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# Real heroes: Deputies Foote & Rumer save man from house fire

**The REPORTER**  
Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies Austin Rumer and Michael Foote last Thursday were awarded Medals of Honor for their actions during a house fire in the early morning on Dec. 7, 2022.

The Medal of Honor is presented to members of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office who, through an extraordinary effort, attempts to or contributes to the saving of a human life. Additionally, when death of the victim seems imminent, the member's actions significantly assist the life-saving effort.

Below is a briefing of the event that occurred early that morning.

On Dec. 7, 2022, Deputy Austin Rumer and Deputy Michael Foote received a dis-



Photo provided by Hamilton County Sheriff's Office  
**Deputy Michael Foote, Deputy Austin Rumer each received a Medal of Honor for their bravery in saving a life during a house fire last month. (From left) Chief Deputy John Lowes, Deputy Foote, Deputy Rumer, and Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush.**

patched call for a residence fire occurring in the 16000 block of East 196th Street. Upon their arrival, the structure was partially engulfed, with flames showing on the east exposure, the north exposure, and though the roof. A person nearby stat-


## A middle-of-the-night conversation

My eyes open. I reach over to my bedside table. I tap on the face of my phone to see the time ... 2:38 a.m. Ugh. I pull the covers up to my chin and I roll over. The open tabs in my brain are shuffling. And they are loud. I try to go back to sleep.

Another check of my phone ... 2:53.

Chuck is ever-so-quietly snoring. I hide under the covers so Chuck does not wake up and see the bright light of my phone. I open up the Holy Bible App. I'm starting a Bible Study in February on the book of Habakkuk. I know, like who reads Habakkuk? It's such an obscure book in the Old Testament. It's near the end of the OT between Nahum and Zephaniah. Yes, they are pretty obscure as well. Habakkuk has only three chapters. I read all three of them.

COLUMNIST



JANET HART LEONARD  
From the Hart

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# Noblesville Rotary pays for six kids at Ivy Tech this fall



Reporter photos  
The Rotary Club of Noblesville met for breakfast last 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](https://NoblesvilleRotaryClub.org).



Photo provided  
University High School student Vidhatri Iyer has developed a new field-based technique to rapidly detect nanoplastic pollution in water.

## University student changes game on tracking nanoplastic pollution in water

By STU CLAMPITT  
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Rapid identification of potential hotspots of nanoplastics contamination has been challenging due to a lack of field-based detection methods.

That is changing because Carmel resident and University High School freshman Vidhatri Iyer has developed a rapid field-based technique for detecting nanoplastics in water samples. She has been working with the Trico Regional Sewer Utility treatment facility to track nanoplastic load during waste treatment. She is monitoring nanoplastics in Marion and Hamilton counties' water streams which feed into the White River.

The Reporter spoke with her father, Chandrasekar Iyer, about her impressive work to help monitor water quality in a more

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# Westfield seeks artists for Quaker Park mural

**The REPORTER**  
The City of Westfield is seeking an artist or artists to design and paint original artwork at Quaker Park, 17501 Dartown Road. This mural location is on the north side of the facilities building. This is highly visible location that caters to families and includes amenities such as a splash pad, Midland Trace Trail access and pickleball courts.

The City is seeking an eye-popping mural designed with primary colors that also complements the mural already on the north side of the building. Artists are welcome to use Westfield's history, signature events and physical environment as inspiration, if they choose.

The deadline for submissions is 11:59 p.m. Eastern time



on Friday, Feb. 17.

**Eligibility**  
To be eligible to submit for this opportunity, artists must:

- Be able to meet all of the project requirements
- Be age 18 or over
- Be willing to meet all contractual obligations and adhere to a strict budget and timeline

• Carry personal liability insurance for the duration of the project (The City of Westfield, can provide a referral to an insurance provider, if needed)

**Questions**  
Contact: Kayla Arnold, Director of Westfield Welcome at [karnold@westfield.in.gov](mailto:karnold@westfield.in.gov) or (463) 214-1928.

Find more information at [tinyurl.com/WestfieldQuakerParkMural](https://tinyurl.com/WestfieldQuakerParkMural).

# Fishers Girl Scouts propose bill to help foster kids

**The REPORTER**  
Four Fishers Girl Scouts have proposed legislation for the Indiana General Assembly to provide free Indiana state park access for foster children and families (Senate Bill 151).

Girl Scout troop 1937 is working alongside State Senator Kyle Walker (R-Lawrence) to introduce the bill as part of earning their Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest honor Girl Scout Cadettes can earn (girls in grades 6 to 8).

The troop has done extensive and original research to understand the importance of recreation for foster children who often need multiple brief periods of recreation to heal

from traumatic life experiences. Interviews with foster parents in Indiana indicated that time in nature, hands-on and pretend play, and exercise are all therapeutic for children.

"The impressive young leaders of Girl Scout Troop 1937 turned their passion into action by presenting a well-researched proposal that we've turned into legislation to improve the lives of Indiana's foster youth," Sen. Walker said. "I look forward to continuing our work together as Senate Bill 151 is considered through the legislative process."

Because some children prefer to play and exercise indoors, the Girl Scout troop is also taking steps to



Photo provided  
Girl Scout troop 1937 is working alongside State Senator Kyle Walker to help foster children heal from traumatic life experiences.

help simplify the process for foster children and families to have reduced fee access to museums across the state. Almost 60 percent of foster parents surveyed had not tried to use the museum Access Pass program

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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.

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male and a juvenile male. Without hesitation, and without priority for their own safety, Deputies Rumer and Foote entered the residence. Working in heavy smoke, they assisted with a rapid primary search of the first floor. Deputy Rumer remained calm and collected, relaying entry team location information to responding units. Upstairs access was located, and again Deputy Rumer and Deputy Foote swiftly moved into the heat and smoke to continue the rescue effort. An adult male was found lying on the upstairs landing and Deputy

Rumer took control of him, ensuring his extrication from the structure. Deputy Rumer returned and pushed further into the upstairs, searching for additional occupants with Deputy Foote. The team found the eastern-most room of the second floor to be completely choked with smoke and flame. Deputy Rumer moved into a safety position within the room to ensure contact with the other team member and visual/tactile contact with the room exit. After the room was declared to be clear, Deputy Rumer directed the departure with competence

and a remarkable memory for the convoluted path to the exit. On this occasion, Deputy Rumer and Deputy Foote performed beyond the call of duty, without regard for their own safety, where the outcome of the situation would have reasonably resulted in the loss of human life or serious bodily injury, in an environment of obstacles, smoke, and fire; and where there was ample opportunity for them to consider the risk of action before and during the event. Congratulations on a job well done.

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 last Tuesday. 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  
• Established the Hamilton 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.  
Due to his involvement and 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  
• SAFER Grants  
• Fire OPS 101  
• MFA  
Thank you to Local 4416 President Emeritus Murray for his years of professionalism and dedicated service to the Hamilton County Professional Fire Fighters. Murray will now serve as President of Professional Firefighters Union of Indiana, and he will continue to serve on the Local 4416 Board. Learn more about Local 4416 at [local.iaff.org/local4416](http://local.iaff.org/local4416).

\$25K donation will help protect local children from exploitation



Photo provided by Fishers Police Department / Facebook  
kNot Today Foundation and the Fishers Police Department-based Hamilton County Metropolitan Child Exploitation Task Force continue their partnership in protecting children and pursuing criminals engaged in child exploitation. Recently, members of kNot Today presented Fishers Chief of Police Ed Gebhart with a donation of \$25,000. This money will assist in the purchase of a Cyber Crime Forensic Vehicle, which will provide investigators a safe and secure location to conduct digital forensics and interviews. The Task Force will share more detailed information about the vehicle once it has been purchased and placed into service. To learn more about kNot Today and the fight against sexual abuse, exploitation, and trafficking of children, visit [kNotToday.org](http://kNotToday.org).

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because either they didn't know about it, or the application process was considered cumbersome. "Access to community resources, like our state parks, is one small way we can support families and youth impacted by foster care," said Foster Success President and CEO Maggie Stevens. "It has been wonderful to see this group of young women identify a need in our community, conduct research to better

understand that situation, and thoughtfully work with community leaders and partners to identify solutions and move them forward." The troop was inspired to advocate for foster children through their volunteer work at Turn Away No Longer, an organization that provides needed items to foster children. If you are or know of a foster care family in Indiana, additional resources are listed at [tinyurl.com/INFosterResources](http://tinyurl.com/INFosterResources).

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# Rev. Jody Brown named Husky Hero

## Get ‘em while they’re hot!

**The REPORTER**

Reverend Jody Brown, a Bus Driver for Hamilton Heights School Corporation, has been named as a Husky Hero for December 2022.

Rev. Brown, who is affectionately known as Jody to most everyone, received several nominations for his caring disposition, dedication, and natural connection with students he transports to and from school, sporting events, and field trips.

“As we all know, getting kids out the door in the morning can be overwhelming,” said Lindsay Becker. “Mr. Jody has always been a warm, welcome smile on the hurried days to the bus (and the non-hurried too). I never had to worry that we would miss the bus because he’d always give us some grace if we weren’t out there ready and waiting. As a parent that takes off a lot of stress. Plus, my kids love Mr. Jody. My youngest son said, ‘he’s funny’ and my oldest son said, ‘he’s kind and always says hi and he loves our dog.’ Though some may see his job as a small sliver of a child’s day; I see the importance of what he does and appreciate that he gets our kids started on the right foot to be successful each and every day through his gentle and kind spirit.”

Brittany Kincaid said, “He’s the best bus driver, and such a great person in our community!”

Megan Bishop said Mr. Brown is an amazing member

of the Hamilton Heights community.

“On Nov. 15, I watched him pick up my kids for school, drive to the Children’s Museum for the second-grade field trip, drop the kids back off after school, and then transport the sixth-grade boys to their basketball game in Lapel,” Bishop said, “meaning a 5:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. day for him followed by a 5:30 a.m. wake-up call the next day. On top of that, he is kind and gentle with the kids and genuinely cares for them. We appreciate him!”

“Jody is our bus driver, and he has been so incredibly kind to my son!” said an appreciative Kelsey Morgan. “My son has had a rough year, but Jody always seems to make his morning and night a little bit brighter! We truly appreciate the kindness he shines through the kids.”

“It goes without saying that I was very surprised and humbled to be selected as a Husky Hero,” Brown said upon receiving the recognition. “It is such an honor for me and I’m very grateful. Probably the greatest joy I get driving a school bus is the relationships I have with the students and with their parents. We have a sign at the transportation office that reads: ‘We transport precious cargo.’ This is how I see my role as a bus driver knowing parents depend on me to transport their most valued possessions: their children. Every one of our bus drivers



Photo provided

**Rev. Jody Brown, Pastor of the Atlanta Christian Church, Veteran of the United States Army, and bus driver for Hamilton Heights School Corporation since 2017, was selected as a Husky Hero for the month of December. (From left) Melissa Martin of the Hamilton Heights Education Foundation, Rev. Jody Brown, and Amber and Craig Bowen of F.C. Tucker.**

at Hamilton Heights share the same sentiment as I and it’s a privilege to be part of the transportation team.”

Congratulations to the Hamilton Heights December Husky Hero. Thank you, Rev. Brown, for making a difference for those around you and being a Husky Hero. Thank you to Amber and Craig Bowen (F.C. Tucker Company), for being heroes for Hamilton Heights by championing this special program.

**About the Husky Hero Award**

The monthly award is designed to recognize a Hamilton Heights School Corporation employee for performing an

act of kindness, or going above and beyond for a student, fellow staff member, or the community. Any staff member employed by the district is eligible to be recognized and can be nominated by anyone on or off campus. The Husky Hero recipient will be presented with a certificate and a monetary donation of \$250 in appreciation for their making a meaningful impact.

Nominate a Husky Hero today or learn more about this special recognition program at [bit.ly/hhchuskyhero](http://bit.ly/hhchuskyhero). Thank you, Craig and Amber Bowen for being heroes for Hamilton Heights by championing this special program.

**Submitted**

All the Earth, Wind & Fire songs you know and love are on the playlist on Saturday, Jan. 28 when Carmel Symphony Orchestra (CSO) under Artistic Director Janna Hymes presents *Serpentine Fire: The Music of Earth, Wind & Fire*.

You will want to be at the Palladium when CSO and the hottest vocal and instrumental talents direct from Las Vegas team up for this dynamic celebration of everyone’s favorite Rock & Roll Hall of Famers.

Tickets start at just \$25, and are available now at the Palladium Fifth Third Bank Box Office , by calling (317) 843-3800 or at [tinyurl.com/CSOJan23Pops](http://tinyurl.com/CSOJan23Pops). Get your tickets today and let’s groove at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28.

**Time for Family Fun**

CSO welcomes Carmel High School Director of Orchestras Thomas Chen on Sunday, Jan. 29 as Guest Conductor of the annual Family Fun Concert.

The 3 p.m. performance includes music from *Pirates of the Caribbean*, *Coco*, *Frozen* and more. Youngsters in the audience will be invited to join the musicians on stage during the performance, and afterwards the kids will love the “instrument petting zoo.”

Family Fun tickets are family-friendly priced: just \$5 per kids, \$17.50 per adults – available now at the Palladium Fifth Third Bank Box Office, by calling (317) 843-3800 or at [tinyurl.com/CSOFamilyFun2023](http://tinyurl.com/CSOFamilyFun2023).

## Cut loose with *Footloose* at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre

**The REPORTER**

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre cuts loose this February with *Footloose*, the explosive movie musical. Nominated for four Tony Awards, *Footloose* is the story of a big-city kid who shakes things up when he

comes to a small town.

Ren McCormack is a rebellious teenager from Chicago. When he and his mother move to rural Bounton, Ren learns dancing is banned by law, and the town minister Rev. Shaw Moore thinks rock and roll music is

## County awards grants to 12 not-for-profit local organizations

**The REPORTER**

The Hamilton County Commissioners and Councilors have awarded 12 not-for-profit organizations more than \$750,000 in support for 2023. These funds are in addition to contract services already provided to the county by organizations like Janus, the Humane Society for Hamilton County, and Cherish Center.

“The county is proud to be able to support many of our not-for-profit organizations,” County Council member Sue Maki said. “While we could not fund all organizations or always fund to the amount requested, we do believe we used the taxpayers’ money to make the greatest impact on Hamilton County residents.”

The grant program is intended to furnish funding to organizations that provide services in furtherance of county goals and without the providing of these services the county may need to



Maki

consider the development of such programming.

The largest grant, \$180,000, was awarded to Prevail, Inc. to help provide crisis intervention and support services for survivors of crime and abuse. PrimeLife Enrichment, an agency that provides programs and services to support senior citizens has been awarded \$100,000. And \$90,000 was approved to fund mental health initiatives for underinsured and uninsured students in Hamilton County’s six school districts through their youth assistance and education foundation programs.

Grant applications for not-for-profit funding in 2024 will be due in June. Awards are provided based on application score and funding available. Complete information, including eligibility criteria, can be found at [tinyurl.com/HamCoNon-ProfitGrants](http://tinyurl.com/HamCoNon-ProfitGrants).

## 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 [westfelddemocrats@gmail.com](mailto:westfelddemocrats@gmail.com).**

## NANOPLASTICS

efficient way than has ever been possible.

“Since sixth grade, my daughter has been working with scientists at the Tri-Co Regional Sewer Facility, which processes all out sewage and purifies the water,” Iyer told The Reporter. “Plastics are used widely. Macroplastics like bottles are easy to pick it up. But what also happens is that plastics degrade over time because of many factors. They get broken down into microscopic particles and that gets mixed into water streams and the soil. The question is how do you really monitor that?”

When Vidhatri Iyer talked to scientists at TriCo, she learned that the current technology requires hundreds of thousands of dollars in equipment to test for microplastic contamination. The test involves sending samples to a lab that has the required testing equipment and waiting approximately 10 days for a result to be returned. That process prevents routine, short-term testing.

“She worked with a company in California to develop an instrument that can read nanoplastics in a one-step method,” Iyer said. “Basically she would filter the water and add a dye. In 10 minutes it reads out the presence of these nanoplastics. Why would that be important? These nanoplastics are so abundant that we knew it was there, but there was no way to measure it [affordably and quickly]. The good news is that once the water leaves the water treatment plant, these nanoplastics are way below the detection level.”

Vidhatri Iyer used her new technology to track the levels of nanoplastics in the water supply over six months in the sewage treatment facility to determine the quality of current water treatment.

She has also worked with the Marion County Water Department, which has volunteers who take water samples to monitor quality across central Indiana. Her tests show nanoplastics

Organization	Amount Granted
Prevail	\$180,000
PrimeLife Enrichment	\$100,000
Hamilton County Education Foundations	\$90,000
Shepherd Center	\$75,000
Good Samaritan	\$60,000
Trinity Free Clinic	\$51,564
Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank	\$50,000
Family Promise of Hamilton County	\$45,000
Heart & Soul Clinic	\$35,000
Indiana Center for the Prevention of Youth Abuse & Suicide	\$30,000
Hope Family Center	\$20,000
Meals on Wheels	\$10,000
Connor Prairie Museum	\$7,500

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# Westfield Kiwanis give \$20K for new library construction



Photo provided by Kiwanis Club of Westfield

The Kiwanis Club of Westfield presented a \$20,000 check to the Westfield Library Foundation last Tuesday during the Club's monthly meeting. The donation supports the new library building's lactation room, which is a natural fit with the mission of Kiwanis to uplift all children and families within its reach. Are you interested in joining Kiwanis? Please email [kiwaniswestfield@gmail.com](mailto:kiwaniswestfield@gmail.com) for more information.

# Noblesville's own Bethany Robinson named Indiana Music Educator of the Year

**The REPORTER**

Noblesville Schools has announced that Noblesville High School's (NHS) jazz director and assistant band director Bethany Robinson has been named the Outstanding High School Music Educator of the Year by the Indiana Music Educators Association (IMEA).



Robinson

Robinson was presented with the honor on Jan. 13 during the Indiana All-State Jazz Ensemble Concert, which featured four of her student musicians performing in the top state honor band.

"Bethany has grown our jazz programming into the national powerhouse it is today through the commitment, expertise and passion she brings to her students and our school every day," NHS Principal Dr. Craig McCaffrey said. "Her reach and influence extend far beyond the Noblesville community and we're so proud and thankful to call her one of our own."

Robinson began teaching music in 2005 at Noblesville Schools and currently serves as the jazz band director and assistant band director at NHS. She is the chair of the National Association for Music Education Jazz Council and president of the Indiana Jazz Educators Association. She was named 2014 Indiana Jazz

Educator of the Year, 2015 Noblesville Schools Teacher of the Year and was a 2016 Indiana Teacher of the Year semi-finalist. She is a two-time national Grammy educator finalist, two-time Lilly Teacher Creativity Fellow and has served as the keynote speaker at multiple music conferences including the 2021 Australia National Band and Orchestra Conference. She was also named the Jazz Journalists Association Jazz Hero in 2022.

Robinson's top jazz ensemble placed second at the National Jazz Festival and was also named a two-time finalist for the Lincoln Center's Essentially Ellington Jazz Festival, landing one of the coveted 15 spots out of all the high school jazz bands in North America.

She is a YAMAHA Performing Artist, and an avid performer on upright bass, electric bass, and vocals throughout the United States.

# Words will never hurt me

Most of us are familiar with the old rhyme "Sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me."

While many of us may have been told that growing up, we now know that words in fact can hurt. Words can be used to bully those that we do not like and want to hurt. Words can also be used to create divisions among different groups.

During the public comment section of the January Noblesville school board meeting, a parent once again told the board of an incident in which words were used against a student to hurt and divide. This was not the first time that a parent has addressed the board to tell them of a bullying situation at a



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MELBA KISER

Noblesville school.

I can attest that in the last year, I have personally been informed by other students about incidents in which they have been the victim of bullying and harassment in our schools. It has to be said that this use of words came from other students and not from teachers. While bullying is nothing new, and it is certain to continue at some level in the future even with laws and policies that try to minimize it, cell phones and the internet have made bullying and harassment much easier to do and more dangerous to the mental and emotional well-being of our children.

The Noblesville school board has a policy in place to address bullying preven-

tion in the schools, policy # po5517.01. Covered in the policy are the expectations of positive behavior, encouraging students to report any incidents, requiring staff to report an incident, providing parental notification, and more.

Now, enter the General Assembly to the rescue.

In this new legislative session, there is a Senate bill, SB142, which requires the Indiana Department of Education to develop curricula on internet safety no later than July 1, 2024. It is noteworthy that the proposed bill requires that the curricula should be different for elementary school students and high school students. The curricula are to include sections on thinking critically, acting ethically, cyberbullying, promotion of dangerous behavior directed at the stu-

dent, and practicing cybersecurity. This bill has already had the first reading and has been assigned to the Senate Committee on Education and Career Development.

The last two years have put additional stress on our kids and occurrences of anxiety and depression have increased significantly. It has become increasingly important to address instances of bullying and harassment. As I stated earlier, while no law or policy can prevent bullying or harassment, we can hope that continued stress on the expectations of ethical behavior in the treatment of others and reacting appropriately when you see unethical behavior can lead to a continued decline in the incidence of bullying and harassment.

Read the bill at [iga.in.gov/legislative/2023/bills/senate/142](https://iga.in.gov/legislative/2023/bills/senate/142).

# One sip away from insanity

I'm one sip away from insanity and coffee is the one thing that makes me not lose my everlasting piece of mind.

I recently bought a Nespresso machine since I've been a night shift worker for almost two years now, and I have to admit: if the Nespresso machine were to take its last breath anytime soon, I'd be sure to provide it a proper burial and might dig a six-foot hole right next to it.

I'm sure I'm not the only one who feels this passionate about the brown liquid that awakens the brain cells and gives us reason to live. (Yeah yeah, I'm sure maybe your family or friends might give



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SYDNEY SCHMITT

Coffee Chat

you reason to live, but if I'm being completely honest, it's the coffee that helps get me to the point of being able to tolerate the family and friends that are worth living for.)

I started my coffee journey during my junior year of college at the University of Southern Indiana in 2018. At the time I wasn't addicted to the caffeine found nestled at coffee shops, but rather, I was addicted to the warmth and open arms, the solitude, and the training of teaching my brain how to slow down the constant thinking process it gets wrapped up in.

I used to take my backpack to a local coffee shop

that no longer exists (R.I.P. to Whiteswan on Franklin Street in Evansville, Ind.) and I used to study, read, and people watch.

At the time, I had failed nursing school and was a lost soul and found myself wandering at least once a week to my safe haven. The owners don't know this, but Whiteswan was one of the only things I looked forward to back then. That coffee shop was my one constant and true companion, and it might be odd to find that in a building, but to me, that building became a second home away from my Ireland, Ind., home.

From my journey from Ireland to Evansville and then to Old Hickory, Tenn., and now to Noblesville, the constant has remained: I want to discover each and every coffee

shop close to me. I want to try the bold and the bitter, the sweet and the smooth, the dirty and delicate.

So, let the chapters begin and let the book be written. Join me in my journey of discovering local coffee shops of Hamilton County.

Do you have a local favorite coffee shop in Hamilton County I should try? Know of a coffee shop that has a unique experience like no other coffee shop around? Have a favorite menu item you think I should try? I'm all ears and ready for the adventure.

*Sydney Schmitt is a self-proclaimed coffee addict who is a new resident of Noblesville. She can be reached at [sydneyschmitt@gmail.com](mailto:sydneyschmitt@gmail.com). She'd love to hear from you and what coffee shops she should try!*

# FOOTLOOSE

Paradise," and "Let's Hear It for The Boy." The stage musical combines the best-selling score with dynamic new songs in a celebration of the exhilaration of youth, the wisdom of listening to one another, and the power of forgiveness.

Daniel Alan Dipinto makes his Beef & Boards debut as Ren in the Beef & Boards production, while

Sharaé Moultrie stars as the minister's daughter, Ariel. Shelbi Berry (*The Addams Family*, *Honky Tonk Angels*, *Hello, Dolly!*) is Rusty, while Noah Nehemiah Robinson makes his Beef & Boards debut as Willard. Eddie Curry reprises his role as the uptight town minister, Rev. Shaw Moore. The show is directed by Heather Patterson King, with chore-

ography by Doug King and musical direction by Kristy Tempel.

*Footloose* is on stage for 50 performances through March 26 in the intimate space of Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Tickets range from \$52.50 to \$79.50 and include Chef Larry Stoops' dinner buffet and select beverages.

To purchase tickets on-

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# NOBLESVILLE SCHOOLS Board Highlights

Jan. 10, 2023 Meeting

## Submitted by Noblesville Schools

The school board has responsibility for major district functions including school district governance and oversight, setting school policies, approving funding, strategic planning, and hiring and evaluating the superintendent.

- New member Misti Ray and returning member Joe Forgey took their oaths of office and committee assignments were made (See [noblesvilleschools.org/Page/8015](https://noblesvilleschools.org/Page/8015)).

- The board was organized as follows: President Forgey, Vice President Christi Crosser and Secretary Stephanie Lambert. Alerding was named president of the finance board and Ray was named secretary of the finance board.

- A memorandum of understanding between Noblesville Schools and J. Everett Light Career Center was approved for the 2023-2024 school year to ensure continued access to several student workforce development certifications.

- The Noblesville High School athletic expansion project (\$14.8 million) was approved by a vote of 3 to 2, with Alerding and Ray voting against the project. Ray stated that while she supports athletics, she did not think the time was right for this project. CFO David Hortemiller stated that the project has come in below budget and construction will now begin soon. The project is funded through a bond with no use of referendum or classroom dollars and no increase to the tax rate. The expansion provides additional athletic and wellness space at NHS to accommodate student needs and creates the opportunity for future planned performing arts and STEM expansions.

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# The future of the Marvel Cinematic Universe

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

The Marvel Cinematic Universe, otherwise known as the MCU, is a saga of comic book films that are all intertwined and connected with each other. This Cinematic Universe began all the way back in 2008 with the widely popular release of *Iron Man*, a film that was highly successful both critically and commercially. That film is what sparked the massive trend of connecting super-



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hero movies and making them into massive spectacles for audiences all over the world. Over the past decade, the MCU has continued to release film after film. Each movie builds up toward a major event that is crucial in the sequencing of this cinematic universe. That's why the directors and producers of these films have created a template that specifies what movies will be released, when they will be released, and in what order they will be released. These templates which showcase the films are separated into what is known

as phases. The MCU recently ended Phase 4 with the release of *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*. The reason why this is so important is because Phase 4 of the Marvel Cinematic Universe marked the beginning of a new era, an era where most of the major stars and actors of this past decade are saying goodbye to some of their most famous and memorable characters while new actors and actresses are being introduced as new characters. This shift in stellar cast members has been a rough transition for longtime fanatics of the franchise. The Marvel Cinematic Universe has been dominating the film industry

since its inception. It's been considered by many to be the best film universe of all time, but with the recent backlash it's been receiving it's worrying to see. Is the MCU failing to be as successful as it used to be? Why has the reception of this new era been so inadequate? Has the MCU lost direction or is it the lack of quality compared to past projects? Many fans claim that the problem seems to be both. This has unfortunately led to a decline in interest despite the ludicrous success in box office revenue. However, despite this sudden shift in opinion, the future of this Cinematic Universe seems to be safe and it doesn't seem to be stopping anytime soon.

If anything, the last entry in Phase 4 (*Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*) proved that the MCU is still a master at diversity and that it can perfectly infuse spectacle with serious themes of loss, grief and growth. The major praise and positive reception the film has received proved that despite a sudden struggle, the MCU is still very well ahead of its time and competitors as it seems to know what it wants and how to get there. On Feb. 17, 2023, the MCU's Phase 5 will begin with the release of *Ant-Man 3* which promises to deliver on thrills, fun, and the perfect dosage of spectacle in order to build up for future titles, which seems promis-

ing and certain to be something special despite being something new. 2022 was an unusual year for the franchise: it's been clear that fans have been reminiscing on the older days when the MCU was in its prime, and that's no one's fault. However, with the recent success of *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*, and the promising future of these next few years, fans should be excited as they look forward to what the Marvel Cinematic Universe has in store. It's easy to get lost in what already happened and to reminisce on the amazing events fans have witnessed, but it's not worth neglecting all the amazing things the future has for us.

# Budget, education, health care top priority list this session

Law makers recently returned to the Statehouse for the start of the 2023 legislative session, which runs through the end of April. This year I'll be focused on issues that matter to all of us like ensuring Indiana remains fiscally responsible, addressing health care costs and increased educational opportunities for all. First and foremost, lawmakers will look to pass the state's next two-year budget that funds critical services, invests in Hoosiers and keeps our state moving forward. Indiana has a strong reputation for not spending more than we take in and we're commit-



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DONNA SCHAUBLEY  
State Representative

ted to maintaining fiscal responsibility. We expect the budget will include increased support for the state's mental health providers and programs, and resources for low-income women and children, and another record investment in K-12 education. After talking with families and employers, it's clear Indiana must do more to expand work-based learning, apprenticeship and internship opportunities in high schools. Regardless of whether a student wants to pursue a two- or four-year degree, or start working after graduation, we need to ensure they're given the tools to

be successful no matter what path they choose. That's why I support legislation, House Bill 1002, to allow quality, work-based learning to count toward high school graduation requirements and create a framework for students to earn a post-secondary credential before graduation. These hands-on experiences are important tools to grow the state's workforce and prepare young Hoosiers for the job opportunities of today. One of the top concerns I hear from constituents and local employers is the rising cost of health care, and they're right to be frustrated. This session, I authored House Bill 1004 to lower patient and employer costs by increasing competition among insurers and hospi-

tals, supporting independent physicians and incentivizing hospitals to lower prices. I look forward to continuing discussions with my House colleagues and all stakeholders on this complex and critical issue. As the legislative session moves forward, I'll continue providing updates on what's happening at the Statehouse, and I encourage you to sign up to receive my e-newsletters by visiting [in.gov/h24](https://www.in.gov/h24). You can also reach out with questions or input on these topics and others by contacting me at [h24@iga.in.gov](mailto:h24@iga.in.gov) or by calling (317) 232-9833. State Rep. Donna Schaubley (R-Carmel) represents House District 24, which includes portions of Boone and Hamilton counties.

# In the trenches of the war on local hunger

Hunger is a cruel battleground. Those in the fight usually don't choose to be in this struggle. Battles are waged in silence, embarrassment, solitude, and fear. Dads who are afraid to be seen as a failure to their families. Moms who are managing a household, nutrition, and work. Seniors faced with impossible choices of food or warmth, food or medicine, and food or rent. Homeless and friendless neighbors panicked to get survival nutrition. Singles trying to make their way in a world with tough economic conditions. Families who simply run out of money before running out of week. There is no embarrassment in needing help and there is no shame in receiving it. I have been there. This war isn't likely to ever be completely won. Yet we fight. We fight not only because it's the right thing to do, but we also fight because it's who we are. No one need go hungry. As a community we are an army of sorts, committed to putting food in as many hungry neighbors' hands as we can. In the trenches, it's a sad unspoken truth that we can't help all the hungry neighbors in need, but we can help the next one, and then the one after that and the one after that. Such is the battleground and the nature of the fight. We are extremely fortunate to have passionate, skilled volunteers join us. Their selfless service to others is only outshined by their humility. They are serving hundreds of people who will never know who they are. In the trenches, food prices have increased over 10 percent in the last 12 months. Fixed income from Social Security is increasing this year by roughly 8 percent. Our neighbors who have relied on SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) lost their emergency COVID allotments last year. Forty-seven percent of SNAP households also receive Social Security benefits, and those families will see their SNAP benefits reduced due to the Social Security increase. The hard truth is that many neighbors' ability to



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MARK HALL  
The Feeding Team Feature

purchase food has fallen and is worse than one year ago.<sup>1</sup> Current data reports 44,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County. Welcome to the trenches of the war on hunger. The circumstances that place people in the battle are none of my business. Helping those in the battle is the business of Feeding Team: Take What you Need, Give What you Can. \* \* \*

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**Facts**  
49 pantries  
10,000 meals in Nov. 2022  
Over 30 volunteer families

With over 44,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, [FeedingTeam.org](https://www.feedingteam.org) is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides outdoor 24/7/365 no-questions-asked free food pantries throughout the county. The pantries exist to meet the food insecurity needs of gap families, neighbors who may not qualify for public assistance and could use a few meals before payday. The pantries serve as many food-challenged neighbors as possible, and our hearts are with those who, like my family, could not always make ends meet. Thank you for supporting the pantries. We love serving with so many neighbors across Hamilton County. In future columns, we will share more stories about how your generosity served neighbors in times of need. The face of hunger in Hamilton County is not what you may think. In practical terms, this straightforward way to help neighbors is having real impact on lives, families, and our communities. Thank you. A few meals can change the course of a person's life. A can of green beans means so much more when you have nothing to feed your kids. Would you like to get involved? Volunteer opportunities are available. We are evaluating new pantry locations. If you think you have a potential location, please contact us. Mark and Lisa Hall are the Founders of Feeding Team. They may be reached at [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org) and [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org) or by calling (317) 832-1123.

<sup>1</sup> [usinflationcalculator.com/inflation/food-inflation-in-the-united-states](https://www.usinflationcalculator.com/inflation/food-inflation-in-the-united-states)

# Tom Kenley encourages more folks to get involved in local politics

I truly enjoyed my two terms as Noblesville Township Trustee and one term as a township board member. It was a rewarding experience for me personally and professionally to have had the opportunity to serve all the citizens of Noblesville Township. The reward was in helping common everyday low-income folks who qualified for a financial assistance need or just offering them good practical advice or a referral to another government agency or non-for-profit that may be able to help where we could not. I generally took time to discuss issues and offer possible solutions for clients who weren't too overly upset with my decision on the use of taxpayer-funded assistance. Denying assistance to a family or an individual is without question the most difficult part of being the



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TOM KENLEY

trustee. Unfortunately, you cannot always help everyone all the time or you wouldn't be doing job that you were elected to do. I always looked for reasons to approve before looking for a reason to deny. My devoted staff always did their best to help and guide people to solutions to their problems. I think they are a good model for how a trustee office should be run: people in need first and confidentiality of clients foremost. To my way of thinking, my best accomplishments were new programs to assist people at low cost, the establishment of two safe places to stay for township residents in dire need, and a two-year tax moratorium on the civil tax shown on the reverse of your property tax statement, while at the same time providing increased financial assistance to needy residents. We will always need a levy for fire protec-

tion and EMS services. A big thanks to all the churches, not-for-profits, civic organizations, the Noblesville Schools Education Foundation for assisting with the first-ever Noblesville Township Trustee Scholarship, and to all the good people who donated pantry items or to the township donation fund. I encourage anyone interested in serving the community to file for a public office before the Feb. 3, 2023, primary filing deadline. I've noticed many uncontested or unfilled-for seats remain as of this writing. These local offices are all very important. A choice of good candidates is important to our democracy and is necessary to keep voter interest high. I have consistently heard from younger people, who I will call 50 years or less, that too many office holders are also too old. That will never change without your active participation. Show your willingness to serve, come up with a few good ideas, remain friendly

to those who may not immediately accept you, and you might just win! And if you didn't win and learned something from the mistakes you may have made, you should file for the next election. I know of several people who have been successful on their second or third attempt. If you are not a young person and still honestly have the drive and energy to represent your constituents at a high level, you should consider running for office or running for re-election. My point is that we need more honest and well-meaning citizens willing to place their names on the local ballot. It's really the best thing for all of us. Tom Kenley was first elected as the Noblesville Township Trustee in November 2014. He announced his intention not to run again in December 2021. Noblesville Township's Trustee is now Theresa Caldwell, who won election this past November. For more information, go to [Noblesville-TownshipTrustee.com](https://www.noblesville-townshiptrustee.com).

## CONVERSATION

When I get to the 17th and 18th verses of the third chapter my heart starts racing and then it is at peace. It reads... *Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the field produces no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior. Habakkuk 3:17-18 NLT* If I had been up and moving, I would have done the Happy Day Dance. You see, my mind reads it, but my heart interprets it. The prayers about a certain circumstance that

I have been praying about for a long time, a really long time, have not been answered. There isn't even a bud of a promise that they will be. Not a smidgeon of a crop is evident. Not a sheep or a cow sighting anywhere. Nothing. YET! I love the word YET. I will be joyful. I can still do the Happy Day Dance. It is my choice to allow or not allow my circumstances or the people in my circumstances to rule over my emotions. Read that three times. I am only to bring my prayers to God, leave them with Him, and have faith that He will answer them ...

in His timing ... in His way. So, what if I never see my prayers answered? I can rest in my faith. It is in knowing who God is in my life because I have a history of seeing Him work in my life, that I can wait ... and even wait patiently. God only asks that I bring Him my hopes and then trust Him with them. I cannot control my circumstances. No amount of worrying or staying awake can do that. Believe me, I've tried. It is in knowing God, and that He is sovereign, that I can pull the covers up to my chin, turn over and go back to sleep. Ask. Hope. Trust. Wait.

from Page A1 Sleep. And so, I close the Holy Bible App. It's 3:27. The tabs in my brain have quieted. I have a few more hours to sleep and my faith will allow that to happen. I can truly sleep in heavenly peace. "Thank you, God, for giving me rest and thank you Habakkuk for reminding me who God is in my life. Goodnight, God." I hear in my heart, "Good night, Janet. Sleep well." Janet Hart Leonard can be contacted at [janet-hartleonard@gmail.com](mailto:janet-hartleonard@gmail.com) or followed on Facebook or Instagram (@janethartleonard). Visit [janethartleonard.com](https://www.janethartleonard.com).

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# What is truth? Let’s all get going, fast or slow, but don’t stop!

I heard a recent lecturer ask, “What is truth?” He remarked that Pilate had asked Jesus this very question. Society has been struggling with that question in the 2,000 years since.

Is it true that spending lowers inflation? President Biden articulates the answer is yes. In politics should a leader do what is necessary to maintain power, or should they focus on truth? Are there only male and female or is gender a human invention? Is abortion a constitutional right or the murder of an innocent human being?

The Stoics in Athens believed life was bad and you just had to tough it out. The Epicureans thought life was short and one should live it up. What is truth? In the 1890s, there was a time known as the Gay 90s, and later, of course, the Roaring 20s and the Free Sex 60s. The Gay 90s brought German rationalism.

“I think, therefore I am,” said Descartes.

The Old Testament was attacked as wrong, and truth was limited to the natural world. (Truth was only that which could be seen, heard, or observed.) The 1920s saw attacks on the New Testament and Nietzsche’s famous “God is dead” grew in popularity. What doesn’t kill me makes me stronger, etc. Of course, Nietzsche is thought to have died insane.

Remember the 60s? It’s been said if you remember the 60s, you weren’t there. Colleges seemed to take over thought patterns and created what is known as post-modern thought. Modernity began, roughly, with the French Revolution in 1789 and is generally thought to have ended in approximately 1989 with the fall of the Berlin Wall. During this time, Pol Pot, a Cambodian leader, studied truth in Paris and returned home to kill one-third of Cambodia’s 3 million people.

Postmodernism teaches us to distrust and deconstruct traditional institutions and conceptions. Also, the idea of pluralism came into vogue: what is true for me may not be true for you. Without a foundation, there



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**RAY ADLER**  
*Ask Adler*

can be no foundation for truth, which leads to radical inclusiveness of all ideas, whether good, bad, or evil.

All ideas are thought to have a place at the table. But ideas can be dangerous. Take

Russian leader Vladimir Putin. Does he have a place at the table of ideas or is he a criminal that should be rejected? Few people know all 31,102 verses in the Bible, but everyone can cite the verse that says not to judge. Of course, the Greek word used means do not condemn. The Bible obviously asks each of us to discern good and evil. What is truth?

Postmodern idea proponents and Evangelical Christians agree about truth in some areas. They both see errors in the liberal church. The Evangelicals see Jesus and the Bible as not negotiable. Both see that the Marxist view of economics does not work, and both reject Rene Descartes’ idea that there is no supernatural. Both reject Sigmund Freud’s psychoanalysis requiring someone to be blamed.

What should you do? Find truth. I was blind but now I see. I can change. This life is not all there is. There is a supernatural. Some say truth is found in Jesus. Like Pilate, I find no fault in Jesus.

P.S. My summa cum laude philosophy editor took issue with one of my statements. To his reading of Descartes, he did not reject the idea of the supernatural. His fifth Meditation was about bringing God back into the equation as the foundation of the truth that began in the First Meditation with the assertion “I think, therefore I am.” He thought Descartes snuck consciousness in the back door with “I think, therefore I am.” If one is doubting everything, that should include the existence of the self and his assertion would have been on firmer ground if it was something like “There is thought, therefore there is the existence of a thinker.”

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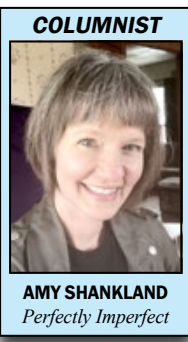
## Knowing medical history can save adoptees’ lives

*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



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**AMY SHANKLAND**  
*Perfectly Imperfect*

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

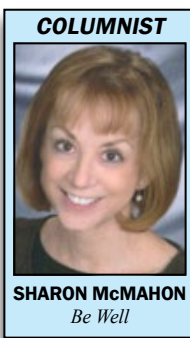
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*“It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.”*

– Confucius

I don’t know about you, but I do feel that I have slowed down a bit as I have entered my 70s . . . I tell myself that the changes are not there, but a dose of realism is needed once in a while! I do participate each day in stretching and flexibility movements in order to maintain balance which becomes ever more important as we move forward in time, and lift weights at least three times weekly.

Maybe it is just that I don’t begin my day as quickly or energetically as before, or that I have allowed myself more time to sit and read as well as catch up on some old movies and DVR items I had let go. Of course, in the winter months most of us do slow down



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**SHARON MCMAHON**  
*Be Well*

a bit, other than those of you who thrive on winter sports and activities! I am not one of those since I lost the opportunity to ice skate due to osteoporosis. I would LOVE to put on my skates again, but the

doctor advised against it as a hard fall on the ice could be a critical issue, sadly. I do, however, keep my baton handy and twirl outside when weather permits and inside in the room with the highest ceiling!

I often speak with those taking part in the fitness classes I teach and other friends who indicate that they just don’t bother trying to do much activity any more due to the fact that they cannot move the way they used to; flexibility and strength have waned. And YES, certainly our ability to move and stay strong does change as we age. Noted

## A new year with a new direction

Before we hit February may I still say – Happy New Year!

I have been absent from the Hamilton County Reporter for a few months. It was not due to the elections, holidays, COVID or a lack of engaging content! There are many things happening but because the DLGF (Department of Local Government Finance) is still reviewing the county’s 2023 budget, there are not a great many things the Council can act on. This process generally takes a few months, so we utilize this time to handle many of the ho-hum administrative duties, pay bills and make annual appointments. An update to those volunteer roles can be found at [tinyurl.com/HamCoAppts](http://tinyurl.com/HamCoAppts).

One big change for me at the January Council meeting was my election to serve as Council President. I accept this role with gratitude. As I step into my second term of service, I reflect on the positive things accomplished over the last decade and how we were able to wrap some of those up and move forward.



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**KEN ALEXANDER**  
*Council Minutes*

I hope to expand upon that list of accomplishments.

There are two items I would like to enact during my presidency.

The first change is making sure that the Council provides better descriptions of additional appropriations by having a member of Council provide a brief explanation of the project or activity that is requiring the additional appropriation.

The second change is to make this column in the Hamilton County Reporter be a voice of the President going forward. I think it is important that we establish an expectation to leadership to provide big picture thinking about activities underway where the Council is involved and most importantly – keep our constituents informed.

Government should always be looking to improve services and find opportunities to minimize financially impact. The Council has already been able to improve some processes such as the creation of the appointee portal which is slowly becoming the model for other counties

in the quote above, the important thing is that we do not STOP. If we do so, our muscles begin to atrophy, our joints become stiff and immovable, and our organs become more sluggish and prone to disease.

Aging is a journey we all take, certainly. Let’s get there in the best shape we can. Of course, many of us have indulged in goodies and food items that are best not included in a healthy eating plan, and like me many of us are just not as active as we usually have been in the past. SO – let’s get going, no matter how slowly we go. The important thing is that we do not STOP.

Along with that, let’s not stop working on our “mind fitness” by challenging ourselves to improve our minds through reading, playing games, and I might suggest writing as well. Publishing a book about my beloved dog, Sweetie, was a challenging and very rewarding experience. (An

upcoming book will highlight the life of my great-great-grandmother, a Native American who was adopted by a white couple when her mother was forced west on the Trail of Tears.) Write about what you know, what you love, or what you feel will be helpful for other people to learn and you will reap the benefits of a stronger and more flexible mind to go along with your stronger and more flexible body!

The important thing – don’t give up because our world has changed and placed obstacles where we could not have before imagined. Keep going . . . no matter if the going is a bit slower, just do it!

**Sharon McMahon, CNWC**

*The opinions expressed in this article are not intended to replace advice of your personal physician or licensed health professional. Please consult your physician for any issues you may have related to nutrition or fitness activity.*

makes our communities the most successful.

As we look at the next four months that precede our mayoral and municipal elections, keep that in mind and keep the vitriol out of the arguments. Differences of opinion are healthy, and if we all focus on community, we all win.

As with every meeting, you can watch recordings or live stream meetings from our YouTube channel ([tinyurl.com/y24bawh2](http://tinyurl.com/y24bawh2)).

If items mentioned above are of interest, please reach out to me or any member of the County Council. As always, I am thankful that the Hamilton County Reporter for publishing my Council updates and a special thanks to you, the readers and residents of Hamilton County, for reading it and being engaged in the discussion. Our county is better because of you all. I welcome your questions at [ken.alexander@hamilton-county.in.gov](mailto:ken.alexander@hamilton-county.in.gov).

*Ken Alexander is serving in his first term on the Hamilton County Council, representing District 4, which includes Adams and Washington townships, and part of Clay Township. He currently serves as the President of the County Council.*

## Red bird, red bird . . . what do you see?

A few years before my husband and I had our first child, we suffered two early miscarriages. The first loss was devastating; the second loss was terrifying. I truly did not know at that point if we were going to be faced with a series of repeat losses or if this was just one of those things.

In the midst of our grief, my husband wrote me a card and gave me a snow globe with a cardinal in it. He told me that cardinals are signs from loved ones that everything is going to turn out fine. He said he felt like it was a sign from my own father who has passed away letting us know that ultimately, we would be fine and have this family that we desperately begged God to give us. Eighteen months later I gave birth to our first child named Mary Leigh, and two years later, I gave birth to our second child Patrick, to whom we gave my father’s name.

Ever since we experienced these losses, we have developed a deep connection to cardinals and have



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**MEGAN RATHZ**  
*When Nature Speaks*

found great personal significance to them in our lives.

There is something striking about seeing a cardinal in the middle of a cold winter’s day. Cardinals have a remarkably distinct song. Unlike many other birds that migrate in the winter months, cardinals are non-migratory and stay around foraging for food in the winter months. You see cardinals in Indiana year-round. Often referred to as spiritual messengers, cardinals offer a bold pop of color in the long days of winter bringing with it new life and vibrancy amid the dreary days of winter.

I never take the sight of one for granted. Sometimes when I see one and point it out to my husband who may not have seen it before it flies to its next destination, he will tell me that it was intended for me that day. There are many accounts of people saying they have seen cardinals after the passing of loved ones, leaving them to believe that they are in some way delivering a message from those whom

we have loved and lost.

How can you attract these vibrant scarlet visitors to your own yard? Providing a place for cardinals to safely eat and live, along with a consistent food and water source, are going to be some of the best ways for you to have cardinals regularly frequent your backyard this winter.

According to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, “Cardinals will often seek refuge in shrubs, thickets and tall weeds during the cold winter months. Some of their favorite foods include pokeberry, poison ivy fruit, elm buds, box elder seeds, ragweed seeds, sunflower seeds, muskmelon seeds and corn.”

You will often see cardinals on the ground hopping around as they eat. A feeder is a great addition to your backyard if you are hoping to attract cardinals. A stationary feeder with a perch is ideal for cardinals. Providing a source of water for cardinals is also essential, especially during winter even if the water freezes when temperatures drop, they are able to use their beaks and obtain water. The best food sources for car-

dinals are sunflower seeds, particularly black sunflower seeds and safflower seeds. They also enjoy peanuts, berries, and cracked corn.

My daughter loves the book *Brown Bear, Brown Bear* by Bill Martin, Jr. One of the lines along with an illustration by Eric Carle of a cardinal in the book reads, “Red bird, red bird . . . what do you see?” I always wonder if these red birds realize what they mean to those who get to behold the sights of them. Do these birds understand how symbolic they are to so many people? Can you imagine being so special that the mere sight of you tells someone whom you do not even know that they are going to be fine?

I can only hope that for someone reading this who also relates to cardinals as spiritual messengers from loved ones visiting, that this will serve as a visit from one of those magical red birds. Whatever it is you are worried about – this is your sign that it is going to be fine. Nature is speaking to us. Are you listening?

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



# Westfield’s own Alyssa Shoemaker now lifetime member of National Society of Collegiate Scholars

## The REPORTER

Alyssa Shoemaker of Westfield has accepted an invitation of lifetime membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS), the nation’s leading certified honor society for high-achieving first- and second-year college students with a minimum grade-point average of 3.0. 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.” Founded in 1994 by



Shoemaker

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 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](https://nscs.org).

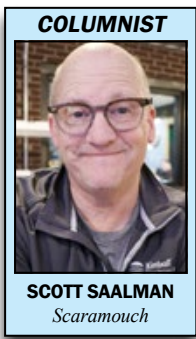
# Step aerobics in the time of COVID

At the pandemic’s onset, I quit the gym. In its place, I purchased a step platform so I could participate in a beginners’ aerobics fitness cardio class, featuring instructor Jenny Ford, via YouTube. In the safety of my own home, I soon learned about lift steps, knee lifts, arabesque lunges, V steps, side steps, the grapevine march, and various stretches.

Sometimes my cats joined in, tripping me up. Goat yoga is manageable – so I hear from my wife – but cat aerobics is not. I bet Jenny Ford, too, would struggle if cats were involved. It certainly would make for an interesting video.

I spent more time with Jenny Ford than with my own wife in COVID-19’s infancy. Brynne lived 2 ½ hours away. We were isolated from each other because she was a speech pathologist specializing in elder care. I didn’t want to unwittingly spread COVID to nursing home residents through her, nor did I want to catch, through her, COVID from them.

Daily, Jenny Ford streamed her way into my life for 30 sweat-filled minutes, via a video uploaded in 2014, which kept her eternally young and fit. At one point, forever young Jenny Ford commented, “I’m sweating.” Trust me, she was not sweating. She just wanted me to feel better about my own sweat that she had caused. She’s sweet like that about sweat. It was



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as if she could really see my sweat, that she was *really* with me in my living room. At first, I tried to keep up with Jenny Ford, mirror her every move, but it was impossible. She sustained a perpetual, peppy bounce, provided no pause to allow me to gulp water or kick away a cat. She merged seamlessly with each section of her routine. She was all legs and hips and arms and smiles, a marvel of momentum. My legs felt heavy, as if encased in buckets of concrete. I was destined to swim with the fishes – that or I was just an idiot who accidentally stepped into not one, but two, cement buckets. Her arm movements befuddled me, especially the one during side steps that resembled an archer gracefully plucking a bow’s string. To keep things safe, I kept my arms to my sides. She was grace; I was gristle. My hips resembled rigor mortis, lost any semblance of a swivel. Jenny Ford was the epitome of fluidity. I was the Tin Man in need of WD-40. At one point, she looked straight at me and asked, “Are you lifting?” How did she know I wasn’t breathing? What I needed was an AED. Jenny Ford’s beginner’s aerobics class was serious stuff. I longed for the gym where I was in charge of my own movements (as few as possible) and pace (do reps, check texts, do reps, play Wordle ...). In other words, a less taxing workout, a

workout without work. I improved with each jaunt with Jenny Ford, even mastered the grapevine march – not an easy task for someone robbed of rhythm at birth. The aches and pains lessened. I became drunk on step aerobics endorphins, like a cat intoxicated on catnip. I relied on Jenny Ford, not just for the workout, but also for her verbal affirmations deposited into my bank of self-esteem during social distancing. “Nice job!” she’d say. “Step ... knee ... down ... down ... Looking good!” “Up ... up ... down ... down ... nice job!” “Great job!” “You’ve got it!” I could do nothing wrong in Jenny Ford’s streaming eyes. Never had a woman spoken so kindly about my displays of basic physical effort. I looked forward to our arabesques, the most precarious of positions! Bending forward on one leg, I lunged and reached for Jenny Ford who was bent forward on one leg lunging and reaching for me. We faced each other in this very vulnerable pose, bonded by balance, defying gravity together – step aerobics in the time of COVID-19 – and I thought, “We got this!” The word clandestine came to mind. OK, I was reading way

too much into our synchronized arabesque lunges. Isolation makes for a lonely time. Out of guilt, perhaps, I confessed to Brynne about my daily 30-minute meetups with Jenny Ford. Brynne visited YouTube to size up “the other woman” I was spending time with. She responded, “Uh huh!” in that playfully accusing way of hers. It was much like the time when she found a Tupperware bowl in my cabinet that she’d hadn’t seen before. She examined the plastic bowl closely, as if it were actually one of my dress shirts with lipstick (not her color) on the collar. “Who is she?” she demanded. “The lid actually matches the bowl! Your lids never match.” I felt myself go pale. I stammered. I had no idea where that bowl with its tell-tale matching lid came from. Had someone planted it there? Had I hosted one hell of a wild Tupperware party and blacked out? “I bet you borrowed it from your Mom,” she reasoned, letting me off the hook. “I think you have a crush on Jenny Ford,” Brynne said over the phone once. She was joking, of course. My wife isn’t the jealous type. Lucky for me, she never witnessed our arabesques.

## Obituary

### Shannon Schneider

December 24, 1934 – January 19, 2023

Shannon Schneider, 88, Carmel, passed away on Thursday, January 19, 2023, at Sunrise on Old Meridian in Carmel. She was born on December 24, 1934, to Glen and Irene (Carlisle) Traw in Petersburg, Ind. Shannon graduated from Bosse High School in Evansville where she was the Homecoming Queen. She received an undergraduate degree from IU and a master’s degree in education from St. Francis University. Shannon was an educator for many years, teaching first-grade reading readiness for Fort Wayne Community Schools. She had a very strong faith and relationship with her Lord. Shannon was a member of and served as choir director for Bethany Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne for many years and was a member of Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne. She was a member of Bethel Lutheran Church of Noblesville and served as pianist. Shannon enjoyed playing golf and even got a hole-in-one! She was a big IU fan, especially of IU basketball. Shannon was a master bridge player and enjoyed card games. She was a member and leader of Golden Aires group. At Sunrise, Shannon enjoyed playing music for the residents. Her biggest accomplishment in life was being a loving mother to her four boys and family. She will be dearly missed. She is survived by her sons, Eric (Jeanne) Schneider, Kurt (Sally) Schneider, Linc (Lori) Schneider, and Bradd (Jill) Schneider; brother, C. Michael Traw; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, Shannon was preceded in death by her spouse, Robert George Schneider. Visitation will be from noon to 1 p.m., with a memorial service at 1 p.m., on Friday, January 27, 2023, at Bethel Lutheran Church, 20650 Cumberland Road, Noblesville. Pastor Doug Gast will officiate. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Bethel Lutheran Church Music Program, 20650 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46062 ([bethellutheran-church.com](mailto:bethellutheran-church.com)). Condolences: [randallroberts.com](https://randallroberts.com)

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## Obituaries

### 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](https://randallroberts.com)



### Frances Louise Snow

August 7, 1949 – January 15, 2023

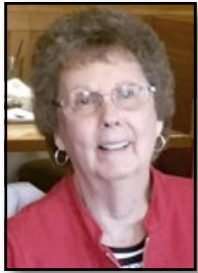
Frances Louise Snow, 73, Cicero, passed away unexpectedly on January 15, 2023, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born August 7, 1949, in Cawood, Ky., to Charlie and Roxie (Nolan) Helton. She attended schools in Cawood and graduated from James A. Cawood High School. She then furthered her education by taking business classes. She worked in hotel hospitality jobs and later worked at Maple Park Village. Frances attended United Family Wesleyan Church in Cicero. She loved Jesus Christ, her Savior and Friend and enjoyed reading her Bible. She also loved people and always tried to help others in need. She greatly loved her husband and family and was their mentor and guide. Her husband said she as the best partner in life and they had a wonderful life together. She was his “right hand,” best friend, soul mate, and loving wife. During leisure time she enjoyed Bingo, word puzzles, and card and board games. She married Evert G. Snow on December 10, 1971, who survives her. Additional survivors include a daughter, Tina R. Savasuk of Marietta, Ga.; sons, Evert L. Snow of Sheridan and Shawn G. Snow of Albuquerque, N.M.; brother, Gene Helton of Acworth, Ga.; sister, Dorothy “Dot” Helton of Cicero; and grandchildren, Conner, Tristan, Madison, Alaina, Braedon, Kaley, and Garrett. She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Esta Mae Griffin, Mildred Chaney, Peggy Harris, and Margie Rolfes; brothers, Charles Helton, Thomas Helton, and Billy Joe Helton; and a grandson, Chase Savasuk. Private family time, visitation, and funeral services were held on Friday, January 20, 2023, at United Family Wesleyan Church, 210 Washington Ave., Cicero. Hartley Funeral Home Cicero Chapel is entrusted with Mrs. Snow’s services. You may send condolences at [hartleyfuneralhomes.com](https://hartleyfuneralhomes.com).



### Rosemary Curnutt

May 23, 1931 – January 14, 2023

Rosemary Curnutt, 91, Arcadia, passed away on Saturday, January 14, 2023, at Indiana University Health in Tipton after a brief illness. She was born on May 23, 1931, in Stinesville, Ind., to Floyd and Mable (West) Farr. She graduated from Fishers High School in 1949. Rosemary wed Jay Curnutt on February 15, 1952, and they were married for 71 years. In addition to being a beloved mother of three children, Rosemary worked as a bank teller for Hamilton County Bank for 20 years. After her years as bank teller, she worked for Cicero Chamber of Commerce until she retired and spent her time being a grandma. Rosemary was an avid IU basketball fan and would never miss a game. She was known for her famous red cake she made for special occasions and at Christmas time. Rosemary is survived by her husband, Jay Curnutt; two sons, Stephen (Teri) Curnutt of Arcadia and Phil (Teri) Curnutt of Arcadia; a daughter, Jan (Mark) Pickett of Arcadia; sisters, Glenna Rice and Doris (Dave) Russell; four grandchildren, Tyler (Jessica) Curnutt, Trisha (David) Booth, Janae (Dustin) Mobley, and Zachary Pickett; eight great-grandchildren, Brayden Curnutt, Logan Curnutt, Cadynce Curnutt, Baylee Curnutt, Macy Booth, Eli Booth, Noah Booth, and Taytem Mobley. She was preceded in death by her parents, Floyd Farr and Mable (West) Farr; brothers, Dallas (Doris) Farr and Floyd (Dottie) Farr, Jr.; and brother-in-law, Ralph Rice. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 19 at Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero, with Pastor Mark Knapp officiating. Burial will follow at Arcadia Church of the Brethren Cemetery. Visitation took place on Thursday, January 19 at the funeral home. Memorial contributions can be made to East Union Christian Church, 1711 E. 296th St., Atlanta, IN, 46031; or to Angels Attic, 105 E. Main St., Arcadia, IN, 46030. Hartley Funeral Home Cicero Chapel is entrusted with all arrangements, and where you may leave condolences at [hartleyfuneralhomes.com](https://hartleyfuneralhomes.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’Neil, 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](https://hamiltonhumane.com)). Condolences: [randallroberts.com](https://randallroberts.com)



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Lynnelle Renee “Nelly” Agnew

April 25, 1962 – January 15, 2023

Lynnelle Renee “Nelly” Agnew, 60, Noblesville, passed away on January 15, 2023, surrounded by loved ones at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville. She was born on April 25, 1962, to Dean Warren and Frieda Mac Barnette in Indianapolis.

Nelly attended Lawrence Central High School where she played flute in the school band and softball for the Bears. Her favorite pastime was snuggling up with a warm cup of tea and a good book or her favorite sitcoms.

Nelly had two children, Molly Annabelle Nichols and Thomas Dean Agnew, with her former husband, Thomas Coelestine Agnew Jr., and was a devoted stay-at-home mom for many years. Nelly adored being around kids. While she was growing up, she was the beloved “fun Aunt Nelly” to her nieces and nephews, and when her children were older, she worked as a substitute teacher and classroom aide for students with special needs in the Noblesville Schools District. Nelly also served over a decade in the insurance industry in a variety of roles and bravely went back to school at age 52 to earn her associate’s degree from Harrison College.

Nelly is survived by her two children; sisters, Laura Strausburg and Lisa Owen; brothers, Larry, Les, Lowell, and Louis Barnette; and 15 nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Louise Grdinic and Loretta Rockel; and former husband.

Visitation took place on Friday, January 20, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Services were held on Saturday, January 21, 2023, at the funeral home. Burial followed at Cicero Cemetery in Cicero.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Hamilton East Public Library, 1 Library Plaza, Noblesville, IN 46060.

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Sylvia Anne Gregory

February 9, 1952 – January 16, 2023

Sylvia Anne Gregory, 70, Atlanta, passed away on January 16, 2023, at Harbour Manor Health & Living in Noblesville.

Sylvia was born on February 9, 1952, in Connerville, Ind., to Jesse and Margaret (Nobbe) Welch. She attended Connerville Schools and graduated from Connerville High School with the Class of 1970. She then enrolled at Ivy Tech, taking classes in the medical field. She graduated with the title of LPN. She had worked at Riley Children’s Hospital and nursing homes in central Indiana.

She found her niche in nursing was in helping the elderly and her last years of nursing was devoted to helping patients residing in nursing homes.

Sylvia was also an artist working in various mediums, sketching, painting with watercolors, oils, and acrylics. Additionally, she was a good cook and baker with her specialty being the baking of cakes for special occasions. She also enjoyed gardening and grew various vegetables that she preserved by freezing and canning. When resting, you would often find her crocheting or sewing. Her family said she was always busy and productive.

She is survived by a daughter, Stacey Lynn (Dave) Moore of Atlanta; a son, Anthony Scott McFarland of French Lick, Ind.; sisters, Theresa Jones of Connerville, Irma Welch of Ocean Side, Calif., and twin sister Susan Harding of Atlanta; grandchildren, Kaley, Haley, Jordan, Steven, Jayson, and Joe; and great-grandchildren, Claire, Emma, Penny, and Clover.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnny Gregory; her parents; and her brothers, George Welch and Joseph Welch.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartley Funeral Home Cicero Chapel, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. You may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com. No services are planned at this time.

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Rex Leon Randall

December 27, 1924 – January 20, 2023

Rex Leon Randall, 98, Fishers, passed away on Friday, January 20, 2023, at his home with his family by his side. He was born on December 27, 1924, to Claude and Georgia (Crider) Randall in Fishers. He married the love of his life, Barbara Passwater, on April 13, 1952.

The City of Fishers considered Rex to be the “oldest living original Fishers resident.” He spent his entire life in the house he was born in on the Randall Family Farm, established in 1919. He worked for over 30 years in the automotive industry, finishing his career at Ford Motor Company in Indianapolis. He was born into a farming family and later in life became an avid gardener. He was a loyal sports fan. He enjoyed golfing, bowling, croquet, and playing cards. He was a life-long member of the Fishers United Methodist Church. Rex enjoyed traveling with family and friends. He and Barbara were part time residents in Haines City, Fla., for 18 years.

He is survived by his children, Denise (Myke) Perrey, Dennis (Maureen) Randall, Donna (Eddie) Randall-Jones, and Deleasa (Tom) Randall-Griffiths; sister-in-law, Donna Anderson; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Randall; brothers, Alwyn (Betty) Randall and Max (Pat) Randall; sisters, Foneta (Elmer) Brown and Francis (Bob) Kincaid; brother-in-law, Bill Anderson; and grandson, Jesse Randall.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, January 27, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. An additional visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to noon with services at noon on Saturday, January 28, 2023, at the funeral home, with Pastor Mark Ellicessor officiating. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fishers United Methodist Church, 9690 E. 116th St., Fishers, IN 46037 (fishersumc.org); or Guardian Angel Hospice, 513 W. Lincoln Road, Kokomo, IN 46902 (guardianangelhospice.com). Condolences: randallroberts.com

Reed Oliver Kemp

July 24, 1975 – January 13, 2023

Reed Oliver Kemp, 47, Sheridan, passed away on Friday, January 13, 2023, at his home after a long battle with colon cancer. He was born on July 24, 1975, in Vanderburgh County, Ind., and grew up in Boonville, Ind.

Reed attended Boonville High School where he and his 1991 golf team were inducted this winter into the school’s hall of fame for advancing to the state championship that year. He graduated from Purdue University’s College of Agriculture with a degree in turf management. After graduation, Reed went on to have a long career in the golf industry. He began in golf course construction, working for Medalist Golf, helping to implement design renovations by course architects Tom Fazio and Tom Watson across the U.S. Reed married Elisha Modisett on October 16, 2010. After getting married and making their home in Indianapolis, Reed worked as the assistant golf course superintendent at Meridian Hills Golf Club, and then later, as head superintendent at River Glen Country Club.

Reed had many interests. He was an avid golfer, having played more than 25 of the top 100 courses in the U.S. He was a member of the Ulen Country Club and the Boonville Country Club. Reed also loved music and live concerts. His favorite bands were vast – from folk to heavy metal. He had an endless amount of trivia knowledge and would sharpen his skills every night watching *Jeopardy!* game show. Reed also enjoyed traveling and spending time with family and friends, especially time with his two sons playing sports and video games.

He will be remembered as a devoted husband, father, son, and uncle. In addition to his wife of 12 years, Elisha Lee (Modisett), he is survived by his sons, Alex (9) and Andrew (5); parents, Jerry and Judy Kemp of Boonville, Ind.; sister, Melodee (Duncan) Fraser of Zebulon, N.C., and brother, Tony (Rita) Kemp of Tennyson, Ind.; five nieces and nephews; in-laws, Greg and Judy Modisett of Windfall, Ind.; and brother-in-law, Erik (Sarah) Modisett of Jefferson, Md.

Family and friends are invited to gather on Friday, January 20, 2023, for visitation from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Randall & Roberts Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers, with funeral services following at 3 p.m. Pastor David Williamson will be officiating. Immediately following services, a Celebration of Life will be held at the River Glen Country Club, 12010 Clubhouse Drive, Fishers.

Private graveside services were held on Saturday, January 21, 2023, at Eagle Creek Cemetery in Westfield.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Reed Kemp Memorial Scholarship Fund in care of Boonville High School, 300 N. First St., Boonville, IN 47601. This fund was created by the Boonville Country Club to support students with a passion for golf.

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Linda Kay Parker

October 6, 1958 – January 15, 2023

Linda Kay Parker, 64, Cicero, passed away on Sunday, January 15, 2023, at her home. She was born on October 6, 1958, to Everett and Ruby (Lundy) Ely in Pennington Gap, Va.

Linda was a beautiful soul who loved everyone. She enjoyed fishing and playing with her grandchildren. Linda loved music, especially The Beatles and Tom Petty. Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Linda is survived by her husband, Danny G. Parker Sr.; sisters, Brenda (Bill) Iles, Mary Brooks, and Joy (Jim) Mills; brothers, Larry (Vickie) Ely and Wayne (Patricia) Ely; sons, Danny G. (April) Parker Jr., Bradley Parker, John (Sonya) Parker, and David Parker; special daughters, Megan Sutton, Jerrica Harbaugh, and Amber Torres; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and her life-long friend, Dalene Campbell.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one grandchild, Alan Parker; her three brothers, Harold Ely, Ken Ely, and E.J. Ely; and her sister, Margie Ruth McElroy.

Visitation and services were held on Friday, January 20, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Pastor Edie Keese-Henry officiated.

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Marilyn Jo (Funk) Kingery

January 17, 1932 – January 13, 2023

Marilyn Jo (Funk) Kingery, 90, Fishers, passed away on Friday, January 13, 2023, at Independence Village of Fishers East. She was born on January 17, 1932, to Herman G. and Lola Pearl (Farran) Funk in Anderson, Ind.

Marilyn graduated from Lapel High School in 1950. She was a member of First Christian Church in Noblesville. Marilyn worked for several companies over the years, including Firestone Industrial, Clancy Corporate Office, Kenleys, and had her own upholstery business as well as being a home-maker. She was a member of Eastern Star and a leader for Stephen Ministry. Marilyn was a Master Gardener through the Purdue Extension Office and was a member of the 600 Bowling Club.

She is survived by her sons, Dan Lee (Rachel) Kingery, Dean Edward (Pam) Kingery, and Duane Alan (Nancy) Kingery; grandchildren, Amber (Scott) Krueger, Kelsey (Doug) Berry, and Candace (Ray) Smith; great-grandchildren, Ryan Smith, Roston Smith, and Briana Rose Krueger; step-grandchildren, Danny Lee (Kim) Garmon, Kim Wells and Tammy Garmon, and Jennifer Ramirez; five step-great-grandchildren; and three step-great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband in 2013, George C. Kingery, Jr.; brother, Ted Funk; and sister, Barbara Lee Funk.

Visitation and services were held on Thursday, January 19, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating. Burial was at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer’s Disease Research, BrightFocus Foundation, 22512 Gateway Center Drive, Clarksburg, MD 20871 or at donate.brightfocus.org/adr/donate.

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Barbara A. Thomas

February 1, 1935 – January 14, 2023

On January 14, 2023, Barbara Ann Thomas died peacefully at the age of 87 in Fishers.

Barbara was born on February 1, 1935, to Finley and Alpha Fisler, younger sister to Louise Fisler Cooper. She graduated from Bay View High School with honors in 1952, and then went to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, graduating with honors in elementary education. During her teaching career, she taught in several schools in Wisconsin, Iowa, West Virginia, and an international school in Shiraz, Iran. She pursued post-graduate studies in numerous university workshops in behavioral psychology, and instructional techniques in math and science.

She was married to her college sweetheart, John A. Thomas, on June 22, 1957. Barbara is survived by John; her son, Michael and his wife, Dori Thomas (Durham, N.C.); and her daughter, Jane, and her husband Scott Hoover (Carmel). She is also survived by her four grandchildren, Alex Thomas and his wife, Erica (Washington, D.C.), Annemarie Thomas (Chicago, Ill.), Matthew Hoover (Carmel), and Lauren Hoover (Des Moines, Iowa).

Barbara enjoyed traveling and visited over 50 countries, including Antarctica. Bicycling and cross-country skiing were enjoyed by her entire family. She was an excellent swimmer and enjoyed synchronized swimming in college. She was an avid reader, and recorded books on audio for the blind, and tutored children with reading disorders. She enjoyed participation in book clubs, and often had recommendations for her friends who asked her if she had read any good books lately.

She served as a volunteer with many organizations, including the Women’s Service League Morgantown, W.V., and as an assistant for the Food Pantry and Homeless Shelter in San Antonio, Texas. Barbara served as President of the Faculty Wives organization at West Virginia University and the University of Texas at San Antonio. She was a member of the American Association of University Women and volunteered for a various of non-profit organizations. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church (Noblesville).

Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary was entrusted with Barbara’s care. Inurnment will be at the Oak Grove Cemetery (La Crosse, Wis.). Private services are planned for a later date.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Thanks for reading!



— Good news from Stony Creek Church of Christ —

# “Because I said so” ... really?

I suspect we all heard it as a kid growing up and as a parent, we probably said it. Why can't I do this or that? "Because I told you so!" That might work while we rear our children, but will it work in religion? It comes down to who's in charge.

Man cannot serve as a reliable standard of authority in matters of religion. My personal judgments, likes, dislikes or opinions do not provide a reliable standard of authority. These things will not lead us to know what God will or will not approve. My judgment or opinion can all too easily be wrong.

The prophet Jeremiah put it this way: "I know, O LORD, that the way of man is not in himself, that it is not in man who walks to direct his steps" (Jeremiah 10:23). The wise man of Proverbs wrote of a way that seems right to man but its end is the way of death (Proverbs 14:12).

A number of years ago, my wife and I were travel-



JOHN A. SMITH  
Think on These Things

ing from central Vermont to the airport in Albany, N.Y. In Bennington, Vt., I came to a crossroads and had to decide which direction I would turn. Having been there recently I confidently turned in the direction I knew was right. I was confident and no one could convince me I was not right.

Well, that was until I saw a sign, "Welcome to Massachusetts." No one in the car dared say a word when I turned around and headed back to Bennington. I knew I was right. It felt right. I had a satisfying feeling in my heart that I was right. But none of these things made it right. Eventually, I was able to laugh about my foolish confidence. It cost me an hour or so of time, but I still got to Albany in time to make my flight. No harm. No foul.

What if I follow my feelings or personal judgments in matters of religion and take the wrong turn? Jesus called worship determined by the doctrines of men vain

Write or call and let us know what you think. Would you like more information or a personal study of this issue? I would love to accommodate your request. Do you have questions or disagreements? We will be happy to study God's Word with you and help you find the "peace that passes understanding" (Philippians 4:7). We hope you will accept our offer to visit and investigate. We meet at 15530 Herriman Blvd. in Noblesville. Our phone number is (317) 219-5852. We meet for Sunday morning Bible Study at 10 a.m. and have classes for all ages. Worship begins at 11 a.m. and we have a Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 p.m. A warm welcome awaits!

(Matthew 15:9). The apostle John warns that if we go beyond God's revealed truth, we don't have God (2 John 1:9-11). Further he wrote, "If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house or give him any greeting, for whoever greets him takes part in his wicked works."

I fell into the deceitful pit about which Solomon warned me when he wrote, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death" (Proverbs 14:12). Having been told the direction to turn but ignoring it I proved his statement in Proverbs 12:15 to be true: "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice." Jacob knew Joseph was dead

because he had a strong emotional reaction to what he thought was evidence of his death. Saul thought the right thing to do was to persecute Christians.

Take heed of John's warning: "Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world" (1 John 4:1).

Like the noble Bereans, we need to search the Scriptures to prove things right or wrong (Acts 17:11). We need to be able to open the Scriptures to show why we do what we do it. In this way, we can show that we are not defending an arbitrary law or opinion, but rather the law and judgment of the One who has the final say in all matters.

# Two bills at Statehouse could protect rights of parents & children

It is clearer and clearer with each passing year that Parental Rights are under attack, from a culture that is actively devaluing the connections and security provided by strong families.

Thankfully, there are two bills that I would like to introduce to you today that aim to shore up the weak spots in the law and protect the parents and children of Indiana.

Firstly, we need to talk about the Help, Not Harm Bill (HB 1220 and SB 480). This bill has been introduced in the House and the Senate to give maximum visibility to this critical issue. This bill will protect children from permanent life-altering medical interventions made before they are old enough to understand what they are agreeing to.

In any medical procedure, an important element is informed consent. To have informed consent, a patient must be fully aware of the risks and side-effects of a given medical intervention. Children cannot understand what they are giving away when they sign away their healthy body parts, their fertility, and their chance at growing out of gender dysphoria naturally without medical intervention.

The medical industry is supposed to police this internally, with strong penalties for doctors who do not get informed consent from their patients, but they have dropped the ball. The Help, Not Harm Bill forces them to pick it back up.

Just as a child cannot consent to a legal contract, a child cannot consent to the serious long-term harm puberty blocking drugs, opposite-sex hormones and/or surgery to remove health body parts will do to them. It saddens me that we need a law like this to remind activists in the medical com-



RYAN McCANN

munity that they must "first, do no harm," but as this issue has become ideological, they have ignored the best interests of the children involved.

Here in Indiana, we saw that, and are moving to fix it with the Help, Not

Harm Bill (HB 1220 and SB 480).

Please, take a moment and reach out to your State Representative and State Senator and let them know you want them to vote "Yes" on the Help, Not Harm Bill. Go to [tinyurl.com/3mx9wvv5](https://tinyurl.com/3mx9wvv5).

The second bill I'd like to bring to your attention is HB 1407. HB 1407 strengthens parental rights by stating in clear language that parental rights are fundamental and that refusing to affirm your child as anything other than their biological sex is not a reason for the state to remove your child from your care. We firmly believe that the existing law was intended to provide this protection, but courts and the bureaucracy are interpreting the law in a way that ignores parental rights. HB 1407 will add clear and concise language that cannot be misinterpreted or ignored.

The Cox family has lost so much in this struggle against government overreach, but their sacrifice has highlighted a danger that all parents in Indiana need to be aware of. HB 1407 is an incredibly important bill to help solve this problem.

Please, take a moment and reach out to your representatives and let them know you want them to vote Yes on HB 1407. Go to [tinyurl.com/y4twnyrv](https://tinyurl.com/y4twnyrv).

These two bills are key to protecting the rights of parents, and the innocence of children.

Ryan McCann is the Executive Director of the Indiana Family Institute. Learn more at [HoosierFamily.org](https://HoosierFamily.org).

# Fishers Police Corps offers \$1,500 scholarship

## The REPORTER

Looking for college financial help? A \$1,500 scholarship is available to a deserving senior student in Fishers who expresses an interest in pursuing a career in the criminal justice field.

Whether attending Fishers High School, Hamilton Southeastern High School, home school or attending a high school elsewhere but the student's home is in Fishers, then that student is eligible to apply for the

Fishers Police Corps Jen Grillo Memorial Scholarship.

Application information can be obtained at [fisherspolicecorps.org/scholarship.htm](https://fisherspolicecorps.org/scholarship.htm). In addition to receiving the scholarship, last year's

recipient is currently completing an internship with the Fishers Police Department.

Deadline for applications is March 31, 2023, but start now to obtain the attachments needed to be considered for this \$1,500 award.

# Cicero offers easy way to sponsor Lights Over Morse Lake

## The REPORTER

The Lights Over Morse Lake Fireworks Festival is attended by residents from all over central Indiana. Over the past years, the festival has drawn over 10,000 visitors to the Cicero area.

Sponsoring such a large event every July 4th allows your company to reach these families. There are several levels of commitment for both residents and businesses.

Now, it's easier than

ever to donate or sponsor Lights Over Morse Lake with a new Google Form.

Access the form at [tinyurl.com/wn39d68t](https://tinyurl.com/wn39d68t). Please be sure to include your email address on the form so the Lights Over

Morse Lake organization can know who the donation or sponsorship came from.

Find out more information at [lightsovermorselake.org](https://lightsovermorselake.org) or go to [Facebook.com/LightsOverMorseLake](https://Facebook.com/LightsOverMorseLake).

# Are You Searching for Peace, Contentment & Joy?

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A hymn says, "In this world we have our trouble." With that I cannot disagree. However, the Bible offers directions to overcoming whatever troubles us. A high-ranking Ethiopian

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# Volunteers, the lifeblood of Hamilton County Emergency Management

The REPORTER

Volunteers are critical to the success of the emergency management program, and Hamilton County Emergency Management (HCEM) held its second annual volunteer awards ceremony on Jan. 14.

“Our volunteers are the lifeblood of our organization and critical to keeping Hamilton County prepared for emergencies and disasters,” HCEM Executive Director Shane Booker said.

This year’s program recognized those who went above the call of duty in service to their community.

Emergency Management has three volunteer groups:

- 1. Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) – emergency communications support
- 2. Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) – immediate response to help in the community until help arrives
- 3. Emergency Operations Center (EOC) – staffing in the county’s Emergency Operations Center

The volunteers recognized for their service in 2022 are listed below.

Presidential Service Award

- Dwight Kellams, RACES
- Dorothy Ostrander, CERT
- Jeanmarie Kane, EOC Volunteers

Leadership Award

Joe March received the Leadership Award for growing and further developing the RACES program.

Volunteer Service Award

- Jeff Knoop, EOC Volunteer, donated 48 hours.
- Lester Trouter, RACES, donated 133 hours, the equivalent of three and a half weeks.
- Jake Zier, CERT, donated 416 hours, the equivalent of 11 weeks.

Special Recognition Awards

- Julie Gray, CERT, for her commitment to advancing lifesaving skills
- Deb Miller, CERT, for her advancements in CERT training
- John Goody, RACES, for his service to amateur radio
- Robin Rudell, CERT, for his generous donation of technological advancements

Rookies of the Year

- Mike Hume, RACES
- Stefan Muehlbauer, CERT

Peer Recognition

Fellow volunteers nominated Cathy Zink for the new Peer Recognition award.

Scott Hackler, CERT, said it best: “Cathy demonstrates an extraordinary

commitment to HCEM and the community. Cathy takes it upon herself to provide exceptional support and service every time she serves HCEM. She volunteers for many activities throughout the year and is reliable and dedicated. Cathy is helpful, caring, resourceful, and happy to offer her service no matter the task.”

Years of Service Recognition

Emergency Management recognizes volunteers who serve two years, five years, and increments of five years after that.

- **Two Years of Service:** Anne Auwaerter, Dick Davis, Dane Dillon, Jan Hinchcliff, Dwight Kellams, James McMichael, Dorothy Ostrander, Monica Peterson, Robin Rudell, Andrew Wilson, Andy Young, Jake Zier, Rick Batza, Greg Becker, Casey Crosbie, Norm Deken, Al Eckstein, Kristen Elling, Kelly Fischer, Elena Gilliam, Phil Henry, Beth Jelum, Sherri Judd, Jeff Knoop, Laura Leffler, Shawn Miller, Kevin Noel, Lisa Samuels, Lorrena Story, Marilynn Swiss, Richard Swiss, Jack Simmons, Kim Taylor, John Taylor, and Mike Vittetau
- **Five Years of Service:** Mark Gabinet, Julie Gray, Mike Werner, Jeff Baldwin, Rich Barnier, Paul Beihold, Beth Anne Betzold, Kent Billingsley, Mickey



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Dwight Kellams, RACES, Dorothy Ostrander, CERT, and Jeanmarie Kane, EOC Volunteers, received the Presidential Service Volunteer Award. (From left) Ostrander, Commissioner Christine Altman, Kellems, Kane, and HCEM Executive Director Shane Booker.

Corn, Karen Kirkman, Robert, Kirkman, Doug Lynn, Marti Miller, Marcia Schwartz, and John Telfer

Ten Years of Service:

JB Betzold, Diana Glass, Brad Johns, and Harold Schwartz

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“I am so proud of all of our volunteers,” said Monica Peterson, Community Outreach and Volunteer Coordinator, who planned the



Peterson

event. “They do so much for our community, and I am grateful we have the opportunity to recognize those who do so much to keep Hamilton County safe.”

To learn more about how you can help during an emergency or disaster, visit [hamiltoncounty.in.gov/909/How-to-Get-Involved](https://hamiltoncounty.in.gov/909/How-to-Get-Involved) or contact Monica Peterson at [monica.peterson@hamilton-county.in.gov](mailto:monica.peterson@hamilton-county.in.gov) or call (317) 770-3381.



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(ABOVE) Fellow volunteers nominated Cathy Zink for the new Peer Recognition award. (From left) Zink and HCEM Executive Director Shane Booker. (TOP RIGHT) Lester Trouter, RACES, donated 133 hours, the equivalent of three and a half weeks. He won a Volunteer Service Award. (From left) Trouter, Commissioner Christine Altman, and Shane Booker. (BOTTOM RIGHT) Special Recognition Awards went to (from left) Julie Gray, Deb Miller, John Goody, Robin Rudell, and Ryan Tennesen. The group is pictured with Shane Booker (right).



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### Basketball

# Millers roll past Hamilton Heights

*Fine on Almodovar: “He’s a great shooter . . . if I find him, it’s going in”*

By **RICHARD TORRES**  
For The Reporter

**NOBLESVILLE** — A week removed from officially announcing his commitment to the University of Saint Francis, Noblesville’s Luke Almodovar isn’t taking the rest of his senior season off.

Not even close. In fact, he’s revving up his game to an entirely different level, and it showed inside The Mill last Saturday night against the visiting Class 3A Hamilton Heights Huskies (4-10).

Almodovar came out firing during the Millers’ third back-to-back weekend of the season, converting his first five field goal attempts to post a perfect shooting first half.

Two of Almodovar’s first five buckets came off alley-oop passes from junior Aaron Fine for baseline dunks, as the duo powered the 4A Millers (11-4) to a weekend sweep and a decisive 75-47 victory.

Almodovar finished with a game-high 22 points on 8 of 11 shooting and nine rebounds, while Fine had 19 points and seven assists to lock down the Millers’ fourth win in five games.

“It’s a good feeling to know that you’re set for your college career. It’s the best feeling,” Almodovar said. “But I have to just keep coming after this season and finish it strong for my teammates and my coaches here because I don’t want to leave this place. I love this place. I’m going to miss it.”

For now, Almodovar is

making memories with memorable performances, including a nine-point first quarter that fueled a 16-5 Noblesville’s run. The rally pushed the Millers’ margin to double figures by the 3 minute, 3 second mark of the opening frame and grew to 20 points by the end of the third.

Fine broke down the Huskies’ defense throughout the first half, posting five assists in the initial quarter. He shot 7 of 11 from the field and was 4 of 5 from the foul line in the game.

“Aaron probably had his best game I’ve watched in the three years he’s been here. He made the right play almost every single time down the court. I really enjoy it when he’s looking to make plays,” Almodovar said. “He’s really good when he does that. He’s a really good player.”

Fine’s only 3-pointer dropped through the basket with 59 seconds left in the first quarter to put Noblesville up 20-7 before he found a cutting Luke Etchison 50 ticks later for a layup and a 22-10 advantage entering the second.

“In the first quarter, I threw it up to (Luke) twice, and he made it easy for me. In practice, they’ve been trying to get me to dish it and score it because obviously, I can,” Fine said. “Practice this week really helped me a lot.”

Having scorers like Almodovar, Cooper Bean (12 points, six rebounds), Preston Roberts (five points, four rebounds) and Hunter Watson (five points) gave Fine ample opportunities to conduct the offense.



A pair of passes to Bean to open the second quarter led to a 26-10 margin that capped a 10-3 run, which carried over from the first stanza.

Almodovar had 11 points by halftime with Fine having a hand in more than half of those conversions.

“He’s a great shooter. I love playing with him because I know if I find him, it’s going in,” Fine said.

The duo combined for 19 points by halftime, while the starting five accounted for 31 of the Millers’ 33 points. Noblesville shot 59 percent from the field (13 of 22).

“When it’s connected like it was tonight, they’re just dangerous. They really are. They play off each other. Play off each others’ energy. It was really good to see,” Millers’ head coach

Scott McClelland remarked on his playmakers.

“We talked about winning a road conference game, and to come back the next night and finish the deal, so that was really encouraging. It was a good win. Good spot right now, but we have to get better and continue to improve.”

The Millers were coming off a 51-31 win over Hoosier Crossroads Conference foe Franklin Central on Friday to improve them to 3-1 in the league, a game behind front-runner Brownsburg (4-0).

Hamilton Heights beat 3A Western Boone, 79-73, in triple-overtime on Jan. 14 before traveling to face its Hamilton County rival.

The Huskies got a team-high 19 points from Sam Dawson, who buried five



Reporter photos by Kent Graham

(Left) Noblesville’s Luke Almodovar, officially committed to the University of Saint Francis, scored 22 points for the Millers during their win over Hamilton Heights last Saturday. (Above) Sam Dawson made five 3-pointers on his way to 19 points for Hamilton Heights.

3-pointers in 11 attempts. Maddox Bohland followed with 12 points and six rebounds. John Irion added five points. Tillman Etchison had four points. Evan Williamson contributed three points off the bench. The youthful Hamilton Heights Huskies shot 7 of 9 from the field in the fourth quarter, showcasing their potential despite dropping their third game in four contests.

However, the Millers’

fluidity on offense and defense made it too difficult for the Huskies to keep pace.

“I thought the kids were really unselfish tonight and shared the ball and we were able to get a lot of early baskets off assists,” McClelland said. “That’s very encouraging, and we’ve got some different guys scoring tonight, so that was good. We needed an offensive night.”

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# Mr. Basketball Gary Harris, now Hamilton County Hall of Famer

## The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern graduate and 2012 Indiana Mr. Basketball Gary Harris was formally inducted into the Hamilton County Basketball Hall of Fame last Saturday, just before tipoff of the Royals’ boys game with Mount Vernon.

Harris is one of the best players to come out of Southeastern, helping the Royals to two sectional championships. As a junior, he led the Royals to a 20-4 record and an appearance in the IHSAA regional final, then as a senior helped Southeastern to a 22-3 record.

Harris finished his high school career with 1,540 points (then a school record), 467 rebounds, 232 assists and 232 steals. In addition to earning Mr. Basketball honors, he was an Indiana All-Star, McDonald’s All-American, Indiana Gatorade Player of the Year and Parade All-American.

After playing two seasons at Michigan State University, where he earned numerous honors, Harris was selected as the 19th overall pick in the 2014 NBA Draft by the Chicago Bulls. He was immediate traded to the Denver Nuggets, where he played for six seasons. Harris was traded to the Orlando Magic during his seventh season and is still



Photo by Joshua Herd

**Gary Harris was inducted into the Hamilton County Basketball Hall of Fame last Saturday before tipoff of the Royals’ game with Mount Vernon. Harris was unable to attend due to this NBA commitments, but his family accepted the award on his behalf.**

playing there today. Harris’ career average is 11.8 points, 2.5 rebounds and 2.1 assists per game.

Harris was unable to attend the ceremony due to his NBA schedule, but his family was there to accept the award on his behalf. That included his mother Joy Harris, who told Gary after she received the news from HSE athletic director Greg Habegger.

“He’s very appreciative of this honor,” said Joy Harris.

Gary Harris has given back to the community as well, running basketball camps for young players.

“He’s definitely invested in the community,” said Joy Harris.

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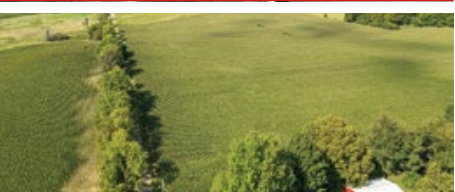
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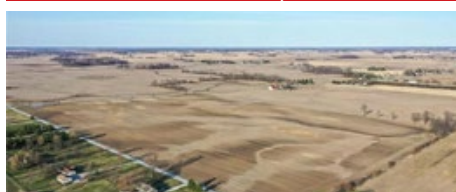
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Basketball

Fishers gets sweet victory over Carmel

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**CARMEL** – With two weeks left until the start of the sectional tournament, the intensity is going up in the Indiana high school girls basketball world.

Some of that heat was felt last Tuesday at Carmel’s Eric Clark Activity Center, where the Greyhounds hosted Fishers. The Tigers got off to a big early lead, but Carmel came back and made a game of it before Fishers prevailed 48-39.

The Greyhounds were down 16-3 after one quarter of play, and trailed 32-21 midway through the third period. But a 13-2 run got Carmel back into the game, which was tied 34-34 to start the fourth quarter. The Tigers then went on a 6-0 run of their own and never trailed again.

“That was a game that we had to find a way to win late,” said Fishers coach Lauren Votaw. “Carmel made big plays, they hit big shots. They got big stops.”

Everything was going well for the Tigers and their experienced group in the first quarter. Fishers led 4-3, with Alycia Triplett scoring two baskets, then the Tigers went off on a 12-0 run that finished up the period. Hailey Smith scored six straight points of her own during the middle of that run.

“Oh, you have to rely on it almost solely, because I only get five timeouts,” said Votaw of her team’s experience. “And also, we’ve talked about this a lot this year, playing in en-

vironments like this, or the louder games we’ve played in, they can’t hear me.” So, Votaw said she had to trust two things: “I have to trust that I’ve prepared them, and I have to trust their experience.”

Olivia Smith had four points in the first quarter, and her layin moved Fishers ahead 18-6 early in the second. The Greyhounds showed a flash of things to come in that quarter by going on a 9-3 run, and that kept Carmel within 24-17 at halftime. Hannah Lach scored four points during that stretch.

The Tigers got their lead back into double digits midway through the third period. Hailey Smith scored four straight points, and Fishers enjoyed a 32-21 advantage with 3:47 left in the quarter.

But that’s when the Greyhounds took off on their big run. Mallory Bourquein led the way during that stretch, scoring seven points of that run, including the last basket of the third quarter to get Carmel within 34-32. Bourquein then opened the fourth period with another layin, and the game was tied.

Triplett’s basket put the Tigers in front 36-34, and they held the lead for the remainder of the game. Olivia Smith made two layins to get Fishers up by six at 40-34. Rilee McBride hit a 3-pointer to cut that lead to 40-37, but the Tigers finished the game on an 8-2 run. Joirdyn Smith helped out with a late 3-pointer.

Olivia Smith scored 17 points and was also strong on defense with four steals.

Hailey Smith had 10 points and led the rebounds with seven.

“I thought Hailey and Olivia were huge in that run for us tonight,” said Votaw.

Three Carmel players each scored eight points: Bourquein, Taryn Fisher and Mackenzie Woods, while Lach had six rebounds. Despite the struggles of the season, Greyhounds coach Erin Trimpe continues to be pleased with her team’s effort.

“They come out every night, every practice, every shoot-around, every walkthrough, every film session,” said Trimpe. “They’re completely focused and bought in and invested in what we can do to continue in our schedule and find ways to win. Games like this, we don’t love moral victories, but I truly believe that they saw a lot of themselves that they didn’t know that they had tonight.”

**Weekend wins**  
Both teams picked up big wins last weekend, starting with an exciting victory for Carmel last Friday when it hosted Pike.

The ‘Hounds were able to put together their fourth win of the season with a two-point home win over the Red Devils, 54-52.

The two former MIC foes were tied after one period by the count of 12-12 and Pike would snag a slight edge at halftime, 22-21.

Carmel came out firing in the third to outscore the Pike, 23-19 to go up three through three, 44-41.

Pike fought back with an 11-10 fourth, but the host ‘Hounds held tight for a 54-52 home win.

It was a completely balanced effort that fueled the



Reporter photo by **Richie Hall**  
**Fishers’ Alycia Triplett looks to pass the ball during the Tigers’ game at Carmel last Tuesday. Fishers won 48-39 for its 11th straight victory.**

Greyhounds’ win.

Bourquein led the ‘Hounds with 13 points and was joined in double-figures by Woods with 10 points to go with five rebounds.

Hannah Lach pitched in with nine, Keaton Gatlin had seven and Taryn Fisher added six.

Meanwhile, Fishers went back on the road last Saturday to play a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game at Avon, and won convincingly, 65-51.

The Tigers got off to a strong start, leading 17-9 after one quarter with seven different players scoring.

Fishers then led 34-21 at halftime; Hailey Smith had six points in the second period.

The Orioles stayed around in the third quarter, but the Tigers were still up comfortably going into the fourth, leading 45-34. A 20-point fourth period sealed the win, with Joirdyn Smith contributing six points.

Triplett led the Fishers scoring with 12 points, getting at least one basket in each period. Hailey Smith and Joirdyn Smith both added 11 points, while Talia Harris and Olivia Smith both scored nine. Kate

Thomas and Allison Scheu each had four points, Karina Scott added three and Ava Carter scored two.

**Next games**  
Fishers is on a 12-game win streak, improving to 5-1 in conference play and 18-2 overall. The Tigers finish the regular season at home this week, hosting Lawrence North on Tuesday and Franklin Central Friday for their HCC finale.

Carmel closes out the regular season this week with two away games. The Greyhounds play Tuesday at Cathedral and then visit Ben Davis on Friday.

Southeastern endures frustration, falling to Zionsville & Mt. Vernon

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**FISHERS** – The Hamilton Southeastern boys basketball team endured a frustrating weekend last week, dropping two tough games.

Southeastern fell to Zionsville 52-38 last Friday in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game. The Royals led 12-7 after one quarter, but the Eagles dominated the second quarter, outscoring HSE 18-5 for a 25-19 lead. Zionsville led by 41-22 in the third quarter before Southeastern trimmed the lead to 41-28 by the end of the period.

Reph Stevenson reached double-double status with 20 points and 15 rebounds, also blocking two shots. Deion Miles handed out five assists.

Southeastern tried to rebound last Saturday when it hosted Mount Vernon, but the young Marauders squad used hot shooting and tough defense to beat the Royals 67-55.

Southeastern got off to a good start, erasing a 5-1 deficit by scoring seven straight points. Donovan Hamilton hit a 3-pointer, then Stevenson added four points with a layin, then a dunk after making a steal.

That gave the Royals an 8-5 lead, but Mount Vernon made two 3s to take off on a 14-0 run. The Marauders led 17-8 at the end of the quarter, and a layin by freshman Luke Ertel finished the run.

Southeastern trailed 27-16 at halftime, but then dominated the third quarter, making a 19-5 run to

take a 35-32 lead. Braeden Totten began the period with back-to-back layins, then Stevenson took over the game with another nine points. Totten tied the game up at 31-31 with a triple, Stevenson’s layin got HSE ahead 33-31, then after a Marauders’ free throw, Hamilton’s basket moved the Royals ahead by three.

“We really fought and clawed in the third quarter,” said Southeastern coach John Ashworth.

But Mount Vernon finished the quarter with back-to-back 3s, and led 38-35 going into the fourth. The Marauders stretched their lead to 46-35 early in the quarter, then kept a double-digit advantage for most of the period.

“I thought they made some 3s down the stretch that were difficult shots,” said Ashworth. “But anytime you shoot 11 of 22 from the free-throw line and get outrebounded 30-19, you’re not going to win that game. We have to find ways to win close games, and making your free throws



Photo by **Joshua Herd**  
**Hamilton Southeastern’s Reph Stevenson makes a dunk during the Royals’ game with Mount Vernon last Saturday.**

and rebounding the basketball, it’s got to be a part of it.”

Stevenson led the Royals with 20 points, seven rebounds and three blocked shots. Totten scored 13 points, including three 3s. Myles Holman added nine points, Hamilton finished

with seven, and Gavin Papandria and Joe Karwowski both scored three points.

The Royals are 1-3 in conference play and 4-12 overall. Southeastern hosts Noblesville Friday in another HCC contest, then plays Saturday at Pendleton Heights.



Reporter photo by **Kirk Green**  
**Westfield’s Charles Farrell made three 3-pointers on his way to 11 points during the Shamrocks’ boys game with Brownsburg last Friday.**

Rocks drop HCC game, rebound against Tri-West

The REPORTER

The Westfield boys basketball team dropped a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game to Brownsburg last Friday, 62-51 at CSI Gymnasium.

The Bulldogs led 15-11 after one quarter and 34-24 at halftime. Three players reached double figures for Westfield. Alex Romack scored 15 points, while Trey Buchanan added 14 points. Charles Farrell scored 11 points, including three 3-pointers.

Westfield rebounded to beat Tri-West 74-51 in another home game last Saturday. The Shamrocks led 18-14 after one quarter, then

poured in 19 points in the second period to lead 37-21 at halftime. Romack had 16 first-half points, while Buchanan scored nine.

Westfield led 53-32 after three quarters, then added another 21 points in the fourth. Romack finished the game with 25 points and Buchanan had 13 points. Nine different Shamrocks scored: Farrell had eight, Armani Middlebrooks, Seth LaRavia and Will Harvey each added six, Sam Bishop and Caleb Wise both scored four and scored two.

The ‘Rocks are 9-3 and play an HCC game at Avon Friday, then host Liberty Christian on Saturday.

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Basketball

# Blackhawks girls cruise, but boys fall to Oracles

The REPORTER

The Sheridan basketball teams split a Hoosier Heartland Conference double-header last Friday at Delphi.

The Blackhawks girls team cruised past the Oracles 72-52. Sheridan got off to a great start, leading 20-6 after the first quarter, then increased its lead to 37-17 at halftime. The 'Hawks held a 50-32 advantage after three periods, then cruised through the fourth quarter to win and even their conference record to 3-3 and win their sixth straight game.

Kenzie Garner poured in 25 points for Sheridan, and also had nine assists, seven rebounds and four steals. Nova Cross and Lilly Chesney each added 11 points, with Chesney pulling six rebounds. Jacquelynne Bates played strong defense.

Garner reached double-double status with 23 points and 12 rebounds. Chaney Smith added six points, and Ashley Weibel completed the scoring with three points. Bates collected nine rebounds, while Shelby Eaton pulled six rebounds. Bates, Chesney and Cross all played strong defense.

In the boys game, Sheridan fell to Delphi 61-55. The two teams were tied at 14-14 after the first quarter, then the Oracles pulled away in the second period,

going up 28-23 by halftime. Delphi extended its lead to 44-36 after three quarters; the 'Hawks scored 19 in the fourth, but the Oracles hung on for the win.

Caleb Wright led Sheridan with 15 points, followed by Ty Garner with 14 and Trent DeCraene with 12. DeCraene, Wright and Parker Williams all pulled five rebounds, with DeCraene dishing out six assists.

In an earlier contest, the Sheridan girls beat Bethesda Christian on the road 32-26 last Tuesday. The Patriots led 6-4 after the first quarter, but the Blackhawks outscored Bethesda over the next three periods. Sheridan cut the Patriots' lead to 15-14 by halftime, then went ahead in the third quarter, outscoring Bethesda 11-5 to take a 25-20 advantage.

Sheridan's girls are 11-8 overall and continue conference play by hosting Clinton Central on Tuesday. The Blackhawks finish the regular season with road games at Southmont on Wednesday and Taylor on Friday; the latter game is also their HHC finale.

The Blackhawks boys are 2-4 in the HHC and 8-7 overall, and play again Friday at Taylor in another conference contest, as part of a girls-boys double-header.



Photo by Si DeVaney III  
**Sheridan's Jacquelynne Bates played strong defense for the Blackhawks girls team during their Hoosier Heartland Conference win at Delphi on Friday.**

# With two seconds left, UHS's Bright carries her team to victory

The REPORTER

Keira Bright's three pointer from the right corner with two seconds left lifted University's girls a 51-50 road win over Lapel last Saturday afternoon.

Bright's game-winner came off a baseline inbound pass from Jordan Patterson and capped a rally from a three point deficit with 27 seconds left. Trailing 50-48 the Blazers missed a shot to tie the game but tied up Lapel in a scrum for the rebound. University was awarded the held ball with 4.9 seconds remaining and Bright scored on the ensuing inbound after University used its last timeout. After a Lapel timeout with 1.1 seconds remaining, the Bulldogs' inbound pass was deflected to seal the win.

University took an 11-10 lead early in the second quarter on a Bright basket and maintained that lead throughout the second and third quarters leading 34-30 after the third quarter. After Lapel drew within two to

open the fourth quarter, Jordan Patterson made the first three pointer of the game. Payton Seay followed with a basket and free throw with six minutes remaining for a 40-32 Trailblazer lead.

Lapel scored the next eight points to tie the game at 40 with 3:50 left. Payton Seay put University back on top with a bucket, but the Bulldogs converted a pair of free throws to again tie the game. Kelsey DuBois scored to put University up 44-42 before Lapel again tied the game.

Jordan Patterson put University up 46-44 with 1:52 left on a strong drive to the basket. Madelyn Pointer hit a step back three pointer to give Lapel their first lead since the end of the first quarter at 47-46. After a University turnover Laniah Wills made two free throws with 27.9 left to give the Bulldogs a 49-46 lead.

University missed a shot but Taylor Seay was fouled

**See Bright . . . Page B6**

# Southeastern's Senior Night win a prelude for conference championship

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern girls basketball team clinched a share of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship last Friday by winning at Zionsville 69-56.

The Royals outscored the Eagles in each of the four quarters, leading 18-14 after the first period and 30-22 at halftime. A 22-point fourth quarter sealed the win for Southeastern, which finished conference play with a 6-1 record. The Royals are 19-2 overall.

Riley Makalusky scored 23 points, followed by Maya Makalusky with 16 and Lauren Stewart with 11. All three players made three 3-pointers. Teegan Acres had a monster game on the boards with 14 rebounds and also blocked two shots. Olivia Brown dished out nine assists to go with seven rebounds.

Southeastern got a nice win for its Senior Night game, beating Lawrence North 77-62 in a home contest last Tuesday.

The Royals got off to a fast start, leading by nine points three minutes into the game. Southeastern finished the first quarter up 18-11, then led 40-32 at halftime. The Wildkats made a run in the second half, and got within 48-46 midway through the third period. But the Royals came back to lead 57-50 by the end of the quarter, and clinched the game with 20 points in the fourth.

"The team did a nice job of moving the ball and taking what the defense gave us tonight," said HSE coach Brian Satterfield.

Riley Makalusky led a parade of four Southeastern scorers in double digits, pouring in 25 points. Maya Makalusky added 19 points, followed by 12 for Brown and 11 for Acres. Maya Makalusky had three 3-pointers. Riley Makalusky led the rebounds with eight, with Acres collecting five. Brown dished out four assists.

The Royals finish their regular season Tuesday at Pike.

# Senior Day brings out emotions as No. 2 Millers roll past Flashes

By CRAIG ADKINS  
For The Reporter

**NOBLESVILLE** — High school athletes are never fully prepared for their Senior Day and the final times playing on their home court come to a close. One good thing for Noblesville is that the Millers chose their second to last home game last Saturday for this particular occasion to honor their seniors.

It would, however, be the final Hoosier Crossroads Conference game of the season for Noblesville. The Millers would need very little time to take control and solidify the league win over the Flashes, 66-40.

Noblesville celebrated its six senior players and one athletic trainer in a pre-game ceremony.

The Millers started five seniors (Kaitlyn Shoemaker, Brooklyn Ely, Carly Motz, Dani Mendez and Brooklyn Smitherman) and the sixth senior, Aubrey Novinger, would be deemed an honorary starter.

A returning starter from last year's state championship, Brooklyn Smitherman had a unique experience at tipoff. Following a tear of her ACL before the season started, which had sidelined her, Smitherman took a pass under the basket from fellow senior Brooklyn Ely to score the game's first two points on a layup.

"There's obviously a lot of emotions. I love this group so much, they're family," Noblesville head coach Donna Buckley said of this year's senior class of players.

"They just have meant so much to our program. Obviously, they've been incredibly successful, but beyond the success, they're just the best kids in the entire world," Buckley continued to praise this group of seniors.

After Smitherman's opening basket, Noblesville took to the outside. Ely knocked down a three from the right corner and then senior Carly Motz swished a wide-open triple from the left wing. Following that

pair of threes, senior Dani Mendez took an Ely pass for a 10-2 lead, forcing Franklin Central to burn a timeout.

The cards were dealt just how the Millers hoped for on a day like this.

"It looked scripted. If we would have scripted it, we sure as heck couldn't have done that. It's the beauty of this group. They're just special and no moment is too big for them," Buckley said on her team's storybook start.

Meredith Tippner would score the final seven points for a 19-12 lead on the Flashes through one quarter.

The lead would grow even more in the second as Tippner scored four more and Reagan Wilson added five more to push the advantage at halftime to 36-18.

The Millers came out of the locker room at halftime and flipped their mode back into high gear.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham  
**Noblesville senior Brooklyn Smitherman, who has been out for the season with a torn ACL, scored the first two points of the Millers' Senior Night game against Franklin Central last Saturday at The Mill.**

The Millers were led by both Reagan Wilson and Meredith Tippner tying for team-high honors with 16 points apiece. Ely, Motz and Mendez each added six points. Wilson (also five steals) and Ely both dished out a half dozen assists.

Noblesville (20-3, 5-2 HCC) closes out the regular season on Wednesday when it hosts Pendleton Heights (13-8) before hosting 4A Sectional 8 starting on Tuesday, Jan. 31.

**Earlier games**

The Millers headed to Chicagoland last Monday to participate in the 33rd annual Derrill Kipp Hoopfest at Benet Academy in Lisle, Ill.

The Millers took on the host Benet Redwings in what would be a close game, with the Millers prevailing 64-61. Benet led 19-18 after one quarter and 35-32 at halftime. But Noblesville came back to tie the game at 47-47 by the end of the period, then outscored the Redwings 17-14 in the fourth.

Wilson, one of last week's IBCA Players of

the Week, continued her remarkable scoring pace with 31 points, including three 3-pointers. Tippner was next in line with 22 points, and was also the leading rebounder with five.

Noblesville's girls basketball team traveled to Harrison last Wednesday and came home with a 68-57 victory.

The Millers trailed 18-14 after one quarter, but would outscore the Raiders over the next three periods. Noblesville led 36-35 at halftime, then pulled out to a 54-48 lead after three quarters.

Tippner reached double-double status with 24 points and 10 rebounds, and also blocked two shots. Wilson had 20 points, including three 3-pointers, and made nine steals; she also dished out five assists. Ava Shoemaker added 11 points and had six steals and four assists.

Kaitlyn Shoemaker collected six rebounds and handed out six assists, while C.C. Quigley also pulled six rebounds.

# Wrestling



Photo provided  
**Sheridan crowned three individual champions at the Hoosier Heartland Conference meet last Saturday at Clinton Central: Kevin Speck at 152 pounds, Jacob Jones at 182 pounds and Peyton Cross at 220 pounds.**

# Blackhawks have good showing at conference meet

The REPORTER

The Sheridan wrestling team finished fifth at the Hoosier Heartland Conference meet, which took place last Saturday at Clinton Central.

The Blackhawks had three individual champions: Kevin Speck won at 152 pounds, Jacob Jones was the 182-pound champion and Peyton Cross dominated to

win at 220 pounds.

Ten of Sheridan's wrestlers finished in the top six. Jace Warren was third at 195, followed by fourth-place finishes from Owen Whitlow (at 106), Ryker Ream (at 160) and Jaden Dunbar (at 170). Adrianna Hammersley (at 120) and Alex Cravens (at 145) both placed fifth, while Eli Smith was sixth at 138.



# Tigers prove their maturity

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**FISHERS** – Over the past week, the young Tigers have been growing up.

The increasing maturity of the Fishers’ boys basketball team was evident last Friday, when it hosted Avon for a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game. After a close first half where they found themselves trailing at halftime, the Tigers played a strong second half to beat the Orioles 55-48.

The first quarter of the game was defensive. Neither team scored until Fishers’ Keenan Garner made a layin at the 5:40 mark of the period. Both teams were playing solid defense, with a number of deflections and blocked shots. Avon went up 7-5 when Jordan Lomax hit a 3-pointer, but the Tigers’ JonAnthony Hall tied the game with a layin, then Taden Metzger threw in a 3, and Fishers led 10-7 at the end of the quarter.

It turned out those points were the first half of a 10-0 Tigers run. Metzger opened the second period with another triple, then Hall made another layin to put Fishers up 15-7.

The Orioles responded with a 9-0 run to go ahead 16-15, then both teams traded the lead until halftime. Metzger’s layin gave the Tigers a 21-20 advantage, but Daniel Eck scored for Avon, and it led 22-21 at the break.

It was a cautious first half – maybe a little too cautious for Fishers coach Garrett Winegar.

“Guys who haven’t played as much are a little timid,” said the coach. “They don’t want to make mistakes. They’re trying to do the right thing. I just told them at halftime ‘You guys got to settle down and play basketball.’”

Fishers came out in the third quarter and put together an outstanding defensive effort, holding the Orioles to only four points. Avon didn’t score until Eck made two free throws at the 2:39 mark of the period.

Meanwhile, Aidan Zimmer got hot in the third quarter. He put the Tigers ahead 24-22 with a 3-pointer, and Fishers would never trail again. Seconds later, Garner made a steal and he turned it into a dunk, right in front of

the Tigers’ student section. Zimmer hit two more triples in the third, and Fishers led 32-26 going into the fourth.

“We have a young group, some guys playing varsity for the first time, and we coach them pretty hard,” said Winegar. The coach said he understands they don’t want to make mistakes, but “we’re trying to shift to building some confidence. Make mistakes going hard.”

The final quarter began with a dunk by James Stasey, and he would make another layin to get the Tigers ahead 38-28.

Fishers’ largest lead was 12 points, which it achieved twice, at 40-28 after two Metzger free throws, and again at 42-30 with 4:02 left. Zimmer made the foul shots for that lead.

Avon made one last run, scoring a quick six points to get within 44-40 with under two minutes to go. But the Orioles would get no closer. Fishers finished the game from the free-throw line, making 11 of 14 shots to seal the win.

“I think you see just the whole team growing up and knowing how to make those plays in the big moments,” said Winegar.

Metzger led the Tigers’ scoring with 17 points and two 3s, while Zimmer added 11 points, including his three 3s.

In an earlier game, Fishers boys basketball team got back on the winning track last Tuesday by beating Fort Wayne Carroll 50-44 at the Tiger Den.

Fishers got off to a good start, leading 16-6 after one quarter. Garner scored six points during that period. The Tigers extended their lead to 26-14 at halftime, with Stasey contributing six second-quarter points. The Chargers came back to within 33-26 after three periods, but Fishers was able to hang out in the fourth. Hall helped out in the final period with

six points.

Kirby came off the bench to lead the Tigers’ scoring with 11 points. Hall added nine points.

Fishers is 2-2 in HCC play and 9-8 overall. The Tigers are back at home Friday in another conference game, hosting Franklin Central.

## — FISHERS —

**CITY OF FISHERS**  
**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

**Owner:** City of Fishers, Indiana  
Director of Public Works  
10212 Eller Road  
Fishers, Indiana 46038

**Project:** Continuous Diamond Grinding of Concrete Pavement

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana (“Fishers”) will receive sealed bids for the above-referenced Project addressed to the Director of Public Works, City of Fishers, 10212 Eller Road, Fishers, Indiana **until 12:00PM on or before February 3, 2023**. Any Bid received after the designated time will be returned to the Bidder unopened. The Bids will be publicly opened and read by the City of Fishers at **12:00 pm on February 3, 2023, in the Public Works Conference Room at 10212 Eller Road, Fishers, Indiana**. The Bid should be clearly marked “BID ENCLOSED 2023 Continuous Diamond Grinding of Concrete Pavement” on the outside of the envelope, and as otherwise set forth in the Bid Documents.

An optional Pre-Bid Meeting for discussion of the Project, the bidding requirements and other important matters will be held on January 25, 2023, at 1:00pm in the Training Room at the Department of Public Works, 10212 Eller Road, Fishers, Indiana. For special accommodations for individuals planning to attend the Pre-Bid Conference or public bid opening meeting, please call or notify Fishers at (317) 595-3160 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto.

In general, the Work shall be completed by State of Indiana certified/qualified Contractors and Subcontractors for the Project all as required by the Bid Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and generally consists of continuous diamond grinding of concrete roads at one (1) location - 116th Street Westbound from Ohio Road to Brooks School Road, Fishers, Indiana, all as further specified by the Bid Documents.

Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its Bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the “lowest responsible and responsive bidder” in accordance with Ind. Code §36-1-12-1 et seq. The Owner, however, 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 solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Owner, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to Fishers, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.

A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner’s final settlement with the Contractor.

The Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond with a good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on Form provided in the Project Manual, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner’s final settlement with the Contractor.

All out-of-state bidder corporations must have a Certificate of Authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.  
*R1934 1/19/23, 1/23/23, 1/26/23, 1/30/23*

## — CARMEL —

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
**City of Carmel, Indiana**

**Department** Carmel Street Department  
3400 W. 131st Street  
Carmel, IN 46074

**Project:** **23-STR-01 PAVING PROGRAM**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Works and Safety for the City of Carmel, Hamilton County, Indiana, will receive sealed bids, during regular business hours, up to, but not later than 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, February 15th, 2023 at the office of the Clerk, One Civic Square, 3rd Floor, Carmel, Indiana, 46032.

All bids and proposals shall be properly and completely executed on the proposal forms provided with the plans and specifications, and shall include the non-collision affidavit required by the State of Indiana. **The bid envelope must be sealed and have the following words only written in ink on the outside of the envelope:**

**Bid: 23-STR-01 PAVING PROGRAM**

PrProject manuals may be obtained from the Carmel Street Department, 3400 W. 131st Street, Carmel, IN 46074. Bid packets will be available after Paving 1st.

All bids are to be sealed with the word “**BPW – 23-STR-01 PAVING BID**” on the lower left hand corner of the envelope. **Bids will be opened and read aloud at 10:00 a.m. on February 15th, 2023** at the Board of Public Works and Safety meeting on the 2nd floor of Carmel City Hall, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN. All persons interested in bidding shall register a contact name and address with the Street Department to ensure that all changes or questions and answers are available for review by all interested parties.

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 and proposals for a period of not more than thirty (30) days, such bids and proposals to remain in full force and effect during said time 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 solicitation for bids when, in the City’s sole discretion, it believes that it is in the best interests of the City to do so, as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with IC 5-22-18-2.

There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting at 10:30 A.M. EST on Wednesday, February 1st, 2023 at the Carmel Street Department. The address is 3400 W. 131st St, Carmel, IN 46074. There will be an option to join this meeting virtually. For those interested in a virtual link to this pre-bid meeting, please email your request to James Rundle at [jrundle@carmel.in.gov](mailto:jrundle@carmel.in.gov) by February 1st at 8 A.M. EST.

Matt Higginbotham  
Street Commissioner  
*R1926 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

## — ARCADIA —

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR**  
**SOLID WASTE, RECYCLING COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL**

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of Arcadia, Indiana, will receive sealed proposals in the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Arcadia, 208 W Main St, Arcadia, IN 46030 until 4:15 p.m., on Monday, February 6, 2023, to provide solid waste, recycling, and yard waste collection services to the Town of Arcadia beginning April 1, 2023, through March 31, 2026.

Additionally, proposals will be accepted on February 6, 2023, at Arcadia Town Hall, 208 W Main St, Arcadia, IN, between 6:45 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Proposals will be opened at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, February 6, 2023. Copies of specification and applicable bid forms are available in the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer at 208 W Main St, Arcadia, IN 46030.

The Arcadia Town Council may award the contract to the bidder who the Council believes will provide the best service to the citizens of Arcadia. While the primary criteria for selection shall be price, the Town reserves the right to also consider the reputation of the bidder for service, and any other relevant criteria. The Council may award the contract at its regularly scheduled meeting on February 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Bids will be submitted on form (Form 96) and on forms which are included in the specifications. Each bid is to be accompanied by either a bid bond or certified check in the sum equal to ten percent (10%) of the total bid conditioned that such bidder, if successful, will be required to furnish a performance bond for the full amount of such bid and enter into a contract within ten (10) days of acceptance in the form included in the specifications. The Board reserves the right to reject, with or without cause and regardless of reason, any and all bids.

Dated the 13th day of January, 2023.

Jennifer Pickett  
Clerk-Treasurer  
Town of Arcadia, Indiana  
*R1940 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

## — WESTFIELD —

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m., Monday, February 6, 2023, at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN>, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions:

- 2212-PUD-20; Wheeler Landing PUD Amendment VI; Southwest corner of 186th Street and Kinsey; Leo Brown Development, LLC by Clark Quinn Moses Scott & Grahn, LLP requests an amendment to the Wheeler Landing PUD to add 2.34 acres +/- to Area II of the PUD.
- 2301-PUD-01; Westfield Washington Schools PUD; Northeast corner of State Road 32 and Centennial Road; Westfield Washington Schools by Church Child Hittle + Antrim requests a change of zoning for 96.46 acres +/- from the Towne Road Crossing PUD District to the Westfield Washington Schools PUD District.

Specific details regarding the requests may be obtained from the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3170.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the requests may be filed with the Secretary of the Commission at the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 at or before the hearing will be considered. Oral comments concerning the proposals will be heard at the aforementioned public hearing. In the case of a virtual meeting, written comments concerning the proposals can be provided before and during the aforementioned public hearing by emailing planners@westfield.in.gov. Such hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission  
Westfield Community Development Department  
2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074  
[www.westfield.in.gov](http://www.westfield.in.gov)  
*R1944 1/23/23*

## — CICERO —

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Prater & Sons (140 Wiley Street, Cicero IN 46034) is submitting an NOI letter to notify the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of Hamilton County, as well as the requirements under the IDEM Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSGP), to discharge stormwater from construction activities for the following project: Prater Outside Storage. More specifically, the project is located in the SE Quarter of Section 35, Township 20 North, Range 4 East, along the north side of 236th Street just west of Cicero, Indiana. Construction activity is scheduled to commence in February 2023, and construction should be completed by April 2023. Run-off from the project site will discharge to an unnamed ditch and flow to Morse Reservoir. Questions or comments should be directed to:

Josh Prater  
140 Wiley Street  
Cicero, IN 46034  
(317) 538-4383  
*R1941 1/23/23*

## — COURT NOTICES —

**STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT**

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 2  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29D02-2208-CC-005857  
THE TOWNHOMES AT AVALON HOMEOWNERS )  
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC. )  
Plaintiff, )  
vs. )  
SUZETTE N. SCHUETTE, )  
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. )  
as nominee of PULTE MORTGAGE, LLC, )  
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A THE BANK OF )  
NEW YORK, SUCCESSOR INDENTURE TRUSTEE TO )  
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE )  
ON BEHALF OF THE NOTEHOLDERS OF THE CWHEQ INC., )  
CWHEQ REVOLVING HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES )  
2005-A, and )  
AVALON MASTER ASSOCIATION, INC., )  
Defendants. )  
AVALON MASTER ASSOCIATION, INC., )  
Cross-Claim Plaintiff. )  
vs. )  
THE TOWNHOMES AT AVALON HOMEOWNERS )  
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC., )  
SUZETTE N. SCHUETTE, )  
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. )  
as nominee of PULTE MORTGAGE, LLC, and )  
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A THE BANK OF )  
NEW YORK, SUCCESSOR INDENTURE TRUSTEE TO )  
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE )  
ON BEHALF OF THE NOTEHOLDERS OF THE CWHEQ INC., )  
CWHEQ REVOLVING HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES )  
2005-A, and )  
Cross-Claim Defendants. )

**NOTICE OF SUIT**

Notice is hereby given that Plaintiff The Townhomes at Avalon Homeowners Neighborhood Association, Inc. has filed a suit to foreclose liens in the Hamilton Superior Court 2, against Defendant Suzette N. Schuette, whose whereabouts are unknown. Said case is pending under cause number 29D02-2208-CC-005857. The Court is located at One Hamilton County Square, Suite 384, Noblesville, IN 46060. Plaintiff is represented by Steven C. Earnhart, Thrasher Buschmann & Voelkel, P.C., 8440 Woodfield Crossing Blvd., Suite 310, Indianapolis, IN 46240, 317-686-4773. Said claim to foreclose liens arises from delinquent homeowner association assessments. Defendant Suzette N. Schuette must respond within thirty (30) days after the last notice of the action is published. If said Defendants fail(s) to do so, judgment by default may be entered against them for the relief demanded in the Plaintiff’s complaint.

Respectfully submitted,  
THRASHER BUSCHMANN & VOELKEL, PC.  
Attorneys for The Townhomes at Avalon Homeowners Neighborhood Association, Inc.  
By: /s/ Steven C. Earnhart  
Steven C. Earnhart, Atty # 18618-49

Thrasher Buschmann & Voelkel, P.C.  
8440 Woodfield Crossing Blvd., Suite 310  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46240  
(317) 686-4773  
(317) 686-4777 (facsimile)  
[earnhart@indiana-attorneys.com](mailto:earnhart@indiana-attorneys.com)  
*R1919 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

**STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON COURT**

COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) SS)  
IN THE MATTER OF THE PATERNITY OF ) CASE NO. 29D01-2212-JP-1840  
Santiago Mendoza, )  
Minor Child )  
Rosmely Manzanilla )  
Petitioner )  
v. )  
Argenis Mendoza )

**SUMMONS**

**AND NOTICE OF INITIAL HEARING IN A PATERNITY CASE**

THE STATE OF INDIANA TO: Argenis Mendoza

A paternity action has been filed in the Court stated above. A copy of the Petition (and, in some cases, other documents) is served with this Summons and contain important details regarding the nature of these proceedings.

An answer or other appropriate response in writing to the petition must be filed either by you or your attorney within twenty (20) days, starting the day after you receive this Summons, (or twenty-three (23)- days if this Summons was received by mail) OR A DECISION MAY BE MADE AGAINST YOU BY DEFAULT AND A FINAL ORDER MAY BE ENTERED DETERMINING PATERNITY, CUSTODY, PARENTING TIME AND CHILD SUPPORT. If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You have rights in this case, including the right to a jury trial

If this Summons is accompanied by an Order Setting Hearing, you must appear in Court on the date and time stated on the Order Setting Hearing. IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR, EVIDENCE MAY BE HEARD AND A DECISION MAY BE MADE BY THE COURT. If you wish to hire an attorney to represent you in this matter, it is advisable to do so before that date.

If you do not file a written appearance with the Clerk and serve a copy on the attorney, or other party if the other party does not have an attorney, in this matter, you may not receive notice of any further proceedings in this action.

Date: Jan. 12, 2023

Clerk: Kathy Krag Williams  
*R1924 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

**29D01-2212-EU-000630**

Altman, Poindexter & Wyatt LLC  
Anne Hensley Poindexter  
90 Executive Drive, Suite G  
Carmel, IN 46032  
(317)350-1000

**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION**

Cause No. 29D01-2212-EU-000630  
In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that Carolyn M. Shaw was on December 30, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Susan Anne Shaw, deceased, who died on the 12th day of November 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, on December 30, 2022.

Kathy Krag Williams  
Clerk of the Superior Court for Hamilton County, Indiana  
*R1922 1/16/23, 1/23/23*

**29D01-2301-EU-000001**  
**Hamilton Superior Court 1**

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )  
COURT 1 )  
CAUSE NO.: 29D01-1904-EU-000184 )  
IN THE MATTER OF THE )  
UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION OF THE )  
ESTATE OF )  
ROBERT STEVEN ROSS, )  
DECEASED )

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that on January 10, 2023, Julie D. Ross was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert Steven Ross, deceased, who died on December 2, 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 on January 10, 2023

Kathy Krag Williams  
Clerk of the Hamilton Court  
Laura B. Conway, Esq.  
Atty. No. 26316-49  
Thrasher Buschmann & Voelkel, P.C.  
8440 Woodfield Crossing Blvd,  
Suite 310  
Indianapolis, IN 46240  
317.686.4773 Telephone  
conway@indiana-attomeys.com  
*R1927 1/16/23, 1/23/23*

**STATE OF INDIANA )**  
**COUNTY OF HAMILTON )**  
**IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )**  
**COURT 3 )**  
**CAUSE NO 29D03-2210- )**  
**DN-007831 )**

THOMAS WHITEHOUSE, )  
Petitioner, )  
vs. )  
ERIKA MONTERO, )  
Respondent. )

**SUMMONS**

TO RESPONDENT:

Name: Erika Montero  
Address: Unknown

**NOTICE**

You are hereby notified that you have been sued for a divorce by the person named as Petitioner in the case currently pending in the Hamilton Superior Court 3, Hamilton County, Indiana, under Cause No. 29D03-2210-DN-007831.

Petitioner is represented by:  
Zachary A. Smith  
Attorney No. 30862-49  
TRAPP LAW, LLC  
7007 Graham Rd., Ste. 108  
Indianapolis, IN 46220  
Phone: (317) 423-1823

An answer or other appropriate response in writing must be filed in Court either by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days after the last notice of this action is published by the Hamilton County Reporter. If you take no action, default judgment may be entered against you for the relief sought in Petitioner’s Petition for Dissolution.

SO DATED: 1/10/2023

Kathy Krag Williams  
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court  
*R1943 1/23/23, 1/30/23, 2/6/23*

**ACCURATE**  
**BALANCED**  
**LOCAL NEWS**



— COURT NOTICES —

**Summons – Service By Publication/Gena K Clark**  
State Of Indiana County Of Hamilton In The Hamilton Superior Court Cause No: 29D02-2212-MF-010131 The Bank Of New York Mellon As Trustee For Home Equity Mortgage Trust Series 2005-1 Home Equity Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-1 Plaintiff -vs- Gena K Clark, Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas As Indenture Trustee For The Registered Holders Of Saxon Asset Securities Trust 2004-3 Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 2004-3, Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, Defendant(s) Notice Of Suit To the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is the foreclosure of a mortgage upon the property legally described as follows: Building 6, Unit 963-207, in Lenox Trace Horizontal Property Regime created by Declaration recorded as Instrument No. 9343099 on September 7, 1993, as amended by Scrivener’s Error Affidavit recorded on October 14, 1993 as Instrument No. 9349956 and First Amendment to Declaration recorded on January 10, 1994, as Instrument No. 9401515; and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded on October 14, 1993 as Instrument No. 9349958, Amendment to Supplemental Declaration recorded on October 25, 1993 as Instrument No.9351928, and Supplemental Declaration recorded on April 5, 1994 as Instrument No. 9415877 as Instrument No. 9415877 and Supplemental Declaration recorded on May 17, 1994 as Instrument No. 9422872 and Supplemental Declaration recorded on October 27, 1994 as Instrument No. 9444832 and Supplemental Declaration recorded on December 28, 1994 as Instrument No. 9452431 and Supplemental Declaration recorded February 21, 1995 as Instrument No. 9505770 and being recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana., together with 0056 % undivided interest appearing to such Unit in the common areas and limited areas in Lenox Tract Horizontal Property Regime, until such time as Supplemental Declarations are recorded annexing additional real estate to Lenox Trace, pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 21 of the Declaration. Upon the filing and recording of a Supplemental Declaration annexing additional real estate of Lenox Tract Horizontal Property Regime, the Grantees undivided percentage interest in the common areas and limited areas shall be reduced and changed in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 8 and 21 of the Declaration. And together with the exclusive right to use Parking Space No. 93 and Garage No. N/A which right shall pass with the title to Building 6 and Unit 963-207. Commonly known as: 963 Wickham Court, Carmel, IN 46032 This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: Gena K Clark In addition, to the above-named defendants being served by this summons, there may be other defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit. An answer or other appropriate response in writing to the Complaint must be filed either by you or your attorney with the Clerk of the Court for Hamilton County at: Hamilton County Clerk 1 Hamilton County Square Ste. 106 Noblesville, IN 46060 on or before the 1st day of March, 2023, (the same being thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so, a judgment may be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded. Phillip A. Norman, P.C. /s/ Phillip A. Norman #13734-64 Attorney for Plaintiff Phillip A. Norman, P.C. 2110 Calumet Avenue Valparaiso, IN 46383 Telephone: 219-462-5104 22-01487 Attest: /s/ Kathy Kreag Williams Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court  
*R1900 1/16, 1/23, 1/30/23*

STATE OF INDIANA )  
SS: )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2212-MI-009532 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
Karli Bruckner )  
Petitioner. )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )**  
**CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Karli Bruckner, whose mailing )  
address and residence address is: 2629 )  
Paperbark Creek Drive, Westfield, )  
IN 46074, in HAMILTON County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that Karli )  
Bruckner has filed a petition in the )  
Hamilton Court requesting that name )  
be changed to Karli Bruckner Nuñez. )  
Notice is further given that hearing )  
will be held on said Petition on the )  
March 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. )  
*Karli Bruckner* )  
Petitioner )  
Date: December 6, 2022 )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Circuit Court Clerk )  
*R1872 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 )  
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*

**29D01-2301-EU-000004**  
*Sarah J. Randall, #26898-29*  
Church Church Hittle + Antrim  
Two North Ninth Street  
Noblesville, IN 46060  
(317)773-2190; FAX (317) 773-5320  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.  
Notice is hereby given that Ada Doris Gonzalez was, on January 9, 2023 appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of AIDA L. RAMOS BRUNO, deceased, who died October 12, 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 on January 9, 2023.  
*Kathy Kreag Williams*  
Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana  
*R1920 1/16/23, 1/23/23*

**29D01-2212-EU-000629**  
Altman, Poindexter & Wyatt LLC  
Anne Hensley Poindexter  
90 Executive Drive, Suite G  
Carmel, IN 46032  
(317)350-1000  
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION**  
Cause No. 29D01-2212-EU-000629 In the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana.  
Notice is hereby given that Carolyn M. Shaw was on December 30, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of John M. Shaw, deceased, who died on the 17th day of November 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, on December 30, 2022.  
*Kathy Kreag Williams*  
Clerk of the Superior Court for Hamilton County, Indiana  
*R1921 1/16/23, 1/23/23*

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. 29C01-2211-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*

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )  
COURT )  
CAUSE NO. 29D03-2209-EU-000464 )  
IN THE MATTER OF )  
THE UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION OF THE )  
ESTATE OF SUE C. HOWARD, )  
Deceased. )  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** )  
Notice is hereby given that on the )  
15th day of December, 2022, G. )  
Bryan Miller was appointed personal )  
representative of the Estate of Sue C. )  
Howard, Deceased, who died on the )  
13th day of June, 2022. All persons )  
having claims against the estate )  
whether or not now due, must file a )  
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 )  
15th day of December, 2022. )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk, Hamilton County )  
Superior Court )  
*R1915 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

**29D03-2212-EU-000627**  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
In the Hamilton County Court, Probate Division  
In the Matter of the Estate of Barbara Ann Moses, deceased.  
Cause Number: 29D03-2212-EU-000627  
Notice is hereby given that John C. Moses was on the 30th day of Dec. 2022 appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Barbara Ann Moses , deceased, who died on the 20th day of September, 2022.  
All persons having claims against said 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 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 30th day of December, 2022.  
*Kathy Kreag Williams*  
Clerk Hamilton County,  
*R1936 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

— NOBLESVILLE —

**NOTICE OF AUCTION**  
Notice is hereby given, pursuant and in conformity to IC 9-22-1.5 Abandoned Mobile Homes, IC 26-1-7-210 and IC 26-1-2-328, of a public auction of an abandoned 1997 Dutch mobile home bearing a manufacturers identification number of: Serial # 21483Y, titled in the name Sally McFall. The abandoned mobile home will be sold at public auction at 10:30 A.M. on February 8, 2023 at 17301 River Avenue, Noblesville IN. 46062. The abandoned mobile home can be viewed at 710 Jason Lane, Noblesville IN. 46062, for 1 hour prior to the auction.  
*R1803 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

— COUNTY —

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana, during its regularly scheduled meeting in the Commissioners' Courtroom will receive sealed bids for items as listed below. These sealed bids must be forwarded by registered mail or delivered in person to the Hamilton County Auditor, located in the basement of the Courthouse at 33 North 9th Street, Suite L21, Noblesville, Indiana 46060 prior to 12:30 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2023. After 12:30 p.m. they can be delivered to the Auditor in the Hamilton County Commissioners Courtroom up to the time of the noticed bid opening. All bids will be opened and read aloud beginning at 1:50 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2023. All items bid are for the use of the Hamilton County Highway Department and participating municipalities (category 8). All quantities are estimated based on the projected usage, and the purchased amount will be more or less depending on the actual need. **Unless otherwise stated, all bid prices will be considered firm prices and awards shall be valid March 1, 2023 through February 28, 2024.** Bids will be received in the following categories:  
1. Aggregates  
2. Bituminous Mixtures  
3. Liquid Asphalts  
4. Drainage Pipe  
5. Timber Bridge Components  
6. Gasoline / Fuel & Lubricants  
7. N/A  
8. Pavement Traffic Markings  
9. Fertilization & Weed Control .9a  
10. Tree / Stump Removal  
11. Traffic Signal Maintenance  
12. Mowing

All materials and supplies, unless otherwise specified shall be in compliance with the appropriate section(s) of the latest version of the INDOT Standard Specifications or Hamilton County Specifications 2002 on file in the Auditor's Office. Specifications on file in the Auditor's Office supersede State Highway Specifications. Bid packages and specifications can be obtained at the Hamilton County Highway Office located at 1700 South 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana. It is mandatory that all of the above-mentioned materials and supplies meet specifications on file in the Auditor's Office and all applicable laws and regulations.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept more than one bidder or reject any and/or all bids, or any part thereof. The Board of County Commissioners also reserves the right to accept bids on a line-item basis. Hamilton County reserves the right to award on the basis of geographical location or on the basis of past performances. In compliance with IC 5-22-17-4, upon request of the vendor and approval of the Board of Commissioners, awards may be extended for a year beginning March 1, 2024.

Sealed bids shall be submitted on prescribed forms (HC Form 06/03), which are obtainable from said Auditor. **CATEGORY NAME AND ITEM NUMBER SHOULD BE CLEARLY INDICATED ON OUTSIDE ENVELOPE CONTAINING BID. Separate categories shall be bid in separate envelopes.** When specifically required in the specifications a bid is to be accompanied by a **BIDDERS BOND, OR BY A CERTIFIED CHECK** in the sum equal to the amount specified, made payable to Hamilton County Board of Commissioners, conditioned that such bidder will, if successful, be required to furnish a performance bond or suppliers bond in the same amount and enter into a contract agreeing to furnish such materials and supplies, in the event that they are ordered at any time during the specified time period ending February 28, 2024.

Bidders for Categories 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 shall complete and return the **Employment Eligibility Verification Form**. **Bidders shall affix identifying bid tabs** to the following items of each proposal: A) Bid form 06/03 B) Non-Collusion Affidavit C) Bid Bond or certified check (if required) D) Bid Proposal, with Summary sheets if applicable E) Employment Eligibility Verification Form (for Categories 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12) F) Receipt of Addendum(s), if applicable.

Bonds or checks are required for each of the following categories:  
Category 1a. Stone Aggregates \$5,000.00  
Category 2. Bituminous Mixtures \$15,000.00  
Category 3. Liquid Asphalts \$25,000.00  
Category 5. Treated Timber Structures \$5,000.00  
Category 8. Pavement Traffic Markings \$10,000.00  
*Bradley Davis*  
Director -Hamilton County Highway

DATED: December 12, 2022  
*R1796 1/16/23, 1/23/23*

**Notice**  
The Hamilton County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) hereby provides notice of its regular business meetings for 2023, pursuant to Indiana's Open Door Law, Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-5(a). The LEPC will hold meetings at the Hamilton County Emergency Management office, located at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. Meetings will begin at 9:00 am on February 23, May 25, August 24, and October 12. Meeting dates, location, and times are subject to change. For more information about the LEPC visit [www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/lepc](http://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/lepc)  
*R1909 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

**Notice of Proposed Precinct Boundary Changes**  
To the voters of Hamilton County:  
You are notified that the Election Division of the Office of the Secretary of State of Indiana has determined that a proposed order by the Hamilton County Commissioners to change certain precinct boundaries within this county would comply with state law, and that the Election Division has notified the Commissioners that precinct boundaries may be established in accordance with the county's proposed order.  
The boundaries of the following existing precincts would be changed by the adoption of the county's proposed order:  
**Precinct Changes Proposed for 2023**  
**Adams Township**  
Annex #2022-05 – Sheridan 2 Township to Town  
Annex #2022-07 – Sheridan 4 Township to Town (2 voters)  
**Delaware Township**  
Annex #011822C – Delaware 22-Twnship moved to Delaware 18 – City (2 voters)  
Annex #041822D – Delaware 22-Twnship moved to Delaware 09 – City  
**Fall Creek Township**  
Annex #011822B – Fall Creek 34-Twnship moved to Fall Creek 01 – City (3 voters)  
Annex #041822A – Fall Creek 34-Twnship moved to Fall Creek 27 – City  
Annex #041822B – Fall Creek 39-Twnship moved to Fall Creek 12 – City (2 voters)  
Annex #041822C – Fall Creek 29-Twnship moved to Fall Creek 03 – City (4 voters)  
Annex #071822 – Fall Creek 34-Twnship moved to Fall Creek 27 – City  
Annex #071822A – Fall Creek 34-Twnship moved to Fall Creek 33 – City  
Fall Creek 37 voters moved to Fall Creek 27 (137 voters) due to Fall Creek 37 being over 2000 active voters  
**Jackson Township**  
Annex #9-21-2021-2 – Jackson 04-Twnship moved to Jackson 08 – Town  
**Noblesville Township**  
Annex # 88-12-21 – Noblesville 03-Twnship moved to Noblesville 18 – City (71 voters)  
Annex #29-05-22 – Noblesville 04-Twnship moved to Noblesville 40 – City  
Annex #51-07-22 – Noblesville 03-Twnship moved to Noblesville 11 – City (1 voter)  
Annex #28-05-22 – Noblesville 19-Twnship moved to Noblesville 29 - City  
Noblesville 44 – **NEW PRECINCT** created due to Noblesville City Council redistricting  
Noblesville 40 – 552 voters moving to new precinct Noblesville 44  
Noblesville 09 – 257 voters moving to new precinct Noblesville 44  
**Washington Township**  
Annex #21-54 – Westfield 05-Twnship moved to Westfield 02 -City (2 voters)  
Annex #22-03 – Westfield 05-Twnship moved to Westfield 02 – City (2 voters)  
Annex #22-04 – Westfield 05-Twnship moved to Westfield 02 – City  
Annex #22-13 – Westfield 05-Twnship moved to Westfield 02 – City  
Annex #22-12 – Westfield 05-Twnship moved to Westfield 02 – City  
Westfield 27 voters moved to Westfield 20 (633 voters) – due to Westfield 27 being over 2000 active voters  
**Wayne Township**  
Annex #30-05-22 – Wayne 02-Twnship moved to Wayne 03 – City  
Any registered voter of this County may object to the county's proposed order by filing a sworn statement with the Election Division. This statement must set forth the voter's specific objections to the proposed order, and request that a hearing be conducted by the Indiana Election Commission under the Administrative Orders and Procedures Act (Indiana Code 4-21-5).  
The mailing address of the Election Division is:  
Election Division of the Office of the Secretary of State of Indiana  
302 West Washington Street, Room E-204  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2743  
Any objection to the proposed order must be filed with the Election Division no later than noon, Indianapolis time, 10 days after the publication of this notice. A complete copy of the county's proposed order is available for public inspection and copying at the Hamilton County Clerk's Office and the Election Division.  
Hamilton County Board of Commissioners  
*R1935 1/19/23, 1/23/23*

— WESTFIELD —

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**  
Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-5, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Westfield Washington Schools has preliminarily determined to enter into a lease agreement and issue bonds in one or more series of bonds in the principal amount of \$13,000,000 to fund the renovation and expansion of Carey Ridge Elementary School, including site work and the purchase of equipment and technology.  
Dated: January 16, 2023  
*/s/ Board of School Trustees*  
Westfield Washington Schools  
*R1917 1/16/23, 1/23/23*

— FISHERS —

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
The City of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana ("City") hereby provides NOTICE that on December 27th, 2022, the City of Fishers Board of Public Works & Safety ("Board") meeting in a duly noticed public meeting approved Resolution R122722B amending the City's Traffic and Parking Schedules. Specifically, the approved resolution adds stop and yield intersections and speed limits resulting from the City's acceptance of newly constructed roads into the City's inventory as well as construction of intersection improvements at 131ST Street and State Road 37. A copy of the approved resolution is available for inspection at the City of Fishers, Department of Engineering, 11565 Brooks School Rd, Fishers, IN 46037 or online at [www.fishers.in.us/agendacenter](http://www.fishers.in.us/agendacenter)  
*R1937 1/23/23*

— SHERIFF SALES —

**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. 29D02-2002-MF-001439 wherein *Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC was Plaintiff, and Waterwood of Carmel Homeowners Association, Inc. and Steven J. Bammann 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 **2nd day of March, 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 67 in Waterwood of Carmel, Section 2, an addition in Hamilton County, Indiana as per plat thereof recorded October 16, 1994, as Instrument No. 9451197, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.**  
**More commonly known as 11212 Basswood Ct, Carmel, IN 46032-6908**  
**Parcel No. 17-13-02-02-09-022.000**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff

**BARRY T. BARNES**  
Plaintiff Attorney  
Attorney # 19657-49  
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.  
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400  
Indianapolis, IN 46250  
(317) 237-2727

**Clay Township**  
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street addressed published herein.  
**NOTICE**  
**FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.**  
*R1911 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**  
**SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE**  
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Superior Court #3 of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D03-2208-MF-006801 wherein *The Huntington National Bank was Plaintiff, and Joseph A. Robeson, AKA Joseph Robeson was the Defendant*, requiring 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 **March 2, 2023**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or as soon as thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.  
**Lot Numbered 247 in Riverwood, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Deed Record 114, Page 20 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.**  
**Commonly known address: 247 Riverwood Drive, Noblesville, IN 46062**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff of Hamilton County  
**Township: Noblesville**  
**Parcel No./ Tax Id #: 29-07-16-203-020.000-012**

*Susan B. Klineman*  
Manley Deas Kochalski LLC  
P.O. Box 165028  
Columbus OH 43216-5028  
Telephone: 614-220-5611  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
**The Sheriffs Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein**  
*R1912 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**  
**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2203-CC-002154, wherein *The Bristol's Homeowners Association, Inc., was Plaintiff, and Savarn Kaur, et al., was the Defendant*, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the **2nd day of March, 2023** between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:  
**Lot 436 in Bristol's, Section 5A, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded December 13, 2005 in Plat Cabinet 3, Slide 784, as Instrument No. 2005-80373 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.**  
**Parcel No. 13-11-27-00-24-057.000/29-11-27-024-057.000-020**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.  
*Kimberly M. Sutter, #33898-29*  
EADS MURRAY & PUGH P.C.  
Date: January 3, 2023

*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff of Hamilton County  
**Fall Creek Township**  
Street Address: **12308 Quarterback Lane Fishers, IN 4603**  
*The Sheriffs Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address herein.*  
**This is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.**  
*R1913 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTEREST PARTIES**  
**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.: 29D05-2108-MF-005508 wherein *LakeviewLoan Servicing, LLC, was Plaintiff, and Cindy M. Stecker, et al were the Defendants*, requiring 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 **2nd day of March, 2023** at the hour of 10:00 a.m. - 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 number 119 in West Rail at the Station, Section One, Secondary Plat, as per plat thereof, recorded July 20, 2017, as instrument no. 2017034784 in plat cabinet 5, slide 707, in The Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.**  
**More Commonly Known as: 15971 Conductors Dr., Westfield, IN 46074**  
**Parcel No. 29-09-10-017.048.000-015**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff of Hamilton County  
**Washington Township**  
**15971 Conductors Dr., Westfield, IN 46074**  
Street Address  
*Phillip A. Norman #13734-64*  
PHILLIP A. NORMAN P.C.  
**January 9, 2023**  
Date  
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.  
*R1914 1/16/23, 1/23/23, 1/30/23*

— ARCADIA —

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
Notice is hereby given that the Board of School T rustees 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@csone.net](mailto:bhite@csone.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 indicating 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](http://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  
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Arcadia, IN 46030  
*R1906 1/9/23, 1/23/23*

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Basketball

Shamrocks prevail over Huskies

By **RICHARD TORRES**  
For The Reporter

**ARCADIA** – The Westfield Shamrocks needed an answer, some momentum in the second half against host Hamilton Heights during their county showdown last Wednesday.

Shamrocks’ junior Ellie Kelleher provided two – back-to-back from beyond the arc.

With the Class 3A No. 14 Huskies slicing the 4A Shamrocks’ lead to 17-15 with 4 minutes, 28 seconds left in the third quarter, Kelleher buried a key 3-pointer and another at the 2:15 mark.

Both buckets padded the Shamrocks’ advantage, which held the rest of the way, as sophomore Lindsey Van Dyke locked down the perimeter on defense and Westfield went 6 of 6 from the foul line to win 35-28.

“Lindsey Van Dyke, she really locked up (Camryn Runner). She scores most of their points, and Lindsey has played great defense all year,” Kelleher remarked after the Shamrocks’ second straight win. “It was no different tonight, and I think we just fed off her energy and her ability to stop her.”

Runner, who averages 19.0 points per game, was shooting 38 percent from behind the 3-point line this season. Against the Shamrocks, she finished with 11 points without a single 3-pointer.

Ella Hickok had 10 points for the Huskies (16-4), but a 9 of 28 shooting night for the team prevented Hamilton Heights from extending their four-game winning streak.

“I was just proud of the way we stayed together and the way we weathered some storms. That’s a really good basketball team, and at their place. It’s a hard place to win,” Westfield head coach Kelsey Key said. “We definitely showed composure, and that was one of the things we talked about in pregame that we would need. I was really proud of that tonight.”

The Shamrocks’ fortitude was evident after a quick 5-0 run

to open the second half after trailing 12-11 at halftime.

A 3-pointer by Emmrey Collinsworth kicked off the rally before Van Dyke took a Kelleher assist to the basket for a 17-12 lead.

Runner cut the deficit to 17-15 in the third behind a pair of free throws, but the Shamrocks built a seven-point margin by the late fourth quarter to improve to 12-8 on the season.

“It’s so much fun. Going on the road, it’s a tough place to play here. And seeing shots go in for all of us, we’ve struggled to shoot the ball this year, so it’s great to win in an environment like this and against a team like this,” Kelleher said. “We all hit our free throws. We were all clutch tonight.”

Kelleher went 4 of 5 from long range and posted a game-high 18 points with seven rebounds. Aubrey Crockett had four points and five rebounds, while Kiki Loveless added another four points and four rebounds.

Westfield dominated the defensive glass for 18 rebounds and 25 overall, which limited Hamilton Heights’ second-chance opportunities. The Huskies shot 1 of 13 from deep.

“It’s no secret now. We kind of live and die by the three a little bit. Probably more than we should, but you look at our last two games, and we’ve really shot it at a high level,” Huskies head coach Keegan Cherry said.

“On back-to-back nights, senior night last night, and it’s a late night. How much did that contribute to our shooting woes? We can use that as an excuse, but to win a sectional, you’re going to have to play back-to-back nights, so from that standpoint, this is good for us. It’s an opportunity to prep for sectional and ultimately that’s our goal.”

For the Shamrocks, the win capped a three-game road stretch that they concluded 2-1.

“We knew that they could get hot from the perimeter, and we wanted to win at that,” Key said. “We talked a lot about that, and once they put it on the floor, we



Reporter photo by Kirk Green  
**Emmrey Collinsworth scored nine points for Westfield in last Friday's game against Brownburg.**

knew we just needed to play defense without fouling. We didn’t do that great tonight, but ultimately, we helped each other and were moving and talking defensively. You can build off of that for sure.”

“We’re never supposed to beat Westfield, frankly. For our girls to compete like that when you look at it position to position, the bigger, faster, stronger team was the away team tonight,” Cherry said. “That means our margin for error was very slim, and we had to great in our technique, rebounding and getting off our feet and go get the basketball and make every tough play. Then, hopefully give ourselves a chance to win.”

**Friday games**

Both teams were in action last Friday night. Westfield fell in a close game to Brownsburg, 41-38 at CSI Gymnasium.

The Bulldogs led 11-5 after one quarter, but Westfield came back to tie at 19-19 by halftime. The ‘Rocks then went up 28-27 after three periods, but Brownsburg took control in the fourth by outscoring Westfield 14-10.

Kelleher and Collinsworth

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For Almodovar, he’s going to keep grinding with the Millers chasing a potential top spot in the HCC and maybe their first sectional title since 2010.

“I’m going to come in with the same intensity as I would have before. I’m going to go after it the same whether I was committed for not. I’m going to attack every game the same and every practice the same,” Almodovar said.

**HCC victory**

Noblesville sailed to a conference win at Franklin Central last Friday, 51-31.

The Millers outscored the Flashes in each of the four periods. Noblesville led 13-9 after one quarter and 19-14 at halftime, then blasted through the third quarter, outscoring Franklin Central 17-5. Fine had five points in the third. In the fourth quarter, Justin Curry added seven points, including a 3-pointer, while Almodovar made two triples.

Fine and Curry led the Millers with 11 points each, while Almodovar scored 10 points.

BRIGHT

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in a battle for the rebound and the sophomore calmly made two free throws to cut the Lapel lead to 49-48. DuBois fouled out after Lapel inbounded and the Bulldogs split a pair of foul shots for the 50-48 lead prior to Bright's heroics.

Payton Seay led University with 20 points and had four steals. Taylor Seay had nine points, five rebounds and four assists. Patterson had nine points and five rebounds. DuBois had eight points and a team-high 12 rebounds.

Wills, a 6-0 freshman, led Lapel with 24 points including 10 of 12 at the free throw line. Poynter had 13 points, including 4 of 6 foul shots. The Bulldogs were 19 of 24 at the foul line. University made 7 of 10 free throws.

University (15-4) won for the ninth consecutive time. The Trailblazers will host Indianapolis City champion Heritage Christian Tuesday night at The U Center, then welcome Tri-West on Thursday before finishing the season Saturday at Tipton.

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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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