

Reimagining the rest of a life on Pleasant Street

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The Reimagine Pleasant Street Project has Linda Budnick reimagining what her retirement will look, sound, and smell like.

Budnick lives in Westbrook Village on Cliff Overlook Road, and her back porch is only a few feet away from the south side of the path of the Pleasant Street project. She was concerned about how close the new road might be coming to her home when she reached out by email to Noblesville City Engineer Alison Krupski.

"I told her I had found out the road was going to be rather close to my porch and that for years we used it as a place to enjoy the birds and the woods," Budnick told The Reporter. "I couldn't afford to move. I'm just too old. I'm just not going to. The fumes from the cars – the noise – I'm really concerned about the noise. How will we sleep at night? How will we do anything?"

Budnick told The Reporter Krupski wrote back, saying she would meet with the owners of Westbrook Village, but that there was nothing she could do about pushing the path of the new road further north.

Westbrook Village is owned by the Spartz family. They own



Linda Budnick looks at a city-placed stake in her back yard showing the edge of the right-of-way for the new road. The edge of the road itself is expected to be 15 feet from that right-of-way stake.

the land on both the north and south side of a long stretch of the path of the new road – land they will have to be compensated for as part of the eminent domain process before the road can be built.

Jason Spartz told The Reporter he has approached the City of Noblesville, offering to give them land at zero cost

"Somebody needs to care about these residents. Apparently, the mayor doesn't . . . I do wonder where the road would have gone if these were million-dollar houses instead of manufactured homes, though."

– Jason Spartz

if they would change the angle of the new road slightly to push it another 30 to 50 feet away from the homes of his residents along Cliff Overlook Road.

According to Spartz, the city was not open to even discussing that option.

"Somebody needs to care about these residents," Spartz told The Reporter. "Apparently,

the mayor doesn't. I'm offering them free land in an empty field at no cost to the city just to help the people who live in our manufactured housing community at Westbrook Village. At the end of the day, the residents here are my first and only concern in this. I do wonder where the road would have gone if these were million-dollar houses instead of manufactured homes, though."

Spartz shared a noise evaluation report with The Reporter

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Photo provided by Janet Hart Leonard

I've got the joy!

Ask yourself if it sparks joy. According to Marie Kondo, that is rule No. 6 in the challenges of tidying up. Marie is a Japanese organizing consultant.

For the past few days, while Chuck is in Tampa, I could be found in our spare room we use for storing the things we cannot find a place for and for things we cannot let go of. In other words, a haven for things tied to our hearts.

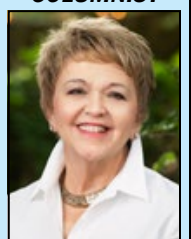
I am easily sidetracked into sitting and reading notes and letters and old newspaper clippings. I tried my best to lay aside what I thought might slow me down. At times, I did well. Other times, I considered my sitting and reading as taking a much-needed break.

I wore a path to the trash bin. Seriously, how many old advertising ink pens do we need? Some of these businesses had not been around since everyone woke up with Folgers in their cup.

I dared not attempt to go through pictures tucked inside stacks of photo albums. Oh, how sentimental my heart gets when I look at the old black-and-white pictures with the scalloped edges. What was Polaroid thinking when they made the instant picture camera that blurred every photo? Those photo albums hold so many precious memories. The digital age cannot hold a candle to sitting and pondering over old times captured in photographs you can touch.

Each year for Christmas I give my grown children a photo album of their family pictures I've grabbed from Facebook over the past year. It's their favorite gift from me. I do the same for each grandchild when they graduate from high school.

COLUMNIST



JANET HART LEONARD
From the Hart

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CSO Artistic Director Janna Hymes adds Arizona to resume without leaving Carmel

By **STU CLAMPITT**
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Carmel Symphony Orchestra (CSO) Artistic Director Janna Hymes is adding another notch to her career belt. She has accepted a position with Sedona, Ariz.'s Verde Valley Sinfonietta as Artistic Director & Conductor – but don't worry, Hamilton County, she will continue to be at the helm for CSO.

"This new position is just four concerts a year," Hymes told The Reporter. "It's a great little chamber orchestra. The great thing about it is it's in a gorgeous place. They don't even want to grow it. They love what they are and they're happy with how it is. They want to bring the quality up, so they want to bring me in to do what I do, but they don't have any grandiose plans to make it huge. It's small, it's tight, it's good. They are really dedicated players."

Hymes said it will be fun for her to be able to add Sedona's four performances to what she already does in Carmel.

One of the things Hymes required was that the new position had to work with her schedule in Carmel, which was no problem at all for Sedona.

"They were really terrific



Photo by Larry Kane

When the Verde Valley Sinfonietta of Sedona, Ariz., was looking for its next Artistic Director, CSO's Janna Hymes guest conducted a performance. This photograph was taken during the performance that led to the Sinfonietta's decision to select her.

about it," Hymes said. "They're just great people and it's one of the most beautiful places in the country. To go there and hike and really be part of nature – you really feel it there because there's a real pull toward that – I love that. It's a really fun place to go. The people are educated and love music."

She called the combination of music and nature "the perfect recipe for good health and happiness."

With one-week rehearsal

times before performances, her plan is to fly to Arizona on a Sunday, play the following weekend, then fly back to Indiana.

"And I'm equally excited to continue as Artistic Director for Carmel Symphony Orchestra," she added. "We've made such tremendous strides over the past six seasons, growing CSO into a professional orchestra, expanding programming, ramping up our educational component, and shepherding the organization through the challenges of the

COVID years."

Hymes frequently appears as guest conductor with orchestras throughout the U.S. She also has led orchestras in Mexico, Central America, and Europe. Previous positions have included Music Director of the Maine Grand Opera and the Williamsburg Symphony Orchestra, Associate Conductor of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, and Resident Conductor of the Charlotte Symphony, among others.

Westfield

BAND

Have a blast at the car wash!

The REPORTER

The Westfield Band Boosters will hold the annual Band Blast Car Wash from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, organized by the Westfield High School Band programs.

The car wash will take place in the parking lot of Community First Bank at the corner of State Road 32 and Oak Ridge Road in Westfield.

Support these talented musicians and color guard members while getting your ride shining for the summer. Don't miss out – grab your \$10 tickets now at westfield.band/bandblast or from your favorite band member.

See you there!

No horsing around: Main Street Productions hits polo field

The REPORTER

You are invited to the third Main Street Productions/Basile Westfield Playhouse Polo at Sunset charity event on Friday, July 21. Proceeds benefit Main Street Productions, Inc. and Agape Therapeutic Riding Resources. Gates open at 5 p.m., pregame festivities begin at 5:30 p.m., with the polo match starting at 6 p.m.

Invite your friends and family to Hickory Hall Polo Club, 7551 E. County Road 100 North, Whitestown, just north of Zionsville and not too far from the playhouse. Bring your picnic dinner,

refreshments, and prepare to have a fun-filled evening in this beautiful setting.

General admission is \$40 per carload with all proceeds going to Basile Westfield Playhouse and Agape Therapeutic Riding Resources. Admission can be paid at the gate, and cash, credit cards, and PayPal will be accepted. Pre-order your general admission gate pass through PayPal by going to WestfieldPlayhouse.org/polo.

Tailgate spots are \$300 and do include the price of admission.

VIP Tailgate spots are \$500 and include the cost of

admission as well as a package combo of sandwiches, snacks, desserts, a bottle of red and bottle of white wine, bottled water, and a few other bonus items thrown in for your fun-filled evening.

You are welcome to bring your own pop-up tents, chairs, picnics, and refreshments. Grills, however, are not allowed. Leashed pets are welcome as long as you clean up after them.

There will be a bourbon pull, wine pull, 50/50 raffle, barn tour, an Airplane Candy Drop, other surprises, and an exciting night of polo.



Reporter file photo

Polo for the Playhouse is an opportunity to enjoy a fun evening out and support local community theater and therapy services for youth and adults.

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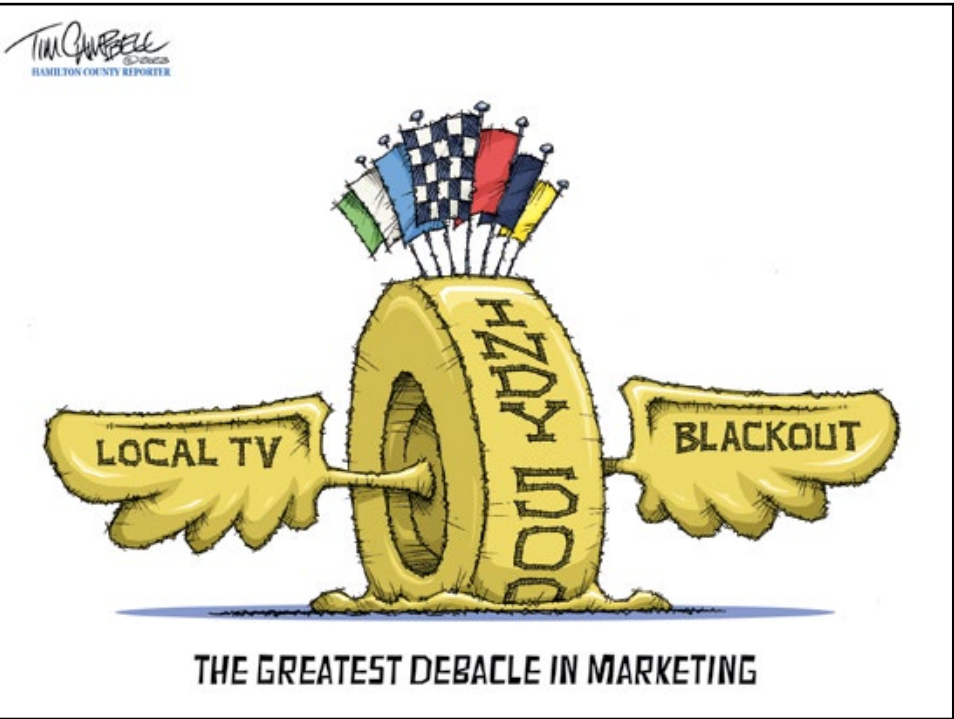
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Scholarship named
in Jim Ginder's honor



The Indiana Society of Medical Assistants held its annual conference in Edinburgh, Ind., on April 29. Hamilton County Health Department Health Education Specialist Jim Ginder was presented with an honorary membership, and the Society established the James R. Ginder Award in his honor. Subsequent recipients of the award will receive registration to the annual conference to support their continued education and leadership development.

Noblesville

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Summer 2023

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June 5th - 8th

Mon-Thu mornings at Forest Park Aquatic Center
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Mon-Thu mornings at Forest Park Aquatic Center
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July 10th – 13th

Mon-Thu mornings at Forest Park Aquatic Center

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Cost \$52 per swimmer per session

Class times: 9:45am, 10:20am, 11:00am, June and July
5:00pm, 5:35pm June 26th – June 29

Registration:
www.noblesvillelearntoswim.com

Nothing draws a
crowd like a llama



The Hamilton County Llamas co-op welcomed folks to a Walk-a-Llama event on May 6 at Tractor Supply Co. in Noblesville. Kids were able to pet and walk the llamas, and even get a smooch from the llama at the kissing booth. The co-op provides the opportunity for boys and girls in grades 3 through 12 to train and show llamas at the Hamilton County 4-H Fair. Find more information at HamiltonCountyLlamas.org.



(From left) Isabella Grady, Youth Service Award Winner Nicole Liu, Liam Courtney, HCCOAO Executive Director Monica Greer, County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt, Jacquellynne Bates, Victoria Chambers, County Commissioner Steve Dillinger, and Mrithula Mukkani Karunamurthy.

Noblesville's own Nicole Liu
wins Youth Service Award

The REPORTER

Senior Nicole Liu from Noblesville High School was awarded the 30th annual Hamilton County Youth Service Award on May 8. The ceremony was sponsored by the Hamilton County Commissioners and the Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs (HCCOAO).

Liu was also awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.

Liu is a member of the Peonies Club, Noblesville High School Literary Magazine, Key Club, Noblesville Mayor's Youth Council, New Dimension Varsity Show Choir, Miller Mentors, DECA and VOICE Indiana.

Liu considers her greatest accomplishment to be the work she has done with VOICE Indiana, a grassroots organization that encourages teens to lead tobacco-free lifestyles. VOICE has provided her with opportunities to advocate for better tobacco control policies by speaking to lawmakers, schools, and the media.

"Too often Big Tobacco targets vulnerable populations like teens," Liu said. "VOICE has given me a platform to stand up against their harmful marketing campaigns."

Five other students were nominated for the Youth Service Award by their school's counseling department.

The other nominees included Liam Courtney from Carmel High School, Victoria Chambers from Hamilton Heights High School, Mrithula Mukkani Karunamurthy from Hamilton Southeastern High School, Jacquellynne Bates from Sheridan High School, and Isabella Grady from Westfield High School. They will each receive a \$300 scholarship.

"We are proud of each of the applicants that have chosen to lead a drug free lifestyle and contribute their time to help make positive changes in the lives of others," HCCOAO Executive Director Monica Greer said.

America's Best Restaurants
bring Bien national exposure



Last Thursday was the day Cicero's Bien Mexicana got a little time in the national social media spotlight. America's Best Restaurants stopped by with Luis Rivera and Austin Turner to film a segment on Thursday afternoon. There were live streams, giveaways, a little customer dancing, and so many tacos. If you weren't there, check them out on Facebook at [Facebook.com/bienmexicanaindy](https://www.facebook.com/bienmexicanaindy). If you haven't been there, stop by 150 S. Peru St., Cicero, and find out what all the hype is about for yourself.

Westfield celebrates teachers at Laugh It Off Comedy Night

By AMY ADAMS
For The Reporter

*A special note from
Westfield Washington
School Superintendent Dr.
Paul Kaiser:*

In addition to coming together to celebrate the success stories of our school district, the Westfield family always steps up and wraps their arms around families and students in time of need because "We Are Westfield."

The Westfield Education Foundation (WEF), in conjunction with the Westfield Washington Schools (WWS) administration and Parent Teacher Organizations (PTO), honored WWS staff on Friday night, April 28, with the second annual Laugh It Off Comedy Night.

Every staff member had the opportunity to claim two free tickets for the evening. From teachers to therapists, facilities to food service, school staff reserved around 1,100 tickets for the event at The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

"I have never seen tickets go so fast," said WEF Executive Director Ashley Knott. "We were just blown away at how quickly ticket sales began to skyrocket, but we ended up with just the right amount of tickets for everyone who wanted to come."

PTOs from each school started setting up around 9 a.m. and worked throughout



Photo provided by Westfield Education Foundation

Volunteers gathered right before opening doors to welcome staff into the building for appetizers and a cash bar.

the evening. They organized and ran a gift card pull for staff with around 700 envelopes given out, each containing multiple gift cards. In addition, the PTOs provided 14 gift cards valued at \$100 each for one staff member from each school plus the transportation, food services, and central services departments.

"To make this event possible it takes a dedicated team," Knott said.

In addition to WEF and PTO volunteers, some event sponsors even gave of their time, like Melissa Stalbaum and Quinn Teague of Equitable Advisors and Lorie Bancroft, Jess Bell, and Beth Ryschavy from McGraw Hill Education.

Surrounded by welcome signs and hundreds of green, black, and gold balloons, the many volunteers welcomed staff and guests into the cen-

ter starting at 5:30
p.m.

In addition to the warm welcome, guests also enjoyed a cash bar and tables laden with appetizers compliments of the Westfield High School (WHS) Culinary Arts Department, also known as "Foodies Rock." Under the guidance of Chef Educators Nikki Hefflin and Bryan Ferriera and Family and Consumer Sciences teacher Renee Coleman, around 30 WHS students prepared all the dishes from scratch, then transported and served them

Following the reception, guests were welcomed by a



Reporter photo by Amy Adams

WHS science teacher Riley Peppler is excited about her gift cards to Chick-Fil-A and Jan's Village Pizza.

voice familiar to Westfield.
Emcee for the evening Brad
Neale, otherwise known as

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Sixth annual Impact Awards celebrate Hamilton Heights students' successes

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance Program (HHYAP) celebrated the success of 13 amazing students at its sixth annual Impact Awards Dinner last Wednesday at Beck's Hybrids in Atlanta.

The event drew in students, their families, Hamilton Heights School Corporation personnel, and local dignitaries from the greater Hamilton County area and beyond for this special celebration of accomplishment.

The Program recognizes one student per grade (grades K-12) who successfully maneuvered through a challenge in their life. Students can be nominated by a teacher, guidance counselor, administrator, or any staff member that feels a student is deserving of the award.

"I look forward to this event every year," HHYAP Early Intervention Advocate Mary Ann Haymaker said. "This time is truly about the kids and recognizing the impact they have made on their teachers and classmates. It is a special time to come together and honor their hard work, resilience, and determination of these students to rise above a challenging issue that may



Photo provided

The 2023 Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance Program Impact Award recipients. (Front row, from left) Brandon Dillard, Ethan Vondersaar, and Aaliyah Eastland. (Second row, from left) Tommy Kleopfer, Saniya Thomas, Drew Champion, and Evelyn Young. (Third row, from left) Ethan Mead, Adalyne Price, Aerial Trump, Eva Pierce, Hattie Graham, and Avery Patterson.

otherwise have negatively impacted their life”

The 2023 Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance Impact Award Recipients are listed in the box at right.

In addition, JP Etchison presented Hamilton Heights Middle School Counselor Sabrina Duncan with the 2023 Tony Etchison Memorial Award.

"Sabrina is an incredibly caring and compassionate individual," Haymaker said. "She is accessible, available, and simply a wonderful human being that has a knack for bringing joy to others. She represents everything

this award is about.”

The event's emcee, Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood, said the event is truly a celebration of the accomplishments and

triumph of these students, many of whom have overcome significant challenges in their lives.

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A promotional graphic for a "Shred Day" event at Community First Bank of Indiana. The background is dark blue with a diagonal light blue stripe. On the left, the bank's logo features the word "Community" in white serif font, "FIRST" in large orange bold sans-serif font, and "Bank of Indiana" in white italicized sans-serif font below it. In the center-left, there is a 3D illustration of two stacks of white paper boxes, one taller than the other. Below the bank logo is a small white box containing the "Westfield Youth Assistance Program" logo, which includes a stylized hand icon and the text "WESTFIELD youth Assistance PROGRAM". To the right of the bank logo, the text "Member FDIC" is written in white. On the right side of the graphic, the event title "Community Free Shred Day!" is displayed in large white and orange fonts. Below it, the date and time "Wednesday, June 7 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m." are written in white. Further down, the text "Donations are welcome! All proceeds will go directly to Westfield Youth Assistance Program" is shown in orange and white. At the bottom right, the address "Community First Bank, 707 E SR 32, Westfield" and the limit "Limit of 5 Boxes per vehicle. CFBIndiana.com/shred" are provided in white.

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Indiana gas tax set to increase one cent on July 1

Total tax per gallon sits at 71.7 cents for May

The REPORTER

Indiana’s state gasoline tax is set to go up by one cent this summer, under an annual increase that state legislators recently extended by three years until 2027 ([tinyurl.com/WISH-gas-tax](#)). The tax will increase on July 1 to 34 cents per gallon.

The increase has happened every July since 2017 when legislators increased the tax from 18 cents to 28 cents. That plan was set to expire in 2024, but it was extended in the state budget bill that was passed this year by the Republican state legislature and signed by Gov. Holcomb.

Indiana’s gas tax also includes a 7 percent sales tax. According to the Indiana Department of Revenue, the gasoline use tax (defined as the retail price per gal-

lon multiplied by the 7 percent sales tax) stands at 20.3 cents for the period of May 1 to May 31 ([tinyurl.com/y98keked](#)).

Adding the current per-gallon tax of 33 cents, that means motorists are paying 53.3 cents per gallon in taxes to the state, plus another 18.4 cents per gallon in federal taxes, for a total of 71.7 cents per gallon in taxes.

That puts Indiana at 14th in the nation for the highest gas taxes.

Road projects and other infrastructure needs are the main use for the gas tax.

Note: Diesel taxes are significantly higher. Indiana levies the 7 percent sales tax plus 55 cents per gallon. The federal government’s tax amounts to 24.4 cents per gallon.

Duke Energy Foundation invests \$45,000 in three Hamilton County workforce development initiatives

The REPORTER

The Duke Energy Foundation is awarding more than \$300,000 in shareholder-funded grants to 16 organizations across Indiana providing job search, education, and specialized training opportunities for Hoosiers.

“The most important investment we can make is in the people and communities we serve,” Duke Energy Indiana President Stan Pinegar said. “Our Workforce Development Program grants aim to meet the needs of local employers while also providing resources and education to individuals to set them up for success in the workforce of the future.”

The grants are funded through the Duke Energy Foundation’s Workforce Development Grant Program. For the past five years, the company has contributed more than \$1.2 million in grant funding to organizations that are helping to strengthen Indiana’s talent pipeline.

Locally, a total of \$45,000 will go to Hamilton County:

- **Hamilton Southeast-**

- **ern Education Foundation (\$10,000):** Funds will support the expansion of educational opportunities at the Fishers Agripark, including the installation of an aquaponics lab and a composter powered by renewable energy.
- **Sheridan Community Schools (\$10,000):** Funds will support various activities to expose students to careers in the energy industry.
- **The Pursuit Institute (\$25,000):** Funds will support the development of a mobile classroom to teach local pre-kindergarten through 10th-grade students about sustainable energy.

About the Duke Energy Foundation

The Duke Energy Foundation provides philanthropic support to meet the needs of communities where Duke Energy customers live and work. The Foundation contributes more than \$2 million annually in charitable gifts to Indiana and is funded by Duke Energy shareholders. More information about the Foundation can be found at [duke-energy.com/foundation](#).



Pinegar



Photo provided

(From left) Project Engineer Keith Bryant, Utility Superintendent Terry Cooper, Stormwater Board President Bruce Freeman, Stormwater Board Member Ted Lenze, Stormwater Board Member Doug Mehlan, Town Council Member Jerry Cook, Town Council Member Joe Cox, Clerk Treasurer Rhonda Gary, Mendenhall & Associates Grant Administrator Tina Henderson, and Nick Rosner of Insituform Contracting.

Cicero stormwater project underway on Brinton Street

The REPORTER

The Cicero Stormwater Board, along with Cicero Town Council members and Utility Office and staff, held a groundbreaking ceremony and residential information meeting on May 8 for the Brinton Street Stormwater Project.

Town Councilman Joe Cox opened the informational meeting by thanking the stormwater board, clerk treasurer, council members, utility staff, and engineer for their hard work to obtain the necessary funding for the Brinton Street Stormwater project.

Stormwater Board President Bruce Freeman

announced the construction of a stormwater improvement project that will focus on improving 1,380 lineal feet of stormwater pipe in the Brinton Street area. The following streets will be impacted: Brinton Street, Peru Street, Washington Street, Pearl Street, Main Street and Shore Lane.

The estimated project cost is \$600,000 and is funded in part by a Community Development Block Grant from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs in the amount of \$455,440, obtained by Mendenhall and Associates, a grant administration firm from Arcadia.

The remainder of the project is funded by local funds generated by the stormwater fees.

Utility Superintendent Terry Cooper said this project has been in the process for 10 years and the utility staff looks forward to moving it into construction. It will be a fast-moving project with minimal above ground disturbance, as this is a slip lining process that will adhere to the existing pipe located underground.

Keith Bryant with Unity-ed Consulting is the dedicated engineer for the project and stated that there will be a few manholes rehabilitated and traffic may be im-

pacted during the course of construction.

The general contractor, Insituform, was also present and stated that there will be two locations along Brinton Street and one location on Shore Lane that will be closed during the course of construction for approximately two days, and they will detour traffic around the construction activity.

The construction is estimated to start on or about Monday, May 15 and is expected to end on or shortly after July 1. Schedules are dependent upon material deliveries and weather conditions.

Sheridan H.S. maintains performance-qualified status

The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) has announced that Sheridan High School has maintained its identification as a performance-qualified high school for the 2023-2024 school year.

IDOE implemented this valuable recognition to honor and distinguish schools that have consistently demonstrated exceptional performance and achievement in various educational areas. By granting this prestigious title, the IDOE acknowledges the commitment and efforts of these schools in providing an outstanding learning environment for their students.

The primary criterion for achieving the High-Performance High School Designation is academic excellence. Schools must exhibit sustained high achievement across multiple indicators, including standardized test scores, graduation rates, and col-

lege readiness measures. By meeting or surpassing these benchmarks consistently, Sheridan High School has established itself as an educational leader in the state.

A part from academic excellence, the High-Performance High School Designation also recognizes schools that foster a positive and inclusive school climate. This includes promoting a safe and supportive environment, cultivating strong relationships between students and staff, and encouraging student engagement and participation in extracurricular activities.

The High-Performance High School Designation

holds significant benefits for schools, students, and the wider community. Additionally, because of this designation, schools are allowed certain waivers and flexibility in order to plan programming that best fits the students and community.

The High-Performance High School Designation bestowed by the Indiana Department of Education represents a prestigious honor for schools that excel in academic achievement, school climate, and overall educational excellence.

“This recognition acknowledges the outstanding efforts of educators, students, and our wider school community in cre-

ating an exceptional learning environment, within a small, caring school environment,” Principal Rick Davis said.

Performance-qualified high schools meet certain established criteria which allows for flexibility in administration and instruction. This flexibility helps to provide curriculum, instruction, programs, and educational innovations that drive student engagement and achievement.

Sheridan High School earned this designation by being placed the highest performance and improvement category by the Indiana Department of Education and has continued to hold onto the designation.

“This is a credit to our dedicated staff, students, and community,” Davis said. “It is just one more example of how we as a small school can serve our students with incredible academic opportunities within a small, nurturing school environment.”



Davis



LIFE

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in which the city claims the noise levels will decrease once the road is built. This writer heard only birds and wind on the day he walked the path of the new road on Spartz’s land.

Building a road to alleviate downtown traffic and claiming it will be quieter than killdeer, starlings, and red-winged blackbirds seems unlikely.

When talking about how unopen the city is to the possibility of moving the road even a couple dozen feet north, Budnick said, “Maybe they’re just sadistic. I don’t know. It’s like, ‘what are you doing to us?’ They wouldn’t

have to go that far.”

Budnick had her enclosed back porch added to the home at a cost of over \$13,000. Now she is worried that the money spent on enriching her twilight years will have been wasted.

“I told her [Krupski], I said it will ruin my retirement years,” Budnick said. “I’m retired now, and I love sitting out there.”

While Budnick is not the only resident for whom the path of the Pleasant Street project is a quality-of-life concern, she is one who can barely stand between the city’s right-of-way and her own back porch.

JOY

from Page A1

Back to the decluttering. My mother had a big heart and she struggled to let go of my things. I discovered the “cow jumped over the moon” cardboard cutouts that decorated my nursery. Alongside them were some baby clothes I wore some 67 years ago. I kept a few but I figured the plastic bib was not an heirloom nor would it ever give joy to any baby.

I opened a bag that held my old gold National Honor Society sweater. Talk about ugly! And ever-so-scratchy! It was torture to wear. I think it’s made out of old sheep

wool, leftover from Brillo Pad production.

I found a plain white envelope that held three pages, torn from a small spiral notebook. It was written in my mother’s beautiful cursive handwriting telling my adoption story. I don’t think it was a coincidence I found it the weekend of Mother’s Day. It was a reminder of just how loved I was by her and my dad. Every so often, I need a gentle reminder that love never leaves when a person passes. I tucked the envelope, holding her words, into the basket that holds

my mother’s Bible and other letters and notes she wrote. There are good words in the envelope and her Bible.

There are so many stories I could tell about the things I found as I sorted through memories and stuff. Stay tuned for more in the future.

And about that Honor Society sweater? It did not give me joy back in the 1970s. It sure does not give me joy now, some 50 years later.

As I took it out to the trash bin, I started singing a song my mother taught me oh so many years ago,

“I’ve got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart and in the trash, this ugly sweater is going to stay.” Not exactly the words to the song but it gave me great joy to sing it ... and get rid of that sweater.

I know more joy will be found as I continue to declutter that room and take a few down-the-road-of-memories breaks.

Marie Kondo ... I got this!

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Photo provided by City of Noblesville
Noblesville High School senior Tyler Ashby (fourth from left) conceived of the idea for a community herb garden while on a summer trip in Scotland.

Noblesville Mayor’s Youth Council unveils community herb garden

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Members of the Noblesville Mayor’s Youth Council have created an herb garden and art display in the South Alley of downtown Noblesville. The garden includes mint, basil, and oregano, which are free for public use.

“I love spending time with our future leaders and the energy and love they have for Noblesville,” Mayor Chris Jensen said. “I want to thank Tyler Ashby for his leadership on this project, and all of the youth council members who have worked to leave a lasting impact on our community.”

The Noblesville Mayor’s Youth Council partnered with the City of Noblesville, Keep Noblesville

Beautiful, Nickel Plate Arts, Noblesville Schools, Indiana Peony Festival, and the Hamilton East Public Library to create this public herb garden and art display.

Ashby, a Noblesville High School senior, came up with the idea during a trip last summer to Glasgow, Scotland.

“There was an old library card catalog that was filled with plants. I thought, ‘this would be something nice to have in downtown Noblesville that would be manageable for the Mayor’s Youth Council to do.’ Something that will be here after I go to Bloomington for school in a couple months,” Ashby said. “I brought it up, the council liked the idea, and I reached

out the group in Glasgow to share how they inspired us.”

The old display case was donated by the Hamilton East Public Library and upcycled to promote sustainability. The art portion was designed by NHS Art Club students and shows significant community symbols.

“I gave them the theme of the courthouse, peonies and for it to be uniquely Noblesville,” Ashby said. “That’s the inspiration behind it and I think it looks great.”

The herb garden is a Noblesville Mayor’s Youth Council legacy project that will be passed down and maintained through the years by future youth council members.



Photo courtesy Joshua Andrews, Rocks Media House
Kids and adults alike are ready to get going on Destination Westfield!

Destination Westfield kicks off at Carey Ridge

The REPORTER

Last Tuesday, Westfield Washington Schools held a groundbreaking ceremony to mark the official start of Destination Westfield, the school district’s forward-looking plan to continue offering an excellent academic experience while keeping pace with the growth that comes from being the top destination community in the state.

The expansion project at Carey Ridge Elementary School will create more

space for the district’s cross categorical special education program which allows students with different areas of abilities to be educated in a group environment and receive varied systems of support for instruction.

The cross categorical program began with five students in 2014, and next year’s class is expected to have 45 students. Eight rooms are being added as part of the expansion project. The cross categorical wing is

set to be completed in spring 2024, with other remodeling scheduled to finish in summer 2024. Other renovations include bathrooms, water fountains, HVAC systems, and a parking lot update.

The event included remarks from Superintendent Dr. Paul Kaiser, School Board President Bill Anderson, Carey Ridge Elementary School Principal Andy Hilton, and Director of Special Education & Student Services Dr. Chase Stinson.

Hamilton County Community Band prepares for Summer Concert Series

Submitted by Brian Wuerch

Summer is almost here, ushering in car shows, community festivals, outdoor recreation and ... band concerts in the park!

The Hamilton County Community Band (HCCB) will kick off its summer concert season on Saturday, June 10 at Beulah Park in Alexandria, Ind., as a part of the Alexandria Band Festival. The day-long festival, hosted by the Alexandria Community Band, will showcase multiple volunteer bands from surrounding areas including our own HCCB, which will perform at 11 a.m.

On Sunday, June 11, the band will be hosted by Cicero Friends of the Park for an evening concert in Red Bridge Park at 6 p.m. This concert is always a favorite among residents which combines the beautiful views of Morse Lake with the familiar sounds of pop and patriotic concert band music.

HCCB, with more than 80 volunteer members, was formed on Feb. 25, 2018, with a meeting between current director, Brian Swart, Noblesville Schools Band Director Eric Thornbury, and director of the Fishers Community Chorus, Marc Feeney. These three men saw a need for a true community concert band in Hamilton County.

“Our mission is to have a ‘FUN’ atmosphere that is inviting to all musicians,” Swart said.

HCCB performs multiple concerts in and around the Hamilton County area. Rehearsals are held weekly on Sunday evenings at No-



Photo provided by Hamilton County Community Band
Now five years old, the Hamilton County Community Band consists of more than 80 volunteer members.

blesville High School.

Mark your calendars for additional summer concerts:

- July 2 – Lights Over Morse Lake, 3 to 4:30 p.m. at Red Bridge Park, Cicero

- Aug. 13 – HCCB Band Festival, noon to 8 p.m. at Federal Hill Commons, Noblesville

- Aug. 19 – West Indy Winds Band Festival, All Day. Information is available at westindywinds.weebly.com.

- Aug. 26 – Greenwood Band Festival, noon to 8 p.m. at Greenwood Park Amphitheater

Please consider supporting HCCB this summer. Bring the whole family, bring a picnic, and soak up the summer sun at community parks. Concerts are always free; a free-will offering will be collected to help with the purchase of new music and equipment. HCCB also welcomes corporate sponsors.

Information can be found at HamiltonCountyCommunityBand.com, or reach out to Brian Wuerch at outreach@hamiltoncountycitycommunityband.com.



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The Hamilton County Community Band is led by Director Brian Swart.

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Boys are alive! Let’s boost voter turnout

Grandpa Howard often told me stories about other boys growing up. He noted one small boy began hollering repeatedly without any apparent cause and the noise disturbed Grandpa. When asked why he made such a racket he replied, “Because I’m alive.”

Toby was grandpa’s neighbor boy under school age. He liked to play with the children at Grandpa’s place and often stayed for dinner. He stayed so often that his mother finally threatened him if he ate another time without being invited.

This complicated the situation. Toby wanted to avoid punishment, and yet, if possible continue as before. When he came the following morning, he tried the tactics of a lawyer, using the adroit method of suggestion. He said, “I can’t stay for dinner today unless you invite me.” The invitation was forthcoming, and Toby stayed as usual.

Bert liked horses but was too young to be trusted alone with the team. When Grandpa was harrowing some plowed ground he wanted to drive a few rounds. Since the team was gentle and the field only about 40 rods long, Grandpa granted his request. Instead of driving the entire length as Grandpa had done, Bert turned around near the center of the field and was harrowing the opposite end. When Grandpa went across the field to correct the mistake (if it were a mistake) Bert said when he got that end done it would only take a little while to finish the other. Grandpa surmised his real object was to drive the team a few extra rounds.



RAY ADLER
Ask Adler

Franklin Delano Roosevelt once said, “Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves, and the only way they could do this is by not voting.”

Unfortunately, in Hamilton County, we regularly disenfranchise ourselves when it comes to municipal elections.

In the 2022 general election, which featured congressional races, statehouse races, a U.S. Senate race and more, 48 percent of registered voters went to the polls in Hamilton County. During the 2020 presidential general election, an impressive 75 percent of Hamilton County voters showed up and made their voices heard.

But for the 2023 municipal primaries, less than 14 percent of voters countywide showed up to vote. While



ADAM AASEN
Carmel Convo

there were unopposed mayoral races in Fishers and Noblesville, voters were given the opportunity to select new mayors in Westfield and Carmel and turnout was still low. It was significantly down compared to 2019, which saw 16.86 percent turnout.

Some precincts in Hamilton County saw turnout lower than 5 percent of registered voters. That’s insane!

Countywide, we need to do a better job boosting voter turnout in the fall. In Carmel, especially, the future of our city is on the ballot after nearly three decades of Jim

Brainard as mayor. This is a very important election, and we can’t move our community backwards.

My biggest piece of advice? Don’t wait until Election Day to vote. I know people like the ritual of going on that day, but things can happen. Your car breaks down. You get sick. Your boss tosses a major project on your lap. Don’t leave it to chance. Vote early!

To find out more, visit indianavoters.in.gov.

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

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the “Voice of the Rocks,” announces for a variety of WHS teams.

“You are special people,” Neale said to the guests. “You are underpaid, you’re overworked, and you’re the most underappreciated group of people on the planet. This is a fabulous night to celebrate you.”

Westfield magician Jeff Loeser shared his “Deliberate Deceptions” with the audience. Calling up kindergarten teacher Kara Hopkins from Maple Glen Elementary School, Loeser performed a mind-boggling trick with random numbers given by audience members to ultimately illustrate that time is a gift.

“Thank you for spending time with our kids,” Loeser said to end his show. “You never know when you might be creating a magic moment.”

Educator-turned-comedian Gerry Brooks from Lexington, Ky., then took the stage. Brooks has gained a following of nearly 600,000 on social media where he shares humorous videos based on the real-world experience of educators and school staff.

“My goal is that everyone is going to walk out feeling encouraged and ready to get through the rest of the school year,” Brooks said.

After the show, guests had their choice of freshly-made, neatly-packaged desserts, like cookies, caramels, or even bread pudding, provided by local businesses.

“We just hope that this event shares with our staff how much we appreciate them,” Knott said.

WEF exists to empower and invest in Westfield students, teachers, and staff. Since 1986, WEF has awarded more than 1,000 Westfield students with scholarships totaling more than \$1 million. In addition, WEF provides grants to teachers and, in conjunction with Teacher’s Credit Union, also presents quarterly Rock Strong Awards to staff members in recognition of the great work they do.

“Laugh it off has proven itself to be a collaborative district activity for staff members to come together and spend time with other staff members,” Knott said. “As the district keeps growing, it is really important that our staff has that opportunity.”

You can learn more about Westfield Education Foundation at wwwswef.org or on social media @wwwswef.

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“These are extraordinary students who have shown the will and grit to overcome despite their situations,” Arrowood said. “The adversities these students have faced did not limit their ability to succeed inside and outside the classroom. Their examples can be a lesson to all of us that anyone can overcome challenges in their life and become an inspiration to others. They certainly are to me.”

The memorable evening was made possible, in part, thanks to the generous support of this year’s sponsors: Beck’s Hybrids, White River Christian Church, Bender Homes, Monuments by Robinson & Sons, Berrycomm, Cicero Pool & Spa, Cicero Insurance Agency, The Farmer’s Bank, Purkey’s Heating and Cooling, Church Church Hittle + Antrim, Powers Septic and Sewer, Big Dog’s Smokehouse, Hamilton County Sheriff’s Department, Adler Attorneys, Jackson Township Trustees Office, Specialty Tax Services, Logan Street Banners and Signs, Spring Valley Storage, Noblesville Elks, North Central Outdoor Power, and Blades Audio Video.

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Thanks for reading The Reporter!

Softball is a sport of failure

By ABBIGALE MERRITT
Sheridan High School Student

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

Softball is a sport of failure. No matter how hard you try, work, or play, you’re being set up to fail. What really matters is being a team player and picking each other up every time you fail. You can’t play a team sport and not be a team. It just won’t work.

The failure part of softball is the worst part. You will always have an obstacle to overcome when it comes to softball. Whether it be a hitting slump, you can’t field a ball some days, or your team just can’t break their losing streak, you and your team have to push through it. You have to be able to accept the failures, embrace them, and then you’ll find your way toward success. If you can’t accept the fact that you’re

going to fail sometimes, then you’re not going to enjoy what you’re doing. Eventually, you’re going to hate it and maybe even regret it.

When playing softball, there will be more negatives than positives. There will be people who are going to hope you fail so they can have your spot. There are going to be times where you can’t seem to do anything right, but you just have to work through all of the negatives to eventually get to the positives. The positive part isn’t necessarily winning every game, it’s forgetting about the error you just made and focusing on the next play. Or it’s doing your best and playing as a team no matter the outcome.

Failing can also take a toll on your mental health. If you’re playing softball every day and you’re not enjoying it, or you’re stuck focusing on the errors you made in the last game, it’ll hurt you mentally. Playing softball in general can take a toll on you physically. So you have to



Photo provided
Abbigale Merritt plays on the Sheridan softball team.

make sure your mental health and stress levels are good. On top of softball, you still have school work and grades to maintain. If you are able to keep everything lined up, you should be able to manage it all.

Softball is an even hard-

er sport if you make it hard for yourself. If you keep a good mindset through it all, it won’t be hard. Having a good mindset not only benefits you, but also your team. So if you can accept your failure and even embrace it, you can have a good season.

It’s a wrap: looking at few bills from the 2023 Indiana legislative session

The 2023 legislative session has wrapped up with several bills that address education, school boards, and the well-being of our children. The result is a mixed bag of legislation that will be seen as a step forward, a neutral response, and contentious issues.

On the step forward we have SB 35 and HB 1483.

SB 35 has to do with financial literacy. This bill requires that every student who is expected to graduate in 2028 and every year after must pass a financial literacy course to be able to graduate high school. The curriculum for this course will include topics on money management, spending and saving, types of bank accounts, debt management, credit and credit scores, etc. This addition to the curriculum is long overdue and can have a positive impact on the future of our children as much



MELBA KISER

as anything else they learn in school.

HB 1483 deals with the issue of bullying in school. The current law has been amended to include stronger requirements. First, it prioritizes the safety of the victim.

Second, the parents of both the alleged perpetrator and the targeted student have to be notified of the bullying incident within five business days.

Third, discipline rules must be modified to allow the parents to review any materials used in any bullying prevention. And last, every school whether public or charter has to document acts of bullying against the victim and the verified perpetrator.

SB 72 is a bill that merely requires elementary schools to provide information to the Department of Education by Oct. 1, 2023, whether the schools provide cursive writing instruction to their students and the grade level of

the students. Then the Department of Education is required to provide a report to the legislative council with the information received no later than Dec. 1, 2023. This section of the Indiana Code on education expires on the first day of 2024. The entirety of the law is only two pages, so I can only speculate if legislators may be seeking to determine if we need to bring back cursive writing in the elementary curriculum.

SB 480 is the bill that prohibits gender transition procedures for minors. This was a hotly debated bill as it went through the House and Senate chambers and is likely to continue to be passionately debated. The bill prohibits a physician or other practitioner from performing any gender transition procedures or giving treatments using puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones to any minor under 18 years of age. Additionally, a parent/guardian of a minor can't consent to gender transition treatments on

their child's behalf.

There are consequences for physicians and practitioners who act against this legislation. They include 1) any physician that aids or abets in any gender transition procedure of a minor will be subject to disciplinary action by the board regulating the physician, 2) any individual, parent, or guardian can assert violations of this section in the law as a claim or defense in a judicial or administrative proceeding and may seek to obtain compensatory damages.

SB 480 clarifies that this legislation does not interfere with a person's right, once they have reached 18 years of age, to make their own decision as to the treatment they wish to pursue. The bill does not prohibit mental-health counseling for children dealing with gender dysphoria. Also, it would not restrict any treatment needed for physical sex disorders.

Final versions of these bills can be found by going to iga.in.gov.

Carmel High School teachers receive appreciation kits from WGU Indiana

The future begins with K-12 learners, and now more than ever, teachers deserve recognition.

They continue to educate and inspire young learners while facing a nationwide teacher shortage. Just this past August in Indiana, there were 1,675 open teaching positions, according to the Indiana Department of Education. (There are 36,500 throughout the U.S.)

That’s why WGU Indiana recognized teachers at Carmel High School last week with appreciation kits as part of its Teacher Appreciation Week campaign.



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Carmel High School teachers and WGU alumnae Micki Outcalt and Kristin Harker were presented with teacher appreciation kits last week.

This annual campaign, which delivered appreciation kits to nearly 800 teachers statewide this year, honors teachers who go above and

beyond for students. The appreciation kits (which included gifts like eye masks, lip balm, chocolates, and information about WGU Indi-

ana’s Teacher Appreciation Campaign) were delivered for teachers to enjoy during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 8 to 12.

She loved where she lived

In 2021, my mother was buried at We Love Where We Live cemetery in the river town that she was moored to her whole life.

The cemetery's official name is St. Mary's, but Mom and I gave it a nickname due to the town's official roadside welcome sign (catchphrase: "We love where we live!") having been erected beside the boneyard's western border.

Seeing "We love where we live" so near tombstones was not lost on our shared sense of humor (dark), nor was the farewell message, ripe with reincarnation overtones, on the other side of the sign: "We hope you come back."

My baby sister's body was delivered into the dirt there during the 1960s. We used light-heartedness to cope with darkness. The nickname was not a dig against the town. Tell City was Mom's heaven on earth. If anything, it was simply commentary on unfortunate sign placement.

Tombstones are nothing more than postage stamps for a different kind of delivery. I recall brotherly pride while holding my baby sister for the first (and only) time, a moment that, in hindsight, foreshadowed a life lesson: sometimes the first time is also the last time. Mere hours later, my sister was rushed to the emergency room, vanishing for good, returned to sender, due to a medical gaffe (admitted by the doctor). The resulting emptiness, the void of a sisterly presence, has deepened as I've aged. Often, I have tried to fill the hole, perhaps explaining why nearly all my friends are female.

How my parents felt about their loss, I try not to imagine, what with having a son and daughter of my own. A parent who loses a child often becomes the ghost.

I imagine my sister grown now, looking over my shoulder as I write this, her face reflecting

from the computer-resembling my mother's face. This brings a chill to my spine, a burn to the eye. Halos and holes. Holes and halos.

I didn't cry at Mom's funeral home service, nor later at We Love Where We Live. I was too busy welcoming visitors. One trait I gained from Mom was a compulsion to be a consummate host. She loved introducing people to one another, point out commonalities, and forge connections. She greeted Walmart greeters before they greeted her.

Mom was a diner hostess, a role she loved and shined at. I was fond of watching her smile and joke with customers and offer advice while guests aired personal angsts while picking at blue plate lunch specials. Like Lucy van Pelt manning her 5-cent psychiatric help booth, the "doctor" was always "in." Though Mom lacked a college degree, she did re-up her annual subscription to *Psychology Today*. Many people reported to me how she had helped them through a difficult time.

As a teen, Mom aspired to attend college. She actually saved enough money from high school jobs to attend fall semester at a business college in Evansville, as well as pay rent on a ramshackle apartment. On her first day at the apartment, she unpacked her suitcase, but never returned, not even to retrieve her things, feeling too out of place in an urban environment. A rich Evansville couple who owned a large department store learned of her housing plight through the college and invited her to live in their large home. They threw her a welcome party, inviting their rich friends, but Mom, mortified by the attention, failed to show. Ultimately, a woman running the local YWCA took her in, and in return, Mom babysat for her child.

Mom did well in secretarial courses, especially shorthand



Photos provided by Scott Saalman

writing. During the semester, though, she became pregnant and was married on New Year's Eve. Pregnant, too poor for a second semester, she quit college.

Twenty years later, in 1983, she sent me to college via the wages and tips she saved, entitling me to the dream she once aspired for herself. In 2022, my daughter Delaney earned her bachelor's degree in English. Mom was excited knowing Delaney enrolled in college. Unfortunately, she died before Delaney earned a diploma. I imagined Mom proudly applauding from the rafters during the graduation ceremony.

For graduation, I gave Delaney a business school short-hand pin that Mom earned for an "80 WPM" milestone, which Dad had discovered after her death. That Mom secretly kept this pin for nearly 60 years is a testament to her college dreams.

I finally cried on the evening of Mom's funeral, oddly enough, after deactivating her Facebook account.



Photo provided by Amy Shankland
Our columnist's new space-saving appliance is taking her to new levels of happiness.

Feeling like a Ninja

You know you've reached middle age when a small appliance gets you all excited. But I'm over the moon happy about our recent purchase and am eager to share it with you all. You're welcome.

Our \$15 thrift store bargain toaster oven bit the bullet a little over a week ago. We had certainly gotten our money's worth. The sucker lasted for about three years before finally deciding it preferred to just gently warm our bread versus toast it.

My husband John looked at me and said "We are NOT doing a thrift store purchase again. We can go buy something new this time." I (surprisingly) agreed with him. We determined our budget and ventured to Kohl's.

While there, we discovered the Ninja® Foodi™ 8 in 1 Air Fryer Oven. I resisted this sucker for all of 30 seconds. Did we really need something that not only baked and toasted our food, but could also air fry, dehydrate, air broil, and warm it?

Naturally I pulled out my phone to see the product reviews, earning an eye roll from John. Hey, due diligence is important. I was pleased to see lots of 4+ star reviews.

What really won us over was the "get extra-large capacity without sacrificing counter space" claim. Most 120-year-old homes don't have tons of kitchen space ... or closet space ... or any space for that matter.

This thingee would not only cook our food a variety of ways, but it tilted up on its back when not in use. It even had a little "FLIP" indicator when it was safe to do so. That feature drew a little squeal from me.

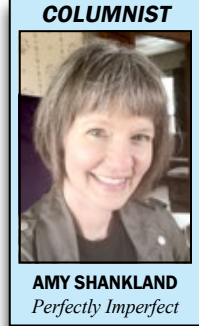
We decided this was what we wanted, but apparently lots of Kohls' shoppers agreed, because they only had the display model. John looked up the same item on his phone and saw that Best Buy had one left. We zoomed across 37 to purchase it.

Of course, we had to test it out as soon as we got home. John baked up some pizza rolls and was pleased at how hot and crispy they turned out.

Conveniently, we were having breakfast for dinner that Sunday evening, so I got to test out the nine slices of bread toasting capacity. Every slice came out perfectly brown, something we weren't even used to thanks to the thrift store toaster oven. I almost didn't remember what real toast looked like.

At this point I must insert the disclaimer that I'm not getting a dime from Ninja Kitchen, this product's creators, for this column. I'm just an (almost) empty nester mama who appreciates the simple joys and victories in life.

I'm looking forward to using this appliance often in the hot summer months when we won't feel like turning on the oven or firing up the grill. Thanks, Ninja Kitchen, for giving us a little more counter space AND darn good toast. It's a win-win.



AMY SHANKLAND

Perfectly Imperfect

Discover nutritional powerhouse of microgreens & immune system benefits

Ever been to a restaurant and noticed small, tiny greens on top of your dinner? Questioning whether you should even eat them, you scrape them aside and go about enjoying your dinner. These greens sit on the sidelines of your plate and eventually get tossed into the trash at the end of the night.

So, what are these little greens, and why do restaurants put them on your dinners only to be tossed aside?

These tiny greens are a superfood called microgreens. Microgreens are vegetables and herbs harvested between the growth stage of sprouts and baby greens. They are usually between one and three inches tall and take mere weeks to grow compared to the long months of their counterpart. These plants are harvested when the first true leaves (a third tiny leaf that pops up between the two starting leaves) start to grow. People love microgreens for their great flavor, sharpness of color, and their incredible health benefits.

As you read this column, you will discover the wonderful world of microgreens: their nutritional benefits, how they add flavor to your dishes, and how they improve digestion and your immune system.

Nutritional benefits

Microgreens are an incredibly nutrient-dense food, packing a powerful punch of vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants. Studies have shown that microgreens can contain up to 40 times more nutrients than their fully grown counterparts. Being rich in vitamins such as A, C, and E, they can help improve and maintain healthy skin, vision, and immune function. They are also a good source of B vitamins, which are

essential for energy production and brain function. They also contain minerals and antioxidants.

Microgreens for healthy digestion

Incorporating microgreens into your diet can be incredibly beneficial for your digestive system. Fiber helps to keep food moving through the digestive tract, preventing constipation and promoting overall gut health. Packed with dietary fiber, microgreens help with maintaining healthy digestion and bowel regularity. Microgreens contain enzymes that aid in the digestion of food.

Microgreens for immune system support

Microgreens offer a range of immune-boosting benefits. They contain high levels of antioxidants and other bioactive compounds that can help protect the body against disease and promote overall wellness. Studies have shown that microgreens, such as broccoli and red cabbage, contain high levels of vitamin C, a potent antioxidant that help support a healthy immune system. Other microgreens, such as sunflower and pea shoots, are rich in zinc, an essential mineral that plays a key role in immune function. Incorporating microgreens into your diet also helps support the growth and maintenance of beneficial gut bacteria, which play a critical role in immune health.

Microgreens for flavor

Microgreens are not just nutritious, but also add a burst of flavor to any dish they are added to. They come in a wide range of flavors and can be used to add complexity and depth to your meals. One of the best things about microgreens is their versatility. They can be used in a variety of meals, anywhere from soups and salads to sandwiches



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Radish microgreens can add a spicy crunch to food.



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Broccoli microgreens have been shown to contain high levels of vitamin C.

and smoothies.

To enhance the flavor of your meals with microgreens, try pairing them with complementary ingredients. For example, arugula microgreens can add a peppery kick to a caprese salad, while basil microgreens can bring a fresh and herbaceous flavor to a tomato soup. Radish microgreens can add a spicy crunch to avocado toast, while pea shoots can bring a sweet and delicate flavor to a stir-fry.

Microgreens are a great way to experiment with new flavors and cuisines. Try adding cilantro microgreens to your next

Mexican-inspired dish or shiso microgreens to a Japanese-inspired dish. The possibilities are endless!

There are lots of benefits to be found in these tiny but mighty greens. They bring a tremendous amount of nutritional value, which helps improve your digestive and immune systems. As an added bonus, they bring a burst of flavor when added to dishes.

To learn more about or order microgreens go to IronRootsFarm.com.

Dakota Welker is the CEO & Founder of Iron Roots Farm in Noblesville, which specializes in growing microgreens.



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December 4, 1938 – May 4, 2023



Judith Ann Halbert, 84, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, May 4, 2023, at Bridgewater Healthcare Center in Carmel. She was born on December 4, 1938, to Ralph and Florence (Werths) Gray in Granite City, Ill.

In her youth, Judith was a dance instructor and once danced for Bill Haley & His Comets. She worked as a secretary in the office of Judge Harry Sauce. Judith enjoyed golfing, watching horse racing, and eating out for breakfast.

She is survived by her son, Brad (Debra) Halbert; and three grandchildren, Tyler (Mercedes) Halbert, Nick (Ciara) Halbert, and Jenna Halbert.

In addition to her parents, Judith was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Lee Halbert, in 2013.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m., with services at 7 p.m., on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Condolences: randallroberts.com

Matthew “Matt” Alan Johnson

May 10, 1965 – May 9, 2023

Matthew “Matt” Alan Johnson, 57, Russiaville, went to be with the Lord at 6:46 a.m. on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at Community Howard Regional Health. He was born in Kokomo on May 10, 1965, the son of Jack and Lois (Roberts) Johnson.

Matt was a graduate of Western High School. He earned an associate degree in Computer Drafting from Purdue University. He was employed at Fortune Management in Kokomo. Matt prioritized his relationship with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He formerly attended the Methodist Church in West Middleton, and more recently attended church in Lapel, Ind. He was active on the Sunday Worship team and played drums. He was musically gifted and played in the Western High School Marching Band and Purdue University Marching Band. Matt was the kindest man with the best manners. He enjoyed coaching P.A.L soccer, listening to music, watching Sci-Fi movies, and was an avid Green Bay Packers fan. He adored time spent with his nieces and nephews.

Matt is survived by his mother, Lois Johnson; brothers, Martin Johnson and Mark Johnson; numerous nieces and nephews; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Johnson; brother, Michael Johnson; paternal grandparents, Glenn Johnson and Loretta Mitchell; and maternal grandparents, Ray and Lydia Roberts.

Friends were invited to visit with the family on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at Stout & Son Funeral Home, 200 E. Main St., Russiaville. Funeral services were held at the funeral home with Pastor Andrew L. Cole officiating. Burial will follow in Russiaville Cemetery.

Contributions may be made in Matt’s memory to the Western High School Marching Band. Messages of condolence may be left online at stoutandson.com.

B. Jack Cooper

November 17, 1941 – May 9, 2023

B. Jack Cooper, 81, Arcadia, passed away peacefully on May 9, 2023, surrounded by family on the farm he loved.



Jack was born on November 17, 1941, to Roland Cooper and Stella (Amburgy) Cooper in Stay, Ky. The family soon moved to Ohio and ultimately settled in Waynesville, where Jack grew up helping his father on the family farm.

Jack attended Milligan College in east Tennessee, where he met his wife of almost 60 years, Marilyn Knapp. After marrying Marilyn on June 8, 1963, and graduating from college, Jack took on a supervisory position at General Motors in Anderson, Ind., where he worked for 31 years until his retirement in 1996 to focus fulltime on farming. Jack and Marilyn raised three children during those years: Connie (“Sis”), Scott, and David.

Jack had a great love for his family and his farm. He bailed hay for almost his entire life. He farmed, gardened, and raised animals on the same land in Arcadia for more than 50 years and was actively farming at age 81. Jack could often be spotted during harvest time in his 1973 red Chevy two-ton truck, hauling grain to the mill.

A man of deep faith, Jack was an elder at Arcadia Christian Church for many years. Jack was honest to the core with a strong work ethic and a kind heart. He loved his wife, children, and grandchildren – and also enjoyed his John Deere equipment and Cadillac. Family highlights included vacation trips to Florida, east Tennessee, and Arizona, as well as a trip with Marilyn and church friends to Israel.

Jack is survived by his wife Marilyn; his daughter Connie Marie Dove and son-in-law Ronald G. Dove, Jr. (Derwood, Md.); his son Scott Wayne Cooper and daughter-in-law Kimberly (Kiburis) Cooper (Howell, Mich.), his son David Christopher Cooper (Noblesville); and his four grandchildren, Christopher Dove, Michaela (Dove) Herron married to Sterling Herron, Daniel Cooper, and Benjamin Cooper. Jack is also survived by Marilyn’s younger brother, John Knapp, whom Jack always considered as a second brother, as well as John’s wife Sharon Knapp, Jack’s sister-in-law Sharon Cooper, brother-in-law Pete Cochran, and sister-in-law Judy Knapp.

Jack was preceded in death by both his parents, his brother Bill Cooper, and his sister Betty Ruth Cochran, as well as Marilyn’s parents Raymond and Elizabeth Knapp and older brother Larry Knapp.

Visitation and funeral services were held on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at Arcadia Christian Church, 26901 N. State Road 19, Arcadia.

Donations may be made to the Missions Fund at Arcadia Christian Church, 26901 N. State Road 19, P.O. Box 544, Arcadia, IN 46030.

Jack will be laid to rest at Cicero Cemetery, 5 Morse Court, Cicero.

Arrangements are entrusted to Hartley Funeral Homes Cicero Chapel, where you may leave condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

Frank A. Amruso

April 14, 1938 – May 11, 2023



Frank A. Amruso, 85, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at his home. He was born on April 14, 1938, in Jamaica, Queens, N.Y.

Frank served as Comptroller for Philip Morris and United Technologies. He owned Showplace Video for 15 years in Marion. Frank enjoyed golf and loved watching all sports; his favorite teams were the NY Mets and University of Kentucky. He also enjoyed playing poker, music, dancing, and working in his garden. Most of all, Frank loved his family and spending time with his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 52 1/2 years, Ann Hefron Amruso; children, Michele (Charlie) Mace, Lisa Hellstrom, Nadia (Dustin) Roberts, Frank (Stephanie) Amruso, and Melissa (Nathan) Smith; six grandchildren, Anthony (Kristy) Mace, Christine Mace, Aria Smith, Sydney Roberts, Frank Amruso, and Declan Smith; one great-grandchild on the way; and his brother, Ronnie Amruso (Ed Jablonsky).

Frank was preceded in death by his father, Louis Amruso; and his mother, Winifred Zboyman.

Visitation took place on Monday, May 15, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. An additional visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m., with services at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959 (stjude.org).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Mary Elizabeth Sedwick

July 17, 1924 – May 4, 2023



Mary Elizabeth Sedwick, 98, Sheridan, passed away on Thursday morning, May 4, 2023, at Wellbrooke of Westfield. Born on July 17, 1924, near Lizton, Ind., in Hendricks County, she was the daughter of the late Guy and Leona (Fiscus) Kelley.

She was a 1942 graduate of Pinnell High School in Lebanon, Ind., and an active member of Six Points Church in Sheridan.

Throughout Mary’s life the words “slow down” never seemed to register with her. She was constantly on the go and usually running circles around anyone who was with her. Prior to getting married, she worked for Scott’s Five and Dime and Winkler’s in Lebanon. On March 27, 1946, Mary married Fred Sedwick, Jr.; it was then that her family would become her number-one priority. For over 25 years, Mary worked on the family farm alongside her husband and their growing family. After the death of her husband in 1972, Mary took a position with Aero Drapery in Westfield (a company she would eventually retire from ... three separate times). Following her final (Aero) retirement, she hired on with Heartland Growers of Westfield, and later Crawdaddy’s and Power Mail in Sheridan.

No matter how busy life would get, there was always time for family, and Mary took her role as a grandmother very seriously. When the grandkids were involved in an activity, so was she. When they became more involved in marching band and drum and bugle corps, so did she ... cooking and serving meals, sleeping on gym floors, and being the resident grandma for the entire group was all part of the package. She cherished every moment that she was able to spend being actively involved in her family’s lives and came to love all the bonus family members she picked up along the way.

As the years started to catch up, Mary’s body forced her to slow down just a little bit. She was bound and determined to ignore it, telling her family that she was quite able to go back to work to help pay her expenses at Wellbrooke.

Mary is survived by her son, Michael R. “Mike” Sedwick (Anita) of Sheridan; daughter, Janet D. Roberts of Sheridan; four grandchildren, Raymond Roberts (Susan) of Arcadia, Kimberly Crouch (Jeremy) of Wauseon, Ohio, Scott Sedwick (Kim) of Sheridan, and Courtney King (Jacob) of Sheridan; eight great-grandchildren (with one on the way); and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Guy and Leona (Fiscus) Kelley; her husband, Fred Sedwick, Jr.; son-in-law, Paul K. Roberts; three brothers, Floyd Kelley, Delmar Kelley, and Raymond Kelley (killed on September 10, 1944, in France during World War II); sister, Frances Ping; and by her infant grandson.

Visitation and services were held on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan. Burial followed at Oak Hill Cemetery in Lebanon, Ind.

Mary’s niece, chaplain Mary Ellen Kelley will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to Six Points Church, 1545 W. 226th St., Sheridan, IN 46069.

Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

Pattie Butler Slezak

January 17, 1929 – May 1, 2023



Pattie Butler Slezak passed away on Tuesday, May 1, 2023, at Harbour Manor nursing home in Noblesville.

She was born on January 17, 1929, to Leo and Susan “Sude” Butler in Noblesville. She graduated from Noblesville High School in 1947. She worked at the Noblesville Courthouse for several years before she and her husband Jack moved to Florida. After 18 years in the Sunshine State, they returned to Noblesville in 2003. Pattie was a lifelong member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in both Cicero, Ind., and West Palm Beach, Fla.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by first husband, Frank Edward Craig; she was a loving wife of 38 years to second husband, Jack Slezak; daughters, Karyl Hampton and Andrea Sylvester; sisters, Roseline Bray, Mary B Dropla, and Josephine Butler; and brothers, Joseph Butler and Nathan Butler.

She is survived by her son, Michael Craig; son-in-law, Danny Hampton; granddaughters, Kerry Hampton, Kelly Cope, and Jessica Branz; grandson, Brett Craig; and several great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Graveside services only were held on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. Pastor Aaron officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society of Hamilton County or Seventh Day Adventist Church in Cicero.

Condolences: indianafuneralcare.com

Sharon Lynne Hensley

d. May 8, 2023



Sharon Lynne Hensley, 84, Cicero, ascended to her Lord and Savior on the evening of May 8, 2023. After enduring lengthy chronic conditions, she made it to her birthday on May 8, then passed away peacefully at home.

She is survived by her children, Brent Whitaker, Lisa Meyer and William Hensley. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Todd Hensley, and longtime friend who was like a sister to her, Esther Wyandt, who are home in heaven with her.

Sharon was born in Frankfort, Ind., the only child of Mildred and William Davidson. She attended Frankfort Schools and graduated from Frankfort High School. In her younger days she was known to be a vivacious, intelligent, and accomplished woman. While caring for her family, including raising her children, she also built a career of “Women in Construction” while also utilizing and maintaining her real estate broker’s license. She worked and played hard, accomplishing great things while helping and loving others.

Sharon enjoyed being a part of her community and Church. She was known as having a love language with food, growing healthy vegetables and beautiful flowers. She assisted many families in her community with networking resources and food assistance. She also shared her knowledge of food and recipes with others. She was known among the White River Christian Church Food Pantry volunteers and patrons.

As her illnesses progressed, Sharon cherished the individuals who made up her teams. They all became a part of her family as they supported her so she could remain in her home. Her Traditions Hospice Team and her Home Helpers Team were with her as she took her final breath.

To all who knew her, Sharon was a very special person. She was a friend, a neighbor, a mother, and a grandmother and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. She leaves behind cherished and lasting memories with her grandchildren, Kristofer Deutsch, Stephani Deutsch, Britany Hensley, Meleena Hensley, and Ava Hensley; plus seven great-grandchildren with more to come. Memories of her will live on.

Sharon’s wishes were to have a family gathering and celebration of her life. There will not be a formal service. Sharon requested memorial contributions be made to the White River Christian Church Food Pantry at pushpay.com/g/wrccnoblesville.

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Hamilton Heights students earn Level 1 Mini Excavator Certification

The REPORTER

Eight Hamilton Heights High School students recently completed a two-day course to earn their Level 1 Mini Excavator Certification. Safety and maintenance education in the classroom was a big part of leading up to specific focus on this piece of equipment. It involved taking written exams, including one on safety, which requires a perfect

score, followed by a day of hands-on equipment operations in the Sandbox, the district's outdoor classroom. Those students who just notched a valuable post-graduation credential include Lola Wilson, Logan Mise, Sam Force, Arthur Smith, David Eads, Dakota Killen, Nate Williams, and James Zachary. Students learned about the anatomy and moving

parts of an excavator, how to maintain and inspect excavators, as well as how to safely use forks and attachments among other important aspects of this piece of heavy equipment under the supervision of certified McAllister/Caterpillar trainer, Ridge Inman. Heights' Construction (Vertical and Horizontal) Trades Education (CTE) program offers students valuable hands-on experience, certifications, and essential career-ready skills upon graduation inside and outside the classroom. This specialty course was made possible through Heights' Construction Trades educator, Kevin Sheets in collaboration with the district's industry partners at MacAllister/Caterpillar, Reith-Riley, Beatty Construction, and E&B Paving.



Photo provided
Hamilton Heights High School students who recently earned their Level 1 Mini Excavator Certification last Friday are pictured with their teacher. (From left) Lola Wilson, Logan Mise, Sam Force, CTE teacher Kevin Sheets, Arthur Smith, David Eads, Dakota Killen, Nate Williams, and James Zachary.

Obituary

George Winfield Mather
November 6, 1963 – May 7, 2023

George Winfield Mather, 59, Noblesville, passed away on May 7, 2023, after a one-month battle with pancreatic cancer, surrounded by his family in the comfort of his home. He was born on November 6, 1963, in Orange, N.J., to the late George and Florence (Sroka) Mather. George is survived by his wife and best friend of 26 years, Cynthia (Loesch) Mather; daughter, Rachel Mather; son-in-law, Jackson Bertoli; son, Trevor Mather; sister, Alice (Mather) Zeller; nephew, Roland Drake; and nieces, Evelyn (Santiago) Rosa and Arlene Kaczka. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Marilyn Mather and Linda (Mather) Santiago; his niece, Claire Santiago; and his beloved dog, Ike.

George grew up in Kearny, N.J., where he made lifelong friends, and moved to California in 1987. He and Cindy met at work and were married cliffside at Laguna Beach in 1996. Settling down in Noblesville, they raised their children, Rachel and Trevor. George was employed with Anthem/Elevance Health for 23 years, working in the IT field. George was a man of many facets. He had a deep passion for music that began as a teenager when he learned to play the guitar. His love for live music flourished over time, and he tracked the Grateful Dead through countless states and venues with close friends. He supported up and coming musicians, wanting everyone to experience the joy of making music.

George had a thirst for knowledge that could not be quenched. He was always reading and learning about the newest information about technology, science, art, medicine, politics. And the list goes on. George had a deep love for his family. He felt raising his children was his greatest accomplishment. He had a passion for photography, capturing all the moments, little or big, in his family. He enjoyed family vacations, bike rides, and cooking. He was famous for his homemade meatballs and pizza. George was a giving man who cared deeply for the well-being of others. He believed that everyone deserves equal treatment, and he was always willing to help anyone who needed it, regardless of whether they asked for help or not. He also had an incredible wit that kept everyone on their toes during conversations with him. *“Good joke, bad joke?” – George Mather*

A celebration of life will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at Randall and Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. At 7 p.m., the celebration will continue where all attendees are welcome to share their personal memories of George. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the following: The BRCA Foundation, for research on preventing cancer caused by the BRCA gene (brca.jimmyv.org); or Pancreatic Cancer Research (pancan.org). Condolences: randallroberts.com

Obituary

Karen Lee (Moody) Elliott
January 25, 1953 – May 1, 2023

Karen Lee (Moody) Elliott peacefully went to be with the Lord on May 1, 2023, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. The youngest daughter of Lee and Eileen Moody was born on January 25, 1953, two years behind her big sister Kathy. She attended Fall Creek Elementary then on to Eastwood and North Central, graduating in 1971. She attended Indiana Center after high school.

Karen's work life began in the medical field, first as a dental assistant then in the front office operations of three different medical offices, culminating with a position as manager of a new imaging suite in Noblesville. It wasn't until later in life that Karen found her true calling: working at the elementary school with special needs students. "Her kiddos," as she called them, felt her caring and loving spirit each day. In September of 1976 she married Ed Elliott, and they have two amazing and wonderful children: Josh and Anne (Ted) Bearman; and four unique and fabulous grandchildren: Julia Bearman, Olivia Elliott, Lydia Bearman, and Evan Elliott. She was so proud of her family. There are in-laws, cousins, and numerous nieces and nephews who were touched by her life.

Karen was a remarkably beautiful, loving woman with a fierce spirit and quiet peace about her. A loving and caring wife, a proud and loving mother, a special Mimi to her grandchildren, and the best friend a person could ever want. Karen loved music and dancing, sitting around a fire with a good glass of wine, and shopping; but most of all she liked hosting special occasions and welcoming all who came. She was a unique and beautiful woman who will be missed by so many. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Wheeler Mission or Cancer Research. A Celebration of Life will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on May 25, 2023, at West Fork Whiskey Company, 10 E. 191st St., Westfield. Arrangements are entrusted to Hartley Funeral Homes Cicero Chapel. You may leave condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

accomplished while in high school. It does require an investment of time, knowledge, and actual experience to learn to safely operate this type of equipment. They also earned their OSHA 10 safety certification and demonstrated their knowledge of the safety rules regarding running one of these machines in the field." In fact, senior Lola Wilson, who is planning on studying construction management at Purdue University in the fall, has an internship with the Indianapolis-based Sheil Sexton Company. "Among the top 10 percent of her class, Lola is taking the CTE pathway toward a career in an industry and is representative of the next generation of tradespeople," Sheets noted. Sheets has received calls from educators around the state and beyond for help in modeling their program after the one at Hamilton Heights.

"I believe this program would not be as successful as it is if it weren't for the leadership and vision of our administration," Sheets said. "I am grateful to our principal, Jarrod Mason, and Superintendent Dr. Arrowood for their support and encouragement of our 'thinking outside the box' to help our students achieve and succeed in the program. I also want to thank MacAllister/CAT trainer Ridge Inman for his involvement in the program and supervision during the hands-on portion in the Sandbox. Thank you to MacAllister/CAT, Reith-Riley, Beatty Construction and E&B Paving for your partnership in providing opportunities for our students to gain real-world experience in heavy equipment operation that prepares them for life and careers in the construction industry beyond high school."



Photo provided
Ridge Inman, a certified instructor with MacAllister/Caterpillar, shares tips for operating a mini excavator safely with students working on their Level 1 certification in the Sandbox.



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HSE’s Brooke Lawson selected as “Classroom Quarterback of the Year”

By **RICHIE HALL**
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Brooke Lawson got a big surprise to start her weekend last Friday.

Lawson was named the “Classroom Quarterback of the Year,” an award given by the Indianapolis Colts and Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Lawson, the Mental Health and School Counseling Coordinator for Hamilton Southeastern Schools, was presented the award Friday afternoon at Brooks School Elementary School.

“I was shocked when I got the nomination a couple of weeks ago and completely shocked today to know that I was the winner,” said Lawson. She was presented the award by Anthem representatives, former Colts lineman Joe Reitz (a Hamilton Southeastern graduate), two Colts Cheerleaders, and the ever-popular Colts mascot Blue. In addition, a \$2,500 donation was presented to Hamilton Southeastern Schools.

Lawson was one of 10 Indiana educators nominated for their outstanding involvement, positive impact and commitment to student success. She was nominated by Bob Rice, the Energy

Manager for HSE Schools.

“Brooke is such a hard worker,” said Rice. “She’s highly intelligent. She has an amazing heart. She’s helping reduce the stigma with mental health issues in the city. And she makes sure all of our students get the support they need to be successful and a leader.”

Lawson was hired by Southeastern Schools in 2016 to oversee all of the mental health services in the district.

“And I just really have been proud of the ability for us in this school district to talk about mental health, to talk about mental wellness, to normalize those things and just really start conversations that I don’t think maybe were happening 10 years ago,” said Lawson.

Lawson said that she has “always been passionate about children’s mental health. I live here in this community and my children attend school in this community. To see the impact that it has on them as amazing as well and I care so much about this work. It makes me feel really proud.”

Lawson believes there has been “a lot of change” in discussing mental health



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Brooke Lawson, the Mental Health and School Counseling Coordinator for Hamilton Southeastern Schools, was named the Classroom Quarterback of the Year last Friday. The award was presented by the Indianapolis Colts and Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield. (From left) Tiffany Etter, director of Indiana Medicaid Plan Marketing for Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield; Leslie Lane, Anthem Marketing Manager; Colts mascot Blue; Colts Cheerleaders Hannah and Jada; Lawson and her children Bailey and Gavin; and former Indianapolis Colts lineman and Southeastern graduate Joe Reitz.

since she began working at Southeastern Schools.

“Our classroom teaches have more access to support for children,” said Lawson. “We’ve done a lot of work around teaching kids the skills that they need to be able to manage mental health struggles, and I think our teachers are more equipped.”

“Obviously, we all know that kids’ mental health has been a challenge over the last couple of years. And I think it’s been really beat to see the impact of not only the work that we’ve done with teachers, but also the important work that we’ve done with our school counselors.”

Along with the dona-

tion, Lawson and her family received a \$100 Amazon gift card for school supplies, four tickets to the first regular-season home game of the Colts’ 2023 season, and Colts gear and merchandise.

Palou dominates to win Saturday’s GMR Grand Prix

By **RICHIE HALL**
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SPEEDWAY — Alex Palou put together a dominant performance last Saturday at the GMR Grand Prix, the opening to the Month of May action at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

The Spaniard won his first NTT INDYCAR Series event of 2023 by triumphing at the Grand Prix. Palou led 52 of 85 laps, starting in front and ending in front. Palou led the first 17 laps of the race, then paced the final 20 laps, beating Pato O’Ward by 16.8006 seconds.

“A win is the same if you do it by 30 seconds or by one tenth,” said Palou.

The Grand Prix win is Patou’s fifth INDYCAR victory in his relatively short career on the circuit. His last victory came at the 2022 season-ender in Monterey.

“Everything goes so well,” said Palou. “The car feels how you want it to feel.”

While Palou bookended the race with comfortable leads, there were several changes during the middle laps. A total of eight drivers were in first place, and all of them led at least two laps.

Polesitter Christian Lundgaard succeeded Palou to lead 13 laps. The Dane stayed near the top after his turn in the lead. Lundgaard eventually finished the race in fourth place, just off of the podium.

O’Ward led two laps during the second half of the race, and also stayed in podium position during the last few laps. Also making the podium was Alexander Rossi. The 2016 Indianapolis 500 winner started in 10th position and worked his way up into the top five. He led three laps before Palou took over for the final time.

Noblesville’s Conor Daly finished in 19th place.

Daly moved up to 11th place twice during the first half of the race, and zoomed up to ninth at points during the second half of the event before falling back.

Colton Herta, last year’s winner, placed ninth. Herta was contending for a podium place with five laps to go, but was called for a blocking penalty when he moved in front of Felix Rosenqvist, who was attempting to pass. Rosenqvist would go on to finish fifth; he led three laps during the early stages.

Other lap leaders were Graham Rahal, who was in front for seven laps, Scott Dixon, who led for three laps, and last year’s Indy 500 winner Marcus Ericsson, who led two laps.

This year’s Grand Prix was a mostly clean race. The only caution came on the second lap when David Malukas and rookie Sting Ray Robb made contact, forcing a yellow flag for three laps. After that, it was green for the duration.

KIBLER GIVES THE COMMAND

Drew Kibler was born in Indianapolis and grew up in the area, becoming a star swimmer at Carmel High School.

But he had never been to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway before. Kibler finally got the see the Speedway last Saturday, and he got to do something special there as well.

Kibler gave an enthusiastic command to the Grand Prix competitors: “Drivers, start your engines!” Kibler was named the grand marshal of the Grand Prix; he was honored as a member of the United States Olympic Team, and participated in the 2021 Summer Olympics, where he was a member of the fourth-place 800-meter relay team.

One of Kibler’s friends showed him videos of Kevin



Reporter photos by Kent Graham

(Above left) Alex Palou won the GMR Grand Prix last Saturday at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. The Spaniard led the first 17 laps of the race, then was in front for the last 20 laps. (Above right) Pato O’Ward finished second in the GMR Grand Prix. (Below) Noblesville’s Conor Daly placed 19th in the Grand Prix.

James giving the command in order to give Kibler some inspiration, telling him “it’s way better to be energetic than to be boring.”

Before Kibler gave the command, he reflected on his first-ever day at the track. He said “it started as ‘Oh, maybe we’ll get you into the Speedway during a race weekend,’ and it’s grown into this bigger thing. So, I’ve been slowly finding out more and more of the honor that it is, so it’s super exciting, super fun.

I got to meet a lot of cool people so far today, and it’s been a great experience all around.”

Kibler also got to ride in the two-seater car, coasting around the track at speeds up to 150 mph. His fellow Team USA swimmer and Indiana native Lilly King rode the two-seater after Kibler. His advice? “I just said enjoy it,” said Kibler. “It goes by so fast.”

Kibler got to met several drivers, including Lundgaard, Rahal and Jack Harvey.



Kibler



“I got to spend a lot of time in the pits and the garages, meeting them, talking with them,” said Kibler. “Some of them live near me, which is sweet.”

Overall, Kibler enjoyed the race, spending it with his

parents and friends.

“One of the pillars of Indiana culture, so enjoying that as an Indiana native,” said Kibler. “Lilly (King) said something similar to that, she said it best. Just happy to be here for sure.”

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Track & Field

Millers win six events & pull ahead to victory at county girls track meet

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WESTFIELD — It's happened before in track and field meets, and it will undoubtedly happen again, but it always bears repeating: Every point matters.

The latest example happened last Tuesday at Westfield's Riverview Health Stadium, the site of the Hamilton County girls track meet. Noblesville and Carmel went back and forth with the lead, and in the end, the Millers won by four points. Noblesville scored 134 points to the Greyhounds' 130.

Both teams had their share of victories, and both managed a 1-2 finish in an event. But the Millers managed to get extra points here and there, which made the difference.

"We had some good performances, we had some records," said Noblesville coach Jim Pearce. "We had a lot of people that got two points, one point, three points throughout the mix." The coach believes that's what "pushed us over the top."

The Millers totaled six event wins, starting with the 4x800 relay, which they won in 9 minutes, 24.79 seconds. Summer Rempé blitized to the finish in the open 800 with a time of 2:14.26, nearly four seconds ahead of second-place.

"She got the county meet record by a few-tenths of a second," said Pearce. Rempé is not far away from the 2:13.34 that she ran last year at the regional.

"She's excited about running well and we're excited about how she's going to do," said Pearce.

Noblesville also continued its mastery of the field events, winning four of them. Hannah Alexander put together a sweep of the shot put and discus, winning the latter event with a record throw of 150 feet, 9 inches, over 50 feet ahead of second place. Delaney Teachnor cleared 12 feet to win the pole vault. The Millers went 1-2 in the high jump, with Malina Miller first and Rylee Hassan second.

Carmel had four event wins, including a 1-2 finish in the 400 dash. Cambell Wamsley clocked in at 57.70 seconds, with Olivia Cebalo next in line at 58.59 seconds. Freshman Sadie Foley was first in the 1600

run, Emily Norris won the 200 dash, and the Greyhounds ran away with the 4x400 relay, taking that race by nearly nine seconds over second place.

Carmel coach Aaron McRill was pleased with his team's performance.

"Emily Norris is just getting faster every week," said McRill. "She just ran a 24.9, which is right now the second-fastest in the state, and she's just getting stronger."

Hamilton Southeastern scored 115 points to finish third. Maggie Powers won an event for the Royals, holding off Noblesville's Nadia Perez to win the 3200 run in 11:14.01.

Westfield placed fourth as a team and had two event winners. Princess Campbell won a close 100 dash in 11.99 seconds, 0.03 seconds ahead of second place. Lucy Hauser placed first in the 300 hurdles.

Fishers was a winner in the 4x100 relay. The Tigers also got second-place results from Maya Taylor in the 100 dash and from Macie Miller in the discus.

Hamilton Heights' Ella Ewing won two events, and finished as the meet's high-point scorer. Ewing won the long jump in a new record of 18 feet, 5.75 inches and the 100 hurdles in 14.88 seconds, and also placed third in the 300 hurdles.

Team scores: Noblesville 134, Carmel 130, Hamilton Southeastern 115, Westfield 77, Fishers 72, Guerin Catholic 44, Hamilton Heights 40, Sheridan 5.

NOTE: Relay names were not available.

4x800 relay: 1. Noblesville 9:24.79, 2. Carmel 9:27.51, 3. Southeastern 9:28.49, 4. Guerin Catholic 9:41.90, 5. Westfield 10:17.02, 6. Fishers 10:32.31.

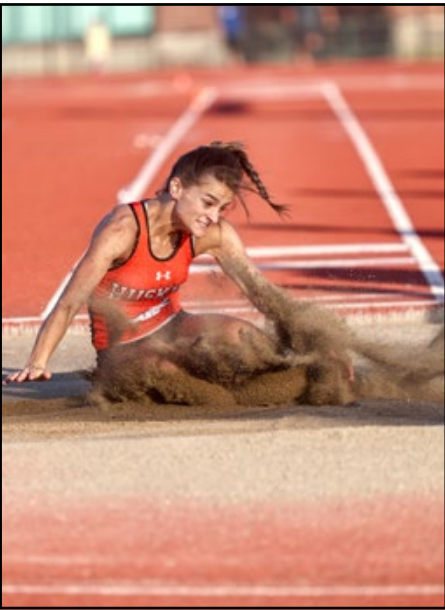
100 hurdles — Finals: 1. Ella Ewing (HH) 14.88, 2. Lucy Hauser (W) 14.99, 3. Makenzie Loftin (HSE) 15.17, 4. Sophia Sullivan 16.19, 5. Anna Williams (F) 16.35, 6. Olivia Fowler (N) 16.49, 7. Megan Mahon (C) 16.73, 8. Madison Clary (W) 17.16, 9. Olivia Boe (N) 17.33. **Prelims:** 10. Lilly Chesney (S) 17.22, 11. Elle Powers (F) 18.70, 12. Catherine Traub (GC) 20.31.

100 dash — Finals: 1. Princess Campbell (W) 11.99, 2. Maya Taylor (F) 12.02, 3. Emily Norris (C) 12.16, 4. Tobí Fapetu (W) 12.36, 5. Mireya Benjamin (F) 12.37, 6. Gabriela Grande Rosas (C) 12.76, 7. Lindsay Abeo (HSE) 12.99, 8. Mya Baker (N) 13.05, 9. Sanai Smith (HSE) 13.06. **Prelims:** 10. Nova Cross (S) 13.05, 11. Elle Gilbert (N) 13.45, 12. Brooke Bunnell (GC) 13.53, 13. Keira Wolf (GC) 14.26.

1600 run: 1. Sadie Foley (C) 5:07.83, 2. Paige Hazelrigg (N) 5:08.61, 3. Ava Powers (HSE) 5:11.48, 5. Liz Smith (W) 5:15.72, 6. Olivia Mundt (W) 5:15.72, 7.



Reporter photo by Kent Graham
The Noblesville girls track and field team won the Hamilton County championship last Tuesday at Westfield's Riverview Health Stadium. The Millers won six events, including four of five in the field.



Reporter photos by Kent Graham
(LEFT) Hamilton Heights' Ella Ewing set a new county record in the long jump and was also the meet's high-point scorer. (RIGHT) Ewing (left) and Westfield's Lucy Hauser were both hurdles winners; with Ewing first in the 100 hurdles and Hauser winning the 300 hurdles.

Anaya Lammie (HSE) 5:44.45, 8. Grier Swaim (F) 5:47.85, 9. Robyn Schemel (W) 5:52.58, 10. Ella Smith (GC) 5:53.19, 11. Tanvi Pothuri (F) 5:58.05, 12. Annie Shedlock (GC) 6:05.71.

4x100 relay: 1. Fishers 48.05, 2. Carmel 48.28, 3. Westfield 48.80, 4. Southeastern 49.13, 5. Noblesville 51.35, 6. Heights 53.17, 7. Guerin Catholic 54.55.

400 dash: 1. Cambell Wamsley (C) 57.70, 2. Olivia Cebalo (C) 58.59, 3. Ciara Kepner (HSE) 1:00.03, 4. Brinkley Cooper (N) 1:00.12, 5. Bridget Gallagher (GC) 1:00.49, 6. Nova Cross (S) 1:01.28, 7. Maddie Coates (N) 1:01.97, 8. Clara Cameron (W) 1:02.78, 9. Kyndall Osborne (GC) 1:03.10, 10. Devyn Day (F) 1:03.23, 11. Marina Agapios (F) 1:05.21.

300 hurdles: 1. Hauser (W) 45.40, 2. Ewing (HH) 46.00, 3. Ava Sinex (C) 47.07, 4. Elia Blackmore (HSE) 47.08, 5. Williams (F) 49.13, 6. Clary (W) 49.48, 7. Chesney (S) 50.06, 8. Loftin (HSE) 50.22, 9. Jaydi Jones (N) 50.49, 10. Elisabeth Green (C) 52.24, 11. Ally Hutchinson (N) 52.48, 12. Emily Catalano (GC) 53.76, 13. Taub (GC) 57.59.

800 run: 1. Summer Rempé

(N) 2:14.26, 2. Elizabeth Butler (HSE) 2:18.10, 3. Audrey Ricketts (C) 2:18.77, 4. Jasmine Klopstad (C) 2:24.43, 5. Elise Herman (HSE) 2:25.08, 6. Riley Flynn (N) 2:25.80, 7. Camille Morrow (GC) 2:27.67, 8. Isabella Murch (F) 2:28.40, 9. Claire Milam (GC) 2:29.22, 10. Abby Lotter (F) 2:29.53, 11. Anna Monnin (HH) 2:32.56, 12. Gianna Ferreri (W) 2:33.40, 13. Mary Ella Bichey (HH) 2:37.79, 14. Olivia Barnett (W) 2:38.88.

200 dash — Finals: 1. Norris (C) 24.90, 2. Chloe Senefeld (HSE) 25.29, 3. Taylor (F) 25.49, 4. Fapetu (W) 25.63, 5. Jocelyn Davis (HSE) 25.67, 6. Zinnia Pineda (F) 25.69, 7. Kate Rollins (N) 27.05, 8. Addy Horvath (N) 27.53, 9. Cross (S) 27.93. **Prelims:** 10. Bunnell (GC) 27.41, 11. Ashlyn Guerrant (C) 27.47, 12. Emily Burns (W) 28.56, 13. Cora McGee (GC) 28.84.

3200 run: 1. Maggie Powers (HSE) 11:14.01, 2. Nadia Perez (N) 11:15.31, 3. Kennedy Applegate (N) 11:24.20, 4. Charlotte Konow (C) 11:38.59, 5. Emersyn Weaver (C) 11:48.48, 6. Emily Loiselle (W) 11:59.64, 7. Catey Campbell (HSE) 12:11.98, 8. Eva Parr (GC) 12:26.16,

9. Keira Hines (GC) 12:30.77, 10. Addison Kane (F) 12:39.49, 11. Cecilia Schmidt (W) 13:37.15.

4x400 relay: 1. Carmel 3:57.49, 2. Southeastern 4:06.13, 3. Noblesville 4:09.97, 4. Westfield 4:10.00, 5. Fishers 4:11.34, 6. Guerin Catholic 4:12.26.

High jump: 1. Malina Miller (N) 5-6, 2. Rylee Hassan (N) 5-4, 3. Kori Dues (GC) 5-0, 4. Macie Smith (HH) 4-10, 5. Makenzie Holcomb (C) 4-10, 6. Alyssa Karwowski (HSE) 4-10, 7. Lydia Pedersen (C) 4-8; Mallory Kixmiller (F) 4-8, T9. Amiyah Ballard (W) 4-8; Kenley Johnson (HSE) 4-8, 11. Julia Syljebeck (W) 4-8, 12. Hannah Samson (F) 4-6.

Pole vault: 1. Delaney Teachnor (N) 12-0, 2. Riley Williams (HSE) 11-6, 3. Linley Burman (N) 10-6, 4. Ashlyn Bauer (W) 10-0, 5. Julia Dong (C) 9-6, 6. Alexandra Hamilton (W) 9-0, 7. Olivia Maynard (HSE) 9-0, T8. Riann O'Leary (C) 8-6; Savannah Strange (F) 8-6, 10. Ruby Schnitzius (F) 8-6, 11. Allie Hermann (GC) 8-0.

Long jump: 1. Ewing (HH) 18-5.75, 2. Mia Chang (GC) 18-3.75, 3. Grande Rosas (C) 17-4, 4. Karwowski (HSE) 16-7, 5. Kayla Stone

(W) 16-3.25, 6. Jumea Hall (F) 16-1.75, 7. Gilbert (N) 15-11.5, 8. Baker (N) 15-10.75, 9. Madison Paciorek (F) 15-10, 10. Chesney (S) 15-8.5, 11. Lydia Powers (HSE) 15-8.25, 12. Gracie Czubik (W) 15-6.5, 13. Rebecca Belager (C) 15-6.5, 14. Lizzy Smith (HH) 15-4.75, 15. Cristina Trice (GC) 13-3.5.

Shot put: 1. Hannah Alexander (N) 43-10, 2. Maris Bulger (GC) 36-11.5, 3. Macey Miller (F) 36-6, 4. Mia Tobias (F) 33-8.5, 5. Katie Wooden (HSE) 32-4.75, 6. Elaina Constantine (HSE) 31-10.75, 7. Audrey Dickson (C) 30-6, 8. Marielle Fitch (N) 30-1.75, 9. Lilyana Steiner (HH) 30-0.75, 10. Jada Henson (W) 28-6, 11. Alana Halsted (W) 28-4.75, 12. Sarah Crook (C) 28-1, 13. Hadleigh Cherry (HH) 27-10.75, 14. Sophia Moore (GC) 25-9.5.

Discus: 1. Alexander (N) 150-9, 2. Miller (F) 109-7, 3. Victoria Vance (HSE) 105-7, 4. Bulger (GC) 105-5, 5. Anna Jozsa (HH) 97-10, 6. Dickson (C) 97-7, 7. Thalia Siefert (N) 94-6, 8. Wooden (HSE) 92-0, 9. Halsted (W) 87-3, 10. Kayla Gregory (F) 86-7, 11. Henson (W) 86-6, 12. Abigail Bonacker (C) 85-5, 13. Cherry (HH) 77-4, 14. Moore (GC) 67-4.



Reporter photos by Kent Graham
(LEFT) Hamilton Southeastern's Maggie Powers (right) triumphed in the 3200 run. Pictured at left is the race runner-up, Nadia Perez. (CENTER) Noblesville's Summer Rempé raced to the finish in the 800 run in a new meet record. (RIGHT) Noblesville's Delaney Teachnor celebrates after clearing 12 feet in the pole vault.

Baseball

Guerin Catholic gets one over Greenfield, then ties

The REPORTER

The Guerin Catholic baseball team hosted Greenfield-Central in a doubleheader last Saturday.

In the first game, the Golden Eagles held off a huge comeback by the Cougars to win 11-10. Greenfield scored a run in the top of the first inning, which Guerin Catholic answered with three runs in the bot-

tom of the inning. Sam Tabor batted in Will Fremion for the first run, then Ian Taylor's left field hit scored Tabor and Aiden Ochall.

The Golden Eagles put up three runs in the third inning. AJ Nunley singled in Tabor and Davis Wagner, then Daulton Phillips drove in Nunley with a center field hit. In the fourth inning, Anthony Ferrucci singled Fre-

mion home, and GC led 7-1.

The Cougars got a run back in the top of the sixth, but the Golden Eagles put up four more in the bottom of the inning. Ferrucci's left field hit brought in Finn Holden and Cuinn Morrow, Fremion scored on Tabor's RBI groundout and Wagner batted in Ferrucci with a right field single.

With that, Guerin

Catholic led 11-2. Greenfield-Central came roaring back with eight runs in the top of the seventh, but the Golden Eagles got the third out at home plate to clinch the win.

Fremion was 3-for-4 at the plate in addition to scoring three runs; one of his hits was a double. Max Cosell threw five innings for the pitching win.

The second game finished in a 4-4 tie after six innings. Both teams scored a run in the second inning; Morrow got home after Nate Gremelspacher reached on error.

The Cougars scored two runs in the fourth inning and one in the fifth to lead 4-1. Guerin Catholic tied it up with three runs in the fifth inning. Wagner led off with

a double, then a Tabor triple sent him home. Tate Troxell's right field hit drove in Tabor. Two walks loaded the bases, and Gremelspacher drew another walk to score Troxell.

Wagner hit two doubles. Morrow pitched four innings, striking out four.

The Golden Eagles are 22-2-1 and play at Noblesville on Monday.

Track & Field

Greyhounds start off strong, win Hamilton County boys meet

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NOBLESVILLE – It was a perfect night for a track and field meet last Thursday as Guerin Catholic hosted the Hamilton County boys meet.

It was also a perfect opportunity for the Carmel Greyhounds to show what they can do. Carmel won a competitive meet, scoring 143 points and claiming seven of the 16 individual events.

“We’ve lost a lot of meets due to weather and we haven’t been able to run a lot of our guys, and so we don’t have a lot of times that have showed up in the top 10,” said Greyhounds coach Ken Browner. “This was really a good weather day that we had, and our guys were able to get out and finally race, produced some really good times, as you’ve seen in a number of the events. And I think it just sets us up very well going into the tournament, and so we just got to keep building.”

Carmel began the meet with a win in the 4x800 relay, then finished a very close first in the 4x100 relay, edging out Hamilton Southeastern by .005 seconds. Camren Avant was a member of that relay, and he would later win a second event in close fashion: Avant was first in the 200 dash by 0.03 seconds.

Kole Mathison provided some excitement for the ‘Hounds in the 800 dash. The senior practically sprinted the entire distance to finish in 1 minute, 50.80 seconds, by far a new county meet record.

“Kole Mathison is a phenomenal young man,” said Browner. “Whatever he does just does not surprise me anymore, because Kole’s the ultimate competitor and he just loves to race and just get after people.”

Tony Provenzano, already a county champion in the 4x800 relay, picked up a second win in the 3200 run. Provenzano won that race by over 21 seconds. Carmel had a nice day in the field as well, with Aydrin Caldwell winning the high jump and Drew Franklin claiming the discus.

Hamilton Southeastern placed second with 124

points. The Royals won three events, including a 1-2 finish in the long jump. Lamine Sall was the winner, while Michael Griffith was the runner-up, both clearing over 22 feet.

Griffith joined the double-winner club with a first-place finish in the 400 dash, while Mason Alexander was first in the 100 dash.

Fishers placed third with 103 points. Tyler Tarter had the most wins of the day with three, as he easily swept the 110 and 300 hurdles, then was part of the Tigers’ winning 4x400 relay. As a result, Tarter earned the high-point scoring award at the end of the meet. Sam Quagliaroli gave Fishers a fourth team win by placing first in a close 1600 run.

Noblesville placed fourth with 85 points. The Millers got second-place finishes from Christ Degni in the 100 dash, Asher Propst in the 1600 run, Caden Click in the 3200 run, and the 4x400 relay team.

Westfield finished fifth as a team with 81 points. Tom Ewing placed second in both the discus and the shot put.

Guerin Catholic’s Jack Weber led his team with a second-place finish in the 400 dash.

Hamilton Heights had two field event wins. Colin Wilson was first in the shot put, while Peyton McQuinn won the pole vault.

Team scores: Carmel 143, Hamilton Southeastern 124, Fishers 103, Noblesville 85, Westfield 81, Guerin Catholic 42, Hamilton Heights 39.

4x800 relay: 1. Carmel (Andrew Cebalo, Tony Provenzano, Drew Grogan, Everett Carlisle) 7:56.07, 2. Fishers (Makell Wiggins, Cooper Kane, Tommy Clark, Ethan Nix) 8:01.37, 3. Westfield (Caleb Haney, Landon Jones, Anthony Sulewski, Luke Sullivan) 8:04.49, 4. Guerin Catholic (Jack Weber, Ethan Hines, Luke Moster, Ben Grissom) 8:04.88, 5. Noblesville (Jack Strong, Alec Moor, Luke Mumaw, Ashton Burns) 8:18.64, 6. Southeastern (Noah Anderson, Adam Warski, Will Henning, Ian Ross) 8:25.95.

110 hurdles – Finals: 1. Tyler Tarter (F) 14.49, 2. Adom Quist (C) 15.06, 3. Clayton Allen (HSE) 15.45, 4. Jack Huisden (W) 15.87, 5. Drew Willman (C) 16.00, 6. Seffrin Smith (GC) 16.11, 7. Ben Kern (N) 16.75, 8. Landon Shackelford (W) 16.79. **Prelims:** 9. Elijah Adams (HSE) 16.68, 10. Damon Winston (Sheridan) 17.15, 11. Wesley Street (GC) 17.30, 12. Kortez Foster (F) 17.78, 13. Tyler Overton (HH) 18.35, 14. Ethan Feliciano (N) 18.45, 5. Andenet Wolfgang (HH) 19.19.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Carmel won the Hamilton County boys track and field meet last Thursday at Guerin Catholic. The Greyhounds scored 143 points and won seven events.

100 dash – Finals: 1. Mason Alexander (HSE) 11.09, 2. Christ Degni (N) 11.17, 3. Cameron Wilson (N) 11.382, 4. Jaylen Zachery (C) 11.384, 5. Cade Parker (W) 11.46, 6. Christian Ortiz (HSE) 11.53, 7. Joe Syrus (F) 11.57, 8. Josh Payton (F) 11.66. **Prelims:** 9. Hayden Cler (GC) 11.61, 10. John Miles (W) 11.78, 11. Carson Benton (C) 11.87, 12. Kevin Speck (S) 11.88, 13. Robert Sorensen (GC) 12.08, 14. Eli Kolb (S) 12.17.

1600 run: 1. Sam Quagliaroli (F) 4:16.04, 2. Asher Propst (N) 4:16.76, 3. Tate Meaux (F) 4:18.99, 4. Thomas Biltmimer (C) 4:23.11, 5. Connor Mallon (C) 4:23.60, 6. Ronnie Neal (N) 4:24.51, 7. Andrew Smith (HSE) 4:30.08, 8. Jack Lo-iselle (W) 4:30.51, 9. William Cummings (W) 4:37.52, 10. Deagan Baker (HSE) 4:45.92, 11. Johnny King (GC) 4:45.96, 12. Rudy Bowman (HH) 4:46.48, 13. John Constantino (GC) 4:52.35, 14. Hudson Holt (HH) 5:07.88.

4x100 relay: 1. Carmel (Desmond Duffy, Camren Avant, Nate Struve, Uchenyo Ojata) 42.343, 2. Southeastern (Silas Newton, Christian Ortiz, Ethan Falconer, Mason Alexander) 42.348, 3. Noblesville (Derrell Coleman, Degni, Sidney Weaver, Wilson) 42.57, 4. Westfield (Parker, Jacob Good, Gabe Arambolles, Mikeah Webster) 43.03, 5. Fishers (Syrus, Payton, Tristan Capps, Robert Seay) 43.38, 6. Guerin Catholic (Luke Moody, Cler, Nick Bauman, Alex Gibbs) 43.98, 7. Heights (Alex Knepper, Conor Baumann, Eric Balcom, Jaylyn Pugh) 45.47.

400 dash: 1. Michael Griffith (HSE) 49.81, 2. Weber (GC) 50.04, 3. Cole Taylor (C) 50.24, 4. Matt Dunlap (GC) 50.38, 5. Sevin Bar-ringer (N) 50.51, 6. Gabriel LaBoy-teaux (C) 50.74, 7. Noah Link (HSE) 51.20, 8. Calvin Lighty (N) 51.40, 9. Will Snedeker (W) 52.20, 10. Owen Flynn (W) 52.30, 11. Jayden Cham-bliss (F) 52.80, 12. Aiden Orton (HH) 55.61, 13. Kolb (S) 56.88, 14. Austin Day (HH) 57.68.

300 hurdles: 1. Tarter (F) 38.60, 2. Willman (C) 40.16, 3. Quist (C) 40.85, 4. Kern (N) 41.29, 5. Huis-den (W) 41.77, 6. Allen (HSE) 41.93, 7. Adams (HSE) 42.04, 8. Street (GC) 42.81, 9. Overton (HH) 42.97, 10. Charlie Naas (W) 44.10, 11. Pey-

ton Cash (N) 44.26, 12. Emmanuel Cowherd (F) 44.99, 13. Wolfgang (HH) 49.20.

800 run: 1. Kole Mathison (C) 1:50.80, new meet record, 2. Mat-thew Kim (F) 1:52.65, 3. Colin La-komek (W) 1:52.67, 4. Charlie Leed-ke (C) 1:53.12, 5. Moor (N) 1:56.53, 6. Steven Case (HH) 1:56.69, 7. Sam Hinds (W) 1:56.73, 8. Ross (HSE) 1:57.22, 9. Clark (F) 1:57.40, 10. Strong (N) 1:58.63, 11. Henning (HSE) 2:02.11, 12. James Crocker (GC) 2:04.53, 13. Max Fish (GC) 2:06.71.

200 dash – Finals: 1. Avant (C) 22.33, 2. Ortiz (HSE) 22.36, 3. Falconer (HSE) 22.42, 4. Degni (N) 22.47, 5. Cavitt Fowler III (F) 22.85, 6. Wilson (N) 22.96, 7. L. Moody (GC) 23.10, 8. Good (W) 23.32. **Prelims:** 9. Struve (C) 23.36, 10. Con-nor Seagrave (W) 23.63, 11. Pugh (HH) 23.86, 12. Capps (F) 24.03, 13. Speck (S) 24.12, 14. Baumann (HH) 24.48, 15. James Moody (GC) 26.57.

3200 run: 1. Provenzano (C) 9:12.24, 2. Caden Click (N) 9:33.70, 3. Sam Rinker (N) 9:39.04, 4. Liam Powers (HSE) 9:39.80, 5. Austin Wilson (F) 9:53.89, 6. Nate Thom-as (F) 9:56.14, 7. Riley Schamp (HSE) 10:05.00, 8. Liam Oman (C) 10:06.00, 9. Drew Lovelace (W) 10:12.97, 10. Hunter Kinzel-Gorman (GC) 10:31.02, 11. Owen Mohler (W) 10:34.32, 12. Nathan Traub (GC) 10:39.57, 13. Isaiah Heuer (HH) 11:02.56, 14. Max Bowman (HH) 11:28.23.

4x400 relay: 1. Fishers (Tarter, Leo Morrow, Fowler III, Wiggins) 3:23.87, 2. Noblesville (Lighty, Cole-man, Elliott Soderberg, Barringer) 3:25.41, 3. Southeastern (John Mc-rroy, Link, Ortiz, Griffith) 3:25.44, 4. Guerin Catholic (Dunlap, Gibbs, Bauman, Grissom) 3:26.12, 5. West-field (Hinds, Landon King, Webster, Flynn) 3:26.45, 6. Carmel (Taylor, Avant, Willman, Mathison) 3:27.18, 7. Heights (Orton, Overton, Tyler Runyan, Case) 3:41.86.

High jump: 1. Aydrin Caldwell (C) 6-6, 2. Rowan Hall (HSE) 6-2, 3. Robert Campbell (W) 6-2, 4. Daniel Ernst (GC) 6-2, 5. Runyan (HH) 6-1, 6. Seffrin Smith (GC) 5-8, 7. Tristan Johnson (F) 5-8, 8. Gabriel Davis (C) 5-8, T9. Jackson Cantlon (HH) 5-6;



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Fishers’ Tyler Tarter was the meet’s high-point scorer; he won both hurdle events and was part of the Tigers’ winning 4x400 relay.

Blake Braden (HSE) 5-6, 11. Cam-den Bush (F) 5-6.

Pole vault: 1. Peyton McQuinn (HH) 15-4, 2. Connor Langsford (HSE) 13-6, 3. Alex Wilson (W) 13-6, 4. Colin Swain (F) 11-6, 5. Lucas Bland (W) 11-0, 6. Carter Jay (C) 11-0, 7. Dean Watson (C) 10-6, 8. Evan Senefeld (HSE) 10-0, 9. Justin Over-ton (HH) 9-6, 10. Max Wambach (N) 9-0.

Long jump: 1. Lamine Sall (HSE) 22-2.75, 2. Griffith (HSE) 22-1, 3. JonAnthony Hall (F) 21-4.25, 4. Campbell (W) 20-7.5, 5. Coleman (N) 20-7, 6. Arambolles (W) 20-5.25, 7. Sorensen (GC) 19-6.5, 8. Gabriel Davis (C) 19-6.5, 9. Cameron Parker (GC) 19-2.75, 10. Weaver (N) 18-4.25, 11. Denkota Fletcher (F) 18-3, 12. Dax Woodfork (HH) 17-3.75, 13. Beau Snarr (C) 16-4.75, 14. Speck

(S) 16-4.75.

Shot put: 1. Colin Wilson (HH) 61-0, 2. Tom Ewing (W) 56-7, 3. Drew Franklin (C) 53-1, 4. Josiah Bird (HSE) 48-11, 5. Joel Gates (F) 48-2, 6. Owen Gerig (HSE) 46-7, 7. Josh Brown (HH) 45-6, 8. William Goodvine (W) 45-4, 9. Daniel Arm-strong (F) 45-3, 10. Vincent Neal (C) 41-9, 11. James Kuhlman (N) 41-9, 12. Sam Setmeyer (F) 38-7, 13. Ryan Howard (GC) 24-9.

Discus: 1. Franklin (C) 172-6, 2. Ewing (W) 169-11, 3. Wilson (HH) 157-10, 4. Gates (F) 151-11, 5. Bird (HSE) 146-2, 6. Hayden Pentecost (W) 134-1, 7. Alex Herring (C) 133-9, 8. Andrew Giger (F) 114-0, 9. Kuhl-man (N) 113-4, 10. Jaden Dunbar (S) 99-0, 11. Gabe Bellan (N) 95-3, 12. Tresdon Hamilton (S) 93-93, 13. Howard (GC) 59-0.



Reporter photos by Kent Graham

(ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville’s Derrell Coleman runs the second leg of the Millers’ 4x400 relay. (TOP RIGHT) Hamilton Heights’ Peyton McQuinn won the pole vault. (ABOVE RIGHT) McQuinn consults with his coach and father Mason.



Photo provided
Connor Maddox, a seventh-grader at Westfield Middle School, had a successful tournament at the U.S. Open, which took place April 26-30 at the South Point Hotel in Las Vegas. Maddox finished second in the U15 Greco-Roman 38 kilograms division, and in the top 24 of the U15 Freestyle 38 kilograms division.

Young Westfield wrestler places second in his division at U.S. Open

By **RICHIE HALL**
sports@readthereporter.com

There are plenty of stage shows in Las Vegas, and a young Westfield wrestler put on his own show there a couple weeks ago.

Connor Maddox, a seventh-grader at Westfield Middle School, finished second in the U15 Greco-Roman 38 kilograms division at the U.S. Open, which took place April 26-30 at the South Point Hotel in Las Vegas. It was the first time Maddox, 13, had participated at the U.S. Open, which features high-level wrestlers from all across the country.

Maddox was the second seed in the Greco-Roman U15 division at 38 kilograms (83.8 pounds), and was one of three wrestlers seeded in the top eight to represent Contenders Wrestling Academy. His bracket consisted of 27 wrestlers, so Maddox and the other wrestlers seeded in the top five

all received first-round byes.

“When I first got there, I was pretty nervous,” said Maddox. “I wrestled my first few matches and all the butterflies went away.”

Maddox breezed through his first match, beating Ryker Pruett of North Bend, Ore. 8-0. Maddox delivered his first career five-point throw in that match. (In Greco-Roman and freestyle, when a wrestler throws his opponent, if the opponent’s feet go above their head and they land on their back, that is a five-point throw.)

That moved Maddox into the quarterfinals, where he beat Jesse Grossman of Billings, Mt., 12-7. Grossman had just placed second in the 83-pound division at the 2023 USA Wrestling Folkstyle Nationals, which took place in Cedar Falls, Iowa March 31-April 2.

The match between Maddox and Grossman was tied with four seconds to go, but Maddox made a four-point throw with

two seconds left to seal the win. With that, Maddox advanced to the semifinals. (A four-point throw is when a wrestler takes his opponent from their feet to their back, but their feet don’t go over their head.) The throw was challenged, but the challenge was not successful, giving Maddox an extra point at the end.

In the semis, Maddox defeated Wyatt Stauffer of Factoryville, Pa., 10-0. Stauffer has won numerous tournaments in his home state of Pennsylvania, and was a runner-up at the Pennsylvania state tournament. That qualified Maddox for the championship match, where he fell to Chase Karenbauer of Mercer, Pa. 8-0; Karenbauer is a two-time winner at the Tulsa Nationals.

“It was pretty cool because all the senior-level guys were there,” said Maddox. “It was pretty cool to wrestle on the same stage as the senior level guys.”

Because of his performance at the meet, Maddox qualified for the Pan American Team Trials, which take place in August at Colorado Springs.

“It’s pretty cool,” said Maddox. “If I make the team, we go wrestle in Panama.”

While in Las Vegas, Maddox and his family got a chance to see some of the sights outside of wrestling.

“We stayed for a little bit after and went to the Hoover Dam and the Grand Canyon,” said Maddox.

Before wrestling in the Greco-Roman bracket, Maddox competed in the U15 Freestyle 38 kilograms division. After a first-round bye, he dropped his first match to Holten Crane of Nampa, Idaho 14-4. But he rebounded in the consolation bracket, defeating Michael Bernabe of Fresno 11-8, and Grossman 6-4 before falling to Thiago Javier Silva of Clovis, Calif. 10-0, giving him a top-24 finish.



Boys Volleyball — Three county teams headed to regionals

The REPORTER

The Indiana boys volleyball state tournament began last Saturday, with six Hamilton County teams competing.

For the first time, the tournament opened with a sectional round. Fishers hosted Sectional 2 and won the tournament with two straight-set sweeps. The Tigers beat Lawrence North in the semifinal and Noblesville in the championship; the Millers beat Guerin Catholic in the semifinals in five sets.

Hamilton Southeastern hosted Sectional 4 and won it, beating Warren Central and Bishop Chatard in

straight sets. Westfield was the host of Sectional 6, and also was victorious on its home floor. The Shamrocks swept Ben Davis and Carmel in straight sets.

All three teams will play in the regional this Saturday, May 20. Fishers hosts Regional 2 and will play Homestead, while the Royals will host Regional 4, taking on Fort Wayne Carroll. Westfield travels to Cathedral to play in Regional 6, where the ‘Rocks take on Brownsburg. The regional winners will advance to the state quarterfinals, which will be played that same day at their respective regional sites.

Golf — Another close contest between GC & Westfield

The REPORTER

Another week, another close finish between the Westfield and Guerin Catholic boys golf teams.

The two squads traveled to Glendarin Hills for the Angola Invitational. Both teams scored 290, with the Shamrocks getting the victory on the fifth-man score.

Cam Kooi and Alec Cesare both totaled 71s for Westfield, with Will Harvey adding a 72. Jake Cesare carded a 76 and Ryan Cesare scored a 77.

The Golden Eagles’ Jacob Modleski was the meet medalist with a 66. Eli Wessel and Zach Thieme both scored 74s, Leo Wessel carded a 76 and Owen Nielsen scored a 79.

Hamilton Southeastern

won the Brownsburg Invitational, which took place last Saturday at The Trophy Club.

The Royals totaled a 295, and also had the meet medalist: Cole Starnes went two under par for a 70. Kai Warner added a 74, followed by Mattingly Upchurch 75, Nate Benson 76, Lane Zedrick 79 and Tyler Marcinko 80.

Carmel finished third at the Trophy Club with a season-low 302. Kent Fujita led the Greyhounds with a one under par 71, placing him second individually. Other Carmel scores were Daniel Montgomery 75, Mason Price 76, Joseph Armfield 80, Austin Kent 80 and Ethan Hoagland 86.

More golf scores will appear in the Reporter’s Wednesday email edition.

— COURT NOTICES —

29D01-2305-EU-000226
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
HAMILTON SUPERIOR)
COURT NO. 1)
PROBATE DIVISION)
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2305-EU-000226)
IN THE MATTER OF)
THE ESTATE OF:)
RICHARD N. SHAW, DECEASED.)
N. Shaw, Deceased.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION)
(for publication))
IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF)
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA:)
In the Matter of the Estate of Richard)
N. Shaw, Deceased.)
{Cause Number Referenced Above})
Notice is hereby given that on May)
9, 2023, Jennifer Shaw and Sage)
Paquette, were appointed the Co-)
Personal Representatives of the Estate)
of Richard N. Shaw, Deceased, who)
died January 12, 2023.)
All persons who have claims against)
this Estate, whether or not now due,)
must file the claim in the office of)
the Clerk of this Court within three)
(3) months from the date of the first)
publication of this Notice, or within)
nine (9) months after the Decedent's)
death, whichever is earlier, or the)
claims will be forever barred.)
Dated at Marion County, Indiana,)
day: May 9, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court)
Attorney for Co-Personal)
Representatives/Estate:)
Steven M. Lutz)
Church Church Hittle + Antrim)
Two North Ninth Street)
Noblesville, IN 46060)
Telephone: (317) 773-2190)
R2506 5/15/23, 5/22/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003168)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
MARY CLAIRE BASS)
Petitioner.)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Mary Claire Bass, whose temporary)
address is:)
5404 Freedom Lane Unit 109)
Jamestown, NC 27282.)
And permanent address is:)
12427 Bayhill Drive, Carmel, IN)
46033.)
Hamilton County, Indiana hereby)
gives notice that she has filed a)
petition in Hamilton Circuit Court)
requesting that her name be changed)
to Mary Claire Bass Cote. Because)
she is temporarily residing in North)
Carolina while she completes PA)
school, she requests to attend this)
hearing remotely.)
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the 7th)
day of July, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.)
Mary Claire Bass)
Petitioner, Mary Claire Bass)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Hamilton Circuit Court Clerk)
R2510 5/15/23, 5/22/23, 5/29/23

29C01-2304-MI-003629
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT)
COURT)
SS)
CAUSE NO.: 29C01-2304-MI-003629)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
JOSHUA IRELAND,)
Petitioner.)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Joshua Ireland, whose mailing)
address is 403 East 4th Street,)
Sheridan, IN 46069, in the Hamilton)
County, Indiana, hereby gives notice)
that he has filed a petition in the)
Hamilton County Circuit Court)
requesting that his name be changed)
to Joshua Stickler.)
Notice is further given that the)
hearing will be held on said petition)
on August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.)
Date: April 24, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County)
5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23)
R2446

29D03-2305-EU-000213
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
SUPERIOR COURT)
CAUSE NO. 29D03-2305-EU-000213)
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED)
ADMINISTRATION OF)
THE ESTATE OF)
JIMMY LEE NIGHTENHELSE,)
Deceased.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION)
Notice is hereby given that on May)
8th, Stuart B. Nightenhelser was)
appointed Personal Representative)
of the Estate of Jimmy Lee)
Nighthenelser, Deceased, who died on)
March 23, 2023.)
All persons having claims against)
this Estate, whether or not now due,)
must file the claim in the office of)
the Clerk of this Court within three)
(3) months from the date of the first)
publication of this Notice, or within)
nine (9) months after the Decedent's)
death, whichever is earlier, or the)
claims will be forever barred.)
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this)
May 8th, 2023.)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court)
Attorney for Personal Representative:)
Rhonda Yoder Brehman)
Attorney No.: 23520-49)
SCHLUETER BREMAN LLC)
9292 North Meridian Street, Suite 350)
Indianapolis, IN 46260)
317-953-6000; Fax 317-953-6001)
Rhonda@SchlueterBrehman.com)
R2509 5/15/23, 5/22/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2208-MI-006345)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
RYLEE SNYDER)
Petitioner.)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
RYLEE SNYDER, whose mailing)
address is: 19120 Tomlinson Road,)
Westfield, IN 46074, Hamilton)
County, Indiana hereby gives notice)
that RYLEE SNYDER has filed a)
petition in the Hamilton Court)
requesting that name be changed to)
Rylee Elaine Cooper.)
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the)
June 9, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.)
5/9/23)
Date)
R2514 5/15/23, 5/22/23, 5/29/23

— SHERIDAN —

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF
DECLARATORY RESOLUTION AND PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sheridan Redevelopment Commission (the “Commission”) will conduct a public hearing on May 23, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) at the Sheridan Community Center, located at 300 East 6th Street, Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana, 46069, to consider a Declaratory Resolution (the “Declaratory Resolution”) adopted by the Commission on November 28, 2022, which identifies the Main Street Redevelopment Area and designates a coterminous Main Street Allocation Area. The Declaratory Resolution has been prepared by the Commission pursuant to Indiana Code 36-7-14 for approval following a public hearing and adoption of a confirmatory resolution thereon.
The Declaratory Resolution may be inspected at the offices of the Commission, located at Sheridan Town Hall in the Clerk’s Office, located at 506 South Main Street, Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana, 46049, during regular business hours.
During the public hearing portion of the meeting, the Commission will receive and hear comments, remonstrances and objections, written or oral, from persons interested in or affected by the proceedings pertaining to actions to be taken under the Declaratory Resolution and will determine the public utility and benefit of the proposed action. Written comments, remonstrances and objections may be filed with the Commission care of Parvin Gillam, President of the Commission, at Sheridan Town Hall in the Clerk’s Office, located at 506 South Main Street, Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana, 46049, until May 23, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). All written comments, remonstrances and objections will be dated and time stamped at such time of filing. At the public hearing, the Commission shall consider only those written statements that were filed in a timely manner.
Dated: May 9, 2023
SHERIDAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
R2498 5/10/23, 5/15/23

Notice of Adoption of an Ordinance to Repeal the Existing Combined Zoning, Subdivision, and Development Ordinance and Adopt a Replacement Unified Development Ordinance for the Town of Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana
Ordinance 2023-08, an Ordinance to Repeal the Existing Combined Zoning, Subdivision, and Development Ordinance and Adopt a Replacement Unified Development Ordinance for the Town of Sheridan, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Sheridan Common Council on May 1, 2023. The Ordinance applies to the corporate limits of the Town of Sheridan and to those areas outside the corporate limits of the Town that are subject to its extraterritorial jurisdiction under the laws of the State of Indiana. Violations of the ordinance will be penalized in accordance with Chapter 11: Enforcement and Penalties of said ordinance, and the Fee Schedule adopted by the Town of Sheridan. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana law, upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 2023-08 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Sheridan Clerk-Treasurer’s Office located at 506 South Main Street, Sheridan, Indiana and at the Sheridan Public Library located at 103 West 1st St, Sheridan, Indiana.
Dated this 4th day of May 2023.
Pam Howard, ZonedINPlanning
R2499 5/10/23, 5/15/23

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Sheridan Civil Town, Hamilton County, Indiana, that the proper legal officers of the Town of Sheridan, at their regular meeting place at 300 East 6th Street, Sheridan, IN, at 6:00 P.M., on the 6th day of June 2023, will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year.
1101 GENERAL FUND SERVICES CONTRACUTAL \$350,000.00
1101 GENERAL FUND BUILDING REPAIRS & MAINTENANNCE \$92,175.00
Total \$442,175.00
Taxpayers appearing at such meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance. The Department will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a certified copy of the action taken.
Elizabeth Walden, IAMC, CMO, CMC
Clerk-Treasurer Town of Sheridan
R2511 5/15/23

— CARMEL —

NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISSOLUTION OF
BOWTIE, INC.
Bowtie, Inc. an Indiana corporation (hereinafter referred to as the “Company”), hereby gives notice of action authorizing and effectuating the dissolution of the Company pursuant to the provisions of Indiana Code § 23-1-45 et seq. Articles of Dissolution were filed with the Indiana Secretary of State. Corporations Division, on 5/1/2023. The Company’s EIN is 35-1282352.
Any person or entity who wants to assert a claim against the Company must send written notice of its claim to the Company and include in its notice: (a) name and address; (b) the amount of the claim; and (3) documentation to support the claim.
All claims against the Company will be barred unless a proceeding to enforce the claim is commenced within two (2) years after publication of this Notice.
The mailing address for the Company is as follows: 2921 Saddlehorn Drive, Carmel, IN 46033
Dated: 4/30/2023
BOWTIE, INC.
Kimberly Ann Hamather, President
R2504 5/15/23

— COURT NOTICES —

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003577)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Lang Vuong Tu Hoang)
Petitioner.)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME**)
Lang Vuong Tu Hoang, whose)
mailing address is: 15189 War)
Emblem Dr Noblesville, Indiana)
46060 in Hamilton County, Indiana,)
hereby gives notice that Lang Vuong)
Tu Hoang has filed a petition in the)
Hamilton Court requesting that name)
be changed to Lisa Hoang.
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the)
August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Lang Vuong Tu Hoang
Petitioner
Date: April 19, 2023
Kathy Kragg Williams
County Clerk
R2443 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003541)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Tara Ann Nichols)
Petitioner.)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME**)
Tara Ann Nichols, whose mailing)
address is: 12602 Amber Star Drive)
Noblesville, Indiana 46060 in)
Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that Tara Ann Nichols has)
filed a petition in the Hamilton Court)
requesting that name be changed to)
Tara Ann Placeway.
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the)
August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Tara Ann Nichols
Petitioner
Date: April 24, 2023
Kathy Kragg Williams
County Clerk
R2444 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003387)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Peter Forrest Schrock)
Petitioner.)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME**)
Peter Forrest Schrock, whose)
mailing address is: 15376 Promise)
Court Noblesville, Indiana 46060 in)
Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that Peter Forrest Schrock)
has filed a petition in the Hamilton)
Court requesting that name be changed)
to Pete Forrest Schrock.
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the)
August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Peter Forrest Schrock
Petitioner
Date: April 14, 2023
Kathy Kragg Williams
County Clerk
R2445 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

29C01-2304-MI-003739
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003739)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
JAMES NATHAN MONTGOMERY)
Petitioner.)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME**)
James Nathan Montgomery, whose)
mailing address is: 10071 Cedar)
Ridge Drive, Carmel, Indiana 46032)
in Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that James Nathan)
Montgomery has filed a petition in)
the Hamilton Court requesting that)
name be changed to Nathan James)
Montgomery.
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the 4th)
day of August at 10:00 a.m.
James Nathan Montgomery
Petitioner
Date: April 28, 2023
Kathy Kragg Williams
Circuit Court Clerk
R2486 5/8/23, 5/15/23, 5/22/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003445)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Tiffany Jolayla Chartrand)
Petitioner.)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME**)
Tiffany Jolayla Chartrand, whose)
mailing address is: 25910 Jerkwater)
Rd. Sheridan, Indiana 46069 in)
Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that Tiffany Jolayla)
Chartrand has filed a petition in the)
Hamilton Court requesting that name)
be changed to Tiffany Jolayla)
Ramirez-Chartrand.
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the)
August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Tiffany Jolayla Chartrand
Petitioner
Date: April 19, 2023
Kathy Kragg Williams
County Clerk
R2447 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003326)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Joseph Paul Miller Bramer)
Petitioner.)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME**)
Joseph Paul Miller Bramer, whose)
mailing address is: 13255 Parkside)
Dr Apt 318 Fishers, Indiana 46038)
in Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that Joseph Paul Miller)
Bramer has filed a petition in the)
Hamilton Court requesting that name)
be changed to Joseph Paul Miller.
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the)
August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Joseph Paul Miller Bramer
Petitioner
Date: April 12, 2023
Kathy Kragg Williams
County Clerk
R2464 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

29D02-2304-EU-000186
Notice of Administration
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT PROBATE
DIVISION
In the Matter of the Unsupervised
Estate of MARCEL ROHANA,
Deceased
Notice is hereby given that ANNA
ROHANA was on 4/20/2023
appointed personal representative of
the estate of MARCEL ROHANA,
deceased, who died on the 5th day of
March, 2023.
All persons having claims against
said estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the Office of
the Clerk of this Court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this Notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on
4/20/2023.
Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior
Court, Probate Division
Jessica R. Williams
(Attorney #31811-49)
ROBINSON & FARTHING, LLC
8500 Keystone Crossing #470
Indianapolis, IN 46240
Phone: (317)587-7820
Email: jrw@YourIndyAttorneys.com
R2483 5/8/23, 5/15/23

29D02-2305-EU-000212
Webster & Garino, LLC
209 E. 175th Street, Suite A
Westfield, IN 46074
317-565-1818
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Cause Number:
29D02-2305-EU-000212
In the Hamilton County Superior
Court, Indiana. Notice is hereby given
that Ashley Neff was on the 2nd day
of May, 2023, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate of
William Halcomb, deceased, who died
on February 16, 2022.
All persons who have claims against
the estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the Office of
the Clerk of this Court within three
(3) months from the date of first
publication of this notice, or within
nine (9) months after the decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this be
2nd day of May, 2023.
Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County
Superior Court
R2507 5/15/23, 5/22/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE Hamilton SUPERIOR/)
CIRCUIT COURT)
CAUSE NO 29D03-2304-)
DN-003842)
Silvestra Vildozola Tepexpa)
Petitioner)
V)
Ricardo Rivera Rivera)
Respondent)
SUMMONS)
The State of Indiana to Respondent:)
Ricardo Rivera Rivera.)
You have been sued by your spouse)
for dissolution of marriage. The case)
is pending in the Court named above.)
If this Summons is accompanied)
by an Order Setting Hearing, you)
must appear in Court on the date)
and time stated on the Order Setting)
Hearing. IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR,)
EVIDENCE MAY BE HEARD AND A)
DECISION MAY BE MADE)
BY THE COURT. If a Temporary)
Restraining Order is issued, it is)
effective immediately upon your)
receipt or knowledge of the Order.)
If you wish to retain an attorney)
to represent you in the matter, it is)
advisable to do so before the date)
stated on the Notice of Provisional)
Hearing.
If you take no action in this case)
after receipt of this Summons, the)
Court can grant a Dissolution of)
Marriage and/or make determinations)
that may include but not limited to)
any of the following: paternity, child)
custody, child support, maintenance,)
parenting time, property (real or)
personal), and other distribution of)
assets and debts, attorney fees and)
costs.
Dated: April 28, 2023
Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
R2488 5/8/23, 5/15/23, 5/22/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
SUPERIOR COURT)
CAUSE NO. 29D03-2305-EU-000215)
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED)
ADMINISTRATION OF THE)
ESTATE OF)
KENNETH B. LEWIS, DECEASED.)
Gregg H. Morelock, Attorney)
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION)
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT,)
OF HAMILTON COUNTY,)
INDIANA.**)
In the matter of the Estate of)
Kenneth B. Lewis, deceased.)
Cause No. 29D03-2305-EU-000215)
Notice is hereby given that Jane)
E. Lewis was, on May 8, 2023,)
appointed personal representative)
of the estate of Kenneth B. Lewis,)
deceased, who died on the 10th day of)
March, 2023.
All persons who have claims against)
this estate, whether or not now due,)
must file the claim in the office of)
the Clerk of this Court within three)
(3) months from the date of the first)
publication of this notice, or within)
nine (9) months after the decedent's)
death, whichever is earlier, or the)
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, May)
8th, 2023.
Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk of the Courts)
of Hamilton County, Indiana)
R2505 5/15/23, 5/22/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29D03-2305-MI-3964)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Allison Kelly DeFoe)
Petitioner.)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME**)
Allison Kelly DeFoe, whose mailing)
address is: P.O. Box 203, Atlanta, IN)
46031 and if different my residence)
is 110 S. John St., Atlanta, IN 46031)
in Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby)
gives notice that Allison Kelly DeFoe)
has filed a petition in the Hamilton)
Court requesting that name be changed)
to Kelly Margaret DeFoe.
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on the)
June 12, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.
Kelly DeFoe
Petitioner
Date: April 4, 2023
William J. Hughes
Judicial Officer
R2487 5/8/23, 5/15/23, 5/22/23

29D03-2304-EU-000167
Hamilton Superior Court 3
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE MATTER OF)
THE UNSUPERVISED)
ADMINISTRATION OF THE)
ESTATE OF MATTHEW L.)
GRIFFIN, DECEASED)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION)
NOTICE is hereby given that on)
April 6, 2023, Emily C. Griffin was)
appointed Personal Representative of)
the Estate of Matthew L. Griffin who)
died on January 27, 2023.
All persons who have claims)
against this estate whether or not now)
due, must file the claim in the Office)
of the Clerk of this Court within three)
(3) months from the date of the first)
publication of this notice, or within)
nine (9) months after the decedent's)
death, whichever is earlier, or the)
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this)
April 6th, 2023.
Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
Prepared By:
Scott Linneweber
Eagle & Fein, P.C.
8500 Keystone Crossing, Suite 555
Indianapolis, IN 46240
Phone: 317/726-1714
R2508 5/15/23, 5/22/23

— SHERIFF SALES —

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) SS: HAMILTON COUNTY)
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA)
CAUSE NO. 29D04-1809-MF-008825)
**U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION)
PLAINTIFF)
vs)
MICHAEL J. BECK, JR.; BROOKSTON PLACE)
HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; SRMOF II)
2012-1 TRUST)
DEFENDANTS)
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
By virtue of an Order of Sale, directed to me from the Clerk of the Hamilton Circuit Court and pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered on 05/27/2022, I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the office of the Sheriff of Hamilton County, in Hamilton County, Indiana, located at 18100 Cumberland Rd., Noblesville, IN 46060 on **June 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Local Time, the fee simple title together with the rents, profits, issues and income or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, interest, costs and accruing costs of the following described real estate located in Hamilton County, Indiana, to-wit:
Lot No. 85 in Brookston Place, Section 4, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded July 29, 1998, as Instrument No. 9809841627, Amended by Certificate of Correction recorded August 26, 1998, as Instrument No. 9847696, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known as: 10199 Brushfield Lane, Fishers, IN 46037-8497
State Parcel Number: 29-15-10-017-041.000-020
Township: Fall Creek
This sale is to be made in all respects pursuant to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, approved March 7, 1931, and entitled An act concerning proceedings in actions to foreclose real estate mortgages, providing for the sale and custody of the mortgaged premises and repealing all laws conflicting therewith (see Indiana Code).
It is further provided by law that there shall be no redemption from such sale, and the purchaser at such sale, upon complying with the terms of his purchase, shall be entitled to immediately receive from the undersigned, Sheriff of Hamilton County, a deed conveying to him, the purchaser, the fee simple title in and to said real estate.
Taken as foe property of foe Defendants) stated above at foe suit of U.S. Bank National Association. Said sale to be without relief from valuation and/or appraisalment laws.
THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OF THE STREET ADDRESS PUBLISHED HEREIN.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Attorney for Plaintiff
Codilis Law, LLC
8050 Cleveland Place
Merrillville, IN 46410
(219) 736-5579
15-21-02506
NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector.
R2439 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23**

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No.: 29D02-2210-MI-7895 wherein Richard G. Miller and Barbara J. Miller (the "Plaintiff), was Plaintiff and the Defendants were Scott E. Sauder, et al., requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **15th day of June, 2023, at the hour(s) of 10:00am-12:00pm** of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriffs Office, 18100 Cumberland Rd; Noblesville, Indiana, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate, in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Number 1 in Bentley Oaks, a Hamilton County, Indiana subdivision, as per plat thereof, recorded as Instrument No. 9115494, and Amended in Instrument No. 9119343 in the county records of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Address: 1203 Bentley Way, Carmel, Indiana 46032 Township: Clay
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
Date:
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana
Plaintiffs' Attorney:
H. Curtis Johnson
DePREZ, JOHNSON, BRANT & EADS, P.A.
416 S. Harrison St.
Shelbyville, IN 46176
Phone: 317-398-6687
Fax: 317-398-6806
curtjohnson@shelbylaw.com
THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE DOES NOT WARRANT THE ACCURACY OF THE STREET ADDRESS PUBLISHED HEREIN.
R2441 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

— WESTFIELD —

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed proposals for **Westfield Trails Projects** will be received by the City of Westfield, Indiana, at the Westfield Public Works Building, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, 46074, until **1:00 p.m., local time, on Wednesday, May 24, 2023**. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received later than the above time and date will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.
The Westfield Trails Projects include the 156th Street and Westfield Blvd Trail Connectors Project and the Midlands Trace Trail Project. The 156th Street and Westfield Blvd Trail Project is generally grading, asphalt trail construction to connect existing trails, drainage structures, concrete driveway construction, and mulched seeding. The Midlands Trace Trail Project is grading and asphalt trail construction to connect existing trail segments.
Bids shall be properly and completely executed on the Proposal Form obtainable at the office of the Owner. Each bid shall be accompanied by Form 96 Contractor's Bid for Public Works, including Non-Collusion Affidavit as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts, completely filled out, signed, and notarized as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana, Section III of Part II of Form 96 titled "Contractor's Financial Statement," and acceptable bid security. The bid security shall be a certified check made payable to the Owner or satisfactory bond by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana in an amount equal to 5% of the bid, said deposit being for the purpose of ensuring the execution of the contract for which bid is made. Any bid not accompanied by the above required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid by the Owner.
No consideration for escalation on prices can be considered; therefore, contractors are advised to not include any such escalation clauses in their proposal for this project.
The Contractors to whom work is awarded shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and they shall be acceptable to the City of Westfield, Indiana.
No bidder may withdraw their proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for receiving bids. The City of Westfield, Indiana reserves the right to retain the three lowest bid proposals for a period of not more than 90 days, and said proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City of Westfield, Indiana further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder or bidders, all to the advantage of the City of Westfield, Indiana, or to reject all Proposals.
The Contract Documents and drawings will be available to all interested parties from: Repro Graphix, 437 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or at eplanroom.reprographix.com.
Please direct all questions regarding this project to Michael Pearce, City of Westfield, Department of Public Works, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074, (317) 473-2917, mpearce@westfield.in.gov
By: Michael Pearce, City of Westfield
R2480 5/8/23, 5/15/23

— COUNTY —

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF DETERMINATION TO ISSUE BONDS AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES
Taxpayers of the redevelopment district of Hamilton County, Indiana (the "Redevelopment District"), which Redevelopment District is a special taxing district of Hamilton County, Indiana (the "County"), are hereby notified that the Redevelopment District has determined to issue special taxing district bonds ("Bonds") and, if necessary, bond anticipation notes ("BANs") in accordance with Indiana Code 36-7-14, as amended, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the costs of (i) local public improvements, including the installation of new sanitary service and drinking water to the residents and businesses in the Bakers Corner community and over 1,000 acres of land that is poised for development, (ii) capitalized interest, if necessary, (iii) funding a reserve, if necessary, (iv) refunding any BANs issued in advance of the Bonds, if issued, and (v) selling and issuing the Bonds and, if necessary, BANs. This notice is provided in accordance with Indiana Code 6-1.1-20-5.
Dated this 3rd day of May, 2023.
HAMILTON COUNTY
REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
R2459 5/8/23, 5/15/23

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF Krause & Klepfer Drain NOTICE
Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the **Krause & Klepfer Drain on May 22, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.** in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of the hearing is for the Board to increase the amount of the maximum unencumbered amount of the maintenance fund for the **Krause & Klepfer Drain** to be increased from four (4) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance of the drain to eight (8) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance. The Board will not consider an increase in annual maintenance assessments at the meeting. The previously established Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been previously approved and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.
Hamilton County Drainage Board
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh
R2491 5/10/23, 5/15/23

NOTICE OF AUCTION FOR SALE OF TRACTOR TO SATISFY LIENS
A John Deere 4840 Tractor, Serial No. RW4840P006795R, will be sold at online auction at www.auctiontime.com with the auction listing beginning at 5:00 p.m. on May 31, 2023 and the auction concluding on June 7, 2023. This tractor is being sold to satisfy towing and storage liens held by Reynolds Farm Equipment. The current amount of unpaid charges is \$8,200.
R2512 5/15/23

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— SHERIFF SALES —

HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Date of Sale: June 15, 2023
Sale Location: 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060
Publisher's Name/County: The Hamilton County Reporter - Hamilton County
Judgment to be Satisfied: \$141,891.30
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D03-1807-MF-006663**
Plaintiff: Ditech Financial LLC
Defendant: David Fahrenholz, David E. Fahrenholz, Melinda Fahrenholz and Melinda S. Fahrenholz, et al.
Required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, at the hour of 10:00 AM of said day as listed above, at, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
LEGAL DESCRIPTION
A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF FISHERS, COUNTY OF HAMILTON, STATE OF INDIANA, AND KNOWN AS: BEING LOT NUMBER 105 IN SUNBLEST FARMS ADDITION, SECTION 17-B AS SHOWN IN THE RECORDED PLAT/MAP THEREOF IN BOOK 16 PAGE 120-123 OF HAMILTON COUNTY RECORDS
Parcel No. 29-10-36-202-044.000-006
Commonly Known as: 12552 POINTER PLACE, FISHERS, IN 46038
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. This Notice shall also represent service of Notice of Sale of the above-described real estate upon the owners, pursuant to requirements of IC 32-29-7-3.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Matthew C. Gladwell (30493-49)
Christopher S. Airlinghaus (31680-15)
Attorney
Reisenfeld & Associates, LPA LLC
Attorneys' Law Firm
(513) 322-7000
Contact Telephone Number
Delaware
Township
12552 Pointer Place, Fishers, IN 46038
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
R2436 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2212-MF-009556, wherein U.S. Bank National Association was Plaintiff, and Christopher S. Glassford and Sonoma Homeowners Association, Inc., were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **15th day of June, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot 82 in Maple Village (a.k.a. Sonoma) Section One, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded December 13, 2005 as Instrument No. 200500080403, in Plat Cabinet 3, Slide 789, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
29-09-03-002-082.000-015
and commonly known as: 911 Maidstone Ave, Westfield, IN 46074.
Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # **29D01-2212-MF-009556** in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.
Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton County Sheriff
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Washington
Township
911 Maidstone Ave, Westfield, IN 46074
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
R2437 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D03-2202-MF-001200, wherein Eagle Accounts Group, Inc. was Plaintiff, Nancy Rowland a/k/a Nancy Carey-Rowland a/k/a Nancy Clint, Michael Rowland, Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company A/K/A M&T Bank Corporation and Cach, LLC were Defendants; Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company A/K/A M&T Bank Corporation was Cross/Counterclaim Plaintiff, Nancy Rowland a/k/a Nancy Carey-Rowland a/k/a Nancy Clinton, Michael Rowland and Cach, LLC were Cross-Claim Defendants, Eagle Accounts Group, Inc. was Counterclaim Defendant, and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. was Third-Party Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **15th day of June, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
A part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 20 North, Range 4 East located in Jackson Township, Hamilton County, Indiana being described as follows: Commencing at the Harrison marker at the Northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 20 North, Range 4 East; thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes 54 seconds East (assumed bearing) 28.79 feet to a mag nail at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 21 North, Range 4 East; thence North 89 degrees 41 minutes 23 seconds East 635.22 feet along the North line of said Northwest Quarter to a Mag nail at the Northeast corner of a 1.0 acre tract of real estate described in Instrument# 9138187 and the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 18 minutes 37 seconds East 1371.94 feet to a 5/8" iron rod with yellow cap stamped Miller Surveying on the North line of a 20.00 acre tract of real estate described in Instrument #200400034894; thence North 89 degrees 41 minutes 18 seconds East 690.02 feet to a 5/8" iron rod with yellow cap stamped Miller Surveying at the Northeast corner of said 20.0 acre tract of real estate, said corner being on the East line of 60.0 acres off the West end of the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 20 North, Range 4 East; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 03 seconds West 1371.95 feet along the East line of said 60.0 acres to a mag nail on the North line of said Northwest Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 41 minutes 23 seconds West 697.44 feet along the North line of said Northwest Quarter to the point of beginning. Containing 21.85 acres, more or less. Subject to a 40 foot Drainage easement on the North side of the property. Also subject to the Elizabeth Wendy Drain. The above property may also be known as: Lot #1 296th Street Anthony Road Estates
29-02-05-000-001.003-008
and commonly known as: 3345 E. 296th Street, Atlanta, IN 46031.
Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # **29D03-2202-MF-001200** in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.
Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton County Sheriff
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Jackson
Township
3345 E. 296th Street, Atlanta, IN 46031
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
R2438 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No.: 29D04-2302-CC-001337, wherein The Townhomes at Avalon Homeowners Neighborhood Association, Inc. was Plaintiff and Carla Clayton, and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee of American Neighborhood Mortgage Acceptance Company, LLC were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **15th day of June, 2023, at the hour(s) of 10:00am-12:00pm** of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriffs Office, 18100 Cumberland Rd; Noblesville, Indiana, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate, in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot Numbered 62 in Avalon of Fishers, Section One E, a Subdivision in the Town of Fishers, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded as Instrument Number 200400078558, Certificate of Correction recorded as Instrument Number 200400081161 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known as: 12652 Watford Way, Fishers, IN 46037
Township: Fall Creek
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Thrasher Buschmann & Voelkel, P. C.
Steven C. Earnhart, Esq.
8440 Woodfield Crossing Blvd, Suite 310
Indianapolis, IN 46240
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
R2440 5/1/23, 5/8/23, 5/15/23

— CICERO —

Notice
On May 16, 2023, Cicero Town Council will hold an Executive Session at 6:00 at Cicero Town Hall, 70 N Byron Street, Cicero, IN according to Indiana Code IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2) (B) Initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. As used in this clause, "litigation" includes any judicial action or administrative law proceeding under federal or state law.
R2513 5/13/23, 5/15/23

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Softball

Royals & Greyhounds split Saturday games

The REPORTER

The Hamilton South-eastern softball team split a pair of games played at Fort Wayne Carroll last Saturday.

In their first game, the Royals beat the host Chargers 8-3. Carroll scored one run in the first inning, but Southeastern's Morgan Hicks smacked a three-run double in the third inning and the Royals held the lead from there. Addy Justice, Megan Wincek and Lani Wyrick all scored.

Wincek got a big hit in the fourth inning, cracking a triple to bring in Paige Gould. Wincek later scored on a wild pitch, and Payton Fox's right field hit got Makenna Selm home. Fox also batted in two runs with a sixth-inning single, sending Wyrick and Selm home.

Justice and Fox both had two hits. Sage Ladig went four and two-thirds innings for the win, tossing three strikeouts. Grace Swedarsky struck out six in relief.

Southeastern dropped its second game 2-0 to South Bend St. Joseph. Fox and Hicks both had one hit, while Swedarsky threw 11 strikeouts in a complete game.

The Royals are 16-7 and play Tuesday at Franklin Central and Thursday at Ben Davis, then finish the regular season Friday by hosting Yorktown.

Carmel also split a pair of games last Saturday, traveling to northwest Indiana to play two tough teams on their home fields.

First, the Greyhounds beat Crown Point 8-7 in a back-and-forth game. Both teams scored a run in the

first inning; Lily Sullivan hit a double for Carmel, then Hope McDonald sent her home with a double.

A two-RBI double gave the Bulldogs a 3-1 lead in the third inning. The 'Hounds tied it up in the top of the fourth. Sullivan led off with another double, then McDonald drove her in with a center field hit. McDonald later scored on an error.

Carmel went up 4-3 in the fifth inning after Sullivan hit her third double of the game to score Sophie Esposito. Crown Point put up two runs in the bottom of the fifth and led 5-4.

The Greyhounds took the lead for good in the sixth inning with four runs. Gracyn Erickson scored on Mia Fleming's RBI fielder's choice, then Alex Longsterth's left field hit brought in Esposito and Fleming. Sullivan then hit a center field single to score Longstreth and give Carmel an 8-5 lead. The Bulldogs scored two in the bottom of the sixth, but the 'Hounds took care of them three-up, three-down in the seventh.

Sullivan had a perfect hitting game, going 4-for-4. McDonald had two hits, a double and a single, while Erickson also hit a double. Lucy Broughton pitched a complete game for the win.

Carmel played at Munster next, and fell 3-1. The Mustangs scored all three of their runs in the first inning. The Greyhounds scored one in the sixth inning; Esposito got home when Sullivan reached on error.

Erickson hit a triple for Carmel.

The Greyhounds are

5-13 and host Harrison Monday and Shelbyville on Tuesday before finishing the regular-season Thursday at Greenfield-Central.

Westfield dropped a 4-1 game to Mooresville last Saturday.

The Shamrocks scored their run in the seventh inning when Chloe Tanner hit a sacrifice fly that brought Allie Dolenc home. Chloe Tanner pitched a complete game, striking out five.

Westfield is 12-12 and plays Monday at Western, then hosts Avon Tuesday and McCutcheon Thursday in its regular-season finale.

Sheridan dropped two games at the Madison-Grant Argyll Classic last Saturday.

The Blackhawks fell to Cowan 15-5 in five innings in their opener. Sheridan scored all five of its runs in the first inning. Mariana Lopez singled in Jacquellynne Bates. Chaney Smith got home



Photo by Dwight Casler

Sheridan senior Chaney Smith hit her first ever home run last Saturday during the Blackhawks' game with Union City at the Madison-Grant Argyll Classic.

when Ashlynn Tryon drew a bases-loaded walk. Lopez scored on Shelby Eaton's RBI groundout, Abbi Merritt was brought in by Kennedy Zachary's bases-loaded walk, then Bates was hit by a pitch to score Tryon.

Cowan scored three runs in the bottom of the first in-

ning, then took the lead with three runs in the second inning. Lopez had two hits.

Sheridan dropped its second game to Union City 13-3 in five innings. Smith hit a two-run home run in the third inning, also scoring Bates. It was Smith's first-ever homer. Bates dou-

bled in Emma Settles in the fifth inning; Bates had two hits for the game.

The Blackhawks are 2-21 and play Taylor Monday in the first round of the Hoosier Heartland Conference tournament. The game will be played at 5 p.m. at Abby & Libby Park in Delphi.

10th annual Umoja Games will bring global participation to Grand Park in Westfield

The REPORTER

The Umoja Outreach Foundation, a non-profit that unites the Muslim community through sports, will host its 10th annual Umoja Games Soccer Tournament at Grand Park Sports Campus in Westfield, July 7-9.

The Umoja Games is the marquee event for the organization, featuring soccer games for boys and girls of all ages. The tournament brings thousands of families from across the continent

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and beyond, giving them an opportunity to build new relationships and become a part of a unified community.

"Umoja Games has created a united Umoja family, using soccer as a driving force that transcends cul-

tural, ethnic or geographic differences that otherwise exist in Muslim communities," said Umoja Outreach Foundation Co-Founder Mustafa Dinani. "Our focus at each tournament is to create a unique and inclusive experience for everyone so that they want to return year after year."

What started as a 100-participant adult men's tournament in 2012 has grown to an annual event with more than 1,000 participants. Most notably, the youth and women's divisions have seen the largest growth in participation. The Umoja Games currently stands as the largest Muslim girls and women soccer tournament in North America.

The City of Westfield and the Grand Park team look forward to hosting the event for the first time this year.

"Westfield is honored to host the Umoja soccer tournament," said Westfield Mayor Andy Cook, "and we welcome the games to the nation's finest youth sports facility, Grand Park."

The Umoja Games is open to spectators at no cost. Visitors are encouraged throughout the event to learn more about the different cultures present in the tournament and enjoy a special bazaar that will feature goods sold by members of the Umoja community.

"In all our interactions with the Umoja team, it's clear how unique and passionate this community is," said Hamilton County Sports Authority Director Karen Radcliff. "We look forward to welcoming Umoja participants to Hamilton County this July."

More details on the Umoja Games can be found at UmojaOutreach.org/Games.

About Hamilton County Sports Authority

The Hamilton County Sports Authority creates positive economic and community impact by attracting, supporting, and developing sporting events, facilities and clubs for Hamilton County. Learn more at visithamiltoncounty.com/sports.

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