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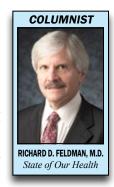


TODAY'S WEATHER Today: Rainy day, with some thunder possible. Fonight: Scattered showers. Wind gusting to 40 mph in the evening. HIGH: 63 LOW: 55



Should nurse practitioners have their own practices?

The advanced practice registered nurses (nurse practitioners) are again at the legislature seeking independent practice. Currently an APRN with prescription authority must have a collaborative relationship with a physician that includes chart review.



Physicians value their APRN colleagues but have long believed that they should be part of a health-care team led by a physician. In such a relationship, they are especially valuable to the delivery and expansion of health care services.

APRNs say physicians' opposition to independent practice is purely a turf issue. This is truly not about competition; it's about quality and safety of patient care. As a residency director for 40 years, I have clinically trained the gamut of health-professional student types. I can attest that APRNs have limitations due to limited knowledge, training, and experience.

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Marian University, Ivy Tech, dents with an interest in a ca-Hamilton County Health De- reer in a health career were sent days has focused on a specific John Clevenger: 43 years of

Photos provided by Sheridan Community Schools

Sheridan students line up to explore health care careers

(Above left) James Ginder from the Hamilton County Health Department shares information about public health

careers. (Above right) Chad Robertson from Riverview Health allows students to test their grip strength with

The REPORTER

held a health careers event for 1Care/Legacy CNA Training. students last week.

physical therapy equipment.

efforts, Sheridan High School Training School, and Senior- dent Resource Time) periods.

Eight companies were repre-visited the career exploration sented at the event: IU Health, fair during the school day. Stu-

partment, Hamilton County specific invitations to attend the in-demand career sector, so stu-As part of its comprehensive Public Safety Communications, event, and other students also dents can be introduced to peocareer exploration and readiness KLR Medical Certification visited during their SRT (Stu- ple who have jobs in our local

> Approximately 100 students career exploration days held through a collaboration with Sheridan Youth Assistance Program (SYAP). Each of these

area that they may be interested This was the third of four in pursuing after high school. Students learn about the qualifications and training/education required for these careers,

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Local fire fighters to hold 'Fathead

service at Noblesville Schools

Submitted by **Noblesville Schools**

The year is 1980. Ronald Reagan has been elected president, Blondie tops the music charts, and the average home cost \$68,000.

It's also the year that John Clevenger joined Noblesville Schools. Today, he's the district's longest serving employee, still supporting the community through his role as a custodian at Noblesville High School.

Clevenger spent his first three years as a custodian at Hinkle Creek Elementary before moving to Noblesville High School, back when it was located on 17th Street in the building that is now Ivy Tech.

After losing factory jobs due to plant closures, he decided to seek greater security

working with the schools. His strategy paid off and he'll be celebrating 43 years with the district this year.

Change has been the one constant over the years. Clevenger has served under five different NHS principals and jokes that holes in students' pants used to be a bad thing.

Student hair colors have changed, cleaning equipment has changed, and Noblesville traffic has changed, but the kids are still his favorite part of the job.

He loves seeing all the new things they are up to and all the high school activities they participate in. Teasing about how large and busy the band department has grown, he sug- opening of the current high supervisor Steve Coverdale gests that they might need their school building in 1996. Cle- to get the school ready to own school soon.



venger remembers long hours

A favorite memory is the working with former building See Clevenger ... Page 2

Challenge' at 4-H Fairgrounds

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Professional Fire Fighters will host the Firefighters' Fathead Challenge on Saturday, March 4, at the



Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds Exhibition Center in Noblesville.

Individual tickets are available for \$40, which includes food and drink. For a more exclusive experience, VIP tables are available for \$800. The VIP tables include special drinks and a special meal. All funds from the event will go toward the families of fire fighters who have children with special needs and extraordinary medical expenses.

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Bondry Consulting joins Westfield Chamber as Diamond Level Partner

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Bondry Consulting, 35 E. Main St., Suite 200, Carmel, has joined the Westfield Chamber of Commerce as a new Diamond Level Partner, the Chamber's \$10K partnership level. As a Diamond Level Partner, Bondry Consulting will be the Title Sponsor at the Westfield Chamber Golf Outing in May 2023.

"We are pleased to join the Westfield Chamber of Commerce and are looking forward to working alongside Steve Latour and his team at the Chamber," said Bondry's founder and president, Oscar Gutierrez. "The foundation of our company is built on creating a unique bond with our customers and the community. We are pleased to support the Westfield Chamber of Commerce through this partnership."

Bondry Consulting is a municipal advisor headquartered in Hamilton County. Bondry offers three main services: municipal advising,

Rep. Garcia Wilburn's legislation to bolster first responder mental health passes out of committee

The REPORTER

Monday by a vote of 11-0.

House Bill 1321 will require annual in-service virtual enforcement, full-time professional firefighters, and EMS.

The training will address mental health and wellness and suicide prevention. This resource will not only preserve anonymity, but help deal with thoughts of suicide, trauma and other mental or emotional obstacles in order to reduce stress and anxiety. This is Garcia Wilburn's first piece of legislation to pass out of committee.

"I wanted to be a legisla- further consideration.

tor so I could address the very A bill authored by Rep. Vic- real and enduring mental health toria Garcia Wilburn (D-Fish- struggles our first responders ers) to support first responder face," Rep. Garcia Wilburn said. mental health passed out of the "I want all of our brave law en-House Committee on Veterans forcement officers, firefighters Affairs and Public Safety on and EMS personnel to know: 'You're not alone, and you can get help.' We have an ethical obligation to protect those who training to all first responders, protect and serve us, and right including the professions of law now, our active law enforcement officers and firefighters are more likely to die by suicide than in the line of duty.

"Thank you to my legislative colleagues for voting this bill out of committee so we can take another step toward making good on this promise. I am honored that my first bill passed out of committee is one in service of our first responders."

moves to the House floor for



Garcia Wilburn's bill now (From left) Fishers Chief of Police Ed Gebhart, Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn, and Carmel Police Department Deputy Chief of Administration Brady Myers.

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event emcee for the evening. The night will feature various games and activities, including raffle items, pull tabs, 50/50 games, and the famous coin flip game. Earl-B's Catering Co. will be providing the meal for the event, and beer and wine will be available with a valid ID.

The Firefighters' Fathead Challenge was started 13 years ago by Retired Lieutenant Dave Bobo and his wife, Michelle. They found a need in the Hamilton County community and created this unique event the most significant events March 3.

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Lindsey Monroe will be the year. Fishers Fire Department Lt. Chad Hiner took provided by employers. over as director five years ago and encourages everyone to sign up soon because tables are limited.

> Attendees are encouraged to decorate their tables, bring snacks, and enjoy the night. No outside alcohol will be allowed inside the event. Credit/debit cards and cash will both be accepted. Attendees can check in at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 6 p.m. and trivia starting promptly at 7 p.m.

To register for the event, visit the official website, fatheadchallenge.com, that has grown into one of until 11:59 p.m. on Friday,



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SHERIDAN

WTHR Meteorologist in Hamilton County each as well as seeing and engaging in hands-on activities

> Some of the interactive displays the students really loved were using some of the physical therapy equipment from Riverview

NURSE

The clinical training hours of a physician are far more than an APRN: 12,000 to 21,000 hours as compared to about 500 to 750 for an APRN. The training pathways, consistency in training, and clinical exposure for APRNs vary widely from school to school, some relying heavily on online education. Many schools have inconsistent and poorly organized and vetted clinical rotations for their students.

Also important is the qualitative difference in training for a physician, which involves intensive experiences, depth of responsibility, and intervention. There are years of direct shoulder-to-shoulder onsite supervision and oversight by faculty through the clinical years of medical school and residency. APRN clinical training, in contrast, is largely observational, and students are not tice is equivalent or better

CLEVENGER-

open. There was a hectic like being short-staffed and economic minute finishing touches, the south end running behind schedule, and the feeling of being a little over- for so long? People sharing whelmed navigating such a big building.

Clevenger notes that his job isn't easy and requires a willingness to work hard. There are also challenges He's doing it for the kids.

Pharmacy Jeopardy, and touching the cancerous ver-IU Health's respiratory therapy department provided.

SCAN ME

"Our team is working hard to create positive career

Patients come to provid-

ers undifferentiated. Chest

pain could be heart attack.

dissecting thoracic aortic

aneurism, or just simple in-

digestion. Back pain could

be a strained muscle or a

pared to encounter all such

clinical situations. There is

danger in not recognizing

what one does not know

because of lack of adequate

a physician who graduated

medical school and went out

into independent practice

without further training? I

hope the same would be true

for seeing an APRN in inde-

to have a body of research

that proves that their quality

of care in independent prac-

pendent practice.

Would you want to go to

training and experience.

APRNs need to be pre-

life-threatening disorder.

rigorously evaluated.

Health, playing a round of exploration and engagement activities for our students," Superintendent Dave Mundy sus healthy sets of lungs that said. "Health careers represent a major employment sector in our community, so this event represents an important piece in our work." He added

despite the disparity in train-

ing. With a mere 750 hours

of training how can that be?

The medical community has

repeatedly pointed out the

problematic nature of their

research, much of which

is of poor quality, old, and

conducted while physician

Cast a critical eye on

There are many medical

studies that arrive at a con-

trary conclusion. For exam-

ple, in a recent study pub-

lished by the National Bureau

of Economic Research, inde-

pendent APRNs providing

emergency department care

demonstrated 11 percent lon-

ger ED stays, 20 percent in-

increased health-care costs

(including ordering more di-

agnostic tests and requesting

formal consults) compared

supervision was required.

their research.

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appreciation for to SYAP and area health career partners who made this event possible.

The final Career Exploration Day this year will be held March 14 and will focus on careers that provide services for homes and people.

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than the care of physicians to physicians.

APRNs claim that their independent practice is essential to increasing healthcare access in underserved rural areas. This is refuted by objective geographic mapping demonstrating a very similar distribution of APRNs and physicians.

APRNs are worthy professionals. But they are not physicians.

I once read the story of an Indiana family physician who was previously an APRN. After attending medical school and residency, she reflected on the fact that after she got into residency training, "I realized how much I did not know."

Richard D. Feldman, creased preventable hospital- M.D. is an Indianapolis APRN leadership claims izations, and up to 15 percent family physician and former Indiana State Health Commissioner who served in the administration of Governor Frank O'Bannon.

weekends.

So what's kept Clevenger at Noblesville Schools their appreciation for how great the facilities look mothe day, the reason has been the same all these years.

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development, flurry of activity preparing managing multiple activities and public relations. Bonfor the open house, last at the same time on busy dry aims to provide advice and consultation to help communities be more agile and forward-thinking in today's rapidly changing global environment. By taking pro-active risk-mitigative tivates him. But at the end of approaches, Bondry helps its clients prepare for and handle future issues that may arise.

Bondry's team has a

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background in government, education, and not-for-profit financial management. Their team is focused in achieving excellence through an emphasis on diversity and inclusion and have found that the best solution comes from a fresh point of view that honors and incorporates community traditions.

Learn more at Bondry-Consulting.com.



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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News & Opinion

Clean comedy & greasy pizza Change does make for wild Westfield fun

The REPORTER

What do you get when you put four gifted, nationally known comedians and lots of people in the Westfield High School auditorium? A great night of meeting local neighbors and lots and lots of laughter!

This event is part of CrossRoads Church at Westfield's effort to meet, know, enjoy, and serve their local neighbors, called For Our Neighbor.

CrossRoads Church at Westfield held its seventh annual free Pizza and Punchlines Comedy Event this past Saturday night, Feb. 18, with free pizza for all and outstanding comics from across the county.

Marty Simpson, former South Carolina Gamecock football star, who has been featured on ESPN, BET, Nickelodeon, Amazon Prime Video and his DryBar Comedy special, was the headliner for the evening. Clean Comic of Nashville award winner Christy Conder from Tennessee brought her comedic perspective as a mom, wife, and Special Education teacher. Horace H. B. Sanders, the reigning "CBS Star Search Comedy Champion" with a com-



Photo provided by CrossRoads Church at Westfield (From left) Ross Bennett, Marty Simpson, Christy Conder, and Horace H. B. Sanders.

Detroit. Ross Bennett from that we share in common New York, having made his comedic debut on the David Letterman show, was the host for the evening.

commented, "Sometimes their second annual free when you see the word PopCorn and Punchlines 'free' associated with an Comedy Showcase. It will event, you think mediocre, be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, but this night was really top- June 2 at the IMMI Confernotch! You have created an ence Center, 18880 N. East annual event with the best St., Westfield. clean comics around."

lebrity judges came from and enjoy the good things and even to learn to laugh at ourselves."

Did you miss out? Want more laughs? CrossRoads One of the attenders Church's next big event is

Eight comedians from Another said, "This seven different states will event needs to continue. It entertain with their wit and bined perfect score from is a great way for our com- humor. The night will feature live home audience and ce- munity to come together comedians Rhonda Corey

from Rhode Island, Michele VanDusen from Oklahoma. Lee Hardin based out of Nashville, Tenn., June Colson from Kentucky, Dorie McLemore hailing from Texas, Mike James and Brian Kohatsu from Arizona, and Leslie Rob coming in from Virginia.

To find out more about the many ways that Cross-Roads Church at Westfield is serving local neighbors and to join them in their effort, contact them at forourneighborinfo@gmail. com or at ForOurNeighbor.Life.

Noblesville & Carmel Lions assist **Gleaners in food distribution**



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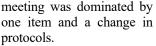
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COLUMNIST

KEN ALEXANDER

Council Minutes

Sorry for the delay on this report. The Feb-County ruary Council meeting was light, as discussed in my January column. Outside of some small projects and amendments to job postings, the



Before I get into that, I wanted to share that we rotate who offers the public prayer before each meeting. Councilman Brad Beaver always makes a point of sharing a special prayer to our men and women in the armed services and first responders. As regular readers know, my son joined the United States Marine Corps after he graduated early from Westfield High School. He makes us proud every day and I am so thankful when Councilman Beaver makes a special note about him during his prayer. It goes to show you that while we may disagree, we generally care about cil Vice President oversees each other and get along so that we can work through issues when they arise. Many cities and counties are not so fortunate.

The first item of note was a change in protocols for our meetings. I believe it is important to provide some clarity to our residents as we spend taxpayer dollars and requested that we provide a quick explanation of any such request for the record.

For those watching our meetings, it may look a little scattered at times. Most of the major appropriations already have a council sponsor but some of the appropriations are quite small and generally innocuous.

At our meeting this month, I inadvertently put one of our newest Council members, Tim Griffin, in these amendments are human resources adjustments that are required but very ful that the Hamilton Counsmall in scope. It goes to show you - what works on paper may not always be applicable. We will continue to work on this approach, and I apologized to Councilman Griffin for not giving him an adequate heads-up. The second item was an introduction of our Hamilton County Board Appointments. In the past we have not had the opportunity to resents District 4 on the meet with these individuals and never all at the same which includes Adams and time. Since most of our appointments start their terms part of Clay Township. He at the beginning of the year currently serves as the Pres-

erally light, this proved to be a good opportunity to share some basic expectations for the role and thank them for their service. These expectations are spelled out in the new application portal,

meeting was dominated by but some had not yet gone through that process, so it was important to communicate with everyone.

In general, the Council is seeking members of the community who are willing to:

• help support the mission and vision of our county,

• serve the residents and communities within which we live and work, uphold the values of the community at large,

• provide regular updates and communicate as requested with the appointing body, and

• respond to inquiries from citizens and businesses regarding activities and decisions made by the committee, board, or commission.

As designed, the Counour appointment process and Councilwoman Massillamany did a great job coordinating calendars and communicating broadly to the group to get all but a few to attend in person. It takes a lot of effort to fill these jobs and attend these meetings. It is the front line to our involvement in our communities. We are so appreciative, and it was great to see them all in person.

As with every meeting, you can watch recordings or live stream meetings from our YouTube channel.

Next month we will be getting information about several projects that are out for bid. Additionally, we will be having a work session before March's council meeting to finalize our Council rules. If items menthe hot seat, asking him for a tioned above are of interest, brief explanation of the 144 please reach out to me or amendments offered. All any member of the County

Council.

As always, I am thankty 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@hamiltoncounty.in.gov.

Ken Alexander rep-Hamilton County Council, Washington townships, and and our agendas are gen- ident of the County Council.

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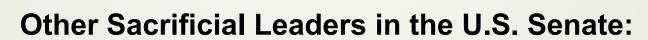
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News & Opinion

Rotary Club of Carmel linking with local students through Leadership Connection program

The REPORTER

Rotarians see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in local communities, and in oneself. This is the vision of Rotary International, as well as The Rotary Club of Carmel.

The Rotary Club of Carmel has been striving to meet this vision for over 50 years. They do this by contributing to local community projects and non-profits, as well as being involved in service projects around the globe.

One of the programs the Rotary Club of Carmel is most proud of is the Leadership Connection.

The mission of the Leadership Connection is to connect today's leaders to ignite future leaders in building a stronger community. Who are these future leaders? Students in local communities.

The Rotary Club of Carmel recognizes how important it is to engage local youth and get them involved in community projects. It is imperative that young students witness excellent examples of leadership that will help them become pillars of their community and strong leaders as adults.

is a branded event of the Rotary Club of Carmel. The objective of this program is to provide a forum to allow local students to engage with local leaders from both the private and public sector.

The program sets up events that allow local leaders to have the opportunity



(Above left, from left) Former Leadership Connection Chairman Dr. Paramore works on native seed sorting at last year's biggest event.

personal leadership skills while having a positive impact on the next generation. The program educates a diverse community of high school students on the value of civic engagement, human centered community service and business leadership.

The last event was hosted this past October as over 100 students headed to Carmel Clav Parks for various activities. The Leadership Connection effort was the largest volunteer event supervised by Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation in 2022

Six groups of Rotarians, Leadership Connection Carmel Firefighters, and students and chaperones from various schools took part in Citizen Science Data Collection, native seed sorting, honeysuckle removal, and litter clean-up in three Central Park locations in Carmel.

> Schools represented included Carmel High School, Rotary members are excited



Photos provided by Rotary Club of Carmel

Rick Markoff, Monon Civic Project Tri-Chairs Caitlin May, Carmel Fire Department's John Moriarity, and Natalie O'Hara proudly display the sponsors from last October's event. (Above right) Carmel Rotarian Tim

to grow professional and Christel House Watanabe as they look to 2023. Manual High School (Indianapolis), and the ProAct Indy Program. Derrin Slack, Founder and CEO of ProAct Indy,

brings years of positive results with his participation in the Leadership Connection. He founded ProAct Indy to promote the power of giving back to others. Under his leadership, Pro-Act Indy has engaged over 25,000 students, community leaders, and business professionals to value intentional community engagement and appreciate diversity and equity as an integral part of their lives.

Under the vision and past leadership of Richard Markoff, this program has enhanced and mentored many students in our communities. Tim Flint serves as the new Chairman of Leadership Connection. He, along with Vice Chairman, Louise Jackson, and other

The Rotary Club of Carmel also created Leadership Connection Scholarships. These scholarships are intended for students who participated in last year's event.

The Leadership Connection Scholarships include a laptop and \$1,000 that can be used for tuition at a college, university, community college, or trade school.

These scholarships are awarded with equal emphasis on merit and need. Application deadline is March 15, 2023. Recipients will be honored at a Rotary luncheon in the spring of 2023. The Rotary Club's Lead-

ership Connection is always looking for business leaders interested in participating in these events including being a sponsor, sending representatives from a business to mentor participating students, and a variety of other roles. Anyone interested can visit CarmelRotary.com for more information.

Some reasons why Carmel is great

COLUMNIST

ADAM AASEN

Carmel Convo

In less than a year, Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard, who was first elected in 1996, will be leaving office and a new era will begin in Carmel. A new mayor will take his place and it's my hope that we continue to follow much of the play-

book that Brainard set out for Carmel's success.

In later columns, I'll examine how Carmel came to be as great as it is today, but first, let's take a moment to reflect upon some facts that showcase our city's success.

Low taxes

With a diverse tax base that includes over 125 corporate headquarters and in-demand residential properties, Carmel boasts strong revenues and some of the lowest property taxes in the state. We have the 15th-lowest city property taxes in Indiana for 2023, out of 117 cities. When you count the district rate (which includes the library and township taxes), we are ninth lowest. We have the lowest tax rate in all of Indiana for a city with a population over 100,000 people.

Great schools

Carmel High School has a 97.5 percent graduation rate with 95 percent going on to college. In 2020, there were 51 National Merit Semifinalists. You also might have seen a recent viral

Meeting Notice

The Mt. Vernon Board of School Trustees will meet in an executive session from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23. 2023, at the Mt. Vernon Administrative Service Center, 1806 W State Road 234, Fortville,

video that showcases just how impressive the CHS campus is. Safe

community

World-class, accredited police and fire departments help keep Carmel safe. The city is consistently

ranked as the safest place to live in all of Indiana. In addition, smart road design, including medians, crosswalks, roundabouts and smooth, well-paved roads lead to some of the lowest rates of injury automobile accidents per capita in the entire state. World-class amenities

Carmel boasts nearly 200 miles of multi-use paths/trail, more than a dozen parks with more than 1,000 acres of park land, a nationally recognized performing arts center and more than 200 free public events every year.

Nationally recognized

In 2022, Carmel was ranked by Niche as the Best Place to Live in Indiana, by Money Magazine as the Best Place to Retire in the U.S., and by Safewise as the 3rd Safest City in U.S. to Raise a Child. In 2021, Money Magazine named Carmel as the 2nd Best Place to Live in the U.S. Carmel took the top spot in Money's rankings in 2012 and 2018.

Adam Aasen is a City Councilor representing Carmel's Southeast District.







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Community News

Enjoy Ham & Bean supper with Wayne-Fall Lions & support FFA

The Wayne-Fall Lions Club invites the community to a Ham & Bean Supper from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Wayne-Fall Lions Club, 11940 E. 191st St., Noblesville.

The meal will include ham & beans, cornbread, coleslaw, drink, and dessert. Hot dogs will be available for kids.

The cost is a free-will offering to the Hamilton Southeastern/Fishers FFA. Carry out will be available.

Get your tickets for Westfield's Shamrock Drop

The REPORTER

Join Westfield Washington Schools for the third annual Shamrock Drop.

year's This event will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, March 17 at Grand Junction Plaza, 225 S. Union St., with attractions like live Irish music

and dancing, St. Patrick's Day-themed carnival games with prizes, crafts, food and drinks, and more.

Here's how it works:

1. Purchase shamrocks (a.k.a. tickets) for \$5 each. Purchase as many shamrocks as you would like there is no limit.

2. For each shamrock purchased, your name will be written on an individual shamrock.

3. On St. Patrick's Day, all shamrocks will be dropped in hopes of landing in a pot o' gold below.

One shamrock will be want!



drawn from each pot o' gold, reveal the winner's name on the shamrock, and the winner will claim all the prizes within that pot o' gold. You do not need to be present to win; winners not present will be contacted after the event to claim their prizes.

Proceeds from shamrock sales will be donated to Westfield Washington Schools Parent University in order to provide additional educational opportunities for Westfield Shamrock students and teachers.

Click here to buy as many shamrocks as you

Indiana officials celebrate National FFA Week with proclamation & resolution

The REPORTER

In honor of National FFA Week, seven Indiana State FFA Officers and National Officer, MacKenna Clifton of North Carolina, met in the Statehouse to receive a proclamation and resolution declaring Feb. 18 to 25 Indiana FFA Week.

"It was a pleasure to have these outstanding young professionals representing the State of Indiana and agriculture so well in the Statehouse today," said Lt. Gov. Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. "FFA is a dynamic youth led organization and I am excited to celebrate National FFA Week this week and agriculture year-round."

Gov. Eric Holcomb signed the proclamation to name this week FFA Week in recognition of all the work the Indiana FFA Organization, agriculture educators and FFA advisors do to cultivate the next generation of agriculturists for our state.

During the week, chapters across the state and nation will host a variety of events to educate, advocate and celebrate the agricultural industry. From a school animal experience to a farmer's breakfast, these activities pay homage to the dedication and commitment of today's agriculturalists. Throughout the week, the Indiana FFA State Officers travel the state to participate in activities alongside local FFA chapters and their communities.



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Indiana's FFA State Officers are (front row) Jaden Maze, Sentinel; Jenna Kelsay, Southern Region Vice President; Mary Jones, Northern Region Vice President; and Gracie Lee, Reporter; (back row) Seth Ariens, President; Anthony Taylor, Treasurer; and Tobias Sturgell, Secretary.

The Indiana FFA Association also received a Senate Concurrent Resolution highlighting the impact of the FFA Organization, which is preparing more than 13,000 members in 90 of Indiana's led by Sen. Jean Leising, Senate District 42 and Rep. Michael Aylesworth, House District 11.

Jenna Kelsay, 2022-2023 Indiana FFA Southern Region Vice President shared what this resolution means to her and the FFA Organization.

"Receiving the proclamation and house concurrent resolution today in the Indiana Statehouse was such an exciting way to kick off ture innovators and more! more about Indiana FFA.

National FFA Week," Kelsay said. "Indiana FFA and its members are so fortunate to have support and recognition from our states agricultural leaders and elected officials."

Tamara Ketchen, Direc-92 counties for the over 250 tor of the Indiana FFA Assounique careers in the food, ciation, is looking forward fiber, and natural resource to seeing all the work done sectors. The resolution was this week at FFA chapters across the state.

"National FFA Week is a time for local chapters to highlight their programs showcasing their success and passion for agriculture," Ketchen said. "We also use this as an opportunity to recognize community supporters and broadcast the mission of the organization."

FFA members are agriculture's future leaders, future food suppliers, fuWhether it is through service projects or community gatherings, National FFA Week is a time for FFA members to raise awareness about agricultural education and the role the National FFA Organization plays in the development of agriculture's future leaders.

The first National FFA week was held in 1948, when the National FFA Board of Directors designated a weeklong celebration to recognize George Washington's example and legacy as a leader and farmer. For the past 75 years, FFA members across the country have taken part in agricultural, leadership and service-based activities during National FFA Week.

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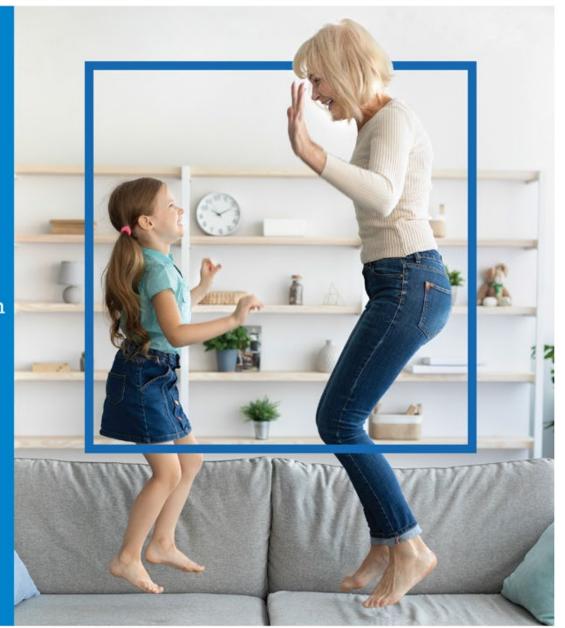
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Noblesville & Conner Prairie partner for critical step in preserving historic bridge

Midland Bridge over the White River to be disassembled & stored at Conner Prairie as part of the Reimagine Pleasant Street project

The REPORTER

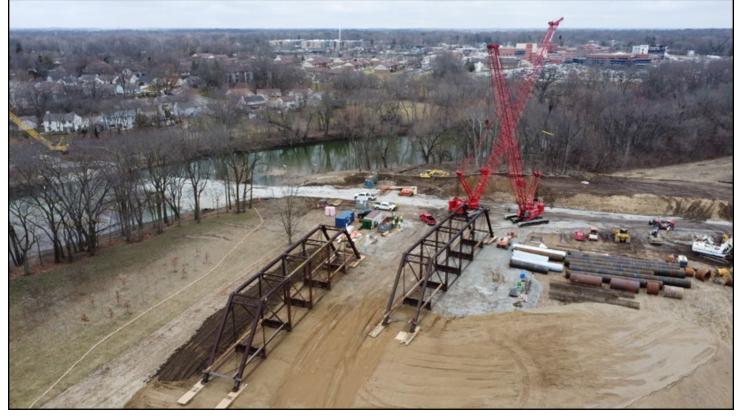
The City of Noblesville and Conner Prairie have formed a partnership to store the historic Midland Bridge over the White River at the outdoor history museum, a critical step in Noblesville's efforts to preserve the bridge.

The bridge is being removed as part of Reimagine Pleasant Street – a transformative project that will enhance mobility through Noblesville and increase trail connectivity to create a safe, vibrant corridor for residents to drive, walk, or bike to the city's downtown.

Construction crews have begun the complex process of disassembling, inspecting, and cataloging the bridge onsite in consultation with Indiana's State Historic Preservation Officer and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Once this work is completed, the bridge will be transported to Conner Prairie for storage. Plans for the final destination of the refurbished, reassembled bridge are still being developed.

"We're proud to play a role in preserving the Midland Bridge over the White River," Conner Prairie President and CEO Norman Burns. "This bridge is part of our shared history as Noblesville, Hamilton County, and the Conner House celebrate bicentennials this year. Being part of preserving our community's transportation and river history is an example of Conner Prairie's core values in action – a heart for the past, head for the present, and an eye to the future."

The historic structure carried the Midland Railway over the White River. Portions of the bridge were fabricated by the Union Bridge Company of Buffalo, N.Y., and Athens, Pa., in 1893. The bridge was eventually used by the Central Indiana Railway Company. The two-span steel through truss bridge is approximately 200 feet long and spanned the White River just west of down-



Photos provided Plans are still in the works for the bridge's purpose following its disassembly over the White River to long-term storage at Conner Prairie.

town Noblesville.

"Conner Prairie was a logical choice for storage as it is a special place dedicated to history," Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen said. "Not only is it in Hamilton County, but it will provide an up-close opportunity to see a historic railroad bridge. We're excited to partner with Conner Prairie to preserve this critical part of our shared history."

Learn more about Reimagine Project at **ReimaginePleasantSt.com**.







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2023 BICENTENNIAL EVENT LINEUP February & March



HAMILTON COUNTY BICENTENNIAL TRAVELING EXHIBIT OPENING

February 17, 6-7 p.m. | Collaboration Hub

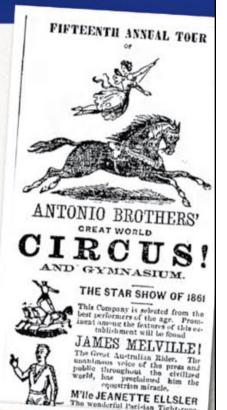
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HAMILTON COUNTY BICENTENNIAL TRAVELING EXHIBIT

March 4-10 | Hinkle Creek Elementary School, Noblesville March 11-17 | Stony Creek Elementary School, Noblesville March 18-24 | Bethel A.M.E. Church, Noblesville







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March 4, 4:30-6 p.m. | Monon Community Center

Central Park Drive West, Carmel

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WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIP SIGNATURE EVENT

ANNUAL FISH FRY

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Access the entire **2023 Bicentennial Event Lineup** and get event/program details: *HamCoTurns200.com*

Bicentennial Partners







Justice Steven David

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Church Church Hittle + lighted to welcome Antrim (CCHA Law) wel- Justice David to comes former Indiana Supreme Court Justice Steven Doug David to its firm.

Justice David will be Of Counsel with CCHA Law and contribute firm-wide, particularly in Mediation, Appellate, and Litigation, including Family and Business Law practice groups. In 2010, Justice David took the Oath of Office as Indiana's 106th Supreme Court Justice. He served on the Indiana Supreme Court from October 2010 until August 2022. His long-established and multi-faceted career also included 12 years as the Judge of the Boone County Circuit Court presiding over civil, family, criminal and juvenile cases. Justice David also brings to the firm his 28 years of military service as a distinguished soldier, leader and lawyer, six years of corporate practice, and private practice experience.

Justice David said he is excited to return to private practice after 28 years as a judicial officer. He hopes to offer clients and fellow Indiana attorneys a wide range of alternative dispute resolution options, including serving as a mediator and a private judge. He will also serve as an advocate for clients in many other areas including family law matters, civil litigation, and business disputes.

"I am very excited to join one of Indiana's best law firms," Justice David said. "It is a tremendous opportunity, and I am humbled to be a part of Church Church Hittle and Antrim."

"We are deour practice," said Church, partner at CCHA Law. "His accomplishments as lawyer, soldier, judge, and justice are widely known and

appreciated, but of equal im- bat medal, The Defense Suportance to us is his commitment to the rule of law and the priority of service to our clients. We are excited about the contributions he will bring to our mediation and appellate practices, as well as the mentoring that will benefit our associates and partners alike!"

David

Justice David is an ardent supporter of and fierce advocate for the justice system, the military, citizens' rights, and the rule of law. His career-long service and commitment have earned him Judge for the Indiana Sumany civilian and military awards and recognitions for his outstanding and distinguished service.

Most recently, Governor Holcomb bestowed upon him Indiana's highest honor, the Sagamore of the Wabash. Additionally, the Indiana Judges Association awarded him the member of the Indiana Judg-Excellence in Public Information and Education Award. He has also been honored by the Indiana Bar Foundation and received multiple Presidential Citations from the Indiana State Bar Association.

Justice David served the Advocate General's Corps on active duty until 1986 and reincluded two post-9/11 mobilizations in Iraq and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. During his Law at cchalaw.com.

military he served as trial counsel, defense counsel, Military Judge, and Commander.

Before retiring as a Colonel, he had been awarded the nation's third highest non-com-

perior Service Award, along with numerous Meritorious Service Awards, Army Commendation Medals, and the Frederick Douglas Human Rights Award. A frequent speaker and writer on various legal topics, Justice David has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Indianapolis, Notre Dame University Law School, and the Indiana University McKinney School of Law.

He also serves as a Senior preme Court. Justice David is an active member of many legal and civic organizations including the American Bar Association, the Indiana State Bar Association, the Indianapolis Bar Association, and the Boone County Bar Association. He is also a es Association, a member of the Judges and Lawyers Assistance Committee, as well as various other judicial and law-related organizations. He is a frequent speaker and presenter across the nation.

Other interests include United States Army Judge hiking and participating in marathons and triathlons with his wife, Catheryne; serve duty until 2010, which golf, reading, and leadership development.

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Gaylor Electric welcomes Governor's Workforce Cabinet to discuss job opportunities through education

The REPORTER

The Indiana Governor's Workforce Cabinet conducted the first meeting of 2023 at Gaylor Electric on Feb. 17.

The Governor's Workforce Cabinet meets consistently to address Indiana's current and future education and employment needs for individuals and employers. As an Employer Spotlight, Gaylor Electric hosted the Cabinet and discussed providing opportunities through education.

The meeting included a Region 5 snapshot, a Q&A session, a presentation from the Director of Gaylor University, Jeff Bryant, and a tour of Gaylor Electric's Production and Innovation Center, and a group discussion.

The Cabinet concluded that they are making good progress in their efforts, including Region 5. Meeting conversation was focused on reviewing their improvements in helping employers finding good talent, removing barriers, and providing a future for the workforce. The Cabinet also reviewed growth opportunities in Region 5 such as the READI Grant Investment, Innovation Mile, and the LEAP In- college, or I am becoming novation District. Innovative things employers are doing to increase the unemployment rate was also a topic of focus. Jeff Bryant, Director of Gaylor University, gave a presentation on how Gaylor Electric is enriching and investing in people by providing opportunities through education and career pathways.



when we work together, we can get things done."

Gaylor Electric possesses a different approach to the Governor's Workforce education and lifelong learning. They have their own day, April 27 in Terre high school for at-risk teens Haute/Region 7, hosted by who learn more effectively Rose-Hulman Institute of in a hands-on environment. Their national internship program provides students force Cabinet (GWC) was the opportunity to invest in formed to ensure a tala career, not a job. The ABC Prep Academy holds a 100 workforce system by adpercent job placement rate dressing current and fupost-graduation. "It's not 'I'm going to an electrician'," said Bryant, in his commentary about the ABC Prep Academy. "It's 'I'm going to college AND becoming an electrician'."

selves," Bryant said. "But many innovative education programs that deserve to be recognized."

The next meeting of Cabinet will be on Thurs-Technology.

The Governor's Workent-driven education and ture needs for Indiana em. ployers and individuals, strengthen Indiana's economy by integrating state and federal resources, and provide strategic alignment for state agencies and organizations driving workforce, education, and economic development. Members of the Cabinet are appointed by the Governor and include business and community leaders, education representatives

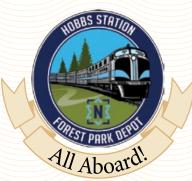
lawmakers and experts from state agencies. Members are appointed by the Governor and represent Indiana's 12 economic growth regions.

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Autism advocacy groups gather at Statehouse, meet with Lt. Gov. Crouch



Photo provided by Indiana ACT for Families

On Feb. 15, Indiana ACT for Families joined Indiana Providers of Effective Autism Treatment (InPEAT) for an Advocacy Day at the Statehouse. The organizations banded together with ABA providers, therapists, Hoosier families and other autism advocacy groups to emphasize the impact that a Medicaid reimbursement rate cut would have on the access and quality of autism care in the state. Members spoke with Representatives and Senators from across the state to tell their stories and advocate for their support on the issue. (Above) Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch took the time to meet with various members of the coalition to discuss the actions that need to be taken to protect access and quality of autism therapy services. The Lieutenant Governor thanked the coalition for the work they are doing for Hoosier families and children with autism.



Obituaries

Dorothy M. Poindexter March 29, 1934 – February 19, 2023



Dorothy M. Poindexter, 88, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, February 19, 2023, at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. She was born on March 29,

1934, to Orville and Cretie (Holloway) Kingery in Monroe County, Ky. Dorothy was a member of Green Valley Church of Christ. She worked in hospital care at Riverview Hospital and later in home health care. Doro-

thy's greatest joy was caring for others, especially members of her family. She was an excellent cook, always remembering everyone's favorites.

She is survived by her husband, Barlow Poindexter, who she married in 1949; daughter, Carol (Kenny) Wariner; son, Jerry (Connie) Poindexter; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and her brother, Russell (Sandra) Kingery.

In addition to her parents, Dorothy was preceded in death by her grandson, Matt Wariner; great-granddaughter, Natalie Marie Wariner; sisters, Mary Crews, Beatrice Crumpton, and Ruby Perine; infant sister, Louise Kingery; brothers, Ralph Kingery, Richard Kingery, and Ronald Kingery; and her infant brother, Harmon Leroy Kingery.

Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m., with services at 2 p.m., on Thursday, February 23, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

James "Jim" Walter Zaiger September 28, 1934 – February 17, 2023

James "Jim" Walter Zaiger, 88, Carmel, died on February



17, 2023. He was born on September 28, 1934, in St. Louis, Mo., to the late Hen-

ry and Gabriella Zaiger (nee Thiemet). He attended St. Mary's High School in St. Louis. It was in middle school that Jim met his future wife, MaryAnn (Stoeppel). She spotted him on his bicycle and declared he was the one for her. They were married May 14, 1955, having spent over 67 years of

happiness together. The love and adoration Jim and Mary-Ann shared for each other was truly extraordinary, allowing them to become soulmates. Their love for their faith and family was deep and abiding.

Through many years of hard work and perseverance, they built a wonderful life together. Jim started his career carrying the mail for the U.S. Postal Service. In 1966, he was sworn in as a U.S. Postal Inspector. Jim worked hard as a federal investigator and loved his career. After retirement he would often say, "I loved my job and would do it all over again. But I really like being paid to stay home."

Retirement years were filled with many fun trips and adventures with children, grandchildren, and best friends, AnnaMarie and the late James Fortune. The memories will keep him alive in all our hearts forever.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his son, Mark Zaiger and daughter, Christine Zaiger; sister, Virginia Richmeyer; and brother, Henry Zaiger,

Jim leaves behind his lovely wife, MaryAnn and four children; Brian (Heather), Marian Sprague (Kurt), Karen Medernach (Paul), and Kris Wood (John); 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Family and friends will gather 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 23, 2023, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, where the Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted at 11 a.m.

Burial will follow in Our Lady of Peace Cemetery. In memory of Jim, contributions may be made to St. Jude

Patricia Annamae "Pat" Davis October 28, 1936 - February 5, 2023

Patricia Annamae "Pat" Davis, 86, passed away peacefully at her home in Westfield, on Sunday morning, February 5, 2023. Born October 28, 1936, in Elwood, she was the daughter of the late Samuel Lester and Frances Leona (Owen) Miller.

Pat was a 1954 graduate of Westfield High School where she was active in Sunshine Club. She was also an eight-year 4-H member, as well as a reporter on Shamrock Staff and photographer

for the Shamrocket Yearbook. For a few years following the youngest and dearest of her family. high school, she worked for the Sheridan News. She was also a 20-year employee in the housekeeping department for Maple Park Village. Pat shared a wallpaper, cleaning, and painting business with her sister-in-law, Ramona and aunt, Kathryn Kirby-Millikan.

Pat and her husband, Stuart, resided near Jolietville for 65 years and were both members of the Eagle Creek Friends Church. She and Stuart had a passion for mentoring young people. Together, they directed and traveled with the church choir, The Singing Disciples, where she sang alto and helped many of the young women in the group to find their alto voices as well. They also served as chaperones for summer church camp and hosted many memorable Sunday night "Afterglow" youth meetings at their home. The entire group from back then has remained close and often looks back with fond memories of the square homemade Chef Boyardee pizzas and great fellowship. Pat also helped her husband take care of the Eagletown Cemetery for many years. She always made sure that the entire cemetery was decorated with silk flowers for spring and would continue to change out the flowers according to holidays and seasons.

Pat loved to cook, but enjoyed even more the fellowship that would happen around the table. For many years, she hosted Sunday dinner for her family every week after church, and even had to buy a bigger table as the family grew with the addition of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Many wonderful creations came from her kitchen throughout the years, of which her pies will probably be missed the most. Pat loved flowers; her beautiful gardens

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

The sixth angel sounded his trumpet, and I heard a voice coming from the four horns of the golden altar that is before God. It said to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.' And the four angels who had been kept ready for this very hour and day and month and year were released to kill a third of mankind. The number of the mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand. I heard their number.

Revelation 9:13-16 (NIV)



always attracted plenty of birds, and she always enjoyed sitting and watching the beauty of God's creations whenever they came for by for a visit.

Without a doubt, Pat's favorite activity in her later years was following her grandchildren and great-grandchildren in their adventures. Whether it be a cross country meet, basketball or football game, wrestling meet, tennis match, piano recital, or Grandparents' Day at school, she never missed a chance to show her love and support to

Pat is survived by three sons, Stuart Mark Davis (Paula)

of Fishers, Kerry Wayne Davis of Arcadia, and Paul Nathan "Nate" Davis (Kristin) of East Earl, Pa.; six grandchildren, Jessica Davis-Ray (Luke), Andrew Davis (Amanda), Lindsay Davis, Brittany Davis-Riner (Mark), Reagan Davis, and Riley Davis; four great-grandchildren, Isaac, Aiden, Maggie, and Calvin; her sister, Alice Gipson of Sheridan; and will be greatly missed by her nieces and nephews, Donna Gipson, Allan Gipson (Valerie), Karen Hammack (Rodger), Danny Gipson (Shari), and Donald Gipson (Lisa), as well as Milton Whittaker (Mary Kathryn), Susan Whittaker-Cluxton (Paul), and Little Sidney Davis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Samuel Lester and Frances Leona (Owen) Miller; sisters-in-laws and brothers-in-laws, Morris "Dick" and Ramona Whittaker, and Robert and Phyllis Davis; and brother-in-law, Donald Gipson; and by her loving husband, Stuart Edwin Davis on January 8, 2023. She and Stuart were married on August 12, 1956.

Pat was laid to rest at Eagletown Cemetery in a private family service with Pastor Bob Stubbs officiating.

A Celebration of Pat's life will take place at noon on Saturday, February 25, 2023, at Eagle Creek Friends Church, 18325 Eagletown Road, Westfield, Indiana, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to the Eagletown Cemetery, 3924 W. 186th St., estfield, IN 46074.

Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

Westfield Chamber **Calendar of Events**

FEBRUARY

February Chamber Coffee Thursday, Feb. 23, 8 to 9 a.m. Location: The Bridgewater Club

Young Professionals Happy Hour Tuesday, Feb. 28, 5 to 7 p.m. Location: TBD

MARCH

Young Professionals Coffee & Networking Tuesday, March 14, 8 to 9 a.m. Location: The Bridgewater Club

Mental Health First Aid Traning Wednesday, March 15, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Location: Hamilton County Community Foundation

March Chamber Luncheon Thursday, March 16, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Topic: Westfield Washington Schools Innovation Club

> Noblesville/Westfield Legislative Coffee Friday, March 17, 7:30 to 9 a.m. **Topic: State Representatives**



Children's Research Hospital, 3091 E. 98th St., #240, Indianapolis, IN 46280. Envelopes will be available at the service. Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to care for Jim

and assist the family in arrangements. Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com

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Young Professionals Happy Hour Tuesday, March 28, 5 to 7 p.m. Location: Field Brewing

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Swimming



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Four Hamilton County divers finished in the top eight at the Fishers diving regional, advancing to this weekend's state finals. Pictured - Fishers' Jacob Schade (first place), Hamilton Heights' Nathan Cox (third place), Heights' Ethan Swart (fourth place) and Noblesville's Aiden Kless (sixth place).

Fishers' Schade wins, leads county parade to state

By RICHIE HALL

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FISHERS – The top four divers at last Saturday's Hamilton Southeastern sectional are also the top four divers at Tuesday's Fishers regional.

The places were different, but the same four student-athletes finished in the top four during Tuesday's competition at the Tigers' pool. Fishers sophomore Jacob Schade was the winner, getting the championship on his home turf.

Hill Cates for first place, scoring 501.50 points to Cates' 499.95. Two Hamilton scoring 63.55 points to Heights juniors were next move up to second. In the in line: Nathan Cox finished third with 492.30 into first place with a points, while his Huskies teammate Ethan Swart placed fourth with 477.50 points. The top eight divers at regional advance to Saturday's state finals, so they

after six dives, but scored

the IU Natatorium.

sophomore Grant dive to take the lead. Cox jumped into the competition with his seventh dive, eighth round, Cox jumped 46.2-point dive.

The standings after eight dives were Cox with 367.10 points and Schade with 361.65. Schade scored nearly 40 points on his will continue their battle at ninth dive to move back into first place, and held on Schade trailed Swart from there with two more solid dives. Cates scored 61

52.8 on his 11th and final Noblesville dive, but Schade was able Aiden Kless, champion of to hang on.

The regional meet was the first time Schade had Another Millers sophoever broken the 500-point more Colton Suhan placed barrier, making it a personal 10th at the regional, scoring best for him.

"It feels great," said that his hard work had paid off with a regional title. He credited his coach and teammates with helping to "bring me up and really get me to where I am right now."

Schade edged out Oak 60.45 points on his seventh points on his 10th dive and have a fourth diver at state. they had three more dives. sophomore his own sectional, placed sixth with 391.25 points. 328.75 points.

Carmel's Connor Swee-Schade, who was happy ney placed 13th after eight dives, with a score of 233.70 points. There were 19 divers at the start of regional (one had to withdraw due to injury), and the top 12 after eight dives ad-Hamilton County will vanced to the finals, where mine the state champion.

Sweeney missed the top 12 by less than a point, but he is also a sophomore and had a solid showing in his first regional.

State diving begins Saturday morning at 9 a.m. with the top 32 divers competing in the prelims. Each diver will have five rounds, then the top 20 advance to the semi-finals, where they perform three more dives. The top 16 will advance to the afternoon finals, with three more dives to deter-



Sports

Basketball-

Golden Eagles stop Trailblazers' streak Greyhounds run away in fourth quarter

The REPORTER

Carmel ran away from Brebeuf Jesuit in the fourth quarter on Tuesday, as the Greyhounds sailed past the Braves 65-43 in their regular-season finale at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

Carmel outscored Brebeuf in all four periods, leading 16-12 after one and 32-25 at halftime. The Braves were still within 49-41 after three quarters, but the Greyhounds finished strong, outscoring Brebeuf

Sam Orme led the way with 22 points, with Spencer White scoring 13 points and Jared Bonds adding 11. White and Orme both collected eight rebounds, with Bonds pulling six, and all three players dished out four

16-2 in the fourth quarter.

assists. Carmel is 15-7 and will host Sectional 8 next week. The Greyhounds take on Westfield in the first game of the sectional, at 6 p.m. next Tuesday.

CARMEL 65, BREBEUF JESUIT 43					
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Jake Griffin	3-7	0-0	8	0	
Alex Couto	2-7	0-0	6	0	
Spencer White	5-11	0-0	13	3	
Sam Orme	10-14	2-2	22	1	
Jared Bonds	5-6	0-0	11	4	
Logan Reinhart	1-3	0-0	3	1	
Ryan Clevenger	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Owen Huber	0-1	0-0	0	0	
Mikey Fountain	1-1	0-0	2	0	
Mitchell Mulloy	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Anthony Collner	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Evan Harrell	0-0	0-0	0	1	
Totals	27-50	2-2	65	10	
Score by Quarters					
Brebeuf Jesuit	12	13	16	2 – 43	
Carmel	16	16	17	16 – 65	

Carmel 3-point shooting (9-23) White 3-7, Couto 2-7, Griffin 2-4, Reinhart 1-3, Bonds 1-1, Orme 0-1.

Carmel rebounds (26) White 8, Orme 8, Bonds 6, Griffin 2, Clevenger 1, Reinhart 1.

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University's 12 game winning streak with a 63-54 win over the Trailblazers Tuesday night at The Eagles Nest.

An 11-0 run late in the third quarter was pivotal for the Golden Eagles, turning a 42-37 University lead in to a 48-42 Guerin Catholic advantage in less than three minutes. Dylan Murans scored six points in the decisive run that started with a Robert Sorenson three pointer. Kamea Chandler put Guerin on top to stay at 44-42 on a pair of foul shots with 1:31 left in the quarter, the last of 12 lead changes in the game.

Andre Ozlowski stemmed the tide for University with a late three pointer that cut the Guerin lead to 48-45 at the end of the period. University cut the lead to four on three occasions, the last at 57-53 with 60 seconds remaining on a Seth Hogg steal and two free throws, but Sorenson went six for six at the free throw line in the last minute to ice the game. Sorenson finished with

a game high 20 points, in-Guerin Catholic ended cluding a perfect 10 for 10 at the charity stripe. The Golden Eagles were lethal at the foul line, making 17 of 20 shots. Murans had 19 points and Chandler 15 for Guerin Catholic. Jack Cherry played an outstanding all-around game, handing out eight assists and pulling down a game-high seven rebounds.

> Sabien Cain led University with 18 points and Ozlowski had 13. Both Cain and Ozlowski had team-high six rebounds.

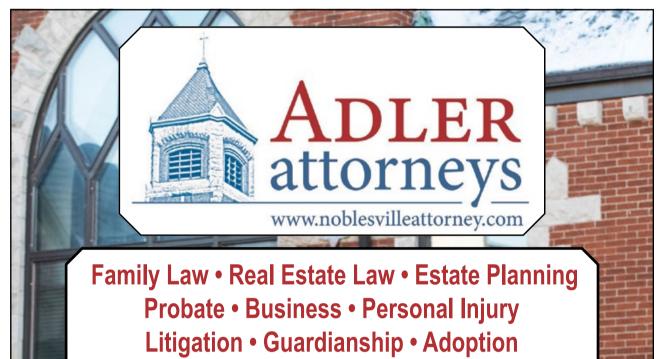
Guerin Catholic end the regular season with a 15-8 record and will prepare for Sectional 27 action. The Golden Eagles will play the winner of the Heritage Christian versus Brebeuf Jesuit game on Friday, March 3 at 6 p.m. Sectional 27 will be played at Indianapolis Shortridge.

University falls to 19-2 on the season and will end their regular season Thursday night when they host Indianapolis Thrival Academy at The U Center for Senior Night.

GUERIN CATHOLIC 63, UNIVERSITY 54					
University	FG	FT	ТР	PF	
Kahmi Bracey	3-5	0-0	8	3	
Robert Russell	2-3	0-0	5	3	
Sabien Cain	7-15	4-8	18	2	
Andre Ozlowski	5-9	2-2	13	3	
Seth Hogg	1-6	2-2	5	2	
Zien Bland	0-1	0-0	0	3 3 2 3 2 2 1	
Bryce Gray	2-3	0-0	5		
Steven Scott	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Totals	20-42	8-12	54	16	
University 3-point show	oting (6-21)	Bracey 2-2	, Hogg 1-	6, Gray	
1-2, Russell 1-2, Ozlows	ki 1-2, Cair	0-7.			
University rebounds (1	7) Cain 6, (Ozlowski 6,	Hogg 3, E	Bracey 1,	
Russell 1.					
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Jack Cherry	1-2	2-2	4	1	
Robert Sorensen	4-9	10-10	20	4	
Kamea Chandler	5-12	3-4	15	2	
Dylan Murans	8-12	2-4	19	1	
Bryson Cardinal	1-2	0-0	2	0	
Ty Sanders	0-1	0-0	0	0 3 0	
Lucas Parker	1-1	0-0	0 3 0		
Josh Holba	0-0	0-0		0	
Kyle Shadoan	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Totals	20-39	17-20	63	11	
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (6-15) Sorensen 2-5, Chandler					

2-4, Murans 1-3, Parker 1-1, Cherry 0-1, Cardinal 0-1. Guerin Catholic rebounds (23) Cherry 7, Sorensen 6, Sanders 5, Chandler 3, Murans 2.

Score by Quarters					
University	19	14	12	9 – 54	
Guerin Catholic	16	17	15	15 – 63	



Huskies easily take down Rushville

The REPORTER

Heights

its second consecutive game on Tuesday, beating Rushville 63-43 in a home contest.

The Huskies were in control early, leading 19-10 after one quarter and 36-21 at halftime. Heights continued its run in the third period, outscoring the Lions

the Huskies' top scorer Hamilton Heights won with 19 points, followed by Tillman Etchison with 11 points and five rebounds. Sam Dawson drained three 3-poiners for nine points. Phoenix Vondersaar collected four rebounds, while John Irion dished out five assists and Etchison handed out four.

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Heights is 8-13 and fin-18-9 for a 54-30 advantage. hes the regular season to Maddox Bohland was night at Tri-West.

HAMILTON H	IEIGH	FS 63, I	RUSH	/ILLE 43	
Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Phoenix Vondersaar	1-2	0-0	3	0	
Maddox Bohland	8-10	2-2	19	2	
Tillman Etchison	5-10	0-0	11	1	
John Irion	2-6	0-0	4	1	
Sam Dawson	3-9	0-0	9	1	
Simon Knott	2-5	0-0	4	1	
Evan Williamson	1-3	0-0	3	0	
Cooper Vondersaar	0-2	0-0	0	1	
Isaiah Grimsey	3-3	0-0	7	4	
Tyler Champion	1-1	0-0	3	2	
Isaac Kuhn	0-1	0-0	0	1	
Braylon Collins	0-2	0-0	0	0	
Nathan Yoder	0-2	0-0	0	0	
Totals	26-56	2-2	63	14	
Score by Quarters					
Rushville	10	11	9	13 – 43	

Heights 3-point shooting (9-23) Dawson 3-8, Williamson 1-3, Etchison 1-2, P. Vondersaar 1-1, Champion 1-1, Bohland 1-1, Grimsey 1-1, Collins 0-2, C. Vondersaar 0-1, Yoder 0-1, Kuhn 0-1, Irion 0-1.

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Heights rebounds (27) Etchison 5, P. Vondersaar 4, Bohland 3, Grimsey 3, Williamson 3, Champion 2, Yoder 2, Knott 2, Collins 1, Kuhn 1, Irion 1.

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Basketball-

Millers finish regular season with big victory

The REPORTER

Tuesday, 69-28.

the Indians in all four quarters, leading 18-10 after one period and 34-17 at halftime. Noblesville picked up the pace in ing Mississinewa 35-11.

outstanding game with at the Carmel sectional.

20 points, including five Noblesville finished 3-pointers. Luke Almoits regular season with a dovar added 14 points, big win at Mississinewa making three 3s. Cooper Bean and Justin Cur-The Millers outscored ry both had two triples, giving the Millers 12 3-pointers as a team. Ten different Noblesville players scored.

The Millers are 17-6 the second half, outscor- and play the winner of the Carmel-Westfield sec-Aaron Fine had an tional game next Friday

NOBLESVILLE 69, MISSISSINEWA 28						
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF		
Luke Almodovar	5	1-2	14	0		
Hunter Walston	2	4-4	8	2		
Aiden Brewer	1	1-1	3	0		
Cooper Bean	2	0-0	6	2		
Aaron Fine	7	1-2	20	1		
Justin Curry	3	0-0	8	1		
Will Smits	1	0-0	2	1		
TJ Davidson	1	0-0	2	0		
Luke Etchison	0	2-2	2	1		
Adam Fine	1	2-3	4	0		
Baron Walker	0	0-0	0	0		
Max Miller	0	0-0	0	1		
Ryan Vetor	0	0-0	0	0		
Totals	23	11-14	69	9		
	Score b	y Quarters				
Noblesville	18	16	17	18 – 69		
Mississinewa	10	7	7	4 – 28		
Noblesville 3-pointers (12) Aa. Fine 5, Almodovar 3, Bean 2, Curry 2.						

IBCA boys basketball poll - Week of Feb. 20

	School	Points	Record
1	Ben Davis (20)	400	24-0
2	Penn	380	21-1
3	Hammond Central	351	20-1
4	Kokomo	306	18-4
5	Brownsburg	300	18-3
6	Center Grove	299	18-2
7	Indianapolis Cathedral	296	16-5
8	NorthWood	252	19-2
9	Mishawaka Marian	235	20-2
10	Linton-Stockton	193	21-2
10	Greenfield-Central	193	20-1
12	Carmel	166	14-7
13	Jennings County	146	18-2
14	New Palestine	132	20-2
15	Munster	120	20-2
16	Ft. Wayne Blackhawk Christian	98	18-3
17	Anderson	65	18-4
18	Norwell	38	19-3
19	Wapahani	27	20-1
19	Fishers	27	13-10

Blackhawks trail Fountain Central

The REPORTER

Sheridan fell to Fountain Central 59-49 in a Tuesday game at Larry Hobbs Hall.

The Mustangs jumped out to a 19-11 lead after one quarter and maintained that advantage throughout the game. The Blackhawks stayed within striking distance, trailing only by 29-22 at halftime and 40-33 after

three quarters, but Fountain Central sealed the game with 19 points in the fourth. Trent DeCraene scored

18 points and also handed four assists. Caleb Wright had 17 points. Parker Williams led the rebounds with 10, while Eli Kolb pulled five rebounds.

Sheridan is 10-10 and hosts Frontier on Thursday.

FOUNTAIN CENTRAL 59, SHERIDAN 49

Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Tyler Garner	1-6	1-2	3	1
Trent DeCraene	8-12	0-2	18	2
Evan Krupp	0-1	0-2	0	0
Owen Bell	1-5	0-0	3	1
Caleb Wright	7-15	0-2	17	1
Parker Williams	1-1	0-1	2	4
Eli Kolb	3-5	0-1	6	2
Nathan Hinshaw	0-1	0-0	0	0
Carsen Aleman	0-0	0-0	0	1
Totals	21-46	1-10	49	12
	Score by	y Quarters		
Fountain Central	19	10	11	19 – 59
Sheridan	11	11	11	16 – 49
Sheridan 3-point shooting (6-17) Wright 3-7, DeCraene 2-5, Bell 1-4, Krupp 0-1.				
Sheridan rebounds (21) Williams 10, Kolb 5, Garner 3, De-				

Craene 2, Wright 1.

Fishers falls to Panthers in regular season finale

The REPORTER

Fishers dropped its regular-season finale Tuesday at North Central, 73-62.

The two teams played to an 18-18 tie after one quarter. The Tigers' Jalen tional game, scoring 30 Haralson had a huge quarter, scoring 11 points. The Panthers' defense took over in the second period, allowing Fishers only four points. North Central led 37-22 at halftime.

The Panthers extended their lead to 48-30 after three

quarters. The Tigers had an
incredible fourth quarter,
pouring in 32 points, but
North Central scored 25 to
hold them off

Haralson had a sensapoints. JonAnthony Hall added 16 points. Fishers had a good performance from the free-throw line, making 16 of 17 attempts.

The Tigers are 13-11 and play Hamilton Southeastern next Tuesday in the first round of the Carmel sectional.

NORTH	CENTRA	L 73, I	ISHER	IS 62	
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF	
Taden Metzger	2	1-1	6	2	
Jalen Haralson	11	8-8	30	1	
Aidan Zimmer	1	0-0	3	3	
JonAnthony Hall	4	6-6	16	4	
Keenan Garner	2	1-2	5	4	
Millen McCartney	0	0-0	0	0	
John Kirby	0	0-0	0	2	
Parker Perdue	0	0-0	0	3	
James Stasey	0	0-0	0	1	
Grant Haworth	1	0-0	2	3	
Totals	21	16-17	62	23	
Score by Quarters					
Fishers	18	4	8	32 – 62	
North Central	18	19	11	25 – 73	
Fishers 3-pointers (4) Hall 2 Metzger Zimmer					

Fishers 3-pointers (4) Hall 2, Metzger, Zimmer

IHSAA announces boys sectional pairings

The REPORTER

The IHSAA announced the sectional pairings for its boys basketball tournament on Sunday.

First-round games take place on Tuesday, Feb. 28 and Wednesday, March 1, with the semi-finals at all sites scheduled for Friday, March 3. The championship games take place Saturday, March 4.

4A Sectional 8 at the Eric 3A Sectional 24. The Hus- the winner of Tuesday's Clark Activity Center. The kies drew the bye in this Heritage Christian-Brebeuf Greyhounds will be part of seven-team sectional, and Jesuit first-round game. The

follow at 7:30 p.m.

Noblesville drew a bye and will take on the Carmel-Westfield winner in the semi-finals. Zionsville got the other bye, and plays the Fishers-Southeastern winner in the other semi-final game. Hamilton Heights trav-

the opening game on Tues- will play the winner of other first-round game will day, hosting Westfield in a Tuesday's game between be contested between Bish-6 p.m. tip off. Fishers and Delta and Centerville in op Chatard and Herron, with Hamilton Southeastern will the semi-finals. The other the winner taking on Shorfirst-round games will take place Wednesday, March 1. Frankton plays Jay County, and Yorktown takes on New Castle.

Guerin Catholic heads to Shortridge next week to play in Class 3A Sectional 27. The Golden Eagles also Carmel will host Class els to New Castle for Class drew a bye, and will await

tridge in the semi-finals.

Sheridan and University play at Class 2A Sectional 43 in Cascade, a five-team sectional. The Blackhawks and the Trailblazers will play each other in the lone firstround game, with tips off at 7 p.m. Tuesday. The winner plays Cascade in the semi-finals, after the first semi-final between Covenant Christian and Park Tudor.

Upcoming Broadcasts



Thursday Feb 23. Boys Basketball

7:10 pm Indpls Lutheran vs Bethesda Christian | Indiana SRN

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records Bloomfield (19-3), Bloomington North (14-5), Brownstown Central (17-4), Central Noble (16-6), Chesterton (17-5), Columbus North (14-7), Connersville (17-4), Fort Wayne Wayne (16-4), Homestead (17-5), Indianapolis Attucks (16-7), Lake Station Edison (18-2), Lawrence North (16-7), Noblesville (16-6), North Central (Indianapolis) (12-8), North Daviess (19-5), South Spencer (19-1), Tippecanoe Valley (17-4), University (19-1), Warren Central (12-9), Zionsville (14-7).

SPORTS SCHED

Wednesday, Feb. 22 **BOYS BASKETBALL** Hamiton Heights at Tri-West, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 23 **BOYS BASKETBALL** Indy Thrival Academy at University, 7 p.m. Frontier at Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 24 **BOYS BASKETBALL** Sheridan at Waldron, 7:30 p.m. **SWIMMING** Boys state prelims, 6 p.m. at IU Natatorium

Saturday, Feb. 25 **BOYS SWIMMING STATE FINALS** At IU Natatorium Boys diving prelims, 9 a.m. Boys swimming and diving finals, 1 p.m. **GIRLS BASKETBALL** Class 4A state championship at Gainbridge Fieldhouse Fishers vs. Bedford North Lawrence, 8:15 p.m. **GYMNASTICS SECTIONALS** Fishers, Guerin Catholic, Noblesville, Westfield at Lafayette Jefferson, 10 a.m.

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Friday, Feb 24,

College Basketball

4:50 pm HCAC Womens Conference Semi-Finals: TBD vs Transylvania & TBD vs Hanover | 2023 HCAC Basketball | Indiana SRN

4:50 pm HCAC Mens Conference Semi-Finals: Hanover vs Anderson & Rose-Hulman vs Manchester | 2023 HCAC Basketball | Indiana SRN

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6:00 pm Class 4A Sectional 8 | Carmel vs Westfield | HCTV Sports

7:45 pm Class 4A Sectional 8 | Fishers vs Hamilton Southeastern | HCTV

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