of characters about the space, and the seemingly rare ability of these players to act at all times without looking as if they're acting all add up to a realism that is absolutely essential to the success of this play. It's hard to pick favorites in such an exceptional group, but Taylor Cox, as the drunk and lost soul Kevin, and Morgan Morton as Teresa, the fiercely intellectual young blogger, were standouts on this particular night. I had seen Cox several years back in a stunning production of Equus, and based now on my observation of this second emotionally and physically exhausting role, I can confidently advise you to buy a ticket to whatever he's in from here on out. Morton deftly navigates the emotional extremes from an initially

rapid-fire, cold uber-confidence to an almost childlike shock and hurt after a climactic reprimand by her mentor and role model, highlighting her as a theatrical force to be reckoned with.

I can only imagine the flak ALT may have opened itself up to in presenting this work, and I tip my hat to their courage and willingness to suffer the slings and arrows in the pursuit of taking their mission seriously. But let me be clear: Heroes is NOT an endorsement of conservatism. It presents a PICTURE of conservatives and conservatism to be sure, but offers few judgements one way or the other. And it is about so much more than just politics.

After nearly two hours spent mesmerized by this production, I could not begin to tell you on which side of the aisle Arbery leans, and I'm certain I don't care. As with all good art, audience members will absorb this piece and then interpret it through their own individual lenses, finding its meaning in whatever speaks to them personally - reinforcing some preconthe more traditional end or ceived notions no doubt, but also, and more importantly, As nicely executed as challenging others - leaving is is, however, *Heroes* is the theatre. I hope, not quite





• Sam's Club #8168 Sharp Printing Services Stephens & Soetenga CPA's

Kaiser Real Estate Companies

· Sunbeam Development Corp. The Travel Agent, Inc.

 UN Communications Group Inc.

"We are thrilled to announce this amazing group of businesses who have invested in the vision of OneZone Chamber," One-Zone Chamber President & CEO Jack Russell said. "We look forward to sharing their stories and recognizing these organizations for their incredible impact on our chamber and community."

OneZone Chamber of Commerce serves over 1,300 businesses in the Carmel and Fishers area. To learn more about OneZone Chamber of Commerce go to onezonechamber.com.

www.noblesvilleattornev.com

Family Law • Real Estate Law • Estate Planning **Probate • Business • Personal Injury** Litigation • Guardianship • Adoption **Expungements • Elder Law • Appeals**



136 South Ninth Street, Noblesville, IN 46060 alli@noblesvilleattorney.com (317) 773-1974

"This is the problem," observes Teresa midway through the play. "No one knows how to debate, we literally can't hear each other." If ever there were a more apt summation of the problems in which we find our society today, I haven't heard it. But ALT is having none of it with this production.

"The play is a lovely beast - it asks for mental athleticism from everyone involved. That includes the audience. It demands engagement. It's a challenge, but a challenge that rewards," said director Andrew Kramer. "I love it when a play feels smarter than me."

Heroes of the Fourth Turning truly is smarter than me, and this cast and crew live up to every ounce of its intelligence. I suspect I could watch it every night of its run and find something new- about its characters and both their firm beliefs and their sometimes-shaky conclusions, about its themes, and about their application to my life. Because after just one viewing, I'm still not sure what to think of it – but think of it I have and will. And in theater sometimes - maybe most of the time - that's a good thing.

American Lives Theatre's Heroes of the Fourth Turning runs at Basile Theatre in the IndyFringe Theatre through Jan. 28. Ticket information can be found at americanlivestheatre.org.

Read more great play reviews from A Seat on the Aisle at asota.wordpress.com.

News



IMCU presented a check for \$7,500 to the Friends of Riley organization in October 2022.

IMCU to serve as 2023 Title **Sponsor for Friends of Riley**

The REPORTER

Indiana Members Credit Union (IMCU) has announced it will serve as the 2023 Title Sponsor for Friends of Riley, a local nonprofit organization that supports Riley Hospital for Children.

This partnership includes an exclusive debit card for Friends of Riley members and friends, Presenting Sponsor of the RISE for Riley annual fundraising gala to benefit the Child Life Program at Riley Hospital for Children, and a \$7,500

dren's Foundation.

debit card is free to members with IMCU's free checking account and can be issued immediately through IM-CU's Instant Issue program, which allows members to receive their debit card on the spot. To support Friends nities and social activities of Riley, those interested should visit an IMCU branch or **imcu.com** for details.

About Friends of Riley consists of a diverse network of young professionals that are committed to donation to the Riley Chil- supporting the Child Life Riley Hospital.

Program at Riley Hospital The Friends of Riley for Children in Indianapolis. Friends of Riley serves as a bridge between Riley at IU Health and an expansive Indiana professional community. FOR's unique organization provides networking events, volunteer opportuto raise both awareness and resources for the hospital while inspiring lifetime involvement. Through FOR's Friends of Riley (FOR) efforts, members work to continuously build, nurture and grow new and existing affinities for the children at About Indiana Members

Indiana Members Credit Union, headquartered in Indianapolis, was founded in 1956 on the campus of IUPUI. IMCU has since grown to 32 branches in central and southern Indiana, offering consumer and business members a full array of products and services. Traditionally offering better rates on loans and deposits, IMCU maintains true to its roots by "Keeping It Simple" for members. For more information, please visit imcu.com.

Credit Union

ing organization. Applicants from all career experience levels are invited to help WYP continue to represent its diverse and growing community. There is no industry or position cap, so individuals from all industries are welcome to apply. The position is open to

T h e

individual

applicants

aged 21 to

40 with rele-

vant skills and

experience to help

meet the needs of the grow-

young professionals working or living in Westfield and Washington Township.

Serving on the WYP Board is a great way to give back to your community, develop friendships and working relationships, meet personal leadership goals,

and advance your career. The Westfield Young The positions are two-Professionals (WYP) Board year terms. Each candidate of Directors is seeking can- would be eligible for a sec-

Westfield Young

board members

ond term after the end of the initial

> term. Since 2009, WYP has held more than 100 events, served and educated peers, and engaged with the greater Westfield

Interested applicants are encouraged to review the WYP Board packet of information below at this link. The packet includes information about the application process, the job description, the commitment statement, and the conflict of interest form.

community.

To apply, click here to fill out an online application.

Questions about the position can be sent to **info**(*a*) westfieldyoungprofessionals.com. Applications will be accepted through Sunday, Jan. 29.

Carmel mayoral candidate Sue Finkam names campaign co-chairs

Submitted by Sue Finkam for Mayor

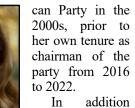
Sue Finkam, candidate for Carmel mayor, announced Thursday that Carmel residents Laura Campbell and Craig Dunn have agreed to serve as campaign co-chairs.

a proven record of serving Hoosiers," Finkam said. "I am excited to have access to their knowledge and ex-

city and her determination and vision to continue to build on Carmel's successes and making Carmel the best place to live, work, play and retire sets her "These individuals have apart in this field."

Dunn says person to lead the city.

vate Carmel and bring more makes her the most qualified transparency and a commu- candidate to lead Carmel," Dunn said. "I'm excited to lend my expertise and counsel to ensuring Sue Finkam is Carmel's next mayor!"



to her political acumen, Campbell brings years of experience in

Finkam Finkam is the most qualified representing Carmel's north district on the city coun-"Sue's background in cil for the last eight years. perience throughout my business combined with her During her time in office, involvement. He has served formed an explorcampaign as we work to ele- experience on city council she has served as council as the alumni board presi- atory committee president, vice president, and as the council's repre-sity's College of Business, ing election to the sentative on the Carmel Plan Commission. In addition, she developed the Carmel Advisory Committee on Disability. Her political and civic experiences will be a major asset to the campaign.

can Party in the cacy, dating back to the 2000s, prior to 1970s when he was the first 18-year-old elected to serve as a delegate to the Indiana GOP convention. Since then, he has worked for several campaigns ranging from Congress to governor and has served three terms as chairman of the Howard County Republican Party.

In addition to his political involvement, he has a tions, announced solid track record of civic Thursday he has dent for Ball State Univer- to evaluate seekwas a founder of Habitat Noblesville Comfor Humanity in Kokomo, and is a past member of the Howard County Development board. The campaign will benefit greatly from the perspectives he brings to the team.

Rocky Shanehsaz forms exploratory committee for seat on Noblesville Common Council

Submitted

supporter of nonprofit organizamon Council for either District 5 or Shanehsaz an At-Large seat. Mill Top Banquet & Conference Center in downtown Noblesville, says he believes in small government, For more information, responsible growth, and protecting residents from wasteful spending of taxpayer dollars. The Republican candidate previously ran for the District 5 seat on the Noblesville Common Council in 2007, and for an At-Large seat on the council in 2019. While both previous bids proved unsuccessful, Shanehsaz garnered nearly 20 percent of the vote in the four-way At-Large race for three open seats. "The best thing is a small government. True conservatives look at the wealth of our taxpayers' investment and the impact that it has," Shanehsaz said. "I'm interested in making sure our tax dollars have the most impact in our community and working more with existing small businesses so they stick around.'

known for converting the Rocky Shanehsaz, a historic Model Mill build-Noblesville resident, local ing into what is now the Mill business owner, and ardent Top Banquet & Conference



nity-driven vision to City Hall."

Campbell says she's ready to get to work on the Finkam team.

"Sue Finkam has strong credentials to lead Carmel into the city's next chapter and I am excited to join her team," Campbell said.

About Laura Campbell

Laura Campbell has been a leader in Carmel and throughout Hamilton County. She served as the executive director for the "Sue's commitment to our Hamilton County Republi- history of political advo- visit SueFinkam.com.

About Craig Dunn

Craig Dunn has a long

* * *

Shanehsaz moved to the United States more than 43 years ago and became a citizen as a teenager. He is best

to preserve them, paving the way for construction of a new Noblesville City Hall in 2005. With a keen

Shanehsaz, owner of interest to invest in his community, Shanehsaz also helped plant three churches in Noblesville, and he hopes to soon expand Hope and Recovery Centers Inc., a comprehensive, ministry-based drug rehabilitation service to individuals with alcohol and drug addiction. Hope and Recovery Centers Inc. provides foundation funds for medications to individuals with financial difficulties. These funds can be used to obtain proper medication as part of their detox and rehabilitation. Hope and Recovery Centers Inc. has partnered with Miller Care Group for its medical needs and has resources for employment staffing opportunity for these patients. Ministerial services are provided by Chapel Church along with several other local churches.

Shanehsaz has lived in Noblesville since 1990. He is married to Terri Shanehsaz and has two children: Abe, an attorney with Faegre Drinker Law Firm in Indianapolis, and Ava, a Purdue University freshman studying engineering.



Submitted by **Hamilton County Plan Commission**

In 1913, 1958, 1964, 1999, 2003 and 2005, heavy rains caused the White River; creeks such as Big and Little Cicero Creek, Mud Creek, Stony Creek; and streams to overflow their banks. Some of the most notable floods were the result of heavy rains over several hours, ice and log jams. The largest flood of record in



in 1913.

vided into nine different wetland natural functions building and zoning ju- (when available) for our jurisdictions. The Hamilton risdictional areas of Hamil-County Plan Commission ton County only. Elevation covers parts of Adams, No- Certificates that are providblesville, and Wayne town- ed to our office for our speships, and all of White River cific jurisdictional area are Township.

The County Plan Commission offers assistance a comprehensive library to current, new, and future of manuals and materials property owners, insurance dealing with flood hazard companies, banks, mortgage companies, etc., concerning a property's flood hazard areas, flood proofzone classification and ing for both residential and whether it is in a floodway. non-residential structures, Other information that can elevating residential strucbe given includes flood tures, installing manufacdepths, areas of historical tured homes in flood haz-

getting flood insurance, Hamilton County is di- contour information, and available upon request.

Our office maintains matters, including reducing loss in high-risk flood

Hamilton County occurred flooding, how to go about ard areas, as well as design guidelines for flood damage reduction, flood area maps, flood elevations, repairing your flooded home, etc.

We have also provided the Noblesville Library and the Sheridan Library with copies of the above listed information. The Noblesville Library is located at 1 Library Plaza on Cumberland Road, Noblesville (just west of Conner Street) and the Sheridan Library is located at 103 W. First St., Sheridan.

You may reach our office by coming to the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 306, Noblesville, or by calling (317) 776-8490.



AARP Indiana now accepting 2023 **Community Challenge grant applications**

The REPORTER

AARP Indiana invites local eligible organizations and governments across the state to apply for the 2023 AARP Community Challenge grant program. Applications will be accepted now 5 p.m. Eastern time on March 15.

Grants fund quick-action projects that help communities become more livable in the long-term by improving public spaces, transportation, housing, civic engagement, diversity and inclusion, and more. Now in its seventh year, the program is part of AARP's nationwide Livable Communities initiative, which supports the efforts of cities, towns, neighborhoods and rural areas to become great places to live for all residents, especially those age 50 and older.

"AARP Indiana is committed to helping communities across the state become great places to live for people of all ages," State Director Sarah Waddle said. "The Community Challenge has proven that quick-action projects can lead to long-lasting improvements enhancing Hoosiers' quality of life."

Previous Community Challenge grants have led to impressive results with nearly half of grantees leveraging their projects into additional funding support



tor partners and eight in 10 ota Motor North America. overcoming barriers and advancing change.

In 2023, the AARP Community is accepting applications across three different grant opportunities, two of which are new this year. All projects must be consistent with AARP's mission to serve the needs of people 50 and older along with other eligibility criteria. AARP will prioritize proposals that are inclusive, address disparities, and year community resilience; directly engage volunteers and civic engagement. age 50 and older.

gram will provide capac- million to over 1,060 projity-building microgrants ects - including 19 in Indipaired with additional re- ana - through the Commusources, such as one-onone coaching, webinars, organizations and governcohort learning opportuni- ment entities in all 50 states, ties and more for improv- the District of Columbia, ing walkability and starting Puerto Rico, and the U.S. or expanding a community garden.

• Also new this year, the Community Challenge will also offer **demonstration** communities with a special grants. A portion will be focused on transportation improvements with funding

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE from private and public sec- support provided by Toy- in collaboration with com-

Another portion of demonstration grants will focus on promoting greater aware-Challenge ness of the benefits of accessory dwelling units as a housing solution.

• AARP will also offer grants under a flagship opportunity to support projects that improve public places; transportation; housing; diversity, equity and inclusion; digital connections; community health and economic empowerment; and new this

Since 2017, AARP has • New this year, the pro- awarded more than \$12.7 nity Challenge to nonprofit Virgin Islands. The program provides direct support to all community types, including rural, suburban, and urban focus on the needs of those 50 and older.

AARP Indiana works

munities across the state, bringing people together, and providing resources and expertise to help make Indiana's counties, towns, and cities great places to live for people of all ages. Organizations across the state have used grants for a variety of projects, including the expansion of Wi-Fi Internet access in a Muncie neighborhood, infrastructure improvements in multiple cities, and even a new mural and awning at a food pantry and shelter in Seymour.

The Community Challenge is open to eligible nonprofit organizations and government entities. Other types of organizations are considered on a case-bycase basis. Grants can range from several hundred dollars for small, short-term activities to tens of thousands for larger projects.

The application deadline is 5 p.m. Eastern time, March 15, 2023. All projects must be completed by Nov. 30, 2023. To submit an application and view past grantees, visit AARP.org/ CommunityChallenge.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

"To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see. Revelation 3:14-18 (NIV)

Danielle M. Malkemus July 11, 1984 – January 15, 2023

Danielle M. Malkemus, 38, Noblesville, passed away



on Sunday, January 15, 2023. She was born on July 11, 1984, to Danny and Lana (Harber) Malkemus in New Castle, Ind.

Danielle worked for ComForCare for several years.

She is survived by her parents, Danny & Lana Malkemus; sister, Christina (Mark) Robinson; nephews & niece, Dillon Cline, Dalton Robinson, Ava

Robinson, and Zephin Robinson; as well as several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Danielle's family and close friends will have a private celebration of her life.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Sandra Lee Moore May 6, 1942 - January 18, 2023

Sandra Lee Moore, 80, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at her home. She was born on May 6, 1942, in Indianapolis.

Sandra graduated from Broad Ripple High School and was a homemaker for many years. Then later in life, she returned to school and received her paralegal degree, which led to working for Alice O'Brien. Sandra enjoyed being an antique dealer and enjoyed taking trips out west and wintering in Florida with her husband.

She is survived by her husband of 37 years, Arthur Douglas "Doug" Moore; children, Troy (Tammy) Moore, Adrien O'Nell, Shelly (Kyle) Carroll, Martha Dailey, Gail (Mark) Alt, and Tavin (Jim) Eisenhour; 16 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The Moore Family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Home with Sandra's care.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, IN 46038 (hamiltonhumane.com).



HAMILTON COUNTY REPORTER







Contact Information

Email News@ReadTheReporter.com

> Web Address ReadTheReporter.com

Publisher Stu Clampitt 765-365-2316

Subscription Inquiries Subscribe@ReadTheReporter.com 765-585-9519

Advertising & Public Notices Ads@ReadTheReporter.com 765-365-2316

Sports Editor Richie Hall Sports@ReadTheReporter.com Twitter: @Richie Hall

> **Mailing Address** 136 S. 9th St., Suite 12 Noblesville, IN 46060





NOBLESVILLE YOUTH SPORTS ALLIANCE

ONE COMMUNITY • 6500+ KIDS • 17 PROGRAMS

www.noblesvillesports.com @noblesvillesports

HAMILTON COUNTY SPORTS

Sports Editor Richie Hall | Sports@ReadTheReporter.com | Twitter @Richie Hall NOBLESVILLE, CARMEL, WESTFIELD, SHERIDAN, HAMILTON HEIGHTS, FISHERS, UNIVERSITY, GUERIN CATHOLIC, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN

From Guerin to national spotlight

Quincy McMahon sets tone in NCAA women's soccer championship

By RICHIE HALL sports@readthereporter.com

It was one of the most remarkable comebacks ever made: The UCLA women's soccer team winning the 2022 national championship game on Dec. 5.

The Bruins trailed North Carolina by two goals late in the second half, but blasted back to tie the game, making up those goals in the final 10 minutes. UCLA then scored in overtime, and the national championship trophy was in the hands of the Bruins.

A Guerin Catholic star was part of the victory. Quincy McMahon, a 2021 graduate who led the Golden Eagles to two IHSAA state finals appearances, is now in the middle of her sophomore year at UCLA. McMahon was an integral part of the Bruins' run, helping the team to a 22-2-1 record and its second national championship; UCLA also won in 2013.

Overtime Experience

By the time the Bruins reached the national final game, they had become quite prepared when it came to overtime contests. UCLA beat Central Florida in a penalty-kick shootout in the Round of 32, then needed overtime to get past Virginia 2-1 in the quarter-finals.

That put the Bruins in the semi-finals, which were played at WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C. on Dec. 2. While she is a defender, McMahon got a chance to show that she is solid on offense during UCLA's na- The two teams had met



UCLA sophomore and Guerin Catholic graduate Quincy McMahon was one of the hardest-working women in college soccer during the 2022 NCAA tournament. McMahon played the entire game in the Bruins' final five contests of the tournament, culminating with a 3-2 comeback win over North Carolina in the national championship game.

The Bruins tied it up Maricarmen Reyes scored coaching change and the un- be successful on the field no а

tional semi-final game with Alabama.

McMahon assisted Reilyn Turner on the Bruins' first goal, then scored the second goal early in the second half. It was her second goal of the tournament, as McMahon scored second-half insurance а goal to put UCLA up 2-0 over Northwestern in the Bruins' Round of 16 game. (McMahon had three goals for UCLA during the season, also scoring during a regular-season contest with Washington on Oct. 30. Mc-Mahon also made six assists during the season.)

'Quincy brings endless hard work and humility to our group," said Bruins coach Margueritte Aozasa. "She is relentless in how she plays and her quiet determination drives us forward. On the field, she loves to go forward and join the attack, often creating problems for our opponents. In fact, she played a role in so many of our goals sometimes it felt like she was playing forward!"

"Of all the unbelievable players on UCLA, Quincy is a tone setter," said Guerin Catholic soccer coach Sean Yau, who coached McMahon during her senior season for the Golden Eagles. "She brings a work rate that has no peers in my opinion."

Yau said that since Mc-Mahon plays the left back position, her primary duty is to defend the opponent's "But what best player. makes her special is her attacking acumen on the left flank where she is so dangerous going 1v1 and providing an extra punch in the final third," he said. "There are not many individuals that can do that, and the ones that do, bring this confidence to their team that is so contagious and makes them all play at a high level. She is the ultimate team player. She just happens to do this on a National Championship team."

With the victory in the semis, the Bruins would take on the Tar Heels for the national championship.

during the regular season, with UCLA winning 2-1. Because of that, McMahon said the Bruins were aware made a header into the upof the depth of UNC's attacking line.

it is difficult to continue to defend when they are able to sub in new top-quality forwards every 20-30 minutes," said McMahon. "With that being said we understood how dangerous they were in both transition and attacking in wide spaces. To their credit in that game, they were brilliant going forward. With a team that good it was important nity and if we didn't score for our backline to understand that mistakes would But I also fully understood happen and that we could not dwell on those mistakes but instead move forward as a team and respond positively."

Flurry of Goals

the first half of the championship game. The Tar Heels broke through in the 59th minute with a goal by Avery Patterson, and she scored again in the 75th minute to put UNC ahead 2-0. The Bruins were down by a sizable margin, but they remained confident.

"I can confidently say that throughout the whole game, I don't think anyone on our team thought we were out of the game for good," said McMahon. "Throughout the course of the season, we had shown that we were capable of scoring multiple goals in under 10 minutes."

And that's what UCLA did. Lexi Wright got the Bruins on the board with a goal in the 80th minute, nailing a rebound shot after an initial attempt was stopped by the Tar Heels goalkeeper.

"This experience allowed us to stay confident and when we scored that goal in the 80th minute it solidified to all of us that the game was back in our control," said McMahon. "There was an extensive buildup to the corner. I felt that as a team those last 10 minutes we were super dangerous in the attacking third."

with I / seconds left in the game when Turner took an Ally Lemos corner kick and per left corner of the goal.

"For that reason, the "From a defensive side, corner just felt like another opportunity we had a good chance of putting away," said McMahon. UCLA outshot the Tar Heels 20-13 in the championship; McMahon made one shot during the game.

"In regard to that moment, I remember feeling oddly peaceful," said Mc-Mahon. "I understood that this was our last opportuwe would lose the game. that everyone on their team would give everything they could at that moment to score."

McMahon said that when Turner found the back Neither team scored in of the net, no one on the team was surprised. Instead, they were "excited that we would now have the opportunity to go win the game," she said.

> With the score 2-2, the game went to overtime, which consisted of two 10-minute periods with the teams switching goals after the first period. Neither team scored during the first overtime, but UCLA got it done in the second overtime, as

goal that was similar to the Bruins' first goal: Reyes put in a rebound shot that had been saved by the UNC goalkeeper.

with in the 107th minute of the game. There were still three minutes left to play, but UCLA held on for the win. One of the more compelling moments during that time was Reyes' emotion after she scored the game-winning goal.

season, we came together and decided what our core values would be," said McMahon. "These values are consistency, family, accountability, and trust."

And while those are all good values, McMahon said that "none of them could be accomplished without love. Most importantly love for the game and love for each other. Maricarmen is the perfect example of this and she was able to display to everyone the pure passion cultivate from our first practice together."

"For our team, it was not that we won a national championship that meant something to us," said Mc-Mahon. "Instead, it was the way we did it. For this team the last year hasn't petitiveness," said Aozasa. been easy, going through a She simply finds a way to See McMahon... Page 10

certainty of how that would go. Through everything that happened this team did it together and we did it fiercely with courage and love. So it Reyes scored her goal is not the championship title that meant the most for us, instead, it was showcasing to everyone the love, determination, and fight that we show each other every day and going after something we know we deserved."

All 110 Minutes

McMahon and her team-"As a group in the pre- mates definitely worked for that national championship. In fact, McMahon and four other UCLA players were on the field for all 110 minutes of the final. The other four were goalkeeper Lauren Brzykcy, defenders Lilly Reale and Jayden Perry and midfielder Madelyn Desiano.

"Quincy played consistent minutes for us all year but in our run to the championship it felt like we couldn't take her off the field," said Aozasa. McMaand love we all have tried to hon played the entire game in five of UCLA's post-season contests, from the Round of 32 all the way to the championship.

> "Not only does this allude to her commitment to her preparation and fitness, it also alludes to her com-

matter how tired she is.

"In a game of that caliber, emotions were high even days before kickoff," said McMahon. "In the offseason and during the season our coaches were very intentional in preparing us for both these emotions and the pressure of the moment. Coach Marg has always reminded us that we may bend but we will never break. I fully believe this ideology allowed us to not get overwhelmed when things weren't going our way but instead to own each moment and stay confident in each other.

"Additionally, from an on-field standpoint, we have practiced a million times in situations when we were either up or down a goal for any 10-minute period. During these training sessions, the coaches try to make things as chaotic and game-like as possible. Once the reality of the game turned into a goal with 10 minutes left as a team we knew we had been there before and were prepared to take it on."

Similarities

Before she got to UCLA, McMahon already knew about being part of successful teams. McMahon played

Want to build your dream home? Thinking The Dani Robinson about a land investment? What about difference a barndominium? Talk to Dani! • What's the market value of my home? • What is my process for buying a home? • Who should I call for home repairs/remodeling? How do I learn about building a new home? • Who should I call to refinance ANTATION ST. ANDERSON my home? • Who should I call when I have someone who wants to buy my home? lets alk 0 S CO RD 1000 W ANDERSON 317.407.6969 Talk DaniR@talktotucker.com Robinson DaniRobinsonHomes.com 企民 F.C. TUCKER COMPANY

Sports

Westfield wrestlers win Swimming-Royals fall to Zionsville in dual meet regular-season finale

The REPORTER

10

The Westfield wrestling team won its regular-season finale on Thursday, traveling to Harrison and toughing out a 37-36 dual meet victory.

The Raiders had recently won the North Central Conference championship and got early momentum due to their Senior Night, but the Shamrocks responded and took the lead, eventually winning eight matches. Hank Temples, wrestling at pare for the sectional, which 160 pounds, came back after giving up the first take- (Jan. 28) at Frankfort.

317-313-9599

down and got a decision win to give Westfield breathing room to solidify the win.

Four Shamrocks won matches by fall: Porter Temples (at 113), Jake Saez (at 132), Ike O'Neill (at 145) and Jonathan Tanner (at 220). In addition to Hank Temples, decision victories came from Keegan Carson (at 106), Chase Camire (at 126) and Eli Frei (at 195).

Westfield will now pretakes place next Saturday

As water reflects

a face, so a man's

heart reflects the

man. Prov. 27-19

The **REPORTER**

The Hamilton Southeastern swim teams were swept by Zionsville Thursday in a dual meet.

The Royals girls fell 97-89, winning five events. Audrey Crawford picked up two victories, in the individual medley and butterfly, while Ella Penny was first in diving. Southeastern also won the medley and 200 freestyle relays.

Royals The boys dropped a 120-63 dual. Gavin Tucker led a 1-2-3 sweep in diving.

GIRLS MEET

Team score: Zionsville 97, Hamilton Southeastern 89.

200 medley relay: 1. Southeastern "A" (Naomi Haines, Audrey Crawford, Lauren Bergman, Kiley Zoeller) 1:47.78, 3. Southeastern "B" (Grace Newton, Eloise Harri-

MCMAHON

son, Meghan Voelker, Izzy Waren) 1:55.77, 5. Southeastern "C" (Kelsey Graham, Jordan Daugherty, Juli Goss, Katelyn Kertin) 2:00.57.

200 freestyle: 3. Julia Kiley 2:02.34, 5. Mia Henderson 2:04.91, 6. Bergman 2:05.59.

200 individual medley: 1. Crawford 2:08.36, 3. Anna Stolle 2:11.45, 5. Kertin 2:13.73. 50 freestyle: 2. Zoeller 24.75, 3.

Ash Saple 24.84, 4. Ava Olson 25.91. One-meter diving: 1. Ella Pen-

ny 213.00, 5. Ava Cox 138.85, 6. Adriana Salgado 126.70. 100 butterfly: 1. Crawford 57.27, 3. Bergman 1:00.08, 5. Olson 1:02.10

100 freestyle: 2. Saple 55.07, 4. Zoeller 55.70, 6. Haines 56.94.

500 freestyle: 3. Voelker 5:32.05, 4. Kiley 5:35.30, 6. Waren 5:46.11. 200 freestyle relay: 1. South-

eastern "A" (Zoeller, Olson, Kertin, Saple) 1:40.18, 4. Southeastern "B" (Stolle, Henderson, Graham, Voelker) 1:45.42.

1:01.02, 3. Newton 1:02.51, 6. Graham 1:05.57.

100 breaststroke: 2. Stolle 1:08.04, 3. Kertin 1:08.73, 4. Harrison 1:10.53

400 freestyle relay: 2. Southeastern "A" (Crawford, Olson, Bergman, Saple) 3:42.39, 4. Southeastern "B" (Haines, Henderson, Harrison, Stolle) 3:53.37.

BOYS MEET

Team score: Zionsville 120, Hamilton Southeastern 63.

200 medley relay: 2. Southeastern "A" (Jihoon Jung, Collin Huston, Derek Robison, Justin Baccam) 1:39.90, 5. Southeastern "B" (Kruz Luhmann, Tristan Stivers, Alden Sealls, Camden Bailey) 1:50.74.

200 freestyle: 3. Jack Waren 1:48.68, 5. Daniel Harter 2:00.38, 6. Clayton Juffer 2:00.78.

200 individual medley: 2. Jung 2:01.39, 4. Huston 2:10.66, 6. Jason Hua 2:13.00.

50 freestyle: 4. Baccam 23.49,

100 backstroke: 2. Haines 5. Robison 23.54, 6. Alexander Carman 24.92.

One-meter diving: 1. Gavin Tucker 194.55, 2. Kaegan Johnson 167.25, 3. Troy Borrero 161.85.

100 butterfly: 3. Robison 54.86, 4. Hua 56.87, 6. Bailey 1:02.52.

100 freestyle: 3. Eli Pache 51.68, 5. Baccam 52.44, 6. Nolan Pugh 52.79.

500 freestyle: 2. Waren 5:06.55, 4. Juffer 5:20.74, 6. Harter 5:22.07. 200 freestyle relay: 2. South-

eastern "A" (Pache, Robison, Baccam, Waren) 1:33.86, 4. Southeastern "B" (Pugh, Luhmann, Juffer, Huston) 1:37.57.

100 backstroke: 3. Jung 55.24, 5. Luhmann 1:01.75, 6. Eric Joesten 1:02.17

100 breaststroke: 2. Pache 1:02.38, 4. Huston 1:02.80, 6. Stivers 1:07.69.

400 freestyle relay: 2. Southeastern "A" (Waren, Juffer, Pache, Jung) 3:27.70, 5. Southeastern "B" (Carman, Harter, Ethan Wahl, Pugh) 3:45.57

from Page 9



Photo provided

McMahon and the UCLA team were all smiles after their remarkable victory, coming back from a 2-0 deficit late in the second half to force overtime before the Bruins scored in the extra period to win.

freshman and senior years, a coaching change as well and helped the Golden Ea- as a culture shift similar to her to continue feeling that gles to Class 3A state runner-up finishes both times. During her sophomore and junior years, McMahon played for Valor Christian Eagles to the state finals.

what I experienced at UCLA this year."

Aozasa's first year as the bling for me as a coach." UCLA coach, this after High School in Highlands having a successful run at reasons for the similarities everyone understood that Ranch, Colo., leading the Stanford University for sev- between her experiences for we were capable of compet-McMahon said that national championships in school and the Bruins in would take both work and 2017 and 2019. Yau took over the Golden Eagles program during McMahon's sein 2020. she said. "At GC my senior her," said Yau. "We text each ly, and something I believe is championship.

other luck before games. For pride for Guerin Catholic while focusing on her UCLA The 2022 season was duties, is incredibly hum-

McMahon gave more

for Guerin Catholic in her year we had just undergone other regularly to wish each pivotal for a championship team is that everyone was bought into the same idea. At GC we knew we wanted to make it to a state championship and did everything we could to make that happen. Similarly, at UCLA en years, including a pair of the Golden Eagles in high ing for a national title and it sacrifice to get there." That hard work and sacgroups, we had a very strong rifice paid off for McMahon nior year at Guerin Catholic close-knit senior class that and her Bruins team, with was a great leadership exam- a memorable win to deliv-"I am incredibly proud of ple," said McMahon. "Last- er a well-deserved national

Joshua Herd Photographer joshuaherdphotography.com

kentgraham@sbcglobal.net kentgraham.photoshelter.com

kent graham images



Specializes in senior portraits family portraits, events/sports

317-670-4645 • jhjphotos@yahoo.com

SPORTS SCHEDULE

BOYS BASKETBALL Avon at Fishers, 7:30 p.m. Brebeuf Jesuit at Guerin Catholic, 7:30 p.m. Brownsburg at Westfield, 7:30 p.m. Carmel at Pike, 7:30 p.m. Hamilton Southeastern at Zionsville, 7:30 p.m. Noblesville at Franklin Central, 7:30 p.m. Sheridan at Delphi, 7:30 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL Brebeuf Jesuit at Guerin Catholic, 6 p.m. Brownsburg at Westfield, 6 p.m. Sheridan at Delphi, 6 p.m. Hamilton Southeastern at Zionsville, 6 p.m. Pike at Carmel, 7:30 p.m. Hamilton Heights at Hoosier Conference playoff third-place game, 8 p.m. at Lafayette Central Catholic SWIMMING Westfield at Crawfordsville Invitational diving, 5 p.m.

Carmel, Hamilton Southeastern at Warren Central Diving Invitational, 6 p.m. Fishers College Events Classic, 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 20

Saturday, Jan. 21 **BOYS BASKETBALL**

Tri-West at Westfield, 6:30 p.m. Brownsburg at Carmel, 7:30 p.m. Hamilton Heights at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m. Mount Vernon at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Franklin Central at Noblesville, 12:30 p.m. University at Lapel, 1:30 p.m. Fishers at Avon, 2:30 p.m.

GYMNASTICS Noblesville at Northwestern Invitational, 11 a.m. **SWIMMING**

Center Grove at Hamilton Heights, 10 a.m. Fishers Triple Dual (with Fort Wayne Carroll and Noblesville), 1 p.m. Circle City Conference meet, 3 p.m. at Perry Meridian WRESTLING Hoosier Heartland Conference meet, 9 a.m. at Clinton Central

> Sunday, Jan. 22 GIRLS BASKETBALL Sectional Pairings Draw, 5 p.m.

> Monday, Jan. 23 **GYMNASTICS** Westfield at Logansport, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 24 **BOYS BASKETBALL** Guerin Catholic at Liberty Christian, 7:30 p.m. Hagerstown at Hamilton Heights, 7:30 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL Clinton Central at Sheridan, 7 p.m. Ben Davis at Westfield, 7:30 p.m. Carmel at Cathedral, 7:30 p.m. Decatur Central at Guerin Catholic, 7:30 p.m. Hamilton Southeastern at Pike, 7:30 p.m. Heritage Christian at University, 7:30 p.m. Lawrence North at Fishers, 7:30 p.m. **SWIMMING** Guerin Catholic, University at Schools

with No Pools meet, 5:45 p.m. Hamilton Heights boys at Anderson, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 25 **BOYS BASKETBALL** University at Bishop Chatard, 7:30 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL Pendleton Heights at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m. Sheridan at Southmont, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 26 GIRLS BASKETBALL

Hamilton Heights at Heritage Christian, 7:30 p.m. Tri-West at University, 7:30 p.m.

Please email schedule changes or corrections to sports@readthereporter.com.

while the circumstances were "definitely different" when it came to Guerin Catholic and UCLA, "it is funny to realize the similarities between both teams,"

college.

"Additionally, for both



Thursday, Jan 19, Basketball

Upcoming Broadcasts

5:40 pm Horizon Christian vs Traders Pt | Girls Basketball | Indiana SRN 7:10 pm Center Grove vs Heritage Christian | Girls Varsity | Indiana SRN 7:10 pm Heritage Christian vs Chatard: City Tourny Rd 2 | Boys Varsity | Indiana SRN

Friday, Jan 20, Basketball

5:40 pm Brebeuf vs Guerin Catholic | Girls/Boys Varsity | Indiana SRN 6:00 pm Brownsburg at Westfield | Girls Varsity | HCTV Sports 6:00 pm Avon vs **Fishers** | Boys JV & Varsity | Fishers Sports Network 6:00 pm Delphi vs Sheridan | Girls/Boys Varsity | Bragg Sports Media 7:10 pm Lafayette CC vs Traders Pt | Boys Varsity | Indiana SRN 7:10 pm Park Tudor vs Bethesda Christian | Boys Varsity | Indiana SRN 7:10 pm North Decatur vs Morristown | Boys Varsity | Indiana SRN 7:30 pm Brownsburg at Westfield | Boys Varsity | HCTV Sports

Saturday, Jan 21, Basketball

Franklin Central vs **Noblesville** | Girls Junior Varsity | HCTV Sports 11 am 12:30 pm Franklin Central vs Noblesville | Girls Varsity | HCTV Sports 5:00 pm City Alliance Semi Finals (2 games) | Boys Basketball | Indiana SRN 6:00 pm Hamilton Heights vs Noblesville | Boys Junior Varsity | HCTV Sports 7:10 pm Oldenburg Academy vs Greenwood Christian | Boys Varsity | Indiana SRN 7:30 pm Hamilton Heights vs Noblesville | Boys Varsity | HCTV Sports

Wednesday, Jan 25, Basketball

6:00 pm Pendleton Heights vs **Noblesville** | Girls Junior Varsity | HCTV Sports 7:30 pm Pendleton Heights vs Noblesville | Girls Varsity | HCTV Sports

