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**TODAY'S WEATHER**  
 Today: Partly cloudy morning. Mostly cloudy afternoon.  
 Tonight: Cloudy, with showers and wind gusts to 45 mph after midnight.  
 HIGH: 53 LOW: 38



# Cicero Kiwanis donate \$500 to help adults with developmental disabilities

**The REPORTER**

Dawn D. Savage, Development Manager at Mephibosheth Ministries, Inc. (MM), served as guest speaker at the Saturday, Feb. 25 meeting of the Cicero Kiwanis Club.

Savage, who only recently took on her title at MM, updated members on the services this local 501(c)(3) provides for adults who have developmental challenges.

Four core programs make up its service ministries: 1. Residential program that provides housing and support for individuals; 2. The Way Day Camp that offers a wide variety of activities and experiences for participants; 3. Friends Group, an adaptive worship service; and, 4. Summer Camp, a week-long camp located in Converse, Ind. Each of these programs require direct support professionals, volunteers, and funding.



Photo provided by Cicero Kiwanis

**Mephibosheth Ministries Development Manager Dawn D. Savage receives a \$500 check from Cicero Kiwanis Club President Emily Pearson. They are surrounded by club members. (Front row, from left) Doug Carlson, Nick Barger, Dottie Carlson, Emily Pearson, Dawn Savage, Beverly Symon, and Earline Gibson. (Back row, from left) Todd Clevenger, Jan Unger, and Paul Gibson.**

To raise money for programs and activities, MM holds various fundraising events. One of those events is Dash for disAbilities, which takes place on May 20 at Red Bridge Park in Cicero. The Dash is another reason Savage talked to Kiwanis members. Each year the club makes a donation to MM and members volunteer at the event or participate in the dash.

To learn more about this organization that offers many opportunities to an often underserved population, visit [Facebook.com/MephiboshethMinistries](https://Facebook.com/MephiboshethMinistries) and [mm-abilities.org](http://mm-abilities.org).

## What is real?

My study at Purdue included a brief foray into quantum mechanics.

One of the unnerving statements was that the universe is not real. By real, it was meant that objects do not have definite properties, such as size and color, until they are observed. Indeed, they may lack definite properties prior to measurement. A desk may not be there unless you are looking at it. Scientific evidence also proves at the quantum mechanical level that objects are not influenced only by things around them.

These statements seem like foolishness and contrary to normal understanding.

This understanding of reality and influence on objects has been determined to be true by three physicists, John Clauser, Alain Aspect, and Anton Zeilinger. The three scientists equally divided the 2022 Nobel Prize in Physics for experiments with entangled photons.

**COLUMNIST**



**RAY ADLER**  
Ask Adler

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# Celebrate the arts by "Building Our Future Together" at Fishers Arts Council & Conner Prairie

**The REPORTER**

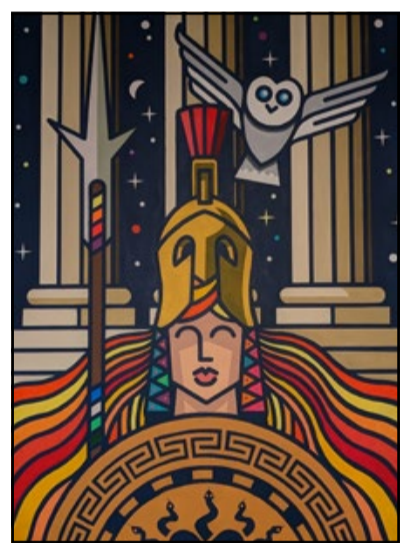
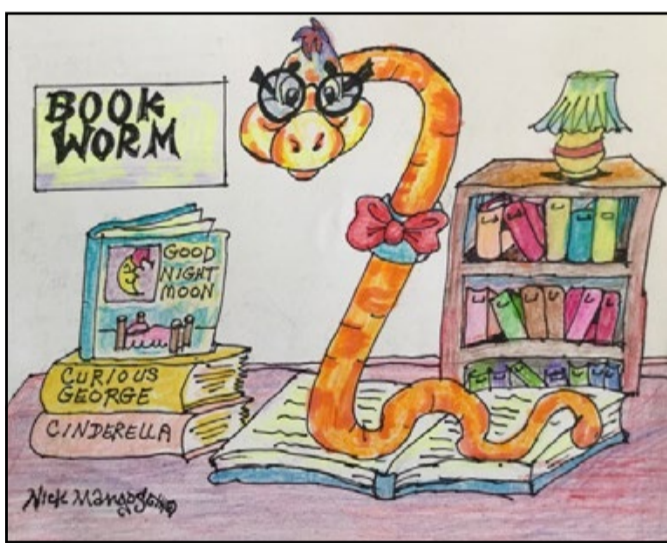
Fishers Arts Council (FAC), in partnership with Conner Prairie and the City of Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability, will offer a month-long gallery of art by individual artists and artists who are part of organizations providing services to those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The theme for the dual-location exhibit is "Building Our Future Together."

The exhibit at Conner Prairie can be found on the second floor of the Welcome Center, curated by the Exhibition Department of the Conner Prairie Museum under the direction of Director Jesse Kramer. Fishers Arts Council's gallery is located at the Collaboration Hub at the Hamilton County Community Foundation in Fishers, curated by the board vice president, Ross Hilleary, and executive director, Les Reinhardt.

To celebrate the over 120 pieces of art shared between the gallery spaces, there will be a reception at each location, both of which are free and open to the public. From 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, March 3, Conner Prairie will hold its reception with a special welcome at 7 p.m.

followed by live performances. The following Friday, March 10, from 6 to 8 p.m., FAC will



Art provided

**See works from local artist Nick Mangos (left) and such examples as "Athena, Goddess of War" by Warren Miller (right) at the receptions at both Conner Prairie and Fishers Arts Council's gallery at the Collaboration Hub this month.**

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# Exceptional women in leadership to speak at 'Stand Tall in Your Story' on International Women's Day

**The REPORTER**

On International Women's Day, March 8, six exceptional women who have completed the transformative seven-month Rise & Thrive experience will take the stage at The Vogue for the fourth annual "Stand Tall in Your Story" event in front of an audience of over 250.

The event, designed like a series of Ted Talks, will showcase the inspiring stories and achievements of these high-achieving women. Rebecca Fleetwood Hession is the creator and entrepreneur behind Rise & Thrive. In addition to her work with high-achieving women, Hession is a best-selling author, entrepreneur, keynote and TEDx speaker, and podcast host of *Write Your Own Story*.

"This is an event like no other," Hession said. "In such an authentic way, these leaders will share their experiences that are full of meaning, purpose, and struggle. From CEOs to high-level executives, each woman will share what has made them the person they are today."

**Event Speakers**

- **Courtney Bills**, CEO of Tactive
- **Stephanie Amick**, Executive Director at Agape Therapeutic Riding Resources
- **Maggie Miller**, Senior Director of Marketing at Delta Faucet
- **Lyndie Metz**, Founder of Acton Academy
- **Rachael Coverdale**, President of Coverdale Consulting
- **Karin Cook**, Vice President of Merchants Bank of Indiana

**Tickets**

The event will take place on March 8 at The Vogue Theatre, located at 6259 N. College Ave., Indianapolis. Entry for VIP tables and premium seats begins at 5:30 p.m., with general admission entry beginning at 6 p.m. There are still limited tickets available online at [this link](#).









**standTall IN YOUR STORY**  
 2023

Photo illustration provided

## Deadline for voter registration nearing

**The REPORTER**

Hamilton County Clerk Kathy Williams reminds those who aren't already registered to vote in the Primary Election on Tuesday, May 2 that they have a month left to do so.

"If you're not sure whether or not you're currently registered, you can always check online," Williams said. "You'll find everything you need to know at [indianavoters.in.gov](http://indianavoters.in.gov)."

In addition to checking your registration status, the website also allows voters to find their voting location, to apply to vote by mail, and to register to vote. The deadline to register to vote is 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, April 3. In addition to registering online, you can also register by mail or in person.

You can obtain a voter registration form online or from one of the locations listed below:

- Any public library in Hamilton County
- Any license branch
- Any city or town clerk-treasurer's office, or the
- The Hamilton County Voter Registration Office in Noblesville (Room 106)

If you are currently registered to vote in Hamilton County and have moved or changed your name, fill out the voter registration form and mail it to 1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 13, Noblesville.



Williams

Correction

In the March 1 edition The Reporter, the story “**Test drive school buses in Noblesville**” incorrectly listed the date of the event as Saturday, April 23, which was last year’s event date. The correct date of the event is this Saturday, March 4.  
The Reporter regrets the error.

REAL

The study of quantum mechanics is important. It helps engineers design and identify the functions of quantum sensors. Quantum computers rely on the principles of entanglement.

What is entanglement? Pairs of sub-atomic particles were sent off in different directions from a common source with observations at opposite ends of a very large distance. Quantum mechanics dictates that it is impossible to know the spin of an individual particle prior to measurement. However, once you measure one of the particles, the other sensor notes that its entangled particle changes in the opposite direction. Under quantum mechanics, particles do not have a particular spin until they are measured. Spin direction is merely the probabilities of spin.

In quantum mechanics, things are not locally real.

These small particles may lack property characteristics such as spin prior to measurement and they appear to communicate at extreme distances faster than the speed of light. One experiment using telescopes in the Canary Islands sourced random decisions for detector settings from stars sufficiently far apart in the sky that light from one would not reach the other for thousands of years. Quantum mechanics, again, proved triumphant, that even with this randomness there was an entanglement.

The 2022 Nobel Prize in Physics seems to state that current information tells us that in quantum mechanics, at least, particles really are not there until they are observed. Entangled particles appear to communicate with each other faster than the speed of light.

Can that be real?

Thanks for reading  
The Reporter!

Vendors needed for  
Spark!Fishers events

The REPORTER

Are you a local business, entertainer, artist, food & beverage vendor, or classic car owner? The City of Fishers is recruiting all vendors for Spark!Fishers 2023, the city’s annual five-day community-wide festival.

This year’s Spark!Fishers lineup includes the following needs for vendors:

- Tuesday, June 20:

Concert at the Nickel Plate District AMP

- Wednesday, June 21: SPARK!Fishers 5K run/walk and Kids Dash, starting at Municipal Drive
- Thursday, June 22: Car & Art Show at Fishers Municipal Complex
- Friday, June 23: Concert at the Nickel Plate District AMP
- Saturday, June 24: Street Fair, Parade, Live



Music, Fishers Nickel Plate District, Municipal Complex, and Nickel Plate District AMP

**Vendor applications are open now** and will close on Friday, May 12.

Be first in line for consideration to participate in this year’s Spark!Fishers. For all event schedules, times, dates, and registration information, visit [sparkfishers.com](http://sparkfishers.com).

FUTURE

hold its Second Friday reception with a special presentation by Hamilton Southeastern student and comic book creator Jason Funk at 7 p.m. Both receptions offer refreshments and a chance to meet the artists and organizations. Artwork will be available for sale at the FAC gallery.

The following organizations will participate: Janus Developmental Services, Studio Outside the Box, Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, and Noble.

This year marks the highest participation from individual artists in the

community and beyond. Those artists on display are: apdavs, Cassidy Atkins, Christopher Baird-Roberson, James Beisel, Lina Carter, Krista Darrow, Blake Dauby, Min Durham, Mark Fornefeld, Jason Funk, Anna Inger, Hikaru Kikuchi, Hiro Lerman, Nick Mangos, Warren Miller, Zander Phillips, Mark Rouse, Johnson Simon, Adelaide Thompson, and Collin Young.

FAC looks forward to seeing you at the Second Friday reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on March 10 at the Collaboration Hub, 11810 Technology Drive, Fishers. Come meet the artists,



take in their incredible art and enjoy live music, refreshments, and a cash bar. Everyone of all ages is welcome and wanted. If you need assistance to enjoy FAC events, please reach out and let someone know how they can help by emailing [info@fishers-arts-council.org](mailto:info@fishers-arts-council.org).

**About Fishers Arts Council**  
Fishers Arts Council is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to support, advocate, and cultivate visual and performing arts opportunities that educate and/or enhance the lives of those who live, work, and visit Fishers. Visit the art gallery space at the Collaboration Hub at Hamilton County Community Foundation, 11810 Technology Drive, Fishers, online at [FishersArtsCouncil.org](http://FishersArtsCouncil.org), or call (317) 537-1670.

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**About NSEF**  
The Noblesville Schools Education Foundation was created in 1987 to support Noblesville Schools by investing in academic excellence. NSEF is governed by a volunteer board of directors who give their time and energy to accelerate the Foundation’s mission of funding grants, awarding scholarships, and expanding resources for Noblesville Schools.

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

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

- **Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville**

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

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Check back often for updates to the Indiana Peony Festival's weekend of events.

The Indiana Peony Festival is grateful for the continued support of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville



## 2023 BICENTENNIAL EVENT LINEUP February & March



### HAMILTON COUNTY BICENTENNIAL TRAVELING EXHIBIT OPENING

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

Hamilton County Community Foundation headquarters  
11810 Technology Dr, Fishers

Join the Hamilton County Bicentennial as we host an opening reception for our traveling exhibit funded by Hamilton County Community Foundation, a CICF affiliate. Includes light refreshments.

FREE



### 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

March 25-31 | Fishers YMCA, Fishers

Learn about all five of our Bicentennial themes: Arts, Diversity/Inclusion, Education, Historic Preservation, and Parks/Environment. Contact the hosting organization for information on when it's open to the public.

FREE



### RISEING STARS MUSICIANS AND ACTORS

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

Central Park Drive West, Carmel

The International Talent Academy invites children ages 5-12 to work with a guest artist who will talk about Hamilton County musicians who had an impact on music in the area.

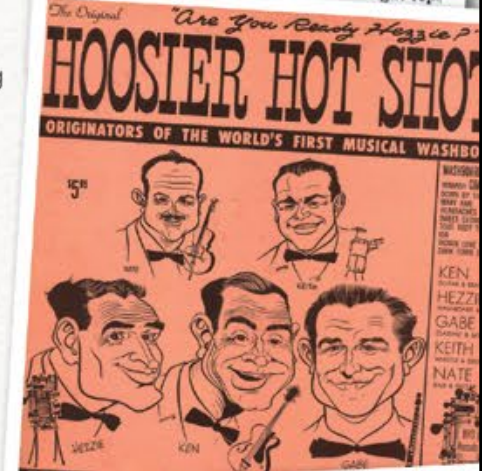
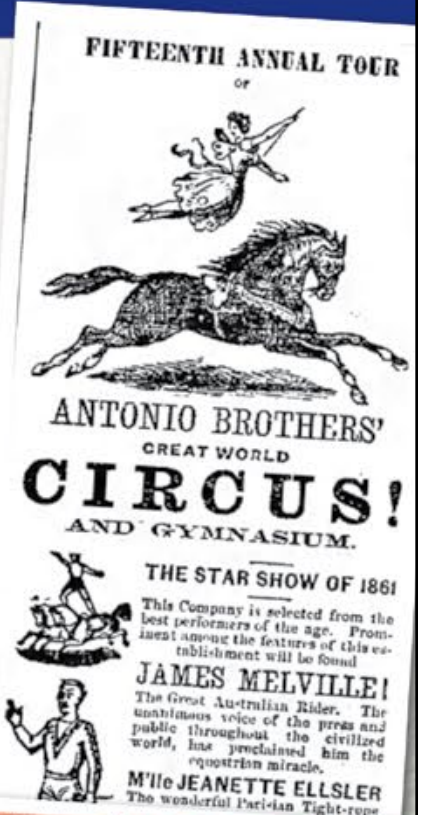
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### FIRST FARMERS

March 25, 1-4 p.m. | Taylor Center of Natural History

Strawtown Avenue, Noblesville

Hamilton County Parks partners with the Miami tribe of Oklahoma for a day of learning about Indiana's First Farmers. At Strawtown Koteewi Park, see archaeological evidence of plant domestication and farming.



### WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIP SIGNATURE EVENT

#### ANNUAL FISH FRY

April 1, Time TBD (check our online calendar)

Walnut Grove Community Center

12695 E 256th St, Cicero

The meal will cost money, but the activities are FREE!

Dan's Fish Fry is a great opportunity to have a good meal while learning about the history of White River Township and Walnut Grove schools. Kids will enjoy a touch-a-truck area with old and new farm equipment, and tours of the on-site fire station. Representatives from Strawtown Koteewi Park and other organizations will show off what makes them special!

Access the entire **2023 Bicentennial Event Lineup**  
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## Diversity Dance Festival

April 11th - 17th



# Carmel Christian Church Pastor Jerry Zehr named Interfaith Ambassador of the Year

### The REPORTER

Carmel Christian Church Pastor Jerry Zehr will receive the Interfaith Ambassador of the Year 2023 award from the Center of Interfaith Cooperation at the organization's annual banquet on Sunday, March 19 at the Indiana Ballroom.

The award is given to faith leaders who work hard to bridge the differences

among all faiths and cultures in central Indiana. Zehr is the author of *The Peacemaker's Path: Multifaith Reflections to Deepen Your Spirituality*, a book he spent years researching before publishing it in 2021.

Zehr was a leader in in-



Zehr

terfaith ministries for more than 30 years. He helped launch four interfaith organizations including the Carmel Interfaith Alliance and the Indiana Multifaith Network. Zehr lives in Carmel with his wife.

In a world where anti-Semitism and other faith-

based discrimination and hateful actions are seen across the country, Zehr offers a voice of peace as we all try to get along with one another in the great melting pot of central Indiana.

Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard will serve as co-chair of the event, and other community leaders will be there. Between 450 and 500 people are expected to attend.

# Carmel plans several special events to celebrate Disability Awareness Month

### The REPORTER

The City of Carmel is observing National Disability Awareness Month in March and will be part of several special events. Mayor Jim Brainard signed a proclamation recognizing the month for Carmel and you can see how that all came together in [this powerful new video](#).

Kicking things off is a virtual art exhibit produced by Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation in partnership with the Carmel Arts Council featuring local artists of

all ages and disabilities. The art is featured on the [Carmel Arts Council](#) website and will continue to be shared on social media throughout the month. Select works are also being displayed on the Midtown Plaza video screen.

OneZone is hosting a special breakfast March 2 at Hotel Carmichael with the theme of March Disability Awareness: Finding Your Next Great Hire. In addition, there will be a Transition Fair from 6 to 7 p.m. on March 23 at Carmel High School, 520 E. Main St. to

help connect people with local agencies and services that are available to help families.

These events and the video were made possible with the help of members of the [Carmel Advisory Committee on Disability](#) (CACD) and others who live and work in Carmel.

The CACD was established in December 2019 for the purpose of fostering a culture of inclusivity within the City of Carmel. This Committee represents the diverse needs and interests

of disabled people, provides comment on the city's current services, policies and practices and provides informed input on the development and assessment of future city projects and services that impact people with disabilities.

The Committee also works with local employers encouraging them to hire more people with disabilities and helping create positive social activities to enrich the lives of people with disabilities, their families and caregivers.

# Now Hiring Software Developer

A.E. Boyce Company, Inc. is seeking a Software Developer. This position will develop new software and maintain existing software and test software changes. Bachelor's degree in Computer Science is required. 2 years experience in the job offered or in computer science, programming, software engineering or database required. Jobsite is in Daleville, IN.

Send resume Attn:  
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# Kids TRI for Kids celebrates 15 years

### The REPORTER

Please consider donating to the Kids TRI for Kids program. You can help celebrate 15 years of making kids healthier by texting "KIDSTRI2022" to 44-321.

When you give to the Kids TRI for Kids pro-

gram, you directly support the opportunity for kids to participate in safe triathlons and to be introduced to a healthy lifestyle option. In fact, during the past 15 years, Kids TRI has impacted the lives of 8,000 children in central Indiana.

### Overall initiative of Kids TRI for Kids:

1. Offer safe races where kids can learn the value of fun competition
2. Helping all kids become healthy kids
3. Educating all kids on affordable fitness options: swimming, biking and running
4. Partnering with Best Buddies to help get all kids in-



involved with physical activity

5. Expanding fitness awareness to all kids

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# Yoga retreat for women set for May 5 in Carmel

### The REPORTER

Local yoga instructor Gretchen Clore has partnered with Beckie Kern at the Indiana Holistic Center to host a half-day yoga retreat for women on Friday, May 5. This easy and convenient getaway will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. Best of all: it will require no packing and very little travel.

Local women are invited to take a break from their daily routines and disconnect from the world for a few hours. Participants will spend the afternoon recharging with restorative yoga, mindful walking, and journaling, breathwork, and delicious snacks and beverages from nearby purveyors. Clore will lead the day's yoga-related activities, who trained at YogaWorks in Los Angeles. A Hoosier native, she is a Yoga-Alliance E-RYT 200 and YACEP instructor who ran her own yoga studio in Los Angeles.

"The stress and tasks of everyday life can sometimes

get in the way of the 'me-time' you deserve," Clore said. "This half-day yoga retreat will provide a physical and mental break from everyday routines in the serenely beautiful Indiana Holistic Center. Tucked away near a lagoon along Commerce Drive in Carmel, this environment will allow participants to slow down, tune in, and rediscover what their bodies and minds are craving."

Clore continued, "Dress in comfortable clothing that will allow you to move, and bring your yoga mat. The Indiana Holistic Center has plenty of additional props that may be needed such as blankets, blocks, eye pillows, and straps. Your self-care investment is \$70."

To sign up or learn more, please visit [indianaholistic.com](#). You may also call (317) 762-5325 or email [indianaholisticcenter@gmail.com](#). Alternatively, you may contact yoga instructor Gretchen Clore at [gretchenlouise-clore@gmail.com](#).



CONGRESSWOMAN  
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**Congresswoman Spartz to Host Town Hall in Hamilton County on Saturday, March 4**

**What:** Town Hall with Congresswoman Spartz

**When:** Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM

**Where:** Sheridan Historical Society  
Main Hall  
315 S. Main St.  
Sheridan, IN 46069

Parking available in the United Animal Health parking lot across the street.

If you have questions, contact our Carmel office at: 317-848-0201

**Thanks for reading  
The Reporter!**

# Westfield receives \$2.3M for roundabout at 181<sup>st</sup> & Wheeler

## The REPORTER

The City of Westfield has announced that it has been selected to receive funds awarded by the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (IMPO). IMPO has made \$47.5 million available in funding for intersection, transit, bicycle, pedestrian, roadway, and bridge rehabilitation projects throughout central Indiana.

The IMPO holds an annual call for projects, allowing local government agencies to apply for IMPO-managed funds. During the most recent round of funding requests, 59 project applications from 17 local government agencies were submitted, totaling \$183 mil-

lion in requested funding. The 16 projects selected for funding are for construction bids by June 2026. Westfield was awarded over \$2.3 million for constructing a roundabout at 181st Street and Wheeler Road.

According to Westfield Public Works Director Jonathan Nail, "181st Street and Wheeler Road is a critical intersection for Westfield Washington Schools traffic and visitors to the Grand Park Sports Campus. For several years, this four-way stop has created traffic congestion. We are pleased that the IMPO agreed that an improvement was needed, and we are excited to begin design work on this important

project for the City of Westfield."

IMPO Director Anna Gremling said, "As the state's largest regional planning organization, we understand that infrastructure improvements are necessary to continue Central Indiana's economic development and quality of life goals. These projects contribute to a larger effort in the region to address the road safety crisis, accommodate burgeoning freight needs, and maintain the region's infrastructure in good repair while providing mobility options for everyone in the region."

The recipients were selected from a highly competitive pool. Each funded proj-

ect requires a local funding match and is judged based on technical selection criteria, including impacts on air quality, improvements to congestion, pavement quality, and safety. The projects also meet goals for different projects set by representatives of the IMPO's member communities across the region.

Federal law requires each urbanized area with a population of 50,000 or more to have an MPO. The MPO planning process is necessary to receive federal funds for transit, transportation alternatives, and roadway improvements. IMPO encompasses 1,520 square miles and includes eight counties and 31 cities and towns.

## Letter to the Editor

# Cicero reader calls for total overhaul of township government

Dear Editor:

Once again, I have read in the two local papers how good of a job township government does providing the limited services required by statute. **This article** was of course written by the Hamilton County Delaware Township Trustee, who also is the Executive Director of the ITA which is a taxpayer supported lobbying arm of the current township government model. The article could not have been more cherry picked, slanted, and opinionated.

I know ... opinions are like belly buttons ... everyone has one!

Regardless, I have once again read all 40 pages or so and also available on Google of the Kernan Shepard bipartisan report prepared at the request of Gov. Daniels suggesting that the only state in the USA still using ineffective, outdated 1848 township-style government is Indiana and for many reasons - including overall operating taxpayer cost - should be eliminated.

I can only believe many of the 1,008 Township Trustees and their three-person paid board members have not read this suggested, bipartisan, highly recommended modernization effort. This very thorough report suggests eliminating the 100-percent, tax-supported township government model that requires statutory duties such as poor relief, fence disputes, fire services, limited EMS in some less populated areas, and other statutory mandated duties.

The suggestion was these limited duties will be transferred to and handled at the county level, which would reduce considerably the administrative cost, streamline and modernize the few remaining statutory functions of the office, and reduce considerably the annual overall taxpayer cost appropriated to deliver these statutory

required services.

As a past board member of Noblesville Township, I can attest to the ridiculous salaries/remuneration paid to the elected board members as relates to services provided; the overall township cost; ineffectiveness; outdated concepts; antiquated, unaccountable turf wars regarding mowing/maintenance of abandoned cemeteries; nepotism, etc. of the township government. As relates to abandoned cemeteries, in most counties, including Hamilton, there is a County Cemetery Board that accepts and is responsible for the maintenance and mowing of the abandoned cemeteries. Not all or even a large percentage of abandoned cemeteries are maintained at the township level.

Many examples of taxpayer waste/ineffective use of taxpayer receipts are covered in detail in the Kernan Shepard report, yet never discussed by the opponents/detractors of this excellent and timely recommendation.

One such area of waste is the cost to the taxpayers per each dollar of services and the resulting administrative cost to deliver the services. One such acceptable administrative cost model is Salvation Army at 8 cents per dollar of services provided! A concern can evolve when the state has a suggested guideline of 26 to 28 cents administrative cost for nonprofits, and in many cases the cost to townships to deliver comparable services is in the neighborhood of 70 to 80 cents (and many much higher) per dollar of service delivered. This observation suggests ineffective use of tax dollars. In one office in Hendricks County, the administrative cost to deliver \$1 of service was \$34.18.

Another example is township government being involved in fire services with no knowledge other than funding.

A Noblesville Township example of a recently reviewed newspaper article published as required by law of the cost to township taxpayers for fire services and other costs for property not in Noblesville proper but in Noblesville Township. Really! Wow! Remember all the Mutual Aid agreements with all fire services in the state? The published cost allocated for this mostly bare land on an annual basis was in excess of \$1 million. One can only assume additional new equipment will be at Noblesville fire houses. This is but one example of the ineffective, antiquated use of tax dollars.

Note: No one is saying the dollars are not needed by Noblesville Fire. It just relates to the dollar pot used for funding and one can bet limited to no discussion with NFD.

As a side note, given all the great Mutual Aid agreements, it may be time to consolidate all fire services on a county wide basis/jurisdiction with one chief and support staff rather than the many Chiefs and support staffs of today. As many recall, when accidents and/or fires occur, all departments from all surrounding territories show up to extinguish! That all-out participation is commendable.

Another area of interest is the large cash balances carried by the townships! Remember these balances are your tax dollars! Why is this? Purpose? There are other uses or township commitments throughout Indiana that many would consider not necessary or inappropriate. Several come to mind right here in Noblesville and Cicero!

It now way past time for the elimination of the outdated 1848 model of township government now in use in all 1,008 Indiana townships.

Jim Williams

Cicero

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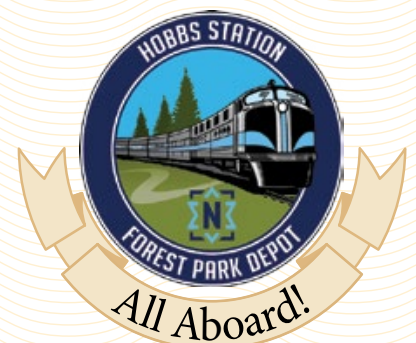
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# Large crowd turns out for Westfield GOP mayoral debate



Photos provided by Westfield GOP  
The Westfield GOP recently welcomed more than 200 potential voters to the city's Republican mayoral candidate debate. (Above) Hamilton County Republican Party Chairman Mario Massillamany served as moderator for the discussion between the three candidates: Scott Willis, Kristen Burkman, and Jake Gilbert. If you missed the debate, you can watch it in full on Facebook at [tinyurl.com/WGOPmayor](https://www.facebook.com/WGOPmayor).



# Noblesville Common Council Dave Johnson receives Noblesville FOP's endorsement

## Submitted

Dave Johnson, a resident of Noblesville for 40 years, has been endorsed by the Noblesville Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge No. 198. "Dave has always been a trusted voice for truth and justice while he served on the Noblesville Police Merit Commission," FOP Lodge No. 198 President David Barnes said. "We are confident that he is the right person for the job."

Johnson has been a pillar in the community for several decades by volunteering across various organizations in Noblesville and Hamilton County. In addition to his community work, his city involvement will be key in leading on

the City Council. Johnson has been on the city's Economic Development Board, the Police Merit Commission, Prevailing Wage Board, Hamilton County Riverwalk Board, and on the Hamilton County Solid Waste Board.



Johnson

"Among my proudest moments of service to the City of Noblesville was during my tenure as President of the Police Merit Commission," Johnson said. "I recognized and truly understood and appreciated the challenges of what is a very difficult job. I am honored to receive their endorsement." Johnson will be on the Republican ballot for the primary election on Tuesday, May 2.

# Gleaners announces restatement of its organizational values, focusing on people it serves & working with others

## The REPORTER

Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana President and Chief Executive Officer Fred Glass announced Wednesday that the food bank has restated its organizational purpose, mission, vision and values. The restatement is the product of a months-long process that included extensive input from Gleaners employees and culminated in a presentation to the Gleaners Board of Directors at its recent February meeting. "A major component of the restatement is to be clear and direct about what has always been the case at Gleaners: we put people facing hunger first, and we proactively work with others to serve them," Glass said. "Fighting hunger is a team sport, and we are proud to be a part of that team." As part of the process, for the first time ever Glean-

ers has articulated a specific **Purpose**: "United with others, optimize equitable access to nutritious food for people facing hunger and empower them to overcome the conditions causing their food insecurity." The Purpose intentionally starts with Gleaners commitment to collaboration. Gleaners also restated its **Mission**: "To be a leader in the fight against hunger," a small, but significant, change from its previously stated mission: "To lead the fight against hunger." Gleaners is proud to be a leader in the fight against hunger and did not want its previous Mission language to suggest it believed itself to be the only leader. Again, Gleaners is committed to leading *and* collaborating. Consistent with the above, Gleaners' new 10-point **Values** statement purposefully starts with "put people facing hunger



first" and includes "proactively work with others." "Taken together, these restatements will help make clear to folks inside and outside Gleaners that, while we embrace the responsibility of being a leader in the fight against hunger," Glass said, "we do so as a teammate in the same fight, always putting people facing hunger first, not only to feed them now but to help empower them to overcome the conditions causing their food insecurity." Reflecting the commitment of every Gleaners employee to work together internally and externally to boldly pursue its mission, the restatement concludes: "We are One Gleaners, and we are part of something bigger than ourselves."

**About Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana, Inc.** Gleaners was founded in 1980 and is a respected leader within Feeding America, the nation's food bank network. Since that time, Gleaners has distributed more than 800 million pounds of food and critical grocery products through nearly 300 hunger relief agencies, schools and community partners serving Hoosiers facing food insecurity. In addition to food distribution to agencies, Gleaners serves its most vulnerable populations, seniors and children, through specialty programs such as Gleaners2Go, Home Delivery, School-Based Pantries, Mobile Pantries, Summer Meals for Kids, and Senior

**Gleaners' Restatement of Values**  
**Our Purpose**  
United with others, optimize equitable access to nutritious food for people facing hunger and empower them to overcome the conditions causing their food insecurity.  
**Our Mission**  
To be a leader in the fight against hunger.  
**Our Vision**  
Food for every table. Empower every future.  
**Our Values**  
1. Put people facing hunger first.  
2. Value our employees.  
3. Boldly pursue our mission with urgency.  
4. Do the right thing.  
5. Be excellent and positive.  
6. Actively listen and openly share information and perspectives.  
7. Embrace diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility and provide a safe environment for all.  
8. Proactively work with others.  
9. Be curious and look for new ways of doing things.  
10. Be accountable stewards of the resources entrusted to us.  
**We are One Gleaners, and we are a part of something bigger than ourselves.**

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# Feinstein’s welcomes Bobby Conte & his moving, lyric-driven storytelling

**The REPORTER**

Feinstein’s at Hotel Carmichael will welcome New York-based actor and singer Bobby Conte to the stage at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 4.

Bobby Conte unabashedly wears his heart on his sleeve. *Along the Way*, his acclaimed solo cabaret and subsequent debut studio album, charts the journey of a not-so-fictitious young man offering said heart up to this terrifying world. Recounting three significant relationships, Conte reflects on the profound joy, heartbreak, and good humor experienced in the pursuit of true connection.

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information at [this link](#).

In collaboration with maestro James Sampliner, this story is scored by an eclectic array of re-imagined standards. From classic orchestral Broadway (“Time Heals Everything”) to funkified Sondheim (“Everybody Says Don’t”), from acoustic folk (“Here, There and Everywhere”) to gospel rat pack (“That’s Life”), from swinging mambo (“She Loves Me”) to 90’s R&B (“Me and Mrs. Jones”) – Conte strives to surprise the listener at every turn, all in the service of lyric-driven storytelling.

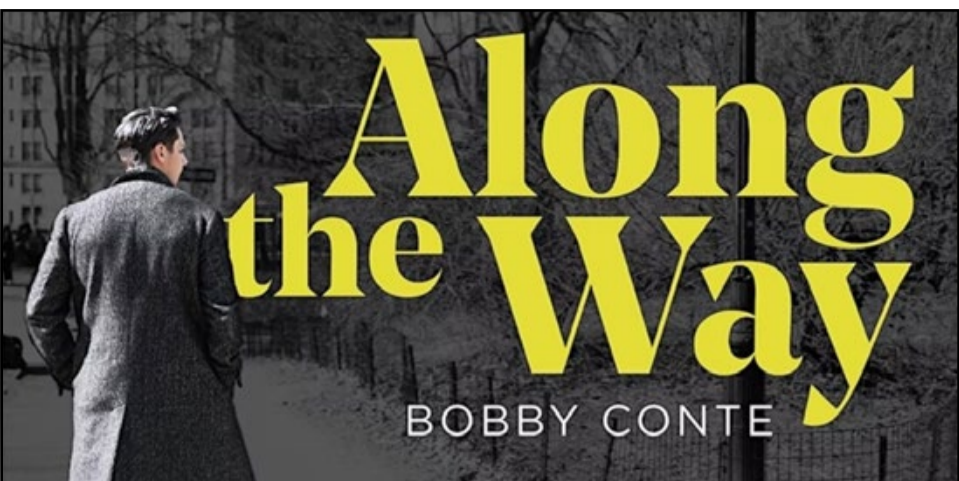
Conte made his Broadway debut originating the role of Calogero in *A Bronx Tale*, directed by Robert De Niro and Jerry Zaks. His television credits include *Unbreakable Kim-*

*my Schmidt*, *Madam Secretary*, and *The Code*. His debut studio album, *Along the Way*, is available across all digital music providers.

Feinstein’s at Hotel Carmichael is located at 1 Carmichael Square, Carmel. Call Hotel Carmichael at (317) 688-1947.

**About Feinstein’s at Hotel Carmichael**

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## Scammers portray themselves as Indiana State Police Troopers

**The REPORTER**

The Indiana State Police (ISP) has received several concerns from citizens reporting an apparent phone scam. ISP receives numerous reports of phone scams each year, but this particular scam involves using the ISP General Headquarters phone number.

The scammer is using a Caller ID showing “Indiana State Police” with “317-232-8248.” The scammer then identifies himself or herself as an Indiana State Police Trooper and tells them they have drug charges pending in Texas. The scammer then threatens the citizen with arrest if a payment is not made. The ISP would NEVER call and ask for or demand any sort of payment for any reason whatsoever.

The ISP reminds all citizens that phone scammers

are persuasive, convincing, and technically savvy. Scammers will often play on your emotions and fears in order to get your personal information and money.

The easiest way to protect yourself from being scammed over the phone is to either ignore unsolicited calls from unknown callers or just hang up when something doesn’t seem right. If you feel as though you have been a victim of a phone scam, immediately report the incident to your local law enforcement agency and alert your bank as soon as possible so the payment can be stopped.


As a reminder, never give out personal information such as date of birth, social security number, or bank/credit card numbers. Many of these scammers want you to make a hasty de-

cision and may pressure you to get your money or personal information. Be aware that transactions made by prepaid card or wire transfer are nearly impossible to recover once sent.

It is important for everyone to talk to their family about these phone scams and to have a plan in place should a scammer call you or someone you love. Being aware of potential scams is a great first step in protecting yourself from falling victim to one.



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TODAY’S BIBLE READING

Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them. Their bodies will lie in the public square of the great city—which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt—where also their Lord was crucified. For three and a half days some from every people, tribe, language and nation will gaze on their bodies and refuse them burial. The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts, because these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth.

But after the three and a half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them. Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here.” And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.

At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

The second woe has passed; the third woe is coming soon.

Revelation 11:7-14 (NIV)



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Meeting Notices

- The Hamilton County Plan Commission will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, in the courtroom on the second floor of the Hamilton County Historic Courthouse, 33 N. 9th St., Noblesville. Enter through the west doors.
- The Carmel Department of Community Services will hold a planning workshop from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 4, 2023, in the Caucus Rooms at Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel. This is not a meeting to conduct official business.

Sen. Braun & Gov. Holcomb object to Ohio train derailment toxic waste coming to Indiana

By HANNA MORDOCH  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

Indiana leaders, including Gov. Eric Holcomb and U.S. Sen. Mike Braun, are opposing the decision to bring toxic waste from the New Palestine, Ohio, train derailment to an Indiana landfill.

Holcomb cited a lack of communication from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to him and other Indiana officials about the decision to bring the hazardous waste to the state. He said he learned about the plan third-hand and wants the waste to stay in Ohio.

The waste is planned to go to Heritage Environmental Services landfill in Putnam County. That’s three miles east of Russellville, a town of 300 about an hour’s drive west of Indianapolis.

Heritage says 100 trucks filled with 2,000 tons of toxic soil from Ohio will be dumped in its Roachdale landfill. It says the company already follows strict regulations from the federal

government. Heritage told I-Team 8’s Kody Fisher that it bid on bringing the material to Indiana because the landfill is qualified to handle the toxic waste.

The company says the toxic materials are going through final testing before being approved to be sent to Indiana. Once at the Indiana landfill, Heritage will keep the waste in a double-lined storage area to prevent any leakage into the local water supply.

Ali Alivi, executive vice president of Heritage Environmental Services, said, “The regulatory level is 6 parts per million that you’re allowed to receive here at the landfill. The material that we’re receiving is coming out at about 0.033 parts per million.”

Landfill manager Eric Chris told I-Team 8 his own family relies on the landfill to keep toxic waste out of their water. “I live within a mile of the landfill. My homesite has a freshwater well, and I have no concerns



Holcomb



Braun

Quotes from Gov. Holcomb & Sen. Braun

- “I continue to object to the EPA Administrator’s decision, from Washington, D.C., to move hazardous waste from the East Palestine train derailment to Indiana. Further, there has been a lack of communication with me and other Indiana officials about this decision.

“After learning third-hand that materials may be transported to our state yesterday, I directed my environmental director to reach out to the agency. The materials should go to the nearest facilities, not moved from the far eastern side of Ohio to the far western side of Indiana. I have made a request to speak to the administrator to discuss this matter. I want to know exactly what precautions will be taken in the transport and disposition of the materials.”

– Gov. Eric Holcomb on Feb. 28, 2023
- “I am opposed to the transfer of hazardous materials from the East Palestine train derailment into Indiana. The Biden EPA and Transportation Department have mishandled this disaster from day one. Any material from this disaster being transferred to Indiana overseen by this Biden EPA is seriously concerning. Hoosiers’ safety is my top priority.”

– U.S. Sen. Mike Braun on Feb. 28, 2023

about anything leaching out of the landfill because of how it’s designed, monitored, and upkept.”

County Commissioner David Berry, who lives in the Russellville area, has no problem with the toxic waste landing in Putnam County. “I was comfortable with that material coming here knowing that it’s going to be handled properly.”

People who live near the landfill said there are mixed feelings about the plan. Jennifer Goss lives less than 10 minutes away from the landfill in Russellville. She said she is not concerned about the material from Ohio coming to her community because of how long the landfill has been around.

“We ain’t grown six legs yet. I mean, really. They must be doing their job. Our water’s not getting contaminated. We get it checked regularly. I think they know what they’re doing with it,” Goss said.

If this material is approved to come to Indiana, Heritage said it will stay there forever.

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# Five girls basketball players earn “Supreme 15” All-State honors

## The REPORTER

Five Hamilton County girls basketball players are among the 15 seniors and 15 underclass that have earned IBCA/Franciscan Health “Supreme 15” All-State honors for 2022-23, it was announced Tuesday.

The IBCA also named Large School All-State teams (15 seniors, 15 underclass) and Small School All-State teams (15 seniors, 15 underclass). Eight county players have earned spots on those lists.

The “Supreme 15” is the top honor awarded, and players were voted to that group without regard to school size. The Large School and Small School all-state teams are secondary accolades -- the Large School group including players from Class 3A and Class 4A schools and the Small School group including players from Class A and Class 2A schools. Players who make the Supreme 15 are not considered for Large School or Small School honors.

In addition, 90 more seniors and 90 more underclass players were selected honorable mention all-state. The honorable mention laurels are awarded without regard to school size.

Hamilton Southeastern’s Riley Makalusky and Fishers’ Hailey Smith are among the players voted to the 2023 IBCA/Franciscan Health Supreme 15 Senior girls’ team. The other players, listed alphabetically, are Asiah Baxter, Warren Central; Ashlynn Brooke, Pioneer; Cristen Carter, Ben Davis; Asia Donald, Hobart; Nevaeh Foster, Mishawaka Marian; Laila Hull, Zionsville; RaShunda



Hamilton Southeastern’s Riley Makalusky (left) and Noblesville’s Meredith Tippner (right) were among the five Hamilton County players to receive the IBCA/Franciscan Health “Supreme 15” All-State honors for 2022-23.

Jones, South Bend Washington; McKenna Layden, Northwestern; Karsyn Norman, Bedford North Lawrence; Amiyah Reynolds, South Bend Washington; Saige Stahl, Columbus East; Josie Trabel, East Central; and Amber Tretter, Forest Park.

Meanwhile, Hamilton Southeastern’s Maya Makalusky and Noblesville’s Meredith Tippner and Reagan Wilson were all voted to the 2023 IBCA/Franciscan Health Supreme 15 Underclass girls’ team. The other players on that list are: Lillian Barnes, Valparaiso; Addison Baxter, Columbia City; Kennedy Fuelling, Norwell; Avery Gordon, Brownsburg; Jaylah Lampley, Lawrence Central; Lola Lampley, Lawrence Central; Ellery Minch, Mt.

Vernon (Fortville); Jordyn Poole, Fort Wayne Snider; Kira Reynolds, South Bend Washington; Chloe Spreen, Bedford North Lawrence; Faith Wiseman, Indian Creek; and Juliann Woodard, Jennings County.

Hamilton Southeastern’s Olivia Brown and Fishers’ Olivia Smith were both named to the senior Large School All-State team, with University’s Kelsey DuBois and Payton Seay named to the senior Small School All-State list. As for the underclassmen, Fishers’ Talia Harris, Westfield’s Ellie Kelleher and Hamilton Heights’ Camryn Runner are on the Large School All-State roster, with Sheridan’s Kenzie Garner making the Small School All-State list.

Hamilton Heights’ Ella



Kent Graham / File photos

Hickok was named to the underclass Honorable Mention list.

The IBCA/Franciscan Health All-State teams are selected through a process organized by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association and presented by Franciscan Health Sports Medicine.

All IBCA-member head coaches have the opportunity to nominate players. A panel of 20 IBCA coaches -- 16 from the current regional areas, three district representatives (one each from IHSAA Districts 1, 2 and 3) and the committee chairman -- then meet to review the nominations, vote and finalize the selections.

Those on the IBCA all-state committee for 2023 included chairman Doug Springer of Northridge plus

Brandon Bradley of Kankakee Valley from District 1, DeeAnn Ramey of North Central from District 2 and Kevin Moore of East Central from District 3.

Completing the voting panel were Kristi Ulrich of Penn, Andy Maguire of Zionsville, Curt Benge of Plainfield and Tyler Choate of Evansville North in Class 4A; Steve Scott of Mishawaka Marian, Eric Thornton of Norwell, Kaley May of Danville and Michelle Harter of Connorsville in Class 3A; Tony Scheub of Andean, Justin Jordan of Whitko, Doug Greenlee of Greencastle and Tony Hasenour of Forest Park in Class 2A; and Rick Budka of Morgan Township, Sarah Black of Union City, Amy Macy of Edinburgh and Mike Lang of Trinity Lu-

theran in Class A.

Franciscan Health Sports Medicine is making a financial contribution to the IBCA Scholarship Fund as the presenting partner of the IBCA all-state teams. As part of the partnership, Franciscan Health Sports Medicine will provide plaques to Supreme 15 honorees and certificates to players receiving Large School All-State, Small School All-State or Honorable Mention All-State recognition. Those items will be made available to each recipient's coach during April, allowing her coach to present the award to each player prior to the end of the 2022-23 academic year.

The IBCA thanks Franciscan Health Sports Medicine for being a partner in this annual project.

## Pacers Director of Media Relations David Benner passes away

### WISH-TV & The REPORTER

The Indiana Pacers announced Wednesday that long time Director of Media Relations, David Benner, has died.

Team owner Herb Simon said “David embodied the very best of our organization. He was immensely talented, experienced, and humble, and his passion for our players and the Pacers organization are what made

him beloved by the coaches and athletes with whom he worked. David meaningfully impacted countless people here and around the League, and he will be missed. We will continue to keep him and his family in our prayers.”

Benner attended Center Grove schools, Indiana University and IUPUI.

He worked as a sports reporter for the Indianapolis Star newspaper as the Pacers beat writer. Benner also cov-

ered IU basketball and Notre Dame football.

In 1994-95 he joined the Pacers as Director of Media Relations, a position he held for 28 years before retiring in 2022.

The Pacers released the following biography of Benner:

“David Benner’s life was a life of sports in his beloved central Indiana. A proud ‘Southsider,’ he attended Center Grove High School,

Indiana University, and IUPUI. As a student, he began writing for the Indianapolis Star part-time in the newspaper’s sports department in 1979. He eventually became The Star’s full-time beat writer for a team that was his favorite growing up as a child - the Indiana Pacers.

“After eight years following the NBA, he began covering two iconic programs – Notre Dame football and IU basketball. Af-

ter a stellar career in sports journalism, he got a call to move into public relations and in 1994-95 he joined the Pacers as Director of Media Relations, a position he held for 28 years before retiring in 2022.”

The team also released the following statements on the passing of David Benner: **Herb Simon, Chairman, CEO and NBA Governor**

“David embodied the very best of our organiza-

tion. He was immensely talented, experienced, and humble, and his passion for our players and the Pacers organization are what made him beloved by the coaches and athletes with whom he worked. David meaningfully impacted countless people here and around the League, and he will be missed. We will continue to keep him and his family in our prayers.”

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# Boys Swimmer of the Year: Aaron Shackell, Carmel

### The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Reporter has named Carmel senior Aaron Shackell as its 2022-23 Boys Swimmer of the Year.

Shackell had a dominating day for the Greyhounds at the IH-SAA boys state swim meet last weekend. The University of California commit won four events, but he also made a big splash in the prelims, setting a new national record in the 200 freestyle. Shackell went on to win the 200 free in the state finals, just after swimming on Carmel's first-place medley relay. Shackell also won the 500 free and was part of the Greyhounds' winning 400 free relay team.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

### 2023 Hamilton County Reporter Boys Swimming All-County Team

#### FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Grade
Daniel Bennett	Fishers	Senior
Aidan Biddle	Noblesville	Senior
Connor Carille	Fishers	Senior
Keaton Chop	Fishers	Senior
Nathan Cox	Hamilton Heights	Junior
Gregg Enoch	Carmel	Junior
Michael Gorey	Carmel	Sophomore
Jonathan Hines	Fishers	Sophomore
Taichi Kataoka	Fishers	Junior
Hudson Lee	Fishers	Sophomore
Brandon Malicki	Carmel	Junior
Nicholas Plumb	Carmel	Senior
AJ Robertson	Carmel	Senior
Ryan Roop	Carmel	Senior
Jacob Schade	Fishers	Sophomore
Aaron Shackell	Carmel	Senior
Andrew Shackell	Carmel	Sophomore
Sean Sullivan	Carmel	Senior
Ethan Swart	Hamilton Heights	Junior
Lewis Zhang	Carmel	Freshman

#### SECOND TEAM

Name	School	Grade
Chouchi Ding	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Jacob Frey	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Emil Haig	Carmel	Junior
Collin Huston	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Tommy Johanneman	Fishers	Sophomore
Jihoon Jung	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Aiden Kless	Noblesville	Sophomore
Graham Kulp	Noblesville	Junior
Jeremiah Ledwith	Noblesville	Senior
Caleb Mathis	Noblesville	Junior
Eli Pache	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Derek Robison	Hamilton Southeastern	Sophomore
Luis Sanchez	Fishers	Sophomore
Quinn Sweeney	Guerin Catholic	Senior
Carson Szotek	Carmel	Junior
Jack Warren	Hamilton Southeastern	Junior

#### HONORABLE MENTION

Name	School	Grade
Anthony Adams Jr.	Fishers	Sophomore
Neiman Kumlir	University	Junior
Bennett Morse	Westfield	Junior
Jack Roby	Fishers	Junior
Colton Suhan	Noblesville	Sophomore
Connor Sweeney	Carmel	Sophomore
Ethan Zhang	Carmel	Sophomore

# Noblesville's Aiden Carrico to run track & field at IU-Kokomo

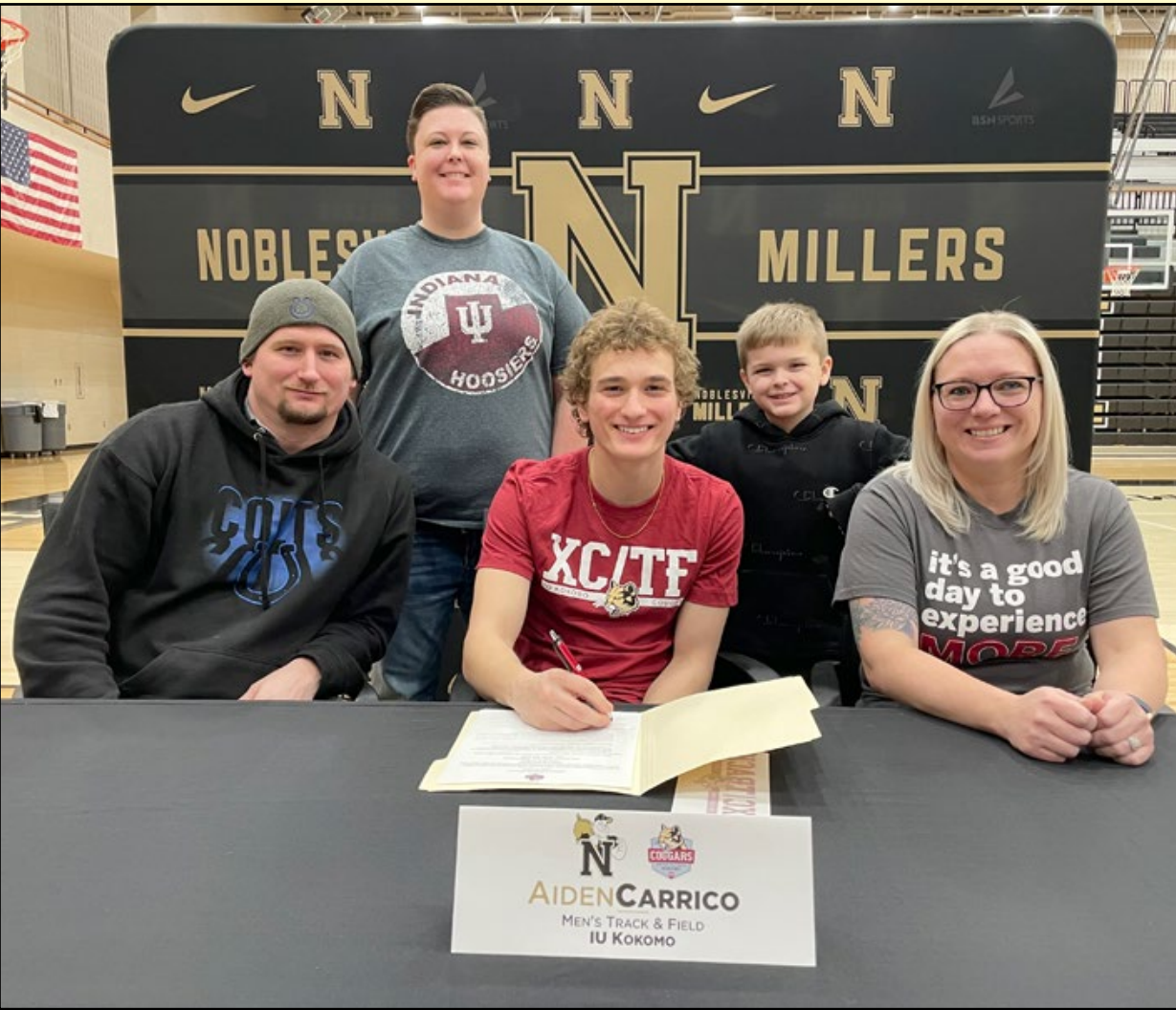


Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics

Noblesville's Aiden Carrico has committed to the Indiana University-Kokomo men's track and field team. (Front row, from left) Michael Carrico (father), Aiden Carrico, and Penny Moor (mother). (Back row, from left) Debbie Moor (stepmother) and Jaxon Moor (brother).

# SPORTS SCHEDULE BENNER

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### Friday, March 3

#### BOYS BASKETBALL SECTIONALS

##### At Carmel

Noblesville vs. Westfield, 6 p.m.

Zionsville vs. Fishers, 7:45 p.m.

##### At New Castle

Hamilton Heights vs. Delta, 6 p.m.

Frankton vs. New Castle, 7:30 p.m.

##### At Shortridge

Guerin Catholic vs. Brebeuf Jesuit, 6 p.m.

Shortridge vs. Bishop Chatard, 8 p.m.

##### At Cascade

Covenant Christian vs. Park Tudor, 6 p.m.

Cascade vs. University, 7:30 p.m.

Please email schedule changes or corrections to [sports@readthereporter.com](mailto:sports@readthereporter.com).

### Rick Fuson, Chief Executive Officer, Pacers Sports and Entertainment

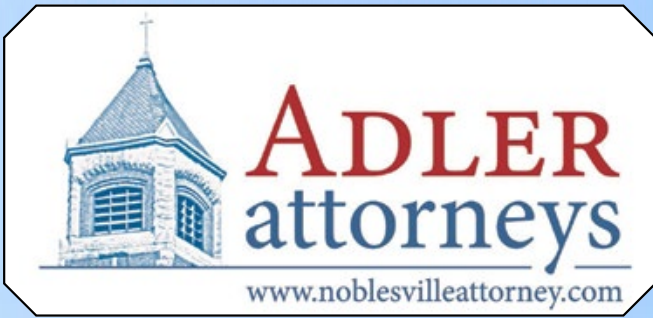
"Few people in the history of our organization have become as synonymous with the Pacers franchise as David Benner. That is the case not only because of his decades as a member of our family, but more so because of his incredible impact on this team and the legacy he has left behind. David was respected across the League and across the city as a consummate professional, and he was a mentor and a friend to so many in our industry and beyond. Most importantly, for me, he was a wonderfully kind and decent man, a person with incredible integrity who always had the best interests of his players and coaches at the center of all he did. The hole left by his passing in the hearts of those who knew him best will nev-

er fully heal, and we will miss him and pray for him and his family."

### Kevin Pritchard, Pacers President of Basketball Operations

"It is difficult to put into words just what David Benner meant to the Indiana Pacers, the NBA, his family, and friends. He had an infectious personality and a wonderful sense of humor that was evident to anyone who was ever fortunate enough to meet him. David was fiercely loyal and incredibly protective of this franchise, our players, and coaches for nearly three decades of service in his role, humbly and dutifully providing invaluable guidance and counsel during that time, while also becoming a cherished friend and confidante to so many. David will be sorely missed, and our thoughts during this difficult time are with his wife Jane, his siblings Bill, Larry, and Sue, and all of those who held him so close to their hearts."

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### Upcoming Broadcasts

#### Friday, March 3, Boys Basketball Sectionals

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

7:45 pm Class 4A Sectional 8 | **Fishers vs Zionsville** | HCTV Sports

**Watch Sectionals only at [www.IHSAA.org](http://www.IHSAA.org)**

**Direct link to the games at [www.HCTV1.com](http://www.HCTV1.com)**

#### Saturday March 4, Boys Basketball Sectionals

7:45 pm Class 4A Sectional 8 | **Championship** | HCTV Sports

**Watch Sectionals only at [www.IHSAA.org](http://www.IHSAA.org)**

**Direct link to the games at [www.HCTV1.com](http://www.HCTV1.com)**

#### Tuesday March 7, Girls Lacrosse

6:00 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | Girls Junior Varsity Lacrosse

| HCTV Sports

7:30 pm **Westfield vs Noblesville** | Girls Varsity Lacrosse

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**Baseball & Softball games on Hamilton County TV begins in April**

**....Check our schedule for upcoming broadcasts**



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