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FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2023

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Today: Rain, possibly heavy at times. Thunder possible. Wind gusting to 45 mph.

Tonight: Rain showers end by midnight. Evening wind gust to 35 mph. **HIGH**: 50 LOW: 31



Eleven students named Hamilton **County Bicentennial Ambassadors**

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission announced



on Thursday the 11 high school sophomores and juniors who will serve as Bicentennial Ambassadors now through December 2023. These Hamilton County student ambassadors will serve as a bridge from the past to the future through conversation and public engagement.

The purpose of the Bicentennial Ambassador program is to engage high school students by using the past 200 years to inform the future. Those chosen expressed a genuine interest in history and how communities function. They also met criteria for being a student in good standing at their high school.

Presenting the 2023 Bicentennial Ambassadors:

- Valerie Adams Sheri- School (not pictured) dan High School
- Ben Boyce Carmel Noblesville High School



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• Ridhi Dondeti – Carmel High School

Christopher Foote

• Gabby Jellison - No-

Hamilton Heights High

• Isabella Lingenfelter -

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• Elizabeth Parkins -

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory



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Parkins • Jane Martens - Carmel sored by Hamilton County Commissioners Christine Altman, Steve Dillinger and Mark Heirbrandt and is an official program of the Ham-• Sophia Stephens – Car- ilton County Bicentennial mel High School (not pic- Commission. Curriculum support is provided by the • David Young – West- Hamilton County Leadership

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Academy.

Photo provided by Amy Shankland My best friend, Stacey, and I at her daughter's wedding a few years ago. Long friendships

When you're an empty nester, you're definitely not young anymore! Most of us are in more of the "middle-aged" gory. As I've shared before, I don't mind being in this category one bit. I love all its advantages.



COLUMNIST

One thing I treasure about this stage in life is the long friendships. I consider them to be one of my big-

gest blessings. Take my oldest friend, Kevin. He's not my oldest friend as far as his age goes, although he's claimed to be old ever since we met in high school. Kevin and I have been friends for almost 39 years. Initially I could barely talk to him as a shy freshman. He and our friend Cathy, both juniors, were the first and second chairs in the clarinet section in band. I was the (shocked!) third chair.

Thankfully, I discovered what a cool person he was by the time I was a sophomore. Even though we haven't lived in the same town for decades now, he's still a close friend. Kevin has worked in long-term care facilities since he was a teenager. His advice and guidance were so helpful when we had to move Mom into a facility, both temporarily after she fell 10 years ago and permanently in 2016.

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Nickel Plate Arts features Marc "Mozzy" Love

School

field High School

This unique op-

portunity is spon-

Bobbi K. Samples to give away artwork during March reception

The REPORTER

Nickel Plate Arts will feature Marc "Mozzy" Love's exhibit, "Welcome to the Boomtown," in the Stephenson House during March. Bobbi K. Samples, whose work is currently displayed in the Meyer Najem Second Floor Gallery, will give away a print of her artwork during her reception on Saturday, March 4.

Stephenson House Marc "Mozzy" Love

The 1986 song "Welcome to the Boomtown" by David & David inspired Love to create a series that showcases the excess, the ego, and what's not good for you. This series examines these "soul crushing experiences" and will be featured in his March exhibit.

be abstract or surreal, paint or work." print. My creative process fo-





Art provided

(Above left) "Pork King" by Marc "Mozzy" Love can be seen now through April 1 at his exhibit in Stephenson House on the Nickel Plate Arts campus. (Above right) Bobbie K. Samples will give away this work, "Venice Floral," at her reception this Saturday, March 4, at the Meyer Najem Second Floor Gallery. The artwork is framed, matted, and measures approximately 30-by-24 inches.

"I like to create whatever that drives my need to create. around the world, but he has years teaching himself by studymoves me," Love said. "It can Music is a great influence in my chosen Noblesville as his desti-

Born in Tacoma, Wash., media art. While he never went

cuses on a source of inspiration Love has lived and traveled to school for the arts, he spent nation to hone his skill in mixed

ing other professionals, such

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Props to Patrick Propst, Hamilton County Leadership Academy Class of 2024 dean

The REPORTER

As Hamilton County Lead- ership, ership Academy (HCLA) knowlopens the application process edge, netfor its 33rd cohort of leaders, Patrick Propst has been select- and reed to serve as the HCLA dean sources for the Class of 2024. HCLA of each has been educating leaders and class to cultivating community net- s h a p e works for over 30 years.

HCLA Class of 2018, I immediately saw the impression and influence that HCLA and its deans had in Hamilton Couna unique ability to channel

the lead-



county. I look forward to meeting this year's class as they begin their journey with HCLA."

ty," Propst said. "In particu- ored that Patrick is volunteerlar, I saw how each dean had ing his time to support the growth of Hamilton County by gral role in creating the class



Propst

will sup-"As an alumnus of the evate all areas of life in the port the mission of HCLA to amplify impact and empower community members with access to people and insights into "The HCLA board is hon-the operations of Hamilton County."

ment

The dean plays an inte-

serving as culture and connectivity and d e a n," providing meaningful insight H C L A and expertise throughout the President HCLA class experience. They serve as an ambassador for Bradford the program in the community said. "His and will collaborate with the HCLA executive director and commitboard to cultivate and mainto tain an engaging, dynamic, and service thought-provoking learning

> "HCLA is eager to watch the guidance and growth Patrick will provide to the Class of 2024," HCLA Executive Director Diana Coyle said.

environment.

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Once upon a time

Three little kiddies grew up to write books

The REPORTER

Once upon a time, three little kids met in kindergarten and became friends. Years later they found their voices and became authors.

Susan Zinn Crandall, Janet Hart Leonard, and Rex Dillinger graduated from Noblesville High School in 1974.

They will come together from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 5 for a book signing at Primeval Brewery, 960 Logan St., Noblesville.

The Hamilton County Reporter checked in with the three classmates to see what they are up to now in their writing journeys.

Crandall has published a dozen books but her Whistling Past the Graveyard made the Southern Indie Booksellers Alliance Bestseller List. She has sold the movie rights for it to make its way to the big screen.

"After spending the better part of the past year on research I am finally penning the first pages of an American historical novel based on a family story passed down from my great-grandmother," Crandall said. "Genealogy and historical research has expanded this story from my initial plan of relaying a family tragedy on the Tennessee frontier in 1788 to encompassing the American Revolution in North Carolina."

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ARTISTS

as Jeff Koons, Jean-Michel Basquiat, Banksy, and Keith Haring.

An accomplished art collector and the author of two books, Love appreciates the creativity of making an idea come to life through his own art and writings.

"It's like I have this thought in my head, something I want to do creatively - I have to get it out of my head," Love said. "If I don't get it out, it never leaves and my head will extremely crowded with everything. When I do create, I don't have a particular medium that I love more than another, it's just whatever I can get my hands on to make this thing in my head reality. It may not be [visual] art; it may be music, it may be a poem, or a video – whatever I have in my head and in my hands."

to the Boomtown" exhibit in the Stephenson House from noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Meet Love at the March First Friday event on the Nickel Plate Arts campus or at his free public reception from 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 11 in the Stephenson House.

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Meyer Najem Bobbi K. Samples

Reception & Art Giveaway Samples' exhibit, "Floral Tour of Bermuda," can be seen at Meyer Najem, 11787 Lantern Road, Fishers, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Meet Samples at her free public reception from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 4 in the Meyer Najem Second Floor Gallery.

Samples will be hosting a giveaway at her reception. There is no cost to enter the giveaway. To enter, you must stop by the reception from 4 to 6 p.m. on March 4; the drawing will take place at 6:15 p.m., and you must be present at the time of the drawing to win.

Artwork can be purchased by contacting Nickel Plate Arts or ordering online from NickelPlateArts.org/ exhibits.

About Nickel Plate Arts

Nickel Plate Arts is an See the full "Welcome umbrella nonprofit organization that creates and coordinates arts and cultural experiences across communities in eastern Hamilton County and the surrounding areas to improve the quality of life for residents, strengthen local economies and enrich experiences for visitors. Nickel Plate Arts is a project of Hamilton County Tourism, Inc.

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AMBASSADORS

Quotes from winners Valerie Adams,

Sheridan High School "Being named a Ham-

ilton County Bicentennial Ambassador is a huge honor. I hope to learn more about Hamilton County as a whole. I'm super excited for this opportunity and to learn more about each of the other Ambassadors as we move forward. Adams Township is a small community, but that does not stop us. I hope people enjoy the architecture of some of the buildings on Main Street. I also hope people enjoy how hospitable everyone is and how they will do everything in their power to help you feel welcome."

Ben Boyce, Carmel High School

"To me, being a Hamilton County Bicentennial Ambassador means understanding my community more and showing others how much it means to me. I hope people enjoy the vibrant culture of Clay Township and learn about how the township has been a model for urban development."

Ridhi Dondeti,

Carmel High School "It's an honor to be a part of this historic celebration. As someone who loves history, I'm excited to learn more about the history of Hamilton County and how we became the amazing county we are today. I'm from Clay Township, and I enjoy the various events Carmel hosts throughout the year. With the Chinese Mooncake Festival, the Farmer's Market, Winter Games, Christkindlmarkt,

and much more, there's always something for everyone to enjoy."

Christopher Foote, Carmel High School

"Being named a Bicentennial Ambassador is very important to me as it gives me a chance to represent my community and to be able to be a leader for Hamilton County. It is a great opportunity and honor to be able to be a Bicentennial Ambassador. I hope that people are able to learn the rich history of Clay township and understand the great arts and achievements Clay Township has to offer. Clay Township is a great place to live and a wonderful community for all people from all walks of life.

Gabby Jellison,

Noblesville High School Hamilton County Bicentennial Ambassador is all about serving my community. I believe history is such an interesting and im- Monon, and even an entire portant thing. This program Arts and Design District. is an amazing opportunity to learn more about the history of Hamilton County and be able to help out in the community. I am beyond excited to be able to represent my community. I hope that people enjoy all of the events that are planned for this year. Each township has a month designated to them, and since I live in Noblesville Township, I'm especially excited for the 'Light up the Night' event. I really hope people learn about Noblesville Township's rich history and this unique place we get to

call home."

Jane Martens, Carmel High School

"Being a Hamilton County Bicentennial Ambassador means dedicating yourself to education, history and community. There are many people who live in Hamilton County who might not know much about modern-day townships or the histories behind them, and this is an opportunity to learn! As high school students, there's not much emphasis on Indiana history much less Hamilton County history – in our courses. By being in this program, we can really explore the scope of Hamilton County outside of our townships and share those experiences with others. I really hope that people enjoy learning about the arts in Carmel! There are so "To me being named a many activities and places here that center around visual and performing arts like performances at the Palladium, murals on the It has a huge impact on the daily lives of residents as well as the way our township looks as a whole."

Elizabeth Parkins, Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School

"I'm grateful to have been named an Ambassador because it means that I can represent Hamilton County and share my love of learning and history with others. I most hope that people see Carmel's strong sense of community."

David Young, Westfield High School

"To me, being a Hamilton County Bicentennial from Page 1

Ambassador means a great deal. I'll be able to learn further about history relative to Indiana and more specifically Hamilton County. Beyond that, it'll allow me to view different perspectives on historical topics and help me to construct a better understanding. With that being said, I am happy to be a part of this program. I hope people enjoy the diversity in Westfield along with the array of opportunities that have been created in recent years. Beyond what meets the eye, Westfield has continuously become more diverse, and I hope people enjoy being able to meet new neighbors and peers of different backgrounds. Diversity allows for not only social growth, but economic growth throughout the city as well. Along with that, we have also seen exposure to many new opportunities here in Westfield – both socially and economically. I hope that teens, families and adults are able to enjoy the new opportunities, centers, parks, etc., that have been introduced to Westfield."

About the Bicentennial The Hamilton County Bicentennial Commission was established by the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners as the official oversight agency for the 200th anniversary of the county in 2023. It will do so in partnership with the Hamilton County Historical Society, Hamilton County Tourism, Inc, and lead sponsor Duke Energy. For more information, visit hamcoturns200.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

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

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

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







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

You can see the wheels turning in her mind as she shares her thoughts. She knows how to tell a story, as her readers will testify.

Dillinger recently moved to the Chicago area to be closer to his grandchildren. His book, A Conscious Choice to Love, was published in January 2023. His reason for writing the fiction book has to do with his own finding of a conscience choice to love.

"Having spent most of my life raising step-kids and enjoying step-grandchildren, I realized that it's not just blood that binds a family together," Dillinger said. "I believe it's love and more specifically, a conscious choice to love. In some ways isn't that a stronger bond than simple biology?"

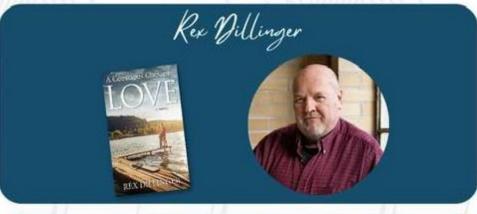
His novel covers 50 years and four generations of the Andrews family, the good, the bad, and the ugly. It's life with its consequences and strong emotions.

"Everyone wants to know how much is biographical and how much is fiction," Dillinger added with a smile. "That's for the reader to contemplate and adds a bit of intrigue and mystery to those who know me and my family."

Leonard has written a newspaper column after being given a dare by a co-worker at Don Hinds Ford where she sold cars. Her column in the Hamilton County Reporter appears in the weekly Monday edition. "My editors are brave men who allow me to share my thoughts and feelings with my readers," she said.

Leonard has lived on

Suçan Crandall





Graphic provided

Her home is in a 117-yearold little house on the alley. Her book, When the Hart Speaks, tells stories of her ever-so-not-as-planned life. She shares the beauty of finding her faith in the hardest of times. There is both laughter and tears in A third book has several the words that she shares.

the same street for all her chapters that make you place in 1989 in the hills of

there is no place like home. way to look at life." Janet shared that thought and then winks.

Leonard can often be found tucked into a corner at her favorite cafés in Noblesville. She is writing her second book of non-fiction Soft Words for Hard Times. chapters written. That one "There might be a few is a fictional novel that takes

67 years. As she says ... think, hmmm interesting Kentucky. Audrey Grace is a hairdresser who holds a lot of secrets ... when the preacher goes missing. Stay tuned.

> The three authors invite their classmates, friends, and people who want to be their friends, to come and see them on Sunday. There will be words and laughter ... they guarantee that. They are never at a loss for either.

HCLA

veloping individuals so they can identify their why and make an impact where they reside and work is clear and we can't wait to harness that skillset into the HCLA cohort experience."

Propst is an ordained minister and has been serving alongside Faith Community in Noblesville since 2004. Faith Community recently re-missioned and is exploring new faith expressions in today's world, while encouraging and supporting free-range Christians. He also serves as part-time executive director for Serve Noblesville and began his own life coaching, consulting, and spiritual direction company called Pachlain.

Propst's 18 years of living and raising his family in Noblesville created a passion for the city and the people. He recently launched a podcast with a good friend called A Sinner and Saint. On it, they explore the day-to-day experiences when people are at their best and their worst. His work, regardless of the hat he is wearing, is guided by the mantra of helping people, businesses, and organizations to "discover their good."

Propst married his wife and Noblesville native Kami in 2001 and have three children, college freshman, Jada; high school senior, Asher; and sophomore, Hines. They live in a unique

"His innate ability for de- 1875 Italianate house in Old Town Noblesville. He enjoys cooking, baking, hiking, gardening, riding motorcycles, movies, bourbon, cigars, and the winter season. He collects books and PEZ. His PEZ collection is around 1,000 pieces and most of them have been given to him by friends over the years.

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Applications for the HCLA Class of 2024 are currently open and will close Wednesday, April 12. If you are interested in learning more about HCLA, its community impact, and how to apply for the Class of 2024 find more information at HCLA.net. Members of the Class of 2024 will be announced in June.

About HCLA

HCLA is a 10-month program for professional and community leaders who live or work in Hamilton County. Class sessions cover a wide variety of topics that affect the operations of the county. Participants receive learning in the areas of government, education, criminal justice, arts, culture, business, industry, and much more. Graduates of the program have a deeper knowledge and understanding of Hamilton County, create meaningful, life-long connections with their peers, HCLA alumni, and community leaders, and gain clarity around how to lead and make an impact in their backyard.

FOLLOW THE REPORTER

FRIENDSHIPS-

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in, Janet. Kevin told me, times a year. We literally "You'll love my cousin email, text, video chat, or Janet" back in 1987 before call each other every day. I met her during a 4th of July fireworks show. Sure of friendship, folks. enough, his prediction was correct. Janet and I clicked ing an empty nester is that that evening and, 36 years you have more time to nurlater, we're still friends. She ture all your friendships and I practically shared the long ones, short ones, and same brain growing up.

And I can't forget my "bestie," my "BFF," my Stacey Girl. I met Stacey when we both lived in the same dorm at Indiana University in Bloomington in the fall of 1988. I've mentioned her a time or two (or 20) in this column.

I owe our close friendship to, of all things, technology. She's another person who hasn't lived in the same town as me for most of our friendship. But thanks to emails initially, and computer chats when we were young, frazzled parents, we these long friendships are became close. Stacev lives in Portage and we get to- brate being an empty nester.

Then there's his cous- gether at least three to four

That's almost 35 years

A great thing about bein-between. When you're younger, you have to focus most of your time and atten-

tion on your kiddos. As your children become teenagers who soon get on the path to college, trade school, a job, or the military, you find more time to spend with those precious friends. For example, Janet and I celebrated 30 years of friendship by going to Virginia Beach in 2017. Stacey and I hope to celebrate our 35 years by going out to Montana next year.

While I do miss my sons, yet another reason to cele-

CONGRESSWOMAN ORIA SP PROUDLY SERVING **INDIANA'S** 5TH DISTRICT

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

What: Town Hall with Congresswoman Spartz

When: Saturday, March 4th 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

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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



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



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.

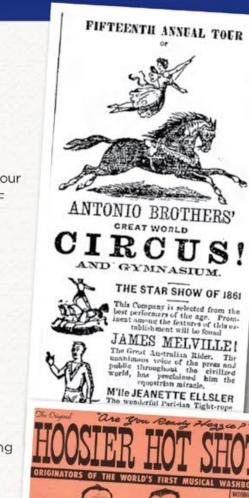
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FIRST FARMERS

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 and get event/program details: *HamCoTurns200.com*

Bicentennial Partners







Strong women leaders

This month, Ivy Tech recognizes Dr. Stacy Atkinson & her role in helping to improve Indiana's workforce

The REPORTER

March is Women's His- 19 campuses and tory Month in the U.S. – a around 150,000 milestone that has been recognized by Presidents and is the largest com-Congress since 1980. The munity college in theme for 2023 is "Celebrat- Indiana and the ing Women Who Tell Our largest singly ac-Stories."

March also is a big month nity college in the for Ivy Tech Community country. Ivy Tech brate its 60th anniversary on my and is making an impact ership roles as Chancellor of Indiana.

March 15. With students, Ivy Tech credited commu-

COLUMNIST

DR. DEREK ARROWOOD

Heights Superintendent

College and the women who contributes nearly \$4 billion served in other positions lead it. Ivy Tech will cele- annually to Indiana's econo- at Ivy Tech including lead-



Tech Hamilton County campus in 2021. Previously, she had

everyone and brings dreams

to life. It should be cele-

across the state.

leader, Dr. Stacy

Atkinson, Ph.D.,

was named Chan-

cellor of the Ivy

One woman

communities and Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs on the Richmond campus.

> Whether it's opening the newly formed Hamilton County campus in 2021, launching a new nursing school earlier this year or building community and corporate partnerships, Atkinson and her team are focused on strengthening the current and future workforce

> our students. Thank you

of what makes Hamilton

Heights a place where kids

#WeAreHuskies

reach their potential.

Public education is for find hope, purpose, and can



Business Cards





From the desk of Hamilton Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood

Update No. 102 This is Public Schools Week - a week designated to recognize and celebrate the invaluable role of our nation's public schools. It's also worthy of its own column.

I consider it lead in service to our children and our families in a district that has been helping to prepare students to go out into the world and make month. a meaningful difference for well over a century. We are caregivers of the gift of public education that we continue to pass along to benefit future generations.

My experience in a public school helped me to myself by giving me opportunities, experiences, role models, and mentors. It also helped pave the way to a career in education. I became a classroom teacher and continued my education earning advance degrees and certifications to become an administrator. Ultimately, I came full circle to serve as Superintendent of Hamilton Heights School Corporathose formative years.

Every day I get to be inspired by our educators, staff, students, families, and community partners they share in the belief that strong public schools are the foundation of success for young people, the growth of our communities, and instrumental to our country's

Every day I see successes, accomplishments, achievements, large and small, among both our students and staff – from what I think is one of the best accomplishments take place emotional health, or main-

on and off our tain and repair buildings, the brated every day, just like campus, many of people serving in our pubwhich there is lit- lic schools are making our for being an important part tle public fanfare communities and our world but nonetheless a better place. incredibly import-

Others are quite remarkable such as junior Tyler Tuntland and Heights' graduate

an honor and a privilege to Grant Venable ('20), a part of a four-person team who won a 48-hour reality TV competition and now advance to nationals later this

We had three Huskies, Ryan Reed, a second-grader, Lu Hubbell ('22) and Theresa Morris ('88) who collaborated to write, illustrate, and publish a series of children's books.

Seniors Ethan Swart become the best version of and Nathan Cox competed against the best of the best to become the 2023 IHSAA State Finals Diving Champion and Runner Up!

HHHS Business Department Chair, Kim Kaiser, received the Dual Credit President's Award for Excellence in Instruction from Ivy Tech for the 2022-2023

Hamilton Heights, like public schools everywhere, tion in 2014, the district and serves all students no matcommunity that made such ter their background, socioan impact on my life during economic status, or ability. They are places of hope and joy, where every child is loved, respected, and celebrated for who they are.

I give great credit to who work together because our teachers, school staff, administrators, and volunteers who serve at Hamilton Heights. They are a strong and unified force with a common goal: to prepare the next generation of students for the challenges and opportunities of the future. Whether they teach students in the classroom, drive school buses, coach a team, serve on our school board, prepare nutritious meals, seats in the house. These support students' mental and



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PREVIEW DAY:

Wednesday, March 15th Noon - 6pm

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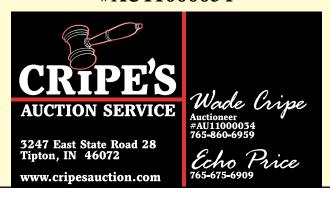
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CCHA Law launches expanded Higher Education practice group

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Church Church Hittle sues and Antrim (CCHA Law) has announce the launch of its newly expanded Higher **Education practice group.** CCHA Law has advised institutions of higher education throughout Indiana Team, including attorneys and across the country on a variety of legal matters for the past 10 years and with the addition of experienced leadership in this area, is excited to offer a dedicated practice group to the ever-changing landscape of higher education.

The attorneys in the Higher Education practice group bring a range of experience that allows CCHA Law to proactively collaborate with higher education institutions and serve them in a variety of areas, including:

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- Business Transactions · Faculty Affairs and Employment

- First Amendment Is-
- General Litigation
- Title IX Matters · Institutional Assess-
- ments Student Affairs

The Higher Education from CCHA Law's nationally-reaching Sports Law, School and Education Law, and Business Services practice groups, is particularly experienced in high-profile investigations and assisting executive leadership to navigate difficult decisions when issues threaten an institution's central mission.

"CCHA Law has such broad and varied experience advising higher education clients that it only made sense to formalize and launch a higher education practice group," said James Nussbaum, CCHA Law partner, and leader of

See CCHA ... Page 6

Baptized by coffee in the farmlands of home

I've been baptized again in the farmlands that remind me of home, and that's just one of the unique aspects Wheeler's Cafe and Market has to offer. If you're like me and grew up on a farm, this coffee

place in your back pocket.

Four and a half years ago, being dubbed as a coffee shop in the "middle of nowhere," Wheeler's Cafe and Market found firm footing in the roots of the rural land. Located at 25625 State Road 37 North in Noblesville, Neal and Angie, operators of Wheeler's Cafe and Market, strive to make it worth the trip away from the city. They decided to serve specialty coffee drinks as well as a food menu because "not everyone drinks coffee, but everyone eats food.'

Neal and Angie both agreed that "our menu has an upscale feel since our ingredients are sourced locally. We decided to have a market as well so the community doesn't need to drive out of town for local fresh produce. We wanted our menu to feel like we are feeding our own family, so we make sure the quality is at its finest."

They also offer gluten-free and vegan options as well to accommodate all taste buds. No matter what, you'll always also be served a side of a bad dad joke provided by Neal himself. "If you don't come in smiling, we'll make sure you're smiling by the time you leave."

I can certainly attest to the high-end quality of the turkey sandwich I had, but I'm here to focus more on the coffee. I ordered a hot Noble Jones, named after

BALANCED



who was the first black police officer in Noblesville. The two flavors that make up this latte are chocolate and the surprising flavor, blackberry. I quite enjoyed the touch of

blackberry as it's shop will have a permanent a different flavor than what I usually order. Neal's favorite coffee order is the Maple Lapel, his own invention and also a menu favorite for locals. "The maple syrup is tapped from maple trees in Lapel and the sea salt caramel can help turn down the bitterness of the coffee." If you're going to order a food item, he recommends the Spicy Piggy. Angie's favorite menu item is ... all the menu. "If I didn't like it, it wouldn't be on the menu" she laughed.

The atmosphere inside the coffee shop has a rustic farm feel, fitting to where they are located. The black siding, rustic wood tables, and long bench to sit on feels like you're joining the Walton's for a family dinner. indoors as well as outdoors and plenty of outlets for your technological charging needs. If sitting and sipping on coffee isn't for you, you to the community by being can head on through the door that connects Wheeler's Cafe and Market to Mercantile 37 and you can shop around.

When I walked in the door of Wheeler's Cafe and Market, I was a stranger. When I walked out, I felt like a family member. That's just part of the warmth one can feel when visiting. run coffee shop, we can do Speaking of warmth, operators Neal and Angie hit the nail on the head with what it nity," both Angie and Neal means to be a part of a car-said. ing community.



Photos provided by Sydney Schmitt

Neal and Angie Wheeler want their customers to feel like they're part of a larger community when they visit Wheeler's Cafe & Market.



the reason why we made it through COVID. They didn't want to see us go There is plenty of seating under and they really started coming here rather than going to town for different items," they said. Wheeler's gives back

> a part of the Mission Discovery group through HBM Special Services Co-Op. This group helps students in the local school districts by teaching various vocational skills within the community. While I was there, a student was helping Angie and Neal put together to-go boxes.

> "By being a locally things like this and we can give back to the commu-



gram that have come and gone over the years and I could tell that giving back to the community in this way is something meaningful to

If you're ever headed north on State Road 37 anytime soon and find yourself needing to make a pit stop for coffee and a sandwich, Wheeler's Cafe and Market will welcome you inside with arms wide open.

To learn more about the menu and hours of operation, check them out on the web at mercantile37.com/ wheelersmarket.

Sydney Schmitt is a self-pronounced coffee addict who is a new resident of Noblesville. She can be reached at sydneyschmitt@ gmail.com. She'd love to They told me about var- hear from you and what cof-"The community is ious students from this pro- fee shops she should try!

Demanding answers from EPA on shipping hazardous waste

The REPORTER

sent a letter on Wednesday EPA Administrator Michael Redemanding answers on why a shipment of hazardous materials from the East Palestine, Ohio, train derailment was halted on its way to an EPA-approved facility

in Michigan, and why Indi-

started shipping contaminat-

ed soil and water to a landfill

facility in Michigan licensed

to deal with that type of ma-

terial by the EPA. Michigan

Dingell and Rashida Tlaib

held a press conference that

day saying they don't want

"No one deserves this in

Thirty minutes later,

the material in their state.

their backyard," Tlaib said.

the EPA announced they

had halted the cleanup and

delivery of contaminated

materials to the licensed

hazardous waste facility in

Michigan. Five truckloads

of contaminated materials

were returned to East Pal-

nounced two other facilities

Roachdale, Ind. - would be-

gin to receive materials.

elected officials.

one in Ohio, and one in

EPA said it would notify

Governor Eric Holcomb

said in a statement on Feb.

28 that he learned about the

decision to ship the materi-

als to Indiana "third-hand."

the first facility outside of

Ohio to receive contaminat-

ed materials after EPA exert-

ed control over the cleanup.

The Roachdale, Ind., facili-

ty is further away from the

East Palestine site than the

rather than a matter of safe-

ty, the decision to halt the

Norfolk Southern cleanup

was made in response to

objections from elected offi-

cials in Michigan," Senator

The letter requests

2. When EPA halted the

"We are concerned that,

Michigan facility.

The Indiana facility was

On Feb. 27, EPA an-

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Congresswomen

On Feb. 24, the EPA

ana was instead chosen.



Debbie

contaminated materials that Senator Mike Braun were en route to a dispos-(R-Ind.) and Congress- al facility were returned to man Jim Baird (R-Ind.-04) East Palestine. What spe-

cific criteria were used to make this decision?

3. In its official statements on Feb. 25 and 26, EPA explained that each of the sites chosen by Norfolk Southern were "up to the standards"

"EPA-approved" to dispose contaminated materials. If that is the case:

a. Why did EPA halt the Norfolk Southern cleanup?

b. Why did EPA recertify the Vickery, Ohio, and East Liverpool, Ohio, facilities, but not the Belleville, Mich.; Romulus, Mich.; or Deer Park, Texas, facilities?

4. What on-site testing procedures are in place in East Palestine to test contaminated materials for the types and levels of contamination before they are transported to a facility for disposal? Is EPA working to preemptively test and determine that facilities are certified to process the contaminants they are being asked to process?

Senator Braun's said of the transfer:

"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."

Congressman Baird's said of the transfer:

"For over a week, this administration has failed to properly address the public safety crisis created by the train derailment in Ohio, and now they're blindsiding neighboring states by hastily relocating hazardous materials across state lines, jeopardizing countless Americans. There are very serious implications associated with the relocation of such serious carcinogens, and this administration has a responsibility to carefully weigh the safest options before making rash decisions. My responsibility is to keep my constituents safe, and 1. Exactly when did EPA I will continue to push for transparency and stand up for the safety and well-being of the Hoosiers I'm proud to Norfolk Southern cleanup, represent."

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the new Higher Education in Hamilton County. As a administration, real estate practice group. "Because full-service law firm, CCHA of our attorneys' breadth of Law provides a myriad of leexperience we have one of gal services to clients across the most robust higher edu- a wide variety of practice cation practices in the state areas including: complex litand hope to become a 'one- igation, personal injury, govstop shop' for the institu- ernmental entity and munictions we serve."

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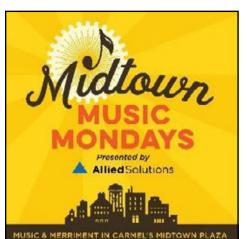
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Braun and Congressman Baird wrote in the letter to employment law, mediation Administrator Regan. services and appellate litigaanswers to the many question. CCHA Law serves clients across the state with oftions regarding EPA's decifices in Noblesville, Fishers, sion-making, including: Fort Wayne, Tipton, Merrillville, Westfield, and Zidecide to halt the Norfolk onsville. Learn more about Southern cleanup?

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Music

Carmel Midtown Plaza movies & live music move to new days & times

The REPORTER

Summer at Midtown Plaza is about to get even better in 2023. The City of Carmel and Allied Solutions will double the opportunities to watch weekly movies on the Big Screen, while the weekly outdoor music offering will change from lunch time to dinner time. In addition, a new Midtown Block Party is being planned for May 13.

All the exciting changes will go into effect in May, perfect timing for the community to gather at the Plaza on warm summer days and nights.

"Midtown Plaza was designed to be a public space where people from all over can gather and get to know each other," said Nancy Heck, Director of Community Relations and Economic Development. "Scheduling these special events and regular weekly events give everyone a reason to ven-

enjoy the beauty of Midtown and the Monon Boule-

Here are the details of event changes.

Movies at Midtown

Grab your lawn chairs and blankets and get ready for movies on the Big Screen. This year, the showings have been moved to noon and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and May 2 through Oct. 31.

Movies will be announced on Facebook, In**stagram** and in the Friday City of Carmel e-newsletter. Click here to sign up for the city's e-newsletter.

Midtown Music Mondays

some music? Come to Midtown and carry out some carryout and eat at the plaza. fine flavors from the growing number of Midtown visit MidtownPlazaCarmture out of their homes and restaurants. Then relax on el.com.



Oct. 30. **Midtown Block Party**

Come out for a special movie, DJ entertainment, glitter tattoos, balloon art, a strolling magician, give-6 p.m. on Thursdays from aways and more from 2 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 13.

As you enjoy the many activities, be sure to visit Fork & Ale House, Garden Table, Java House, Kernels Gourmet Popcorn, Social Cantina, Sun King Distillery or Wine & Rind for refreshing drinks, snacks, and meals. Ready for dinner and Grab a seat on the patio and enjoy the festivities or get

For more information,

Ivy Tech & TechPoint partner to provide innovative IT training & grow Indiana's tech workforce

The REPORTER

College and TechPoint have announced a partnership that will support a statewide strategy designed to solidify the state's reputation as a vibrant tech hub. The collaboration provides career Academy is uniquely posipathways for Hoosiers that tioned to offer the very best meet the needs of employers and most affordable IT bootfor tech and tech-reliant talent through Ivy Tech's Ivy+ TechPoint's Mission41K goal of cultivating the next generation of tech leaders over the next seven years.

In October 2022, Ivy Tech announced the IT Academy would launch this year, offering students the most advanced and innovative way to get in-demand IT training and skills quickly. IT Academy offers Indiana employers a "onestop shop" for employees who need training with the largest variety of information technologies and tools offered anywhere.

Also in 2022, TechPoint brought together nearly 200 and community leaders to launch Mission41K, a bold inclusively grow the state's tech workforce to meet the demands of tech employers who see Indiana as their next home base.

"Ivy Tech has more part-

nerships with the world's Ivy Tech Community largest tech companies than any other college or university in the country," Ivy Tech Chief Information Officer Matthew Etchison said. "This is just one of many reasons that the Ivy+ IT camps in Indiana. TechPoint and Ivy Tech are partnering IT Academy and supports to ensure more Hoosiers get to rapidly skill up and launch their IT careers."

Ivy Tech and Tech-Point's goals of a focused, digital workforce partnership support existing statewide initiatives, including Next-Level programs of study and adult apprenticeships. In addition to their relationships with some of the biggest tech companies in the world, the partnership will seek to accelerate learning and provide rapid upskilling to Indiana students through the most thorough and comprehensive IT portfolio training anywhere.

Dennis Trinkle, Techpublic, private, academic, Point's senior vice president of talent, strategy, and partnerships, said Ivy+ IT Acadcollaborative movement to emy will play an essential role in meeting TechPoint's Mission41K goal by preparing Hoosiers for careers that provide a family-supporting wage and strong career pathways.

"Indiana's employers across all sectors need more tech-skilled workers, and Ivy Tech has strong partnerships, a broad footprint and excellent programs planned to train individuals for tech and tech-related roles," Trinkle said. "We highly value all they bring to the

Under the partnership, TechPoint will help raise awareness of the Ivy+ IT Academy. This will include surveying Hoosier companies to determine the most in-demand tech jobs and developing work and learn opportunities in support of next-level programs. The partnership will support dual enrollment, modern youth apprenticeship, and adult apprenticeship, and the collaboration will also aim to align Ivy+ Academy pathways to TechPoint modern youth and adult apprenticeship programs that will drive participant recruitment, support adjunct faculty hiring, and help market Academy programs to prospective faculty and stu-

Ivy Tech currently has more than 6,000 students per year in the School of IT in degree-granting technology programs. For more information on the partnership or to enroll in the Ivy+ IT Academy, click here.

Letter to the Editor -

Feeding Team's Lisa Hall addresses reader's concerns

Dear Editor:

you for your inquiry and support of Feed-

plexiglass window to help the pantry us- often-asked question. ers to have an idea of what is in the pantry. This enables someone passing by to verify there is food available to avoid possible embarrassment. Sometimes a person is embarrassed they have to use a pantry and the last thing we want to do is have them open the door to a pantry that at that moment my be low on food. Usage is very high right now and we do our best to keep them stocked, however on occasion they might be low.

Mark answered, all the pantries are ventilated, sides and back of pantry. The

products in the pantry are monitored by In response to Mari Briggs ... Thank our volunteers at least one time per week. The items move so fast through the pantries, and the heat and the cold have not Our pantries are equipped with the been an issue. I hope this clears up this

> In reference to the positioning of the pantries, the locations for the pantries for the most part are determined by the pantry hosts. In reviewing all our locations there are very few actually facing the west.

> Mari, I hope this helps answer your

We are very appreciative of our pantry hosts and volunteers that help us maintain the safety of every pantry.

Once again, thank you Mari for your As stated from an earlier question continued support of FeedingTeam.org.

Lisa Hall

CoFounder, Feeding Team.org

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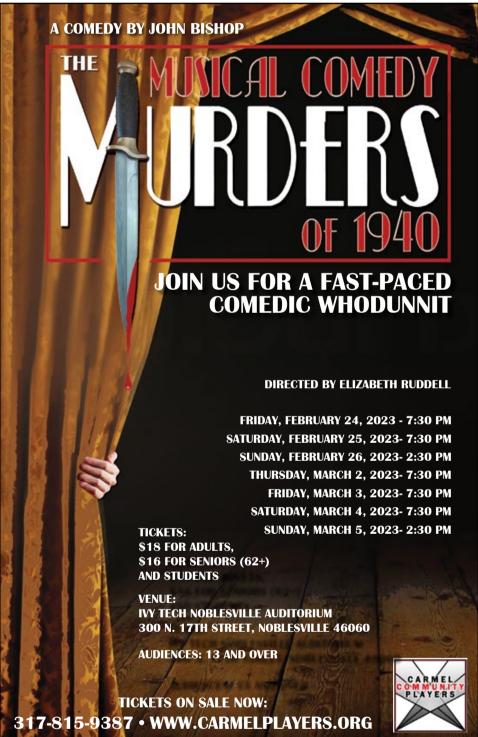


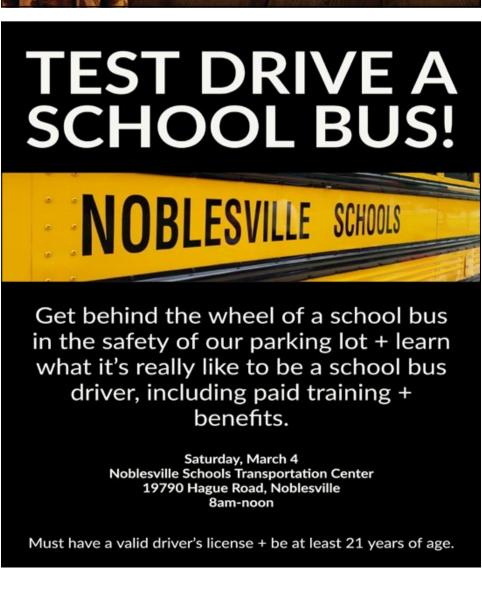


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Changes to Medicaid law could put thousands of Hoosier kids at risk

By ADAM PINSKER WISH-TV | wishtv.com

A federal law will take effect on April 1 ending the COVID-19 era protections that keep children and families continuously covered by Medicaid.

The protections were originally put in place in March 2020 through bipartisan legislation.

"We've seen a sharp decline in the state's child uninsured rate and, unfortunately, we are worried that may be reversed and the uninsured rate may start to go up for children when this how good of a job the state

protection lifts," said Joan does during this process." Alker, executive director University.

More than 60 percent of Hoosier children get their healthcare from Medicaid since it is often hard for parents to find coverage for Medicaid agency," Alker their children. In April, the said. "They're alert to the state will review whether fact they may be getting a these children are still eligible for Medicaid.

"All of these children erage checked," Alker said. "How many lose coverage inappropriately depends on

Alker is concerned famof the Center for Children ilies won't receive renewal and Families at Georgetown letters in the mail because people may have moved over the past few years.

> "It's time now to make sure they are updating their contact information with the letter very soon to renew their coverage."

Alker said she also worare going to have their cov- ries that staffing shortages could make it more difficult for people to have their eligibility forms processed.

"First of all, the gov-

commitment to ensure that children don't lose coverage inappropriately because that has to start at the top," Alker

It could take up to a year for the state to review Medicaid eligibility.

Adults who are making more money now than they were during the pandemic may no longer be eligible for Medicaid and would have to seek health care on the federal marketplace.

Anyone with questions about their Medicaid eligibility can call 800-403-

Facebook/Meta subscription service will be complicated costly, scammer bait

The REPORTER

On Sunday, Meta founder Mark Zuckerberg announced the company is introducing Meta Verified, minimum requirements, be a paid "blue verification badge" for Facebook and Instagram that will be available this week. According to the news release, the monthly subscription service includes a verification badge, protection against impersonating accounts, increased visibility, priority customer service and other exclusive features. Previously, Twitter announced its blue checkmark program.

As with any new program, there can be initial confusion on what it all means, and scammers are waiting in the wings to grab at any new opportunity. Be sure you have the more vulnerable to scams. facts and protect yourself against future scam artists. BBB is a trusted resource to help guide consumers and businesses to accurate information.

Here's what you need to know:

 Regular Facebook and Instagram users do not have to pay. The subscription service is an option to help creators and businesses build their communities.

• The optional Meta subscription service will cost \$11.99 per month on the web and \$14.99 for the iOS and Android app. Twitter's blue check is \$8 a month for web and \$11 for iOS and Android. Twitter also announced an upcharge for its new secure text messaging program.

 Meta Verified is only available in New Zealand and Australia starting on Feb. 21, 2023, but may expand globally soon and to business accounts eventual-

ly. Twitter Blue is available in many countries, including the U.S. and Canada.

• Users must meet the at least 18 years old, and submit a government ID that matches the name and photo on Facebook and Instagram to be eligible for a verification badge.

Be on the lookout for potential scams:

• Watch out for phishing emails, texts, and direct messages offering upgrades to your Facebook or Instagram accounts. Don't send a photo of your government ID to a scammer!

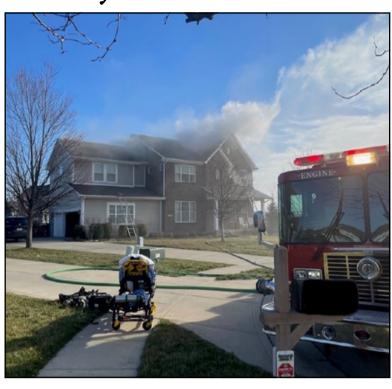
- Go to BBB's Spot a Scam page to see what fake emails, texts and web pages may look like.
- Older adults may be Reassure your friends and loved ones that they don't have to pay anything right
- Beware of impostors pretending to be from Meta, Facebook, or Instagram. In December, Twitter experienced a wave of fake verified accounts after introducing Twitter Blue.
- Always check links before clicking; go directly to the **source**.
- · Fact-check all information. Go directly to Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter help pages if you are unsure.

For more information

Read BBB's tip on phishing scams. BBB's Scam Tracker to report scams or fraud. Click here to learn how to protect your verified social media account.

Check out BBB's tip on how to spot a fake social media account. Report scams to **BBB.org**.

No injuries in Noblesville house fire





Shortly after 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, a resident of 16016 Gaston Court in Noblesville returned home to find smoke coming from an upstairs bedroom. The homeowner was able to safely exit the house and call 911. Fire and EMS units were dispatched by the Hamilton County Dispatch Center. Upon arrival, crews could see smoke and fire emanating from the upstairs bedroom. Crews were able to quickly enter the home where they found fire had spread from the bedroom and into the attic space. The fire was marked under control a short time later. There were not any injuries to civilians or firefighters. Noblesville Fire Department (NFD) was assisted by the Carmel Fire Department and the Noblesville Police Department. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. NFD reminds residents to sleep with their bedroom doors closed, which can reduce exposure to toxic smoke and help limit the spread of flames.

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Back to the beginning

Indiana Repertory Theatre's excellent production of 'Oedipus' proves as powerful as ever on stage

brings the latest offering in Indi-Repertory ana Theatre's 50th

In recent seasons (and including the company's offering), IRT has introduced its audienc-

es to numerous new works. of gods. Oracles, Seers, and This month, Artistic Directo the beginning.

Literally.

Sophocles wrote Oedipus in or about 429 B.C. Sometimes referred to as Oedipus the King or Oedipus Tyrannus, the play has been referenced throughout all Western history, starting with Aristotle and continuing to this day.

The story of Oedipus would have been well known to Greeks who saw Sophocles' telling of the tale. A beloved king who saved the city of Thebes from the wrath of the Sphinx by answering her riddle, Oedipus is called upon again as a plague has befallen the city. In his zealous quest to save Thebes, Oedipus repeatedly ignores warnings to leave his own past buried. Sure of his own righfate cannot be avoided. The audience in 429 B.C. knew what was coming. Most of



does too. That knowledge does not lessen the impact of the story onstage.

A simple and beautifully striking set, designed by Carey Wong, transports the audience to an age

the indestructible effects of tor Janet Allen takes us back Fate. James Still's sharp and insightful direction propels the story. He has assembled a remarkable team of actors and designers. Sara Ryung Clement's costumes are beautiful and functional. Michelle Habeck's lighting is evocative of the place. Most dramatically, Lindsay Jones' music and sound are all encompassing, but perfectly balanced with the actors on stage. Actor/ musician Jed Feder moves between speaking as part of the Chorus and playing percussion at an array of instruments located on a corner of the stage. Reinforcing moods and moments, Feder is impressive and indispensable. Finally, Mariel Greenmovement direction.

As the title king, David teousness, Oedipus' own Alan Anderson returns to er buoyed by certainty or



Photo by Zach Rosing David Alan Anderson at Oedipus and Mary Beth

Fisher as Jocasta. the truth, Anderson's performance is magnificent. The cast's eight other performers make up the Chorus and other characters of Thebes. Trieu Tran, Jan Lucas, Sola Thompson, Jed Feder, Olivia D. Dawson, Lisa Wolpe, Ryan Artzberger, and Mary Beth Fisher all flow beautifully between roles as citlee provides the cast with izens, shepherds, Queens, their minimal but striking and one very distressed Seer. All are exceptional, with Wolpe's Tiresias a standout.

If you have vague memthe IRT in triumph. Wheth- ories of Greek Choruses speaking in monotones, wracked by his realization of adapter David Daniel has

anticipated your concerns and created a flow that pulls the audience into the story in a vital way. This is immediate and heart pounding storytelling. There is not a moment that feels dusty or academic.

Bottom line - Do not miss a chance to see this excellent production of one of the foundational pieces of all theatrical history. This is no museum piece and is as powerful as anything ever written for a stage.

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

Lilly CEO outlines insulin price cap plan

WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The leader of Eli Lilly & Co. on Wednesday said the company's new insulin price cap stems from years of negotiations and research.

Lilly President and CEO Dave Ricks told reporters the company's announcement of a \$35 per month out-of-pocket price cap is partly rooted in a 2019 pilot program that led to the implementation of a cap for Medicare Part D users. He said the company supported last year's unsuccessful effort to include a price cap for commercial insurance users in the Inflation Reduction Act.

"We think it's time to reduce out-of-pocket costs for insulin and have insurance work as it's intended, which is to shield people with chronic conditions from health care costs," Ricks said.

The Indianapolis-based company announced a series of measures intended to reduce the price users pay for its insulin products. Effective immediately, the company is imposing a \$35 per month out-of-pocket cap for users who buy their insulin at participating pharmacies and pay using private insurance. Company officials said this should be automatic for about 85 percent of privately insured users.

People who are uninsured or whose insurer Party Chair Mike Schmuhl does not participate in the program can download a savings card that will allow them to take advantage of the cap.

In addition to the cap, Lilly officials said they are lowering the list prices for the drug. Next month, the company will launch a new basal insulin called Rezvoglar. A set of five KwikPens, which contain multiple doses each, will cost \$92. On May 1, Lilly's non-branded insulin will drop to \$25 per vial. Then, in the fall, list prices for

By GARRETT BERGQUIST Humalog and Humulin will affordable healthcare more For far too long, American

and President Joe Biden have for years been pushing pharmaceutical companies to lower the cost of insulin to \$35 per month. The U.S. House approved language in its version of the Inflation it out during subsequent negotiations. Biden repeated Union address on Feb. 7. He praised Lilly's announcement on Wednesday and urged other insulin manufacturers to follow suit.

Editor's note: Trump Administration initiated a rule in late 2020 that directed the Department of Health and Human Services to offer certain Medicare Part D plans that capped insulin at \$35 per month for seniors insured by those plans. Following Joe Biden's inauguration, his administration rescinded the rule until implementing it on July 20, 2021.

Ricks said Lilly will continue to support legislation to limit insulin prices across the board.

"While we hope that Congress would pass a similar cap in the commercial market, it's a difficult political setup to pass anything, and why wait?" he said.

Democratic Indiana had this to say about the announcement:

"Eli Lilly's decision to cap the cost of insulin at \$35 a month is a testament to the leadership of President Biden and Democrats in Congress like Representatives André Carson and Frank Mrvan – all of whom have been fighting for affordable healthcare and access to life-saving medications for all Americans.

"We applaud Eli Lilly for following Democrats' lead and taking this important step toward making

Thanks for reading

fall from nearly \$275 to \$66. accessible for all. We urge Democrats in Congress other pharmaceutical companies to join Democrats and prioritize the health and well-being of the American people by working towards providing affordable healthcare for all."

President Biden released Reduction Act to do so but a statement Wednesday after Senate Republicans stripped Lilly announced their action to lower insulin costs:

> lowering their prices, capping what patients pay out of pocket for the drug maker's insulin products at \$35.

families have been crushed by drug costs many times higher than what people in other countries are charged for the same prescriptions. Insulin costs less than \$10 to make, but Americans are sometimes forced to pay over \$300 for it. It's flat

"Last year, I signed a law to cap insulin at \$35 "Today, Eli Lilly, the for seniors and I called on his call for lower insulin largest manufacturer of in- pharma companies to bring prices in his State of the sulin in the United States, prices down for everyone on announced that they are their own. Today, Eli Lilly did that.

"It's a big deal, and it's time for other manufacturers to follow."

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Westfield Chamber Calendar of Events

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

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

March Chamber Coffee Thursday, March 30, 8 to 9 a.m.



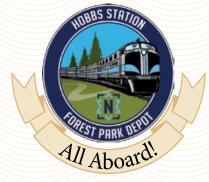
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Saturday, April 22

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The Peking Acrobats featuring the Shanghai Circus will grace The Palladium in Carmel on March 18.

Don't miss The Oak Ridge Boys & Peking Acrobats at the Center for the Performing Arts

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Tickets are still available for these upcoming arts and education events at The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Just go to TheCenter-**Presents.org** or call (317) 843-3800.

Group Vocal Coaching Class March 15 to April 5 Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. The Palladium

The Center has partnered once again with Todd Neal for a vocal instruction/coaching course. During the course, students learn song selection, vocal technique, and interpretation. Students completing the course will have a better understanding of performance, delivery, projection, and stage presence. The class is for anyone who enjoys performing and would like to improve their vocal delivery. No previous vocal training is required. Click here to register.

Beginner Ukulele Class March 15 to April 12 Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

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want to learn? This five-week class here to buy tickets. is for you. In this skills-based course. students will learn basic strums and chords by focusing on a new song each week. Students may remain in this group until they feel confident to move on to General Ukulele. Click here to register.

The Oak Ridge Boys: Front Porch Singin' Tour Friday, March 17 at 8 p.m. The Palladium

Best known for their iconic multiplatinum hit "Elvira," along with chart-toppers like "Bobbie Sue," "Thank God for Kids," "Y'All Come Back Saloon" and "American Made," The Oak Ridge Boys have enjoyed a decorated career, winning five Grammy Awards and multiple CMA, ACM, and Dove Awards with a crossover brand of pop, country and gospel music that spans multiple generations. The Country Music Hall of Famers' latest album is Front Porch Singin', recorded during the pandemic lockdown and featuring the single "Love, Light and Healing." Click

Special guest: Americana singer-songwriter Kara Cole will open the show. Check out her latest single "Mary Francis" on YouTube. Cole also performs as half of the indie folk duo Keller&Cole.

The Peking Acrobats featuring the Shanghai Circus Saturday, March 18

at 8 p.m.

The Palladium

For over 30 years, the Peking Acrobats have dazzled live audiences and TV viewers around the world with juggling, wire walking, precision tumbling and daring maneuvers at precarious heights. They have performed with many of North America's leading orchestras and in the Ocean's Eleven film series.

The troupe of approximately 20 performers is accompanied by colorful lighting effects and more, creating an exuberant entertainment event with the festive pageantry of a Chinese carnival. Click here for tickets.



Westfield Winter Market returns this Saturday

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The Winter Market of takes place from 9 a.m. noon every Saturday through April 1 at West Fork Whiskey, 10 E. 191st St., Westfield.

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

Vendor news

New product alert from Pig's Tale Charcuterie! Just in time for National Pig Day, pick up your all-pork summer sausage or summer sausage snack sticks this Saturday at the market.

Want to volunteer?

Volunteers are needed to help with the Westfield Winter Market. Click here to access the Volunteer Interest

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

This Saturday's vendors

- A Couple Kids Family Farm Artisan Luuma
- Babydoll Boutique
- Bluebell House Flowers LLC Brenneman Farms
- · Chez Pauline Homemade French bakery
- Cool Creations Company

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You can get this all-pork summer sausage or summer sausage snack sticks from Pig's Tale Charcuterie this Saturday at the Westfield Winter Market.

- Country Fun Freeze
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Andrew Shane named

COO of American Senior Communities

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Andrew ioined American Senior Communities (ASC) as Chief Operating Officer. will develop and oversee the strategic direction for ASC's day-to-day operations across nearly 100 communities.

Shane comes to ASC from Sava Senior Care in Dallas/Ft. Worth, where he served as Division President. Prior to that, he served as COO of the Urban Divi-He specializes in the Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement (QAPI) process and has a strong commitment to quality customer service, which aligns with ASC's core values of Compassion, Accountability, Relationships and Excellence

(CARE). Shane earned his bachelor's degree from Indiana lence. To learn more, visit University. Having resided ASCCare.com.

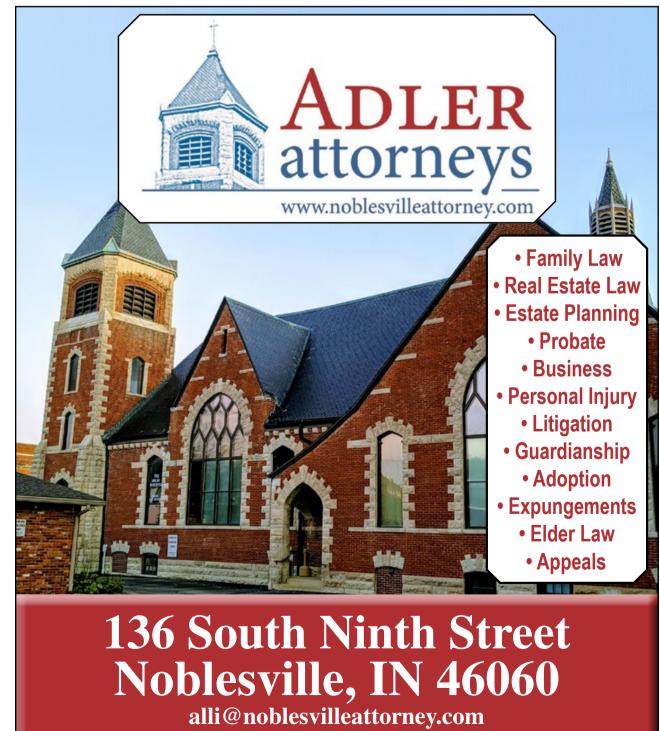
in Indiana before, he says he Shane has is excited to move back to the Hoosier State from Texas with his family.

"Andy is a mission-driv-As COO of Indiana's larg- en leader with over 30 years est senior care provider, he of experience in health and senior care management," ASCO CEO Donna Kelsey said. "He is collaborative and inspires joy and fun in the workplace. We are truly fortunate to include him in the ASC family, and we look forward to his leadership."

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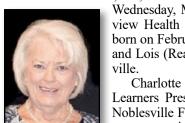
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Charlotte Smith February 27, 1941 - March 1, 2023

Charlotte Smith, 82, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on February 27, 1941, to Charley and Lois (Reasoner) Smith in Nobles-



Charlotte was the owner of Little Learners Preschool. She belonged to Noblesville Friends Church where she was very active. She enjoyed flower arranging, painting, cooking, and square

dancing with the Do-Si-Squares. She was an avid reader and believer in the Public Library. Charlotte was a hospital volunteer, a member of the Home Ec club, and traveled extensively. She loved her family and friends, loved Noblesville, and loved to laugh. Charlotte had a zest for life.

She is survived by her daughter, Jamie Isaacs; son, C.E. James (Melanie) Smith; grandchildren, Alex (Cory) Smith, Sam Smith, Robert Smith, and Ben (Jessica) Isaacs; great-grandchildren, Eli, Sawyer, Gavin, Adeline, Lynlee, and Avery; as well as many nieces and nephews, and many loving friends.

Charlotte was preceded in death by her husband, James A. Smith; and her grandson, Wes Isaacs.

Visitation will be from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., with services at 3:30 p.m., on Sunday, March 12, 2023, at Noblesville Friends Church, 1055 E. Division St., Noblesville. Pastor Katherine Murray will officiate. Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 13, 2023, at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Noblesville Friends Church, P.O. Box 375, Noblesville, IN 46061.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Meeting Notices

The Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees will meet for a work session at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, in the Board Room at the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center, 18025 River Road,

The Westfield Washington Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, in the Community Room of the library located at 333 W. Hoover St.,

Jane Autumn (Herrin) Miessen June 17, 1932 – November 2, 2022

Jane Autumn (Herrin) Miessen joined her daughter,



Connie Moore, and her husband, Kenneth Miessen, in heaven along with several other family members on November 2, 2022.

She was born in Indianapolis to Orville and Geneva Herrin on June 17, 1932. In 1956, we moved to Grand Rapids, Mich. She had several jobs during her life. Two of her favorites were being a babysitter and many years

at AT&T as an information operator. She was so proud to have reached her 90th birthday. If you asked her how she was, it was always "Peachy."

Jane was predeceased by her husband, Kenneth Miessen; daughter, Connie Moore; a son-in-law, Greg Chipman; a brother, Gene Herrin; a sister-in-law, Joan (Herrin) Estes; and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Donald and Ruth Miessen, and Raymond and Crystal Miessen.

She is survived by her three daughters, Beth and Kevin Hannig and children Holly (Jason) Olsen and Casey (DJ) Perzanowski; Lou Anne Chipman and children Ben (Lexi) Chipman and Matt Chipman; and Diane Kay (Butch) Weeda and children Christin (Rob) Prokopy and Kay (Wendy) Weeda III; and son-in-law, Tom Moore and children Quixada Moore-Vissing and Christopher Moore-Vissing.

She also had nine great-grandchildren, Morgan Doane, Ashleigh McComb, Kaden and Rylan Olsen, Robert and Keira Prokopy, Beau and Kyla Perzanowski, and Ruby Chipman.

Jane had several nieces and nephews: Rob Herrin, Julie Muncy, John Herrin, Denny Miessen, Becky Barnes, and Don (Richard) Miessen.

Jane's funeral will be at 10 a.m. on June 16, 2023, at Aldersgate UMC Church.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 4301 Ambrose Ave. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525; or the American Cancer Society Michigan, P.O. Box 10069, Detroit, MI 48210.

Condolences: mlive.com

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said:

"The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever."

And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying:

"We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. The nations were angry, and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your people who revere your name, both great and small—and for destroying those who destroy the earth."

Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a severe hailstorm.

Revelation 11:15-19 (NIV)



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2023 girls basketball All-County teams announced

BY CRAIG ADKINS

For The Reporter

It gets harder and harder to narrow down and select the top players in a particular sport at the end of each season. One of the toughest to decipher are the all-county girls basketball teams here in Hamilton County.

Talent and depth runs deep throughout the county with nine schools that are ultra-competitive not just locally, but on a statewide level. After all, the nine teams combined for 152 wins and 75 losses this winter against some of the toughest schedules in the state.

The success of the teams in the county keeps increasing, year-by-year, with Fishers being the third team since 2019 to reach the state championship, winding up as this year's 4A runner-up.

Hamilton County has a great history of representation in the girls state championship. Noblesville is the only team (girls or boys) to reach four consecutive final fours in IHSAA history. They captured the 1987 state title, finished as 1988 state finalists in both 1989 and 1990. The Millers grabbed their second state crown last season in 2022.

Hamilton Southeastern won the 2019 Class 4A state championship in its only appearance.

Hamilton Heights has one state finals appearance, finishing as the 2013 3A runner-up.

University played in one state final, finishing as the 2008 1A runner-up.

Carmel is the only other county school that played for a single-class state championship, finishing as the 1995 state runner-up. The Greyhounds got their lone title 13 years later, taking home the 2008 4A state championship.

Presenting the Hamilton County Reporter's First Team All-County players: Hailey Smith (Fishers)

A leader on Fishers' 4A state runner-up team this year, Hailey paced a balanced Tiger offense with 12.1 points per game and also grabbed 6.9 rebounds per game. She also shot 59 percent on two-point field goals and 73 percent at the foul line. Hailey will be continuing her basketball career at Ball State University.

Camryn Runner (Hamilton Heights)

Runner led the Huskies all the way to the 3A north semi-state before their season ended to top-ranked Twin Lakes in the semifinals. Camryn, a junior allstate candidate, was tops for the Huskies at 18.9 points and 7.2 rebounds, along with crossing the 1,000-point

barrier (1,235). Meredith Tippner

(Noblesville) Tippner came off the 2022 state championship season and took it upon herself to score more for the Millers. Just a sophomore, Meredith led Noblesville in her second season with 17.6 points per contest and snagged a solid 9.2 boards per outing. She also shot 51 percent overall.

Riley Makalusky (Hamilton Southeastern)

Riley made her mark in HSE history and closed out her high school career by surpassing 1,000 points (1.067). Makalusky averaged 19.9 points with 3.9 rebounds, leading the Royals to a Hoosier Crossroads Conference co-championship. The Butler commit also made 82 percent of her

free throws and was 32 percent from three-point range.

Reagan Wilson (Noblesville)

Wilson came into her own offensively this season for Noblesville as a leader. The junior Iowa State commit scored and a 16.9 per game clip and also managed 3.4 steals and 4.0 assists to help guide the Millers. Reagan knocked down a county-leading 57 three-pointers for 37 percent and also was an 82 percent foul shooter.

Payton Seay (University)

Seay led the county with 20 points per game and also pulled down 8.0 rebounds, while also shooting 57 percent from the field. Payton helped lead the Trailblazers to its third consecutive sectional championship, losing their regional title matchup to Eastern Hancock. Seay finished her 91-game career with a total of 1,294 points (14.2 ppg). She was also a vital part of the University semi-state teams of 2021 and 2022.

Kelsey DuBois (University)

Kelsey wound up averrunners-up and were state aging double-double with 15.3 points and led the county with 11.2 rebounds per game. DuBois was 50 percent from the floor and a steady 76 percent on free throws. She wound up scoring just behind Seay with 1,231 points in 90 games and also had 902 boards to her credit and was also a big part of the Trailblazers' recent tournament success. DuBois will continue her basketball at New York Uni-

Olivia Smith (Fishers)

The ying to her twin sister's yang, Olivia is one of those players that could catch fire depending on the matchup the Tigers faced. Smith averaged 10.6 points, 3.9 rebounds and dished out 2.5 assists, while making 50 percent of her field goal attempts. Olivia was a key part of Fishers' state tournament runner-up finish and will join her sister at Ball State next year.

Olivia Brown (Hamilton Southeastern)

Brown had quite the senior season to cap off her Royals career. It wasn't the points for Olivia, but everything else Olivia did that was a big part of what aided HSE to share the HCC title. A University of Akron commit, Brown led Hamilton County with an unselfish 7.5 assists per game, and not to mention 5.0 rebounds and 3.7 steals for the defensive-minded guard. She finished her career with 447 assists (5.7) and 233 steals

Maya Makalusky

(Hamilton Southeastern) Maya took full advantage of being able to play for a second season with older sister Riley. The younger Makalusky had a stellar sophomore year, averaging 15.4 points and grabbing 3.9 rebounds. She also knocked down 49 three-pointers, which were third in the county, for 40 percent and now has 99 made from outside in just

46 games. Kenzie Garner (Sheridan)

Garner had an explosive sophomore season. She made her presence known to Blackhawk opponents with 18.8 points and 9.5 boards and not to mention, 4.3 steals per game. Kenzie also made 31 of 101 three-point attempts for 31 percent and nailed 77 percent from the foul line.

Talia Harris (Fishers)

Harris was that X-factor

Hamilton County Players of the Year

Hailey Smith, Fishers & Camryn Runner, Hamilton Heights





(Above left) Fishers' Hailey Smith led a balanced Tiger offense with 12.1 points per game and also grabbed 6.9 rebounds per game, helping Fishers to the Class 4A state championship game. (Above right) Hamilton Heights' Camryn Runner contributed 18.9 points and 7.2 rebounds, along with crossing the 1,000-point barrier (1,235), while leading the Huskies to the semi-state.

all season long for Fishers on its way to the 4A runner-up finish. She averaged 9.5 points and 4.3 rebounds, along with 2.1 assists and 2.2 steals while she helped run the Fishers offense. Talia shot a steady 53 percent on two-point field goals. Harris is known for her quick defense and led the Tigers with

Ellie Kelleher (Westfield)

33 deflections.

Kelleher is the type of player that does a little bit of everything and that's exactly what Kelsey Key needed in her first season as coach at Westfield. Ellie led the Shamrocks in most categories and was the more experienced coming into the season. She averaged 11.5 points, 4.7 rebounds and 3.2 assists, while shooting 40 percent from the floor and a trustworthy 59 for 72 at the charity stripe for 82 percent.

Ella Hickok (Hamilton Heights)

Hickok was a big part of the Huskies' tournament run all the way to the semistate. As a junior, she was counted on for an average of 9.0 points, 3.5 assists and 2.2 steals per game as part of Heights' backcourt with Runner and Rhoton. Ella made 40 three-pointers for 37 percent and was 74 percent on free throws.

Hannah Lach (Carmel)

Lach came back for her senior year as one of the leaders for the Greyhounds. When leading scorer Izzy

<u>Name</u> Hailey Smith Fishers Senior Camryn Runner Hamilton Heights Junior

FIRST TEAM

Meredith Tippner Noblesville Sophomore Riley Makalusky Hamilton Southeastern Senior Reagan Wilson......Junior Payton Seay..... University Senior

Kelsey DuBois University Senior Olivia Smith Fishers Senior Kenzie Garner Sheridan Sophomore Maya Makalusky Hamilton Southeastern Sophomore Talia Harris Fishers Junior

School

Ella Hickok Hamilton Heights Junior Ellie Kelleher Westfield Junior Hannah Lach Carmel Senior Megan Cobb. Guerin Catholic Senior

Olivia Brown Hamilton Southeastern Senior

SECOND TEAM

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<u>Name</u>	School	<u>Class</u>
Ava Shoemaker	Noblesville	Junior
Kaitlyn Shoemaker	Noblesville	Senior
Izzy Shepherd	Carmel	Sophomore
Alycia Triplett	Fishers	Senior
Joirdyn Smith	Fishers	Junior
Kaylee Rhoton	Hamilton Heights	Senior
Teegan Acres	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Chaney Smith	Sheridan	Senior
	Guerin Catholic	
	University	
Aubrey Crockett	Westfield	Sophomore

Shepherd went down with from the free throw line. of the better rebounders in an injury with nine games Hannah has committed to remaining, Hannah was leaned on to shoulder more offense. She scored 8.1 points and snagged 4.5 rebounds. Lach was a 55 percent shooter from twopoint range and 79 percent for the Golden Eagles. One

play basketball for DePauw University.

Megan Cobb (Guerin Catholic)

Cobb was a big part of the leadership on the court

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the county, Megan pulled down 7.3 rebounds per game while averaging 7.4 points and was able to put together three double-doubles. The senior forward also shot 44 percent on twopoint field goals.

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New-Look INDYCAR App powered by NTT DATA available now

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INDYCAR and NTT DATA have joined forces to reimagine and redesign the popular INDYCAR App powered by NTT DATA, with the new-look app availall Android and iOS devices.

The INDYCAR App powered by NTT DATA gives fans the insider's edge on the NTT INDYCAR SE- a list of races, locations, RIES, North America's premier open-wheel championship and one of the most competitive racing series globally. With the power of NTT DATA's best-in-class mobile technology, the IN-DYCAR App in 2023 provides a better experience for fans by fully capitalizing on the capabilities of modern iOS and Android devices and platforms.

'While downloads and use of the INDYCAR App powered by NTT DATA grew to unprecedented levels in 2022, we wanted to continue to work with our innovative partner NTT DATA to make this an even more essential way for fans to follow the world's most exciting racing series," said Mark Miles, president and CEO of Penske Entertainment Corp. "Mobile continues to be one of the most popular ways to engage our new and existing fans, and we want to bring the action, excitement and personalities of the NTT IN-DYCAR SERIES to our fans wherever they are, whenever they want."

Among the highlights and features of the new IN-DYCAR App powered by NTT DATA:

- Live timing and scoring leaderboard data in near-real time, with an enhanced 2D track map and driver-specific telemetry information
- Single sign-on feature for fans to seamlessly enjoy the race across multiple Android and/or iOS devices, connect through social channels and access premium features
- videos, along with highlight features
- Integration with INdriven by Firestone, the offi-

INDYCAR

- New for 2023: Users can select multiple favorite drivers and teams, allowing fans to stay up to date on what matters most to them
- A minimum of 11 inable now internationally for car cameras during the NTT INDYCAR SERIES season and up to 15 in-car cameras for select races
 - Detailed schedule with session times and broadcast channels for the entire sea-
 - Race-specific content, including INDYCAR's interactive spotter guide, pit assignments and the full weekend schedule
 - Custom push notifications for race start times, news updates, special announcements and more

'We appreciate the opportunity to partner with Penske Entertainment to bring new digital technologies to help expand and enhance the racing experience, especially on race day. That's what the redesigned NTT INDYCAR Series mobile app accomplishes," NTT DATA Services CEO Bob Pryor said. "We expect INDYCAR's passionate fan base will appreciate the new app to debut now, so they can have it on hand for the 2023 season opener, the Firestone Grand Prix of St. Petersburg."

The robust new app debuts just before the 2023 season opener, the Firestone Grand Prix of St. Petersburg presented by RP Funding on March 3-5 at St. Petersburg, Florida. Fans can download it at Google Play for Android devices and the App **Store** for iOS devices. The app automatically will update for existing users who have automatic updates turned on their devices.

This new app launch comes after the INDYCAR App powered by NTT DATA reached more fans than ever in the 2022 season. Growth increased to 68,000+ users • Exclusive livestream on race weekends, and over 110,000+ users during the clips, race recaps and video Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge, both alltime records. There were DYCAR Fantasy Challenge more than 188,000 new app downloads in 2022, the most cial fantasy racing game of in a single racing season.

Six county players among Top 60 seniors recognized in Hoosier Basketball Magazine

The REPORTER

Six Hamilton County girls basketball players are among those selected to Hoosier Basketball Magazine's Top 60 senior girls' basketball players for the 2022-23 season as compiled by Hoosier Basketball Magazine.

These girls were selected from approximately 1,400 senior players statewide. Statistical evaluation, game observation and statewide research were conducted during the season and throughout the state tournament to determine Hoosier Basketball Magazine's Top 60.

Two sessions of the 42nd annual Top 60 Senior Workout will be hosted by Hoosier Basketball Magazine in conjunction with the IHSAA and the IBCA on Sunday, March 5th at Beech Grove High School in Indianapolis (5330 Hornet Avenue, Beech Grove, Indiana 46107).

Half of the Top 60 girls, primarily from northern and southern Indiana, will participate in the first sesmaining players, primarily session (3:30 to 5:30 p.m.).

state's top three scorers. The top two scorers are both headed to Indiana State University— Asia Donald, Hobart (26.7 ppg) and Saige Stahl, Columbus East (26)— followed by Gloria Brewer, Greencastle (25.5). Western Kentucky recruit Nevaeh Foster, Mishawaka Marian (25.1) to attend. Four other high scorers averaged over 22 ppg including Ashlynn Brooke, Pioneer (23.8), a Ball State recruit; Isabella Gizzi, New Palestine (23.7), committed to St. Francis; Caitlyn Campbell, Winchester (23.1); Laila Hull, Zionsville (23.2), signed with North Carolina and Bailey Tabeling, Trinity Lutheran (22.2), headed to Ohio University.

There are seven players that participated in the 2023 IHSAA State Finals includ-

players— Karsyn Norman from central Indiana, will of Class 4A Bedford North compete during the second Lawrence (Butler), Brea Garber of Class 3A Fair-The Top 60 Senior field (Indiana Wesleyan), Workout includes the Amber Tretter of Class 2A Forest Park (Miami-Ohio) and Linzie Wernert of Class 1A Lanesville. Fishers, Class 4A runner-up, has Hailey and Olivia Smith, both will attend Ball State next fall. Ava Weber of Class 3A runner-up Corydon Central, was selected, but is unable to attend.

Others heading was selected, but is unable Hoosierland Division I Universities include Riley Makalusky, Hamilton Southeastern (Butler), Renna Schwieterman, Jay County (Fort Wayne), Rashunda Jones, South Bend Washington (Purdue), McKenna Layden, Northwestern (Purdue), Layla Gold, Cathedral (Valparaiso). Valparaiso signees Nevaeh and Saniya Jackson, Fort Wayne Northrop, were selected but are unable to attend. Of note: Two play-

sion (1 to 3 p.m.). The re- ing four state champion Amiyah Reynolds, South Bend Washington (Maryland) and Josie Trabel, East Central (Wofford).

> The other three county players selected were Hamilton Southeastern's Olivia Brown (Akron), University's Kelsey Du-Bois (New York) and Carmel's Hannah Lach (De-Pauw, soccer).

> Former state champion coach DeeAnn Ramey (North Central) will direct both sessions. Other outstanding Indiana girls' high school coaches from the IBCA have been invited to join the 2023 Top 60 staff— Jeff Brooke (Pioneer), Ethan Cook (Tri), Kathie Layden (Northwestern), Stacy Mitchell (Warren Central) and Amy Selk (Beech Grove).

> KnowYourBaller will be filming the Girls Top 60 Senior Workout again this year. They will provide summary videos with all pertinent clips for participating players.

Both sessions are open ers that are injured and un- to the public for admission able to participate include fee of \$8 (\$5 for students).









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** Direct link to the games at 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**

Direct link to the games at 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 | HCTV Sports

Baseball & Softball games on Hamilton County TV begins in AprilCheck our schedule for upcoming broadcasts















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SPORTS SCHEDULE

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.

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