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ABC opens door to success

The opinion bandwagon

Graduates to begin good-paying careers without college debt

The REPORTER

The ABC Commercial Construction Prep Academy in Fishers held a paid internship and full-time employment signing day event last Friday, and it was an unmitigated success.

ABC Director Robert Kneberg was kind enough to arrange for The Reporter to speak with four of his graduates on signing day, just moments after they had each accepted job offers.

Sarah Snell signed to work for Jack Laurie Group after graduating from the ABC program, which she attended during her senior year in high school.

"We learned a lot about safety, we learned a lot about the three trades – carpentry, electrical and plumbing," Snell said. "I found the career I wanted to in just a single school year. It was very eye-opening. It was a very informative year. You learn a LOT! You go through a lot of different things. At the end of it I'm going into a full-time job with full pay and benefits without having to



Sarah Snell, Nery Escalante, Caden Drish, and Arion Rush – all ABC Commercial Construction Prep Academy graduates – have secured jobs because of the program.

Reporter photos by Nik Roberts

Okay, get ready. One, two, three ... jump!

Jump on the bandwagon.

Phineas T. Barnum, the circus owner, coined the word "bandwagon" as the name for the wagon that carried a circus band.

Hang on, you might jump ahead and figure out where this is going, but I ask that you slow down and stay with me ... for the time being.

When you jump on a bandwagon it means you join a popular activity. Does the phrase, "What's trending" ring a bell?

#hashtags! Facebook! Instagram! Twitter! Oh my!

My comment can top your comment, so the comments say.

If you think you have it bad, look at how bad I have it. Well, here are my two cents' worth of opinions. (Two cents might be an exaggeration.)

Have you noticed that too many bandwagons are negative ones? It's like the bandwagon is rolling over a pile of manure and the manure is being slung here and yonder.

The one commenting feels safe and believes the words are harmless because the manure is being slung behind the safety of a computer screen. But are the words harmless? Don't the words get back to the person being covered in negative words? Does the negativity really help the situation being addressed?

If someone tries to enlighten those on the negative bandwagon with a bit of positivity or actual facts, oh my stars, they are verbally assaulted and run over by the bandwagon.

Truth is only appreciated if it goes along with the opinions of most of those on the

COLUMNIST



JANET HART LEONARD

From the Hart

Both sides of Pleasant Street

Landowners assert constitutional right along path of new road

By STU CLAMPITT
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Road construction inevitably brings frustration and annoyance – and that's just the annual road repair and maintenance. Frustration increases exponentially when we talk about constructing a new road where none existed before. Such is the case with the Pleasant Street project.

The City of Noblesville sees a need to reduce traffic along State Road 32 through down-

town. That is because of both the natural population growth and housing developments near downtown.

Citizens have seen beloved businesses closed and torn down to make way for the Pleasant Street project. Homes have been demolished to make way. Additionally, some property owners have found it necessary to appeal their rights of ownership in order to get just compensation for the acquisition of their land by the city along the path of a new road.

Part of the path of the Pleasant Street project runs along a former Conrail railroad line. Part of that same rail line was previously folded into the Midland Trace Trail. That rail line is where the property rights issues arose for landowners.

By 1982, Conrail abandoned the railway and the right of way attached to it.

In Indiana, when a rail is abandoned, the rights to that land are supposed to be transferred to the adjacent property

owners. At least some of the Conrail line in Noblesville was deeded to the city, instead of to the property owners on the north and south sides.

"Legal requirements and processes involving abandoned and repurposed railroad lines are multi-faceted and can depend on a number of factors," city officials told The Reporter. "Given the passage of time since parcels were transferred

Hamilton County launches one-stop resource for support services

The REPORTER

Hamilton County is known for being a thriving area where people want to live. One of the secrets to its success: a strong network of nonprofit organizations who believe that by working together, they can help their community and those who live in it.

The power of that network collaboration has led to the launch of a new website – [Help4HamiltonCounty.org](https://www.help4hamiltoncounty.org) – to provide residents with a one-stop resource for support services.

"Residents are more likely to seek support and be successful in overcoming challenges when resources are easy to find, understand, and access," said County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt, one of several elected officials involved in the project. "At [Help4HamiltonCounty.org](https://www.help4hamiltoncounty.org), residents can access the large network of local organizations designed to provide support and ultimately increase quality of life in Hamilton County."



Heirbrandt

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Carmel Education Foundation partners with State Bank for "Start Me Up Cup"

The REPORTER

Three Carmel High School students are now one step closer to starting and growing their new business after winning grant money from a "Shark Tank" experience.

The students recently pitched their entrepreneurial business ideas to a panel of local business leaders, otherwise known as the "sharks," in the inaugural State Bank Start Me Up Cup competition. The Start Me Up Cup idea encourages young people to explore opportunities in entrepreneurship either as an addition to or alternative to post-secondary education.

More than 100 students formulated ideas within their Principles of Business Management class. Championed by Josh Shelton, a business teacher at the high school, students



State Bank Start Me Up Cup winner Joshua Goodspeed (center) was awarded \$2,000 to further his lawn business. (From left) Josh Shelton, Carmel High School business teacher; Andee Marlee, Loren's AF Beverages; Andy Pinegar, State Bank; Chris Prader, RPM Technologies; Goodspeed; Jennifer Penix, Carmel Education Foundation; Jim Badger, State Bank; and David Glenn, CoasterStone.

learned what is involved in creating a business plan including financial projections, market analysis and sustainability.

"The State Bank Start Me

Up Cup afforded our students the opportunity to participate in a semester long project culminating in an authentic learning experience that incorporated all

facets of the Principles of Business Management class curriculum," Shelton said.

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County collects 52K pounds of food for Stamp Out Hunger

The REPORTER

Saturday, May 13, was the 31st annual Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive, and Hamilton County certainly delivered.

All the food that was donated locally has been distributed to food pantries in Hamilton County. Across Noblesville, Fishers, Westfield, and Carmel, over 51,968 pounds of food was donated from this generous community. That equates to 43,307 meals – all coming at a time of year where much of the food is being purchased by food pantries and food banks to keep up with the need.

Thank you to everyone

who donated to the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Thank you to the National Association of Letter Carriers Union 888 and all the postal workers who picked up and carried all the donated food. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped fold bags and helped load and unload the donated food on the day of the Food Drive.

For additional information about how to find needed food support anywhere within Hamilton County, visit [CommunityCompass.app](https://www.CommunityCompass.app).

Learn more about the Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank at [HCHfoodbank.org](https://www.HCHfoodbank.org).



The Delaware Township team helped load food donations at the Fishers Post Office. These fine folks were only one part of the operation, however. See more photos from this year's Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive at [ReadTheReporter.com](https://www.ReadTheReporter.com).

Photo provided by Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank

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Noblesville Class of 2023
earns \$5M in scholarships

Photo provided by Noblesville Schools

Congratulations to the Noblesville High School Class of 2023! A total of 300 students were recognized last Wednesday at Honors Night for having a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher. Four of the 737 students in the class received full-ride scholarships. As a whole, the Class of 2023 received over \$5 million in scholarships.



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Riverview Health Foundation employees Melinda Nash, Mary Jane Polsgrove, Polly Craig, and Megan Wiles pose with speaker Amy Dee at the Riverview Health Foundation Women of Vision Luncheon.

Riverview Health Foundation raises \$80K at Women of Vision Luncheon

The REPORTER
Riverview Health Foundation has announced that it raised more than \$80,000 at its 19th annual Women of Vision Luncheon.
Riverview Health Foundation hosted the luncheon on April 27 at Ritz Charles with more than 300 guests in attendance and raised over \$80,000 from sponsorship, tickets, and gifts. Guests had an opportunity to shop from local vendors as well as hear of the impact from grants from the Women of Vision Giving Club. CarDon and Associates was the Diamond Sponsor of this year's event.
In 2023, more than \$43,000 was awarded to the departments within Riverview Health serving women and children. These grants help to pay for car seats for families who don't have one, help for new moms with breastfeeding, and purchasing supplies for volunteers to make a blanket for every newborn delivered at Riverview Health. The grants also help programs assisting women going through breast cancer with educational materials, wigs, bras, or prosthetic devices that might not be covered by insurance. Proceeds from the luncheon will help fund grants to be made in 2024.
In addition to shopping and learning about the Women of Vision Giving Club, attendees enjoyed lots of laughter hearing from speaker and comedian Amy Dee. To learn more about the Women of Vision Giving Club and the impact in patients' lives and make a gift, visit riverview.org/women-of-vision-giving-club.

RESOURCES
Made possible by the support of the Hamilton County Community Foundation, Duke Energy, the Hamilton County Trustees Association, and Good Samaritan Network, the new web resource offers connection to services in six key areas of need:

- Aging and Seniors
- Food Assistance
- Medical and Mental Health
- Youth and Families
- Housing
- Education and Employment

The site connects users to detailed information on local organizations, as well as videos designed to provide expert insight and raise awareness, featuring interviews with nonprofit executives and clients who have received services, as well as

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elected officials and other community leaders.
Help4HamiltonCounty.org has included Accessibility Adjustments on the new website to remove barriers and make finding resources accessible for as many community residents as possible. To learn more, please reach out through the 'Contact Us' page on Help4HamiltonCounty.org.



Treating Shoulder & Knee Pain

We know good health can mean *getting back to the old you.*

Presented by
Scott Smith, MD

Wednesday, June 7
6-7 p.m.

Location: Riverview Health
395 Westfield Rd., Noblesville
Krieg DeVault conference room
(entrance 3)

To register, visit
riverview.org/classes,
call 317.776.7999
or scan the QR code below



Join board-certified and fellowship-trained physician, Scott Smith, MD, to learn about the treatments available for shoulder and knee pain. Dr. Smith will highlight both surgical and non-surgical methods for addressing pain, as well as his specialization in shoulder and knee replacement surgery.

The program is free, but registration is required. Light refreshments will be provided.

T1L1 graduates 45 students at Heights

The REPORTER

On May 11, Teach One to Lead One (T1L1) honored 45 high school and middle school students from Hamilton Heights who completed the T1L1 Leadership Curriculum. Parents, mentors, faculty, and school board members gathered at Hamilton Heights Middle School to recognize the students.

T1L1 is a community mentoring program that meets weekly with students throughout the school year. The program teaches 10 Universal Principles that are

essential for student leaders to possess if they are to find their purpose and reach their potential. The 10 Universal Principles are respect, integrity, self-control, compassion, courage, teamwork, excellence, humility, enthusiasm, and honor.

In addition to receiving a graduation certificate, 34 students were recognized for putting the 10 principles to work when they took part in a service project to pack food for refugees from the war in South Sudan.

Three students were recognized with the Posi-

itive Influence Award. They were ZiAnde Campbell, Lillie Champion, and Brandon McNew. Three students were recognized as well with the Second Mile Award. Those students were Aubree McDonald, Owen Biddle, and Natalie Vann.

This is the fourth year the T1L1 program has been at Hamilton Heights. Currently, the program is offered at the middle school for one eighth-grade classroom and in the high school for two ninth-grade classes. For more information on T1L1, go to [T1L1.org](https://www.t1l1.org).



Photo provided
Positive Influence Award winners Brandon McNew, ZiAnde Campbell and Lillie Champion stand next to the Second Mile Award winners Aubree McDonald, Natalie Vann and Owen Biddle.

Gaylor Electric students graduate from ‘The Crossing’ high school

The REPORTER

Gaylor Electric’s high school, The Crossing School of Business & Entrepreneurship, recently graduated nine individuals from the work-based learning program. The Crossing helps shape the lives of struggling students and gives them the opportunity, resources, and mentors to reach their goals.

Most students at The Crossing have been faced with hardships such as been expelled, gone to juvey, had an unpredictable life at home, and others. This accomplishment speaks volumes to the students’ dedication to overcome life battles and recommit to pursuing a diploma.

“I really value the relationship between The Crossing and Gaylor Electric,” Gaylor Electric President & CEO Chuck Goodrich said. “One of our biggest values is lifelong learning, and the opportunity to educate students in both academics and onsite electrical training is fulfilling.”

Gaylor Electric Crossing School of Business & Entrepreneurship Satellite campus serves students directly inside the Gaylor Electric business. The stu-

dents have their very own “campus” fully equipped with a classroom of computers for students to fulfill their academics and their own family time room space. For the job training portion of their day, students work alongside Gaylor Electric employees, giving them a hands-on approach to learn how to run and maintain a business.

In addition, the satellite campus offers networking opportunities for students to connect with other like-minded individuals in the field. This unique arrangement provides a well-rounded education for students, combining academic knowledge with practical experience and real-world application. The goal of the Gaylor Electric Crossing School of Business & Entrepreneurship is to equip its students with the tools and skills they need to succeed in the business world and make a positive impact in their communities.

“I never looked at graduation as the end of anything,” Gaylor University Director Jeff Bryant said. “Graduation is really just a step so you can get started in a career and the rest of

your life.”

Students from The Crossing are going to college, signing on at Gaylor Electric, and/or exploring other career paths and internships.

“I consider today the first day of a new life,” Goodrich said. “As you come through The Crossing and go into your career, the experience that you have gained is going to be used in each and every day ahead of you.”

You can learn more at [gaylor.com](https://www.gaylor.com).



Photo provided
These graduates will start a career with Gaylor Electric in 2023.



Photo provided
Joanne Tedesco and Nicole Southerland.

Nicole Southerland succeeds Joanne Tedesco as chair of Westfield disabilities council

The REPORTER

The Westfield Mayor’s Council on Disabilities (WMCD) has announced that Nicole Southerland, a 30-year Westfield resident and Director at CICOA Aging and In-Home Solutions, will immediately assume the role of chairperson.

“It has been an honor and privilege to lead the Westfield Mayor’s Council on Disabilities for the past year,” WMCD Founder Joanne Tedesco said. “During that time, we have formed valuable partnerships across Hamilton County. As we continue to provide our community with quality resources and valuable disability-related information, we must remember that positive change will come from sys-

temic transformation at the state level.”

WMCD events have included conversations about planning for the future, special needs estate planning, post-secondary education opportunities, disability employment, deaf and hard of hearing resources, and the importance of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). This civil rights law prohibits discrimination based on disability. The WMCD will celebrate the 33rd anniversary of the ADA on July 26.

“I’m thrilled to take on the leadership role for the Westfield Mayor’s Council on Disabilities and believe my skills and experiences will add great value,”

See Southerland . . . Page A4

Live Music At Pasto Italiano

Benito DiBartoli Every Wednesday
(1/2 Price Bottles of Wine On Wednesdays)

Friday May 26

Casey Harshbarger

Reservations Recommended

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3150 East State Rd. 32, Westfield

2023 BICENTENNIAL JUNE EVENTS

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

FIND THE OLDEST TREE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

June 1, 5-8 p.m., and June 2, 5-7 p.m.
Grand Junction Plaza | FREE

Hear about the winners of the Westfield Green Together contest! See posters about tree contestants and pick up a driving-tour map. Hear stories about what life might have been like when the trees were planted.

A DAY IN THE LIFE “ROCKS!”

June 2, 5-7 p.m., Grand Junction Plaza | FREE

Join Student Impact for a Pioneer-themed event of games, food and activities focused on a day in the life of a student in the 1830s in Hamilton County.

MAINSTREET PRODUCTIONS’ WESTFIELD FOUNDERS

June 3, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Basile Playhouse
220 N. Union St., Westfield | FREE

Performances dramatize the lives of some of Westfield’s founding families. Refreshments served. Performances run every hour beginning at 1 p.m.

WEEKENDS AT BARKER CABIN

June 3, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Westfield Washington Historical Society, 130 Penn St., Westfield | FREE

Find out how things got done during the time when the Barker family lived in their cabin in the 1830s. Ribbon-cutting and ceremony for the recently restored home is at 10 a.m., followed by old-fashioned cooking, demos by interpreters, the Rusty Muskets Band, a re-enactor show and car show. Food trucks, vendors, pony rides and more for families!

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR

June 3, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Cave & Co Printing (tour starting point), 104 W. Main St., Westfield | FREE

Join the Westfield Preservation Alliance on a self-guided walking tour of Westfield’s Downtown National Register Historic District. Use the FREE mobile app “U R HERE - Historic Westfield, IN.”

FAMILY HISTORY AND ART ACTIVITY DAY

June 23, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Westfield Washington Public Library, 338 W. Hoover St., Westfield | FREE

Speakers discuss genealogy topics, including getting started, Quaker records, military records, and information on how to use Ancestry.com and Indiana State Library sources. Take part in local arts and crafts demonstration fair. During the week leading up to the program, the library will host a vintage board game tournament. (Sign up for parts of the event on the library’s website.)

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SIGNATURE EVENT

WESTFIELD BASH!

June 1, 5-8 p.m.; June 2, 8-10 a.m. and 6-9 p.m., Grand Junction Plaza, 225 S. Union St., Westfield | FREE

June 1, 5-8 p.m. At the Westfield Farmer’s Market, enjoy free entertainment, dozens of vendors and Westfield Washington Schools’ American Pie concert (“Coming Back to Indiana”).

June 2, 8-10 a.m. Enjoy the Westfield Fire Department’s Pancake Breakfast on Park Street and check out vintage vehicles! (Cost for breakfast.)

June 2, 6-9 p.m. Before they head out on their international tour, Reverend Peyton’s Big Damn Band takes the stage at Grand Junction Plaza! Local artist Kassey King opens for this FREE concert.

COOL CREEK BICENTENNIAL CONCERT

June 30, 6-9:15 p.m., Cool Creek Park, 2000 E. 151st St., Westfield

\$5 to attend | See Stella Luna and the Satellites during the Cool Creek Bicentennial Concert!

HAMILTON CO. BICENTENNIAL TRAVELING EXHIBIT

Westfield:

June 3-9, Westfield Playhouse, Union St.
June 10-16, Westfield Wash. Historical Society, Penn St.
June 17-23, Westfield Wash. Public Library, Hoover St.
June 24-30, Washington Township Trustee, Greyhound Pass

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

ALSO IN JUNE

WE THE FREE?: PEOPLE OF COLOR - MOVEMENTS AND IDENTITY

June 29, 7-8:30 p.m., Roberts Chapel, 3102 E. 276th St, Atlanta

FREE | Three history scholars whose academic research has provided rich insight into the under-told story of free people of color headline a panel discussion at Roberts Settlement. Learn about Indiana’s free people of color — their Southern roots, migration, settlement in Indiana and faith. (RSVPs required. A live stream of the event will be available. Visit [HamCoTurns200](https://HamCoTurns200.com) for details and registration.)

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

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DUKE ENERGY



Photos provided by Westfield Lions Club
(ABOVE LEFT) Brian Abraham (center) suffers through “Happy Birthday” from the Lions Club. The other Lions are (from left) Mark Albright, Rodney Benson, and Jeff Boller. (ABOVE RIGHT) The Westfield Lions Club has added Kinsey Priebe to the ranks. (From left) Jeff Larrison, Bob Benson, and Priebe.

Westfield Lions Club makes big announcements

New member, birthday celebration & clubhouse renovation

Submitted
The Westfield Lions Club’s meeting last Thursday was fun and full of big news as they inducted another new member, celebrated a member’s birthday, and approved the final plans for their clubhouse renovation project.
Kinsey Priebe is now the newest member of the Westfield Lions Club and was inducted by 54-year member Past District Governor Bob Benson. Priebe’s addition to the Club brings its membership up to 61 members. That gives the Westfield Lions, by far, the biggest growth percentage of any Lions Club in the district this year.
Before inducting Priebe into the Club, the members

surprised (and embarrassed) Lion Brian Abraham for his 60th birthday. A birthday sash, singing “Happy Birthday,” and a cake with candles helped make up for Abraham spending this milestone birthday at a Lions Club meeting.
The big news of the night was the presentation from the Club’s Building Committee on plans to move forward with renovation of the clubhouse, located at 1031 E. 169th St. The mem-



bers were given key details on what type of work would be done and how it would be funded. The final plans will now be cleaned up so the Club can welcome construction bids. In addition to updating the interior of the building, the project will include new ADA-compliant bathrooms, a kitchen, additions to the south and east of the existing building, and a new front entrance.
Once the Club has completed the renovations, the

public will be able to rent clubhouse for events, just like at their previous location. The Westfield Lions want to provide a convenient, updated, low-priced option for families and organizations to use for their events. An open house event will take place once the project is complete and the building is ready for the public.
About the Westfield Lions Club
The Westfield Lions Club, founded in 1930, continues to be a leader in serving the citizens of Westfield. The Club is looking for men and women interested in making a difference in the community. For information on how to become a member, go to WestfieldLions.org.



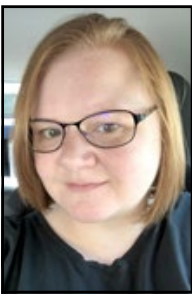
Photo provided
Kids can once again enjoy Foam Parties complete with live music and games on Thursday, June 29. Space is limited so register soon at wwpl.librarycalendar.com!

Westfield Washington Public Library ready to launch Summer Reading Program

The REPORTER

Registration for the Westfield Washington Public Library (WWPL) Summer Reading Program is now open. The eight-week program officially starts on Thursday, June 1. All ages are encouraged to participate.
“We’re encouraging everyone to spend more time at the library this summer,” said Sara Reitmeier Perry, the Summer Reading Program Coordinator. “Come meet new friends, cool off while reading a book, or participate in one of our hands-on activities.”
The Wonderlab Museum of Science, Health, and Technology in Bloomington will be at the library twice this summer to help spark kids’ imaginations. Their first program on Friday, June 2, will teach kids how to make a Rube Goldberg Machine. The second, on Monday, July 10, will focus on the science of electricity with a demonstration on how to make mini lightning bolts. Space is limited and registration is required.
Back by popular demand, the library will host three Foam Parties on Thursday, June 29. Participants will play on a dance floor covered in foam with live music and games. The hypo-allergenic foam, similar to baby shampoo, is safe for kids and biodegradable.

Again, space is limited and registration is required. Event registration can be found at wwpl.librarycalendar.com.



Perry



Sollars

Nearly 3,000 Westfield residents – kids, teens, and adults – participated in last year’s Summer Reading Program. They read a total of 2,577,886 minutes. This year’s goal will be 3 million minutes.
“We hope to see hundreds of residents at the library this summer,” WWPL Director Sher-yl Sollars said. “Summer break is a fun time for our young readers to learn to use the li-

brary and develop a lifelong habit of reading. Plus, reading over the summer helps to keep their skills up.”
Registration for the Summer Reading Program can be found at wwpl.beanstack.org. Anyone who reads at least 40 hours between June 1 and July 31 will be entered into a drawing for the grand prize which includes an Experience Westfield gift basket with over \$300 in restaurant gift cards and family-friendly experiences. Prizes will also be distributed to participants throughout the program when they hit specific reading milestones.
Special thanks to the Westfield Library Foundation and Friends of the Westfield Library for their financial support.

Apex Benefits to sponsor upcoming Summer Author Series with four Hoosier writers at Westfield library

The REPORTER

Apex Benefits will sponsor a Summer Author Series at the Westfield Washington Public Library (WWPL). The employee benefits advisor and business consultancy has committed \$10,000 each year for the next three years to help the Westfield Library Foundation sponsor the Summer Author Series.
“Apex Benefits is thrilled to support Westfield’s new library and its efforts to engage local authors in inspiring the next generation,” Apex Benefits CEO John Gause said. “We believe this partnership will not only help increase awareness of the library’s offerings, but also enhance quality of life for everyone in the community.”
The public is invited to hear four authors this summer, all with Hoosier connections, as they share their work, talk about their writing processes, and in some cases, sell and sign their books.
“Bringing authors to the library is a great way to become inspired to read and write in one’s own life,” Teen Librarian Lisa Williams said. “In fact, our first author focuses on creative writing and incorporates audience participation, so that’s super fun. He’s very engaging and interactive.”
Bryan Furuness has authored a couple of teen novels, *The Lost Episodes of Revie Bryson* and *Do Not Go On*. A Writer in Residence at Butler University



and a board member of the Indiana Writers Center, Furuness will kick off the Summer Author Series at 1 p.m. on Thursday, June 8 at the library.
The library will follow that visit up with one from children’s author John David Anderson. He is the author of 12 novels for young people. A resident of Indianapolis, his newest book, *The Greatest Kid in the World* will be released this month. Anderson is set to appear at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, July 18.
Addi Gundry, author of the *Addie Gundry Cookbooks* series, will appear at West Fork Whiskey at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 3. Her cookbook series, which currently consists of 11 novels, came about after she won *Cutthroat Kitchen* on The Food Network. Her books include *Everyday Dinner Ideas*, *Family Favorite Casserole Recipes*, and *Festive Holiday Recipes*.
Finally, Craig Fehrman



Williams Downey



is scheduled to appear at the library at 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 11. The Hoosier native is a journalist and historian. His first book, *Author in Chief*, is an in-depth look at the books and writings of America’s past presidents.
“We are thrilled to partner with Apex Benefits on this Author’s Series,” says Erin Downey, executive director of the Westfield Library Foundation. “The ability to bring in different authors for all ages throughout the summer is very exciting. Apex Benefits’ willingness to jump in and support the library in this way is a testament to their

commitment to education and community.”
About Westfield Washington Public Library
The WWPL’s Mission is to foster exploration, discovery, and growth. Its Vision is to be the cornerstone of lifelong learning in Westfield and Washington Township. For more information on the Westfield Washington Public Library visit wwpl.lib.in.us.
About Apex Benefits
Apex Benefits is Indiana’s largest independent employer benefits brokerage and consulting firm focused solely on group insurance programs. The organization’s proprietary solutions for achieving data-driven cost savings are powered by strategists who leverage their underwriting, insurance, and health care expertise to save employers more on health care costs so they can invest more in their organizations and employees.

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Southerland said. “I’ve been working at CICOA for over 20 years and have a pulse on statewide programs, funding, and behind-the-scenes details that will benefit the disability community.”
Along with Mayor Andy Cook, Westfield Council member and presumptive Mayor Scott Willis was an early supporter of a disability council, which Cook’s administration subsequently adopted.
“While I’m disappointed that we weren’t successful in securing a disability ordinance in Westfield, we have made enormous gains,” Willis said. “This Council has uncovered issues and has started some critical conversations that will impact not only people with disabilities but the city overall.”

“The disability population is a passionate group that works tirelessly for inclusion, acceptance, and understanding,” Mayor Cook said. “I’m thrilled that we have WMCD up and running and am confident it will be just as vibrant in the future.”
The WMCD will continue to positively impact the lives of people with disabilities by addressing current challenges people with disabilities in Westfield face and uncovering quality solutions that break down barriers.
For those interested in being part of the WMCD, please email your contact information to info@westfieldmcd.com. For more details on the WMCD visit westfieldmcd.com.

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START

State Bank provided funding for the winning proposals and the Carmel Education Foundation (CEF) engaged community partners to serve as panelists. While many students in the classes had creative ideas, there were three that felt confident enough to face the sharks with their pitch.

Lilliana Cate proposed an online boutique catering to young women of all sizes, Christian (Wyatt) Gasche is writing a series of fiction books centered on PTSD, and Joshua Goodspeed focused on growing his existing lawn care business. The judges, who are all CEF community partners, were: Andee Marley, Loren’s Alcohol-Free Beverages; David Glenn, CoasterStone; Jim Badger, State Bank; and Chris Prader, RPM Technologies.

The student entrepreneurs say they are excited to move forward with their ideas and are grateful to State Bank and CEF for the opportunity.

“The State Bank Start Me Up cup gave me an opportunity to not only learn what I need to do in order to run a successful business but also gave me an opportunity to bring my ideas to

life and to feel like I could actually make my ideas happen,” Gasche said.

Cate expressed that “the ‘Shark Tank’ meant a lot to me because I am now able to start a business that I have been dreaming of since I was little. I am very thankful that I was given this opportunity and funding to start my business!”

While each judge had a different lens, all agreed that the students were well prepared and had ideas with great potential. Goodspeed won a \$2,000 scholarship to grow his business, and both Cate and Gasche received \$500 for their concepts. Additionally, the judges hope to connect these students with other business leaders who can mentor and help them grow their ideas.

“It has been exciting and rewarding to see these young people take their entrepreneurial ideas from concept to business plan and culminating with the pursuit of capital for their business,” said State Bank’s Hamilton County Market President Andy Pinegar. “We work with business owners every day and serve them as trusted advisors in support of entrepreneurship and investment throughout

central Indiana.”

CEF Executive Director Jennifer Penix said she is excited about the potential growth of the Start Me Up Cup program and hopes that more Carmel students interested in building out their own business concept will enter the competition next year. As a parent of young entrepreneurs, she has seen firsthand the positive impact that comes with success, as well the learning that comes in facing challenges any business will inevitably face.

“I am grateful to work with engaged community members who believe in providing opportunities for students to learn and become successful in whatever path they choose upon graduation,” Penix said. “The Foundation’s mission is to support Carmel students in achievement and lifelong learning, and the Start Me Up Cup is a perfect example of putting our mission to work.”

PLEASANT

in the 1990s, it is unclear why some of the steps were taken. Nonetheless, when city representatives in more recent years developed plans for a trail corridor and road project, we engaged a title and acquisition team to work with internal staff to ensure appropriate steps were taken to acquire necessary land through development dedications, acquisition through eminent domain processes, or agreements with landowners. That process included some situations where it was determined that parcels should have been conveyed to adjacent landowners, and in those situations we reflected that ownership interest in our steps to appraise and pay just compensation for the acquisition.”

GIS records

Looking at Hamilton County GIS records (geographic information systems) through the online portal at gis1.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/generalviewer, there are several tracts of land along the Pleasant Street project path from Hague Road, across White River and all the way to South 5th Street that have no ownership information available.

Some of that unlisted land lies between Westridge South Drive and Doves Court on the west side of River Road. The path east of River Road all the way to South 5th Street also has no ownership information or ownership transfer history.

“These unlisted parcels are part of the property that was acquired for Phase 1 of Pleasant Street, which were acquired through legal process from the owners of record or were determined to have been appropriately transferred from the railroad based on the factors regarding the parcels,” the city said. “For example, the plat for the River Run addition provides for a boundary termination at the north line of the vacated railroad right of way. Our title history work indicates that the city has ownership of the north side of the vacated railroad that borders this subdivision. GIS records may not be fully updated yet to reflect city ownership for the road project.”

Maxwell Machinery

Maxwell Machinery, 17350 River Road, Noblesville, sits on one such tract of land.

Larry Maxwell owns Maxwell Machinery. He told The Reporter he had to go through a lengthy process to get his property rights back from the city, and he did so, in part, by following the example of someone else who had the same problem.

“Gary Trump’s property was behind us,” Maxwell told The Reporter. “His dad, Steve Trump, told us the court has defined it that when the railroad was sup-

About the Carmel Education Foundation

One of the oldest foundations of its kind, the Carmel Education Foundation was created to help Carmel Clay students achieve their full potential. Since 1966, the Foundation has awarded over \$2,100,000 in college scholarships to Carmel High School seniors and over \$1,000,000 in education grants to inspire lifelong learning for Carmel Clay students. CEF is governed by a volunteer board of directors who give their time and energy to accelerate the Foundation’s mission by funding grants, awarding more than 80 scholarships annually and expanding resources for Carmel Clay Schools.

About State Bank

State Bank is a \$741 million community bank headquartered on the west side of Indianapolis. In addition to operating 11 full-service locations, State Bank is a part of



Photos provided
(Left) Lilliana Cate pitching “Pink Lemon” to Start Me Up Cup panelists. (Right) Wyatt Gasche presenting his “Why We Left” project to the Sharks.

the AllPoint™ ATM network of over 55,000 ATMs nationwide. Bauer Financial has named State Bank a 5-Star Bank based on its strength and performance since 2017, and it was named the Best Bank in Hendricks County nine of the last 10 years. Its offices are

in Avon, Brownsburg (two), Plainfield, Lizton, and Pittsboro in Hendricks County; Lebanon (two) and Zionsville in Boone County; Carmel in Hamilton County; and Lafayette in Tippecanoe County. Visit StateBank1910.bank to learn more.

SUCCESS

go in debt and go through those long years of college.”

ABC graduate Caden Drish told The Reporter he wasn’t sure what to expect at first, but he is very pleased with the program itself and what it has done for him.

“At first I was a little nervous because there were so many people around,” Drish said. “It was a lot of new faces, but as the year went on, I got more comfortable. It was a lot of fun getting experience with new tools and learning how to use them on projects.”

Drish realized he wanted the options offered at ABC early in his senior year.

“I realized school wasn’t for me,” Drish said. “I’m more of a hands-on kind of guy. I realized I wouldn’t have too much fun sitting in a classroom every day for four years straight, so I realized I could use my skills somewhere else. That’s why I went to the workforce.”

Drish heard about the ABC program from his counselor at Hamilton Southeastern High School. Now he will begin his career with Patterson Horth.

Nery Escalante signed up with Gaylor Electric for a full-time position.

“I knew the whole time I wanted to work in electrical,” Escalante said. “This was my goal.”

Avion Rush also has a

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job waiting for him at Gaylor Electric and plans to begin his career in June. Unlike Escalante, Rush didn’t know he wanted to work in the electrical field when he came to ABC.

“I basically figured it out along the way,” Rush said. “We did all three of the reads. We did some electrical, some plumbing, and some carpentry. I really feel like I related to electrical. I like what it can do for me in the long run. I like the tediousness of it, and I like that it requires using my brain a lot.”

Rush said the instructors were the key to his success.

“I really love the instructors,” Rush said. “They’re just really good people. They made sure that I was set up properly, that all my classmates are set up properly. They reached out to me, and they just kept on reaching out. There was never 1 time when I felt like they don’t care. It was continuous. They were like, ‘How are you doing? Hey, I heard you wanted to sign with this company. Do you need any help with that?’ And they just kept on going. I really appreciate it.”

You can learn more about ABC’s mission, vision and programs online at tinyurl.com/ABCprep-academy.

BANDWAGON

bandwagon. The perception of the popular is often what rules.

They say you refine your opinions by the five people you spend the most time with. I love that my Tribe of Five is not afraid to let me know when my perception might need a bit tweaked.

I never want to be so set in my ways and opinions that I cannot see the viewpoint of others. I also want to be brave enough to bring truth into the discussion. For me, this can be difficult. Yet, the older I get, the easier it is to put on my big girl panties and say, “Excuse me, but have you thought about it this way?”

As I have gotten older, I have found that arguing wastes time and emotional energy. To do so on social media is just meaningless. The possibility of changing the mind of someone there is about as likely as me going skydiving. That is not going to happen.

I want my bandwagon to have music and fun and ma-

nure-proof wagon wheels. I want people jumping on who will find a cause and go out and do something about it to make a difference.

I would love to say I’ve never jumped on the wrong bandwagon or engaged in social media banter. It’s been a long time since I found myself in the trenches of social media muck. I’ve even stopped reading it ... well, most of the time.

I’ll keep most of my opinions to myself, this column, and maybe at one of the coffee shops or cafes around town.

I’ll invite you to jump on my bandwagon and fight for a great cause. Just like my opinions, I have quite a few of them.

If you find yourself on the wrong bandwagon, do not be afraid to ... one, two, three! Jump off!

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Suing for property rights

The REPORTER

West of the Pleasant Street project, Dennis Millikan was justly given the property rights for a portion of the south side of the former Conrail line that bordered on land he owned. He sold the south side to the city for the Midland Trace Trail, but he had to sue for rights to the north side of the rail land, which the city bought from KACE LLC, who did not in fact own the property.

In this case, the land rights are in dispute in a very different way, and an appellate decision has given him the rights to his land. Now he will work on getting just compensation for the portion on the north side of the rail line and recovering some of his legal fees.

You can read the entire court of appeals decision in Millikan at tinyurl.com/MillikanAppeal.

Before 2020, an eminent domain dispute in Indiana was given no right to appeal at the state level, meaning any decision by the local court in the jurisdiction where the dispute occurred was final. Also, in any dispute with local government, anyone suing

the local government had no right to recover their own legal fees.

Thanks to Senate Bill 340 (iga.in.gov/legislative/2020/bills/senate/340), authored by then-Indiana State Senator Victoria Spartz and signed into law in 2020, Millikan was able to go to the state court of appeal, where he eventually won his case, and also has the option to recover up to \$25,000 in legal fees.

Millikan has \$36,000 in legal fees in his case, of which he can recover up to \$25,000. Unless his compensation for his land is greater than \$11,000, he will come out behind in his battle to assert his Fifth Amendment rights.

The scales are still tipped heavily on the side of local government when it comes to eminent domain disputes, but at least the decision by the local courts can be appealed and some portion of legal fees can be recovered. Still, Millikan will likely come out behind financially in his attempt to force the city to pay him for land that belonged to him, which the city bought from someone who did not own it in the first place.

instead to the adjacent landowner. That transfer to the private landowner was later effectuated.”

The transfer was indeed effectuated, but it was done so because a landowner raised the issue and made it happen. It was not done because the city approached the Spartz family in a proactive attempt to restore their rights.

The Reporter also reached out to another landowner along the path of Pleasant Street, but because their dispute involved court action and their settlement with the city has a clause about contact with the media, The Reporter can only say that Maxwell and the Spartz family are not the only ones who have had to force the city to either restore or justly compensate them for their land rights.

“How it is even possible in a community that is supposedly led by conservative Republicans that we even question who owns the property?” Jason Spartz asked. “I’ve been largely quiet about this to everyone except my friends of course, but when you’re targeted in a way that I feel violates my Fifth Amendment rights as well as other landowners’ Fifth Amendment rights, I get offended.”

Fifth Amendment

According to the Fifth Amendment, “No person shall ... be deprived of life,

liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.”

“If the city was behaving in a manner you would expect from a truly conservative Republican leadership, this would not be an ongoing issue,” Jason Spartz told The Reporter.

When asked how many parcels along the former Conrail line were transferred to the city and have not been transferred to the adjacent property owners, or the adjacent landowners have not been compensated for their land because they have not challenged it, the city said, “For the Pleasant Street project we have proactively researched parcel history and have either acquired 74 parcels from the deeded owner – are in the process of acquiring additional land – or acquired them from the person who we determined should have been listed as the parcel owner, using applicable legal processes and agreements.”

If you own land along the former Conrail line, it might be a good idea to look into your property ownership rights and help ensure the city does in fact use “applicable legal processes and agreements” to get you the just compensation you deserve according to the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

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\$6 Adult \$4 Kids



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Photo provided by Noblesville Schools

Noblesville Schools inducts 2023 Miller Ambassadors

The REPORTER

Noblesville Schools announced on Thursday the sixth class of Miller Ambassadors, with 21 new members joining over 120 other Noblesville leaders who have already completed the community engagement program.

The Miller Ambassadors Class of 2023 includes:

- Scott Baldwin
- Lindsey Bennett
- Shawn Blades
- Marne Burkett
- Katie Flannagan
- Tom Gang
- Ariane Haile
- Jana Hile
- Ethan Hoover
- Jordan Huffman
- Janet Leonard

- Matt Light
- Paul Mumaw
- Jennifer Orr
- Bret Richardson
- Bill Russo
- Amanda Sheets
- Connor Sullivan
- Kelsey Sweet
- Pooja Thakkar
- Jessica Tomasino

“The Noblesville community is such a strong supporter of our schools, and I want to thank all of our Miller Ambassadors for making the commitment to learn more about us and what makes us so special,” Noblesville Schools Marketing & Communications Executive Director Marnie Cooke said. “We love engaging with the community

and having this opportunity to share the why and how behind what we do.”

Miller Ambassadors is a year-long learning experience for community leaders and district parents representing their schools. Participants are exposed to all facets of running a district including academics, business management, student services, and operations, with the goal of providing a deeper understanding of Noblesville Schools.

Applications for the Class of 2024 will open this summer. To learn more, apply, or see a list of all Miller Ambassadors alumni, visit NoblesvilleSchools.org/millerambassadors.

Noblesville Parks releases 2023 Summer Concerts schedule

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department has announced the performers for its Thursday Night Summer Concert and Concert at the Commons series. Both series are presented free to the public, who are invited to bring chairs and blankets to enjoy live music in the parks.

The Summer Concert Series, presented by Star Bank, is held 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays in June and July at Dillon Park, 6001 Edenshall Lane. Presented by Myers Construction Management, Inc., the Concert at the Commons Series is 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday nights at Federal Hill Commons, 175 Logan St.

“We are excited to continue to provide free live

Summer Concert Series

Presented by Star Bank at Dillon Park

- June 8 – Cosmic Situation
- June 15 – Roughouse
- June 22 – Jai Baker 3
- June 29 – Not Your Average Boy Band
- July 6 – Groove Smash
- July 13 – The Toons
- July 20 – Hairbangers Ball

Concert at the Commons

Presented by Myers Construction Management, Inc.

- June 10 – The Eagles Project (Eagles Tribute)
- June 24 – Shoot to Thrill (AC/DC Tribute)
- July 8 – Crush (Bon Jovi Tribute)
- July 15 – No Fences (Garth Brooks Tribute)
- Aug. 12 – Chicago Rewired (Chicago Tribute)
- Aug. 26 – Earth to Mars (Bruno Mars Tribute)
- Sept. 9 – American English (Beatles Tribute)
- Sept. 23 – Trippin Billies (Dave Matthews Band Tribute)

music at Dillon Park and Federal Hill Commons throughout the summer,” Noblesville Parks Director Brandon Bennett said. “I believe we have two great lineups that provide our residents and guests with a wide variety of musical genres and tribute bands. The Noblesville Summer Concert Series is the longest running series of its kind in Hamilton County and it along with the Concerts at the Commons Series are one of our most popular parks events.”

The weekly Summer Concert Series kicks off June 8 while Federal Hill Commons will host eight free concerts between June 10 and Sept. 23.

In addition to presenting sponsors, the city would like to thank fellow Federal Hill Commons’ sponsors: Godby Home Furnishings, Context Design, Colt Moving, Metronet, SAMCO, Indiana American Water,



Bennett

Matteo’s Italian Restaurant and McGavie Outdoor Power; and Summer Concert Series sponsors: Hallmark Orthodontics, Duke Energy, Metronet, Urban Air, Gorman & Bunch Creek. Those interested in becoming a sponsor and supporting the series may call (317) 776-6350 or email sponsorships@noblesville.in.us.

About Noblesville Parks and Recreation

The Noblesville Parks and Recreation Department manages over 876 acres of parkland, including seven developed parks, 109 acres of undeveloped properties and 127 miles of trails, connector sidewalks and greenways throughout the community, in addition to two golf courses and the Noblesville Soccer Fields. For more information about Noblesville Parks’ events and programs, visit noblesvilleparks.org.



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Fishers Touch-a-Truck rescheduled for June 7

The REPORTER

The Fishers Touch-a-Truck event has been rescheduled. The rescheduled event will take place from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 7 at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater, 6 Municipal Drive, Fishers.

Ahead of the event,

attendees can sign a waiver and get a wristband for the inflatables. The waiver is for inflatables only, attendees do not need to sign a waiver to get in trucks or equipment.

For more information, go to ThisIsFishers.com/touch-a-truck.

Thanks for reading!

One community, one July 4th show

CarmelFest fireworks return to single location for city’s largest display ever

The REPORTER

The City of Carmel’s annual fireworks display on July 4 is moving back to CarmelFest with the city’s biggest and longest fireworks show ever – nearly 30 minutes of lighting up the skies over downtown Carmel.

After three years of separating fireworks shows into three different locations due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, event organizers decided to bring everyone back together for the traditional fireworks display at the close of CarmelFest on July 4.

“We hope the community comes back together in the spirit of the holiday to enjoy CarmelFest, our

biggest summer festival, and to celebrate our nation’s independence in the traditional way we’ve celebrated for many decades,” said City Council President Jeff Worrell, who has overseen the annual fireworks display for many years.

To see a video with more information about the 2023 CarmelFest fireworks, go to tinyurl.com/CarmelFestSafety.

“As we considered returning to this format, public safety was among our chief concerns,” Worrell said. “Our Carmel police and fire departments



Worrell

stepped up during COVID to support our efforts to separate this annual celebration for the good of the community. But that came with extra cost and added pressure for these departments who are not only responsible for the safety of the fireworks area, but also the rest of the city during this time.”

Now that the federal and state governments have declared the COVID restrictions over, the time has come to return to the traditional, single display of “rockets’ red glare” to celebrate the nation and our independence.

New launch site

There will be a new location for launching the fireworks in 2023. This year’s display will blast off from the parking lot of the Ice Skadium, located on 3rd Avenue SW, just south of Gradle Drive, making the display visible to those attending CarmelFest or finding spots in the area.

The show will be about eight minutes longer than previous shows and will once again include a musical score that will play over the FM airwaves of Carmel High School radio station WHJE, 91.3. (Note: You must have an actual radio to hear the musical score as on-line transmission of the radio station includes a delay of several seconds, which throws off the sound.)

Valor Classical Academy opens early enrollment for Fall 2023

Submitted

The founders of Valor Classical Academy have announced the opening of enrollment for Hamilton County’s first classical charter school.

Lease negotiations are rapidly progressing for the school to open at 10330 N. Meridian St., Carmel. This property is easily accessible from Interstate 465, Meridian Street, and Illinois Street. On Sept. 5 the school will open its doors to students in K-6 and plans to add a grade each year through 12th grade.

“We’re committed to building relationships with the community to ensure that Valor is a positive addition to the area,” said Holly Wilson, the school’s founder. “We’re enriching the educational landscape in Hamilton County by introducing a new tuition-free, classical school choice. Given the remarkable interest in Valor’s enrollment, waitlists are expected. To secure a seat, we strongly encourage prospective families to apply right away during the Early Enrollment period.”

Valor’s Head of School

David Wright added, “We seek to provide a time-tested, classical curriculum, such as cursive handwriting, the power of memorization, the joy of reading the great books and engaging in thoughtful discussions, and the mastery of persuasive writing and articulate speech. The school’s culture will be marked by order and discipline with an emphasis on the development of moral character and civic virtue. I want our students to develop into strong academic scholars and passionate citizens who positively impact their family and community.”

Early Enrollment is open until Wednesday, May 24, followed by Open Enrollment from Monday, May 29 to Oct. 6. Interested applicants can conveniently apply online at [ValorClassicalAcademy.org](https://www.valorclassicalacademy.org). The school’s Enrollment Policy and Enrollment FAQs are also available on the website.

An Enrollment Information Session will be hosted by Mr. David Wright from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday, May 22 at the Carmel Clay Public Library.

Carmel Symphony Orchestra announces 48th season filled with musical variety

The REPORTER

Another delectably inclusive musical season for lovers of classical, pops, family presentations and everything in-between is in store for 2023-24 with the Carmel Symphony Orchestra (CSO) under Artistic Director Janna Hymes.

The orchestra – a resident company of the Palladium at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel – will present a total of 13 performances during its 48th season, beginning with its traditional patriotic concert on Tuesday, July 4 at CarmelFest. That performance, scheduled to start at 8 p.m. at the Gazebo near Carmel City Hall, will lead into the city’s annual fireworks extravaganza.

All other CSO concerts are scheduled to take place at the Palladium.

“We’re coming off an incredibly diverse season that was very well received by our CSO friends and fans,” Hymes said. “There was a bit of everything in there – our Masterworks performances, of course, which showcase our classical foundation, but then we also stretched our wings into amazing R&B sounds with salutes to the music of Earth, Wind & Fire and Aretha Franklin.

“We explored Hispanic heritage at our season opener, performed the fabulous John Williams’ movie scores known and loved by everyone, had great fun introducing a whole new range of music to our



youngest fans, and celebrated the sounds of the season with a totally reconfigured Holiday Pops.

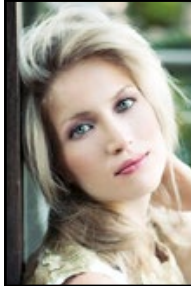
“We’ve built on this momentum to create our 2023-24 season,” she said.

In addition to the previously mentioned CarmelFest concert, the schedule includes:

- **Masterworks 1: Modern Classics** with guest artist Gabriela Martinez, piano; featuring selections by Beethoven and Mozart plus a commissioned piece by Caroline Ahn, a Carmel resident and Anderson University professor. Saturday, Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m.
- **Sounds Exciting! Classical Kids Live: Gershwin’s Magic Key.** Sunday, Oct. 22 at 4 p.m.
- **Masterworks 2: Unity, Veterans and America** featuring selections by Coleman, Ravel, Ives and Still. Saturday, Nov. 11 at 7:30 p.m.
- **Holiday Pops!** featuring Broadway veteran Ben Davis, Disney star and Carmel’s own Amelia Wray, Indiana Ballet Conservatory and Second Presbyterian Church Choir. Sunday, Dec. 10 at 3 and 7 p.m.
- **January Pops: the artistry of Cirque de la Symphonie** bringing the magic of Cirque to the music hall. Saturday, Jan. 27



Hymes



Martinez



Davis

at 7:30 p.m.

- **Family Fun Concert** with Guest Conductor Thomas Chen of Carmel High School. Sunday, Jan. 28 at 3 p.m.
- **Masterworks 3: Symphony Goes to the Movies** with guest artist Francisco Fullana, violin; featuring selections by Piazolla, Mendelssohn plus live music performed to the Charlie Chaplin film classic, *The Kid*. Saturday, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m.
- **Masterworks 4: The Firebird & Bohemian Delight** featuring selections by Smetana, Stravinsky and Dvorak. Saturday, March 16 at 7:30 p.m.
- **Masterworks 5: Verdi Requiem** featuring the Anderson University Choirs. Saturday, April 13 at 7:30 p.m.
- **Side-by-Side with Carmel High School Orchestras.** Sunday, April 21, at 4 p.m.
- **May Pops: Jeans ‘n Classics “Soulful”** featuring vocalist Gavin Hope & the Jeans ‘n Classics Soulful Band showcasing 50 years of R&B, Motown, funk, disco and pop. Saturday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Season tickets for 2023-24 will be available soon at the Palladium Fifth Third Bank Box Office, by calling (317) 843-3800,

or online at [TheCenterPresents.org](https://www.thecenterpresents.org). Tickets for individual performances will go on sale later this summer.

“We challenged our musicians throughout this recently completed season, and they answered the call every time,” Hymes said. “I’m so incredibly proud of this orchestra, and very proud to join them in presenting incredible musical performances each and every time we take to the Palladium stage.

“If you’re a current fan of the CSO, and you were in our audience this past season, you understand exactly what I’m saying,” she continued. “And if you haven’t experienced the sensational music we’re playing, the orchestra and I sincerely invite you to come and see and hear for yourself!

“CSO is not a community orchestra. It’s an orchestra *for the community*, a professional orchestra, and we’re so proud to perform for you.”

The 2023-24 Carmel Symphony Orchestra season is supported by the City of Carmel, the Center for the Performing Arts, the Palladium, and Pedcor.

For more information about the CSO, visit [CarmelSymphony.org](https://www.CarmelSymphony.org).

\$50 parking fee could impact visitor turnout at Fishers’ Geist waterfront park

By AMICIA RAMSEY
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](https://www.wishtv.com)

During the Fishers City Council meeting on May 15, members discussed charging non-residents a \$50 parking fee at the city’s new Geist Waterfront Park.

While some council members raised concerns about the affordability of the fee for visitors, a majority supported the notion as a means of recouping taxpayers’ investment. Seven out of nine council members supported the decision to implement the parking fee.

Documents reveal that the city spent \$15 million to develop the first phase of the water park, which features concession stands, kayak rentals, a sandy beach, and a play area. An official with the city’s parks and recreation told the council the park has a parking capacity of 240 vehicles, the cove has a capacity for 300 swimmers, set to accommodate the number of visitors.

One council member expressed concerns about the message conveyed to non-residents, stating, “It sends a message to people outside of Fishers that they are unwelcome here.” The sentiment echoes the worries of those who believe

the fee may deter potential visitors.

Another council member defended the parking fee, highlighting the importance of maintaining safety measures at the park, stating, “There is a significant cost to keep people safe while driving, and it’s instead of a narrative turning to ‘we’re trying to prevent people from being there.’

In response to criticisms of the fee’s affordability, one council member stated, “I don’t think there’s anything unreasonable at all. I haven’t heard any complaints from anybody in my district. This is not unreasonable.”

Another council member also justified the fee, “This is not a regional park. If it were, Indianapolis, Fortville, and all the other surrounding communities. [They] should have chipped in and helped pay for this park.”

City leaders say that the parking fee will help lifeguards monitor all visitors and effectively ensure the park’s operation. Furthermore, they have clarified that paid parking spans from Memorial Day to Labor Day, and parking will be free outside of the swimming season.

The water park is set to open on Memorial Day.

O’Malia’s Living named Apollo Award finalist

The REPORTER

The International Casual Furnishings Association (ICFA) has announced the 2023 Apollo Award finalists, and the list includes long-time local retailer O’Malia’s Living in Carmel.

The most prestigious in the industry, the Apollo Awards have been presented for more than 60 years during the ICFA Awards Gala. Members nominate retailers in the single- and multi-store categories based upon innovative merchandising and marketing, sales management, annual growth, sales training program, credit history, and achievement of goals.

O’Malia’s Living joins five other national retailers in the single-store category to be nominated, including Island Living & Patio of West Palm Beach, Fla., Outdoor Elegance of LaVerne, Calif., Patio’s Plus of Rancho Mirage, Calif., Villa Terrazza of Sonoma, Calif., and Village Green Home and Garden of Rockford, Ill. The winner



Photo provided

Steve Pulone, General Manager of Sales for O’Malia’s Living (second from left), received congratulations from Retail Genius Award judges Brian Lawrence, Mariah Maydew and Cathy Galbreath-Buzbee after receiving the honor at ICFA’s Educational Conference in Nashville.

will be announced on July 11 at AmericasMart in Atlanta, Ga.

Earlier this year, O’Malia’s Living was awarded the 2023 Mary Fruehauf Retail Genius Award for innovative retail merchandising and was showcased as an industry best practice at the ICFA Education Conference held in February in Nashville, Tenn.

“We are honored to have been selected. There

are many excellent stores and to be part of this group of established retailers is very special,” O’Malia’s Living Owner Scott Horvath said.

Established in 1966 as O’Malia’s Fireplace Shop, this retailer has grown to include grills, outdoor fire and patio furniture. In 2015, the name was changed to O’Malia’s Living to reflect the variety of products.

The International Casual Furnishings Association, based in High Point, N.C., represents manufacturers, retailers, sales representatives, and designers of outdoor furnishings plus suppliers to the industry.

O’Malia’s Living, based in Carmel, is a 57-year-old retailer of high-quality specialty fireplaces, grills and patio furniture with installation and service of fireplaces and outdoor spaces.

The Waterpark in Carmel opens May 27

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The Waterpark in Carmel, 1195 Central Park Drive West, will open at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 27. Splash into summer with fun for all ages and abilities on the FlowRider, AquaClimb, kiddie pool, lazy river, and adventure slides.

The Waterpark will open daily from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. from May 27 to Aug. 6. Guests may purchase day passes in person at The Waterpark. Day passes are \$16 for adults (ages 16 to 64) and \$13 for youth and seniors (ages 3 to 15; ages 65 and over). Season passes are available in person

or online at tinyurl.com/CarmelWaterparkPasses.

The public is encouraged to join The Waterpark Updates Facebook group to stay informed on the latest news and updates. This group will share information on closures, capacity numbers, events, and more. Go to [Facebook.com/groups/ccprthewaterpark](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ccprthewaterpark).

Lifeguard staffing may impact amenity availability. Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation values safety and strives to provide exceptional experiences. Lifeguard staffing numbers will be monitored closely to ensure a safe and enjoyable visit.

Marketing! It might as well be a four-letter word

Is marketing a conundrum for you? Conundrums are mysteries pure and simple. Marketing is a mystery for too many, especially marketing in the New Economy.

We are in a chaotic era right now, a disruptive moment, where change is the only constant. It comes at us like a tsunami with no image of a resulting future. Entire industries are disappearing – being replaced by some new idea, new technology, or service. That is Elon Musk’s incredible success; he doesn’t change products or services, he changes industries. He thinks bigger than the typical mortal.

The renaissance we’re in has changed the customer in a profound way that’s often overlooked. Funds are almost as tight as our time management these days, so customers are now looking for affordable, trustworthy solutions that are effective in resolving their issues. Since projected costs for marketing support is expected to rise to over \$200 billion in 2023, attention is being given to the different forms marketing is taking with digital marketing heading the pack.

Trust has become a critical ingredient of people choosing businesses because funds and time are limited commodities. One powerful strategy that continues to prove effective is case study marketing.

What is case study marketing?

In a way, case study marketing inverts the pyramid. Historically, businesses were the experts in providing quality work. The New Economy sets up a different paradigm: your customer is the expert! The customer recognizes an issue needing someone outside his skill set. He does online research, which offers a list of sorts. Some may choose the closest service provider; others will check with friends and family. Others yet will take it to the next



JANET HAUTER

level and begin to get quotes.

Case studies showcase your company as a thought leader who demonstrates success stories so that you hear from happy customers and why they had a positive experience. What used to be effective marketing was telling people about the stuff you sell – period. Now, your customer tells your prospects how you resolved a challenge they had coupled with their gratitude to you for your help. There is no better way to understand how your business can help another than to step into the shoes of a happy customer!

Why makes case studies so effective?

Case studies are compelling real-life stories of how your product or service helped a customer. Hearing a story from someone like themselves opens up a relationship of equals: customer to customer. Sharing another customer’s challenging story and how your company helped resolve the problem makes you and your company heroes.

Case studies have incredible return-on-investment applications for you. They are often on waiting room tables, appear on your website as a testimonial with quotes, or included in sales presentations as a persuasive tool that demonstrates why customers work with you. They are also used in onboarding new employees offering insight about your values while generating more leads.

A one-time investment (generally from \$350 to \$500) per case study (the average company has two to three created) can go a long way in creating a competitive advantage proving why 73 percent of the most successful marketing copywriters use case studies now.

Janet Hauter, known as the *The Writing Wizard*, is an 80-year-old entrepreneur debuting her new business for the Noblesville community.

Are Panorama surveys the best tool to gauge students’ success?

There has been much discussion about the use of third-party surveys to gauge our children’s success in schools.

One such survey is Panorama Education which has/had been used in many of the Hamilton County school districts. According to their website Panorama Education is an education technology company committed to providing tools to improve two key components of student success: academic progress and well-being. They claim to accomplish this by elevating student achievement with a comprehensive social-emotional learning (SEL) solution that improves core academic skills, behavior, and attendance.

I wanted to better understand what is driving the division on this topic, so I looked at several sources of information and had discussions with district leaders from Carmel, Fishers, Westfield, and Noblesville. In the end, this is what I come up with.

The law says school districts should include data from, at minimum, school attendance rates, ILEARN scores, and high school graduation rates. The plans also require ways to maintain a safe learning environ-



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ment and areas of needed improvement. But the Indiana Department of Education officials no longer require student climate and culture data to be given.

According to Panorama’s Privacy Policy, they do not get personally identifiable information (PII). That includes a student’s name, address, school ID number, telephone number, or email. But once a contract has been signed with Panorama, they are allowed to go into the School Information System (SIS) which houses the students’ information. Panorama also states that when a school uses Panorama Service, the school may share Education Information with them, such as student rosters and parent or guardian contact information. Education information may also include email addresses for students and student demographic information.

These surveys are given to students in grades 3 to 12. The survey information is supposed to be analyzed in aggregate, not on an individual basis. Detractors express concerns about potential privacy breaches involving student data. According to Panorama, when schools work with them,

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College graduation makes this proud mama’s jaw drop

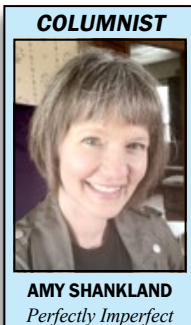
IUPUI held its commencement last Saturday, May 13. And I was one of thousands of parents in the stands of the Michael A. Carroll Track and Soccer Stadium watching their child graduate.

You’ve probably heard the saying that the days are long, but the years are short when raising a child. I haven’t spoken with any parent who disagrees with this. It truly felt like Jonathon and I attended IUPUI’s orientation just a year ago.

I remember thinking, “Can we do this? Will Jonathon be able to handle the pressures of college? Will we be able to successfully tackle the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form every year?”

And my biggest worry ... was Jonathon going to have to go into student debt for all of it? I knew how that can hurt so many young people just starting out as working adults in life.

In answer to my first question, yes, we could do it. The IUPUI calendar



AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

hung in our kitchen for four years, guiding us on important dates. I put various payments into our budget. We figured out parking and other details.

Jonathon went down to just two days a week at Pizza Hut to leave room for studying. He did much better his freshman year (heck, all four years) than his mama did back in the day. And the yearly FAFSA form wasn’t scary at all. My experience as a grant professional came in handy. It was just another application.

Thanks to scholarships, paying off our house a few years ago, a client of mine who likes to pay me one time a year for an entire year’s worth of work, and some money from my inheritance, Jonathon graduated with zero debt. I had read *Debt-Free U* by Zac Bissonnette years ago, and with that guidance, we avoided student loans.

My jaw dropped a couple of weeks ago when my husband John and I realized



Photo provided by Amy Shankland
Our columnist’s oldest son, Jonathon Shankland, graduated from IUPUI last Saturday.

Jonathon was going to graduate magna cum laude as well. Once again, he did MUCH better than I did in college. But he’s the type of guy who doesn’t like to mention that sort of thing to anyone. John and I have no trouble telling people that, however.

Now he’s working on polishing his resume thanks to a certain relative with a degree in Journalism and English who writes various things practically every day. (Yes, that’s me.) I’m

not worried about his future. He may have to work somewhere temporarily until he finds a job in his field, but Jonathon’s talent and determination will get him the perfect position.

Even though he won’t be thrilled I’m putting this story in the newspaper – and I did warn him about it – I just have to congratulate him and so many other graduates this spring. Way to go, young people! I look forward to seeing how you all transform the world.

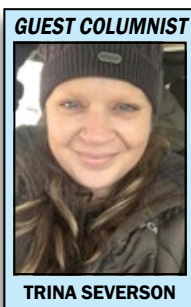
The ups & downs of motherhood

Years ago, a friend and I took our daughters to Holiday World and Splashin’ Safari theme park. The kids were still pretty small, so we skipped most of the thrill rides for tamer fun. About midday, we came to the flying carousel in the Halloween section – that popular carousel swing ride that people of all ages adore. Holiday World calls them Hallow Swings. I call them Swings of Terror.

Because I’m scared of heights and being airborne. My friend and our daughters all know this about me. But as we paused at the swing ride, the kids grabbed my hand and pulled me along. “Come with us, Mom!” my girls begged, staring up at me with hopeful little smiles. Ah, they were so cute. I agreed to go. I’d model how to be brave in the face of fear. Parenting experts would call it a “teachable moment.” I swallowed my panic and stepped forward.

My first mistake. “WHOA! Mom’s going too!” They shouted and pulled me toward the entrance gate. “I’m a *fun* mom,” I mused to myself. I waved bravely to my smarter, more self-aware friend who waited at the exit, her feet safely on terra firma.

As I buckled myself in, my courage wavered. I glanced around at my fellow riders – thrill-seekers of all ages. Preschoolers. Elderly people. Maybe even a couple centenarians, all chatting and smiling, swing-



TRINA SEVERSON

ing their feet in anticipation. We were all in this thrill together. Behind me, the girls waved and smiled. We exchanged a quick thumbs-up. I hoped my sunglasses hid the

fear in my eyes. The ride shuddered gently and came to life. The motor whirled. I felt my swing begin to rise and pick up speed. My sweaty hands gripped tighter. “Ohhhh ... nonononono.” I shut my eyes and told myself, “You got this, mama.” Spoiler alert: I didn’t have this. I wasn’t even *close* to having this.

We’d made about three revolutions when my panic spiked and I looked down at my dangling feet.

My second mistake. They looked like giant clown shoes hurling over little ants below. “Ohhhhhhh!” I gulped air. It was hard to get enough oxygen at that height – we must have been 400 feet off the ground by now, spinning at 50 revolutions per minute.

I shut my eyes again. So. *[nodding]*. This is how it ends for me, I imagined my swing breaking free and catapulting off into the cosmic wilderness like Elon’s Tesla Roadster. What a way to go! But my poor kids and fellow riders. They’d be traumatized for life.

I snapped back to reality when I heard the panicked yelling. Someone was yelling to get off the ride. The woman in front of me? The child behind me?

Oh for cryin’ out loud, it



Photo provided
Trina Severson is a writer and mail carrier in Tell City, Ind. Last week, she read this piece at Scaramouch columnist Scott Saalman’s Will Read and Sing For Food benefit show in Jasper, Ind., which raised \$2,900 for Anderson Woods Summer Camp for disabled children.

was *me!* I was the maniac hollering for the ride to stop. “I NEED TO GET OFF! I NEED TO GET OFF! I NEED TO GET OFF!”

The ride’s young attendant remained calm and professional. He raised his hand up toward me in a soothing gesture. “Ok ma’am, I just need to slow it down first.” I nodded and tried to collect my wits. I felt the eyes of my bewildered fellow passengers on me. I couldn’t look. If my kids pretended not to know me ever again, I wouldn’t blame them. Probably for the best. The ride slowed and my swing sank back down to the ground. We stopped.

There was complete silence as I released my death grip on the chair’s ropes and did the only thing I could do. I freed myself from the

swing, thanked the hero-attendant for his life-saving actions, and walked – shoulders back, chin up – to the exit. Behind me, the ride started up once again.

Overall, it was a really fun day! Any day you cheat death is a good day. And I do think it was a teachable moment. Kids are smart. I’m sure even with all my drama, my girls learned some valuable things:

- Like, life involves risk, so face your fears.
- Ask (or shout maniacally) for help when you need it, and then accept that help.
- Don’t take your up and down moments *too* seriously. You might lose, you might win. You won’t know unless you *try*.
- And most importantly: never go on a carnival ride with Mom.

Why is strength training so important?

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

Enhanced quality of life is the human dream. Studies show that lifting weights is a primary way of providing that. In the present day and age, many people struggle with body image and mental health. Attending a gym can solve many of these problems people are facing in their everyday lives. Modern-day weight-



DAYNE VOEGE
Sheridan High School Student

lifter Arnold Schwarzenegger states, “Strength does not develop from winning. Your struggles develop your strengths.”

Physical health is the most important contribution to the body. If you could do one thing to increase your health, strength training should be at the top of your list. Completing tasks of everyday activities should not be difficult. When strength training, the mobility of your joints and

tendons increases an incredible amount. Healthline.com says, “This can reinforce strength around major joints like your knees, hips, and ankles to provide additional protection against injury.”

Multiple studies have shown that completing strength-training exercises can decrease blood pressure and cholesterol. These health factors seem variable to an increase in life expectancy. Maintaining a healthy body weight and managing your blood sugar is key to avoiding heart disease. Healthline.com is set in stone on the improvement of health when

strength training. The amount of exercises people can perform is endless. For example, there are five main types of strength training. Muscle hypertrophy is the most common amongst these groups. Muscle hypertrophy is the use of heavy weights to stimulate muscle growth within the body. From an athletic standpoint, explosive power training is an important factor to developing as a better athlete. This form of training includes the use of speed and power to improve the output.

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Learning to love from my love

For almost 12 years now, I’ve had a fabulous opportunity to learn about flowers, plants, planting, growing, soil, and countless other gardening lessons from someone who cares about the subject more than anyone else I know.

When I first met my wife, Megan, I was completely uneducated in all things nature. Sure, I enjoyed growing tomatoes (without much luck), but that was about the extent of my gardening knowledge, outside of maybe being able to identify a rose or a peony. Beyond that, I was a dunce in this field.

Now, I’m not going to sit here and claim I’m now an expert on the topic; I’m still very far from it, but I can say I’ve learned a ton just from watching Megan. There is one nature lesson I’ve learned from her that ranks above all else, and that is an appreciation ... rather it is a LOVE for nature and gardening.

Starting in about January of every year, I begin my months-long craving for sunshine and warm temperatures. Of course, for me, the warmer weather means the smoky aroma of grilled burgers, sausages, briskets, and ribs.

Oh, how I long for the sounds of the cracking of a wooden Louisville Slugger, my kids playing “come get me” in the yard, and the deafening, screeching roar of IndyCars. These things all scream SPRING IS HERE to me.

However, it doesn’t truly feel like the fresh beginning to a sun-drenched



TIM RATHZ
When Nature Speaks

season until I’ve plummeted my bare hands into the clay-filled soil of my yard. There is something so rewarding about breaking my back to shovel and spreading the mulch that makes our gardens pop or cutting an outline in our yard of what will be my daughter’s garden of her very own.

One of my favorite pastimes is sitting with Megan on our back patio with a cup of coffee or glass of wine (depending on time of day, of course), watching the daylilies open for their day of glory, the cardinals and hummingbirds gliding to their respective feeders, the vegetables beginning to sprout buds, and the bunnies deciding which of our plants are going to be their dinner that night. Not to mention trying to keep our dogs from digging everything up.

The mark of a good teacher is when they imprint on you an appreciation for something new, instead of just cold hard facts. That is why I know I am incredibly blessed to have my wife and best friend as my educator to all this beauty right in front of me. It makes me feel like a kid again to have my eyes opened to a whole new world of God’s glorious perfection. I get to see Megan teach my children these same lessons, as their eyes light up when they are given the opportunity to discover this amazing wonderment.

I remember many years ago, Megan was staring at the backyard of our first



Photos provided

One of the many before and after landscaping projects my wife has had me do in our yard.

house that we had just purchased. She looked at me and said, “I’m going to need a large garden right over there by the fence for all of our flowers.”

I glared at her and said, “What flowers?”

She rebutted, “The flowers we’re going to buy and the one’s we’re going to get from my mom’s house.”

“Oh, those.”

I remember thinking at the time that she’d forget that conversation, since it was currently December, but boy was I wrong. The first warm weekend in April, she told me to put on clothes that can get dirty and I went out the back door.

I found myself mapping out a plan for the garden. I didn’t have the first clue what I was doing. I had a lawn mower, a shovel, and a tiller. I slopped my way through it and ended up with a garden space that I felt had a decent design, considering I was a complete novice. We

filled that up with day lilies, live forevers, Asiatic lilies, lambs’ ear and anything else we could buy or was gifted by Megan’s mom. I remember being surprised at how fulfilling the work was. Once they started growing and blooming, I considered them our babies (this was prior to actual babies) and couldn’t believe how beautiful it all turned out. I was hooked!

Well, since then we expanded the garden, added more flowers, moved, took many of those flowers with us, started new gardens, and the whole cycle continued and repeated. I am so proud of all I’ve learned and all the sweat and blood we have put into our yard. Gardening has been such a bonding experience for my family, and I am forever grateful for the never-ending learning and beauty.

Nature is teaching us to learn, grow, and love. Are we paying attention?

Tony Scott Peterson

February 8, 1969 – May 20, 2023



Tony Scott Peterson, 54, Fishers, passed away from cardiac arrest on Saturday, May 20, 2023, with his loving wife by his side. He was born to Kevin Peterson and Brenda (Peterson) Reed on February 8, 1969, in Greenfield, Ind.

Tony has been a lifelong resident of Hamilton County and the surrounding area. Tony’s parents divorced while he was young and in his early childhood, he gained a stepmother, Carolyn Peterson, step-

brother Tim Lawson, and stepsister Pat Schaefer. A favorite childhood story involves the three siblings: they decided they wanted a pool and Dad told them if they dug it, they could have one. They got about three feet into the process when they realized this was going to be way more work than they thought, suffice to say, they did not get the pool.

Tony attended Hamilton Southeastern High School. He was an avid sportsman in his youth, playing football, competitive swimming, and running track. Perhaps the best gift he obtained from his education there was meeting the love of his life Monica (Dell) Peterson at the age of 15. Tony often joked about marrying an “older woman” as Monica is a whole six weeks older than him.

Tony served the community in various professional capacities over the years, his background was in construction, and he used his skill set freely with his friends and family. After volunteering for Hamilton County Emergency Management for six years, he was asked to join them as an employee and served as the Logistical Staging Area Manager until his passing. His favorite perk of working for the Hamilton County Emergency Management team was working alongside his wife as she serves as the Community Outreach and Volunteer Coordinator for the HCEM.

Tony was a proud Freemason of Indiana. He followed in his family’s footsteps and was raised a Master Mason at Hamilton County Masonic Lodge No 533 in 2003. Five generations of Tony’s family were Freemasons. Several of them joined the Scottish Rite, but Tony decided to follow in his great-grandfather’s footsteps and join the York Rite in 2005. Tony had a very distinguished career in Masonry with his Lady Monica ever at his side. He was an amazing servant to the fraternity, always willing to use his skills and expertise when called upon. He has served as an aide to the Grand Commander or Deputy Grand Commander since 2010. He had the honor of becoming a Grand Prelate Emeritus in 2013. Received the honors of KTCH – Knight Templar Cross of Honor in 2017, and KCT – Knight Commander of the Temple in 2021. Tony served as Grand Sentinel for Grand Council in 2022 and Marshal for the Grand Chapter in 2018. Both Tony and Monica could be found running hospitality rooms, organizing bus trips, taking photos, providing sound equipment, and running banquets on an almost weekly basis to serve the fraternity he loved. He leaves a huge hole in the fabric of the Masonic Brotherhood and his presence will most certainly be missed. We take solace in the knowledge that he will enter that celestial lodge in heaven, to that house not built with hands, eternal in the heavens where he will hear the words, we all seek, “Well done, they good and faithful servant”.

Aside from his active participation in his Masonic endeavors, Tony had a passion for photography, rock music, and travel. He loved going to Minnesota to visit Monica’s Family and take pictures. Tony shared a love of projects with his father-in-law John Dell; those two would often be found tinkering and talking. His mother-in-law Betty Dell would always bake him coconut cream pie. Monica joked that perhaps her parents liked him better since she prefers a blueberry pie, but Betty would always insist on baking for Tony. Tony enjoyed hearing about and celebrating the latest accomplishments of his stepson, Jon, whom he raised as his own. Tony shared his love of photography with his brother-in-law Steve Cooper, and Steve, along with his wife Tanya and daughter Hannah, will certainly miss Tony’s quiet strength and abiding family love. Tony has enjoyed a special kinship with his “Buddy” Caleb; he has known him and helped care for him for the last 14 years. Tony and Caleb shared a bond beyond a simple friendship.

Tony could be a bit quirky and was a fan of visiting the “World’s Largest” whatever he could find and making memories with good friends and family. Capturing moments on film or in person drove Tony into his love of travel and friendships. He was a tall man in stature, but he had a gentle warrior’s heart. If you saw him in a crowd, you might think he was quiet, but if you sat beside him, you heard all the best comments and jokes. He purposefully tried to make everyone’s life around him easier and more joyful. He loved his wife with every inch of his being and the partnership they shared is something to be envied.

Tony was preceded in death by his father, Kevin Peterson. He is survived by his loving wife Monica (Dell) Peterson; mother, Brenda Reed; and children, Jon Persinger and Chris Peterson.

The family would like to invite you to attend the celebration of life services on Thursday, May 25. Visitation will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Services begin at 7 p.m. The Templar Memorial service will be given by John Freeland. The Masonic Memorial service will be performed by Chris Steele; he is the same Mason that performed the service for Tony’s father. Following those, the Grand Commander of the State of Indiana Randy Ellington will officiate a personal memorial. We encourage you to bring your best fun, funny and loving stories either from memory or written down so that we can all participate in the memories. The family knows that while this is a sad circumstance, Tony’s life was about finding joy, love, and laughter amid life’s ups and downs, and that’s how they’d like to honor him.

Services will be held at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. Celebration of Life, viewing, and visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. and the service will begin at 7. The public is welcome to attend the Masonic Funeral Services; they are a beautiful tribute to a man who honored the pledge of the fraternity to “make good men better.”

In honor of his love for the Order of Knights Templar, memorial contributions can be made in Tony’s name to the Indiana Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund, c/o Randy Ellington, P.O. Box 335, Shelbyville, IN 46176. The purpose of the Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund is to send credentialed Christian Ministers on a Biblical study and historical/cultural immersion experience who would not have the opportunity otherwise.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Thanks for reading The Reporter!

Humbled by community support

As a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit that doesn’t accept government money, fundraisers are our lifeblood. Receiving private grants, corporate sponsorships, and cash donations keep food moving through pantries in Hamilton County.

This past month we hosted the Feeding Team volunteer and host recognition dinner. Lisa and I were blessed to be a part of recognizing dozens of neighbors who volunteer hundreds of hours annually; sorting, stocking, cleaning, and maintaining pantries to provide thousands of meals each month. The community raised over \$7,000 to feed hungry neighbors. We continually are humbled by the community support for Feeding Team.

Special shout outs to Charity, Michelle, Rocky, Jeff, Bob, Shawn, Jon, the staff at The Mill Top, Nameless Catering, TalentLogis-



MARK HALL
The Feeding Team Feature

FeedingTeam.org
Facts
50 pantries
10,000 meals in March 2023
Over 30 volunteer families

tiX, JR Gaylor, and EquipCon for making this event special and successful.

As has become our custom, we told pantry stories. Stories of people whose paths cross someone from Feeding Team. An audience of almost 200 supporters listened to the small chapters of neighbors’ lives. We don’t use the real names of our neighbors.

Folks like Martha who just had a kidney transplant and needed food before returning to work at her fast-food job. Like Beth, the daughter of an elected official, out of work and embarrassed that her situation would be discovered by her father. Like Bill, a Navy veteran who survives on pantry food plus his pension. Like Susan who lived through a frigid winter in her car with her boyfriend, surviving on food from the pantries until her life circumstances changed.

Jon Mobley wowed the crowd with table magic and followed that with an incredible stage show. It’s no wonder he is in such high demand and performs nationally now at large venues.

I am so proud of the team. They have hearts of gold and live to serve. I am so proud to live in Indiana where people care. I am so proud of the people of Hamilton County and how service and charity are integral in the fabric of daily life. I am convinced that Feeding Team is meant for times such as these, but also, specifically it’s meant for a place as special as Hamilton County Indiana. Thank you.

With over 44,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, **FeedingTeam.org** is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides outdoor 24/7/365 no-questions-asked free food pantries throughout the county.

The pantries exist to meet the food insecurity needs of gap families, neighbors who may not qualify for public assistance and could use a few meals before payday. The pantries serve as many

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schools own all data and control all data use – not Panorama. Yet in another paragraph, they state that the information is stored on their servers.

Because of these concerns and others, the Hamilton Southeastern School Board recently halted the use of Panorama Education surveys. Westfield Washington stopped using the survey years ago. Westfield Washington decided that if they need a survey, they will provide their own. Zionsville Community Schools does not use Panorama and never did. According to one district official, they keep their eyes on state and national data and focus on a qualitative approach. Another community leader stated that they seek feedback from kiddos in a face-to-face form, which they think is more authentic.

The bottom line is that the measure that seems to be of interest to

the school is to gauge how students are feeling. We all know that students can have “bad days” and fill out a survey differently than the next survey they take. We also have counselors and mental health specialists available in each school to gauge student well-being. They are best suited to help put together a plan to maintain a safe learning environment. Presentations that Panorama made to one of the Hamilton County schools failed to show a significant improvement in the two areas they state are at the core of their business: student academic progress and well-being. Finally, the cost of the survey can range from \$18,000 to \$26,000 per year depending on any additional services and fees agreed upon. With student privacy concerns, high annual cost, and no significant results, is it fiscally responsible to continue using Panorama services?

STRENGTH

The mental aspect of strength training is huge. Going to the gym replaces all the intrusive thoughts. Strength training sets you free. It relieves your mind and makes you feel relaxed on the inside. Body dysmorphia and depression are two elements of life some struggle with. When lifting heavy weights, most people see it as “fighting demons.” Although this term is not typical, it paints a picture for those who continue to struggle with mental health. Overall, strength training should be normalized as a top priority. Self-confidence is not present enough in people. Improving your body image and developing healthy habits improves self-esteem. Enhancing your habits and ways of life is a sustainable lifestyle. Everyone knows, once they see results, an addiction is placed.

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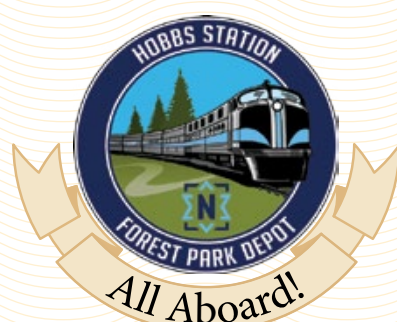
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Dixie Ann Davis

April 3, 1945 – May 17, 2023

Dixie Ann Davis, 78, Arcadia, passed away on May 17, 2023, at Carmel Health & Living in Carmel.



She was born April 3, 1945, in Noblesville to Albert & Nellie (Cain) VanMeter. During her youth she lived in Jackson Township and graduated from Jackson Central High School with the Class of 1963. After graduating she married the love of her life, Ronald Eugene Davis, and began her new role as homemaker. They were blessed with two daughters, Rhonda Lee Davis Fowler and Debbie Davis, both of Arcadia; and a son, Jeff Davis, who preceded her in death.

Dixie worked for several years as a teacher's aide and also in the cafeteria of Hamilton Heights Elementary School. Dixie was a natural with children. She liked to help them with learning and encouragement. In her job in the cafeteria, she often took their lunch tickets with a warm smile and greeting. And when they would see her outside of school, the children would call her name and wave to her, wanting to be recognized by her. She was special to them, and they were also special to her.

Dixie loved being outdoors, and at times she would drive through the country just to savor the beauty of the land. She loved to care for her yard, which included mowing and caring for her flowers. She also loved to read on her front porch so she could be outdoors. She dearly loved her family and looked forward to their family gatherings.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Eugene Davis; son, Jeff Davis; grandson, Corey Fowler; sister, Peggy Sowers; and brothers, Max VanMeter and Richard VanMeter.

Surviving her are two daughters, Rhonda Lee (Terry) Davis Fowler and Debbie Davis; grandchildren, Chad Davis, Ashley Soultz, Brittany Davis, and Kyle Fowler; and great-grandchildren, Maggie, William, Noah, and Emma.

Hartley Funeral Homes Cicero Chapel is entrusted with Dixie's care. You may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

No formal services are planned at this time.

Dinah Sue Owen

February 4, 1960 – April 23, 2023

Dinah Sue Owen, 63, Sheridan, passed away on Sunday morning, April 23, 2023, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville. Born February 4, 1960, in Columbus, Miss., she was the daughter of the late Paul Leonard and Tina Pearl (Flora) Sanders.



She was a graduate of Woodford County High School, as well as a graduate of PCI College, earning her certification as a Medical Assistant. For 30 years, she worked as a nurse for Dr. Habig's office in Westfield. She quickly became an irreplaceable part of office and was a favorite of Dr. Habig's patients.

Dinah was a caregiver with a servant's heart. She thought everyone deserved at least one person in their corner and went out of her way to help those who didn't have anyone in their lives they could count on. She always seemed to be bringing in "strays" (the people kind) and giving them exactly what they needed ... someone who cared.

Dinah enjoyed crafting and making jewelry, but her family road trips really helped her relax. Even though Cozumel, Mexico, was one of her favorite travel destinations, there was something special about her "sister" trips to Kentucky Lake that made them the place to be, year after year.

Dinah is survived by her loving husband, Mitchell Lee Owen. She and Mitchell were married on November 19, 1988. Also surviving are her son, Levi T. Owen (Maggie) of Sheridan; daughter, Morgan Ferguson of Indianapolis; two grandchildren, Brynn Scott and Ryann Owen; brother, Thomas Sanders of Westfield; sisters, Paula Sanders-DeWar (Tom) of Gary and Lillie Sanders-Owen (John) of Spencer; and her canine furbaby, Tobie.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Paul Leonard and Tina Pearl (Flora) Sanders.

A celebration of Dinah's life was held on Saturday, May 20, 2023, at the Sheridan American Legion, 406 E. 10th St., Sheridan.

Through Dinah's gift of organ donation, she was able to save three lives. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions may be presented to the Angel Fund, c/o Indiana Donor Network Foundation, 3760 Guion Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46222.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com

Helen Kutsko

September 13, 1929 – May 16, 2023

Helen Kutsko, 93, Fishers, passed away on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on September 13, 1929, to John and Mary (Vozar) Ply in Gary, Ind.



Helen is remembered for her love of sweets, her Slovak commands (čakaj – wait!), and her fierce independence. She loved dining at restaurants and is fondly remembered for her mob boss-like requests to sit in a booth that faced the rest of the room. Helen loved Italian food, national parks vacations with her husband Mark, visiting family out west, and tapping her feet to Latin music.

She is survived by her children, Cynthia (David) Christiansen, Alice Noppenberger, and James (Julie Norton) Kutsko; grandchildren, Matthew, Lesley, Paul, Stephen, Michael, and Caitlin; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Mark J. Kutsko; son-in-law, Tom Noppenberger; sisters, Mary and Anna; and twin brother, John.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

John Nicholas Allen Binkley, Jr.

July 4, 1945 – May 17, 2023

John Nicholas Allen Binkley, Jr., also known as Buck, passed away on May 17, 2023, at his home near Cicero with his family at this side. He was born on July 4, 1945, to John Nicholas Allen & Emma Lee (Rigsby) Binkley in Lebanon, Tenn.



Buck went to work at a young age at the Lebanon Handle Company in his home town. He ran a lathe making handles for all kinds of tools such as hammers, screw drivers, saws, etc. After working there for almost 20 years, he headed north to central Indiana and settled in Tipton.

Changing an indoor job for an outdoor one, he became a groundskeeper for almost 40 years.

Buck was an animal lover and enjoyed watching and feeding the birds. He also liked to watch the old western movies where the strong and the good guys always won. He liked to fish and he liked to garden. Often in late summer you would see five-gallon buckets in front of his home sharing the vegetables he had produced with his neighbors.

He married Mary Catherine (Moss) Brinkley, who preceded him in death. In addition to his wife and his parents, he was also preceded in death by the following siblings: Clara, Ben, George Allen, Kathryn, Hazel, Billy, and Frances.

Surviving him are daughters, Mary Elizabeth Stumpf of Cicero, Tina Marie Binkley of Manchester, Tenn., and Janice Lee Binkley of Tullahoma, Tenn.; sisters, Dlorise Poston, Susan Crawford, and Mary Bucy, all of Lebanon, Tenn.; and grandchildren, Chasity, Brandi, Nathan, Kristin, Daniel, Cody, Ashley, Christopher, and Nicholas.

Graveside services were held on Monday, May 22, 2023, at Tetersburg Cemetery near Tipton with Rev. Adam Colter officiating. Burial followed.

Hartley Funeral Home Cicero Chapel is entrusted with his care and services. You may send condolences at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

Sandra Faye Jones

September 18, 1953 – May 7, 2023

Sandra Faye Jones, 69, passed away unexpectedly at her home in Sheridan on Sunday morning, May 7, 2023. Born September 18, 1953, in Sheridan, she was the daughter of the late William B. and Geneva Elaine (Wells) Jones.



After graduating from Carthage High School, Sandra went on to graduate from Barber College, and later from Kay's Beauty College. For many years she worked as a licensed beautician and barber, garnering a loyal following of customers throughout her career.

She was a member of the Noblesville Church of the Nazarene and was currently attending the Sheridan First United Methodist Church. As a devoted Christian, she felt very strongly about taking an active role within her church family, as well as giving back to the community that she called home. Working with the church's lunch program and preschool classes gave her a real sense of purpose and helped her to find other avenues in which to volunteer within the communities that she loved. Serving and helping others was Sandra's true calling in life.

When it was time to relax, Sandra found activities that let her explore the great outdoors. Sometimes that meant fussing around with her flowers or putting around in the garden, and other times she was content just laying out on the beach or taking a relaxing boat ride. But the place where she was the happiest was on the back of her bike. Sandra was a Harley girl and never passed up an opportunity to hit the open road, with a little Rod Stewart blasting from the speakers and the unmistakable rumble of her Hog. She also enjoyed getting back to nature and always looked forward to her next camping trip.

Sandra is survived by her two sons, Jeremy William McCubbins and Joshua Edgar McCubbins, both of Sheridan; two grandchildren, Logan U. McCubbins (Maggie) of Sheridan and Christian W. McCubbins of Noblesville; one great-grandchild, Vincent McCubbins; three brothers, Larry Blankenship, Terry Blankenship, and Gary Jones; two sisters, Laura Elaine Moore and Tammy Jo Reynolds (and best brother-in-law ever, Bryan Reynolds); many nieces and nephews, starting with Tabatha McKenney, and everyone that followed; and by her black cat, Athena, and her two grand-furbabies.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William B. and Geneva Elaine (Wells) Jones; and by her brother, Chuck Jones.

Services took place on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at Kercheval Funeral Home, 306 E. 10th St., Sheridan, with visitation prior to the service. Pastor John Meunier officiated.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be presented to Kercheval Funeral Home, P.O. Box 42, Sheridan, IN 46069, to help defray the cost of funeral expenses.

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Hamilton Heights Education Foundation’s golf outing will raise money to enhance student achievement

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights Educational Foundation’s (HHEF) 34th annual Golf Outing is set for Thursday, June 8 at Bear Slide Golf Course, 6770 231st St., Cicero.

The community is invited to join friends, neighbors, and colleagues for a day of fun and networking on the green to help support HHEF’s work of enhancing student achievement at Hamilton Heights.

The event, which is the organization’s primary fundraiser, supports student achievement in innovative and impactful ways. To date, the organization has funneled back thousands of dollars annually in the form

of grants to Heights students and teachers.

The cost is \$125 per golfer and includes greens fee, cart, box lunch, two mulligans, and two drinks during round. Lunch is being catered by Big Dog’s Smokehouse. Rain date is Thursday, June 15. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Shotgun start to follow at 10 a.m.

Special thanks to this year’s title sponsors: Beck’s Hybrids, Beaver Materials, and Blades Audio Video Security. To register, become a sponsor, and for more information at this year’s event go to bit.ly/hhef23golfouting.

All contributions to HHEF are tax deductible and 100 percent of its money is directed to stu-

dent-oriented projects and programs. The Foundation accepts donations throughout the year to help support its work. Find HHEF on social media by searching for @hhedfoundation.

About the Hamilton Heights Educational Foundation

The Hamilton Heights Educational Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit entity created in 1989 to support the Hamilton Heights school system. Its mission is to provide monetary grants to teachers who initiate classroom instructional proposals that demonstrate a high degree of creativity and instructional enhancement designed to improve student academic achievement.



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The Math Manipulative, recently funded by HHEF, enables Kindergarten students to use colorful cubes for counting, building, making patterns, solving addition and subtraction problems, and much more.

United Animal Health named major sponsor of Sheridan Community Schools Field House

The REPORTER

Sheridan Community Schools has announced United Animal Health as the major sponsor for the much-anticipated Field House building expansion, set to be completed in January 2024. This partnership represents a shared commitment to fostering community growth, supporting education, and promoting physical wellbeing by both the school district and United Animal Health.

The collaboration between United Animal Health and Sheridan Community Schools is rooted in a vision to enhance the educational experiences of students, as well as to provide a state-of-the-art facility for the wider community.

United Animal Health, founded in 1956, has an history of innovation and dedication to improving animal health and nutrition. The company has consistently been at the forefront of scientific advancements in animal nutrition and has played a piv-

otal role in shaping animal agriculture. With a focus on research, development, and the manufacturing of animal nutrition products, United Animal Health has become a trusted partner for livestock producers worldwide.

Over the years, United Animal Health has cultivated strong relationships in the animal agriculture industry and has demonstrated a deep commitment to local communities.

“We believe in supporting the communities where we work,” United Animal Health President & CEO Doug Webel said. “Supporting agriculture and small towns is an important part of our culture. We decided as a company to maintain our offices in Sheridan rather than move to a larger metro area. By sponsoring the Sheridan Community Schools Field House, our company is reaffirming its commitment to investing in communities where we operate.”

The new Field House will provide Sheridan Community



Photo provided by Sheridan Community Schools
Sheridan Superintendent Dr. Dave Mundy (left) and Joel Spencer of United Animal Health seal the deal at the construction site of the new Field House.

Schools with a multi-purpose facility to host various athletic events, physical education classes, extra-curricular programs, and community activities. Equipped with state-of-the-art amenities, the Field House will offer students and community members an exceptional venue for athletic and recreational pursuits, fostering a healthy and active lifestyle.

Sheridan Community Schools Superintendent Dr.

Dave Mundy expressed his gratitude for United Animal Health’s support, stating, “We are thrilled to have United Animal Health as the major sponsor for our Field House project. Their commitment to education, community, and the wellbeing of students aligns perfectly with our mission. This partnership will have a lasting impact on our students and community for generations to come.”

Obituary

Nita Mae Owens
June 25, 1934 – May 2, 2023

Nita Mae Owens entered her eternal rest of May 2, 2023, at the age of 88.

Nita was born on June 25, 1934, in Albany, Ky. She was the daughter of Harley and Edith (Thrasher) Owens. She graduated from Clinton County High School in Albany, Ky.

Nita was blessed with twin sons, Gary and Barry. They were the joys of her life who never failed to keep her laughing. She was also the proud Nana of four grandchildren to whom she was devoted, supporting them always, from baseball games to school plays.

Nita resided for the majority of her life in Noblesville, where she spent 35 years working for Firestone Industrial Products, where she also made many lifelong friends. Her greatest joy was the companionship of her family and friends. She was a wonderful cook and loved to share her gift with those she loved. Nita loved a good joke or prank and always had a laugh to share. She was also an avid reader and always had a good book – or five – to lend. Nita was a devoted sister and a wonderful aunt to many nieces and nephews with whom she cherished a special bond.

Nita was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Barry; her sisters, Audrey Beaty and Christine Parrigin; and brother, J.T. Owens. She is survived by her son, Gary and his wife Tina; grandchildren, Angela, Derek, Tyler, and Brandon; two great-grandchildren; sister, Eunice Hartsock; and brother, Ernest Owens; as well as many dear nieces and nephews.

She will be laid to rest in a private ceremony. Nita will be greatly missed and fondly remembered.

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Erika Collins is Husky Hero for April at Hamilton Heights

Erika Collins, the Before and After Care (BAC) Program Manager and Camp Coordinator at the Little Huskies Learning Center, was named as a Husky Hero for April.

Collins, who has been with Hamilton Heights since 2019, is responsible for planning and organizing activities and care for children preschool through sixth grade throughout the school year as well as spring, summer, and fall camps.

Collins was nominated by Emily Wolfington, who wrote, "Erika is such an asset to the Hamilton Heights elementary and pre-k program. The fun she provides our children throughout the year (even when school is out at camp) is such a helpful option for our community. How she and her team can keep that many children of varying ages safe, having fun, learning, and organized is a testament to her gift of caring for others. I especially love that she does things like food and household supply drives to help others, makes donation asks to parents without pressure that are effective, and is quick to respond to any request for our kids. I hope she can receive this award as she is worthy of the praise!

"This award means so much because we are being recognized for the differ-



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Erika Collins was selected as the Husky Hero for the month of April. Pictured in the front row are her BAC students. (Back row, from left) Amber and Craig Bowen of F.C. Tucker, Erika Collins, and Melissa Martin of the Hamilton Heights Education Foundation.

ence we are making in the lives of the children we care for,” Collins said. She also said the recognition was an overwhelming surprise. “The kids are absolutely my motivation in my role here at BAC. Being able to provide them with a fun, safe place to spend their time away from home is what drives us every day. This award will be a great reminder of how this community shows their appreciation and how many families we impact each year. Thank you!”

Sara Cox, Director of the Little Huskies Learning Center, said, "Erika eats, sleeps,

and breathes Heights! She has been a true asset to this school since her kids were little. I met her volunteering in our kiddos' classrooms years ago and she is very active in coaching baseball and other youth sports. When Little Huskies needed someone to reorganize and build the Before and After Care and Vacation Camp program to what it is today, we couldn't have asked for a better fit! Erika pours her love and care into the students, but also her staff, ensuring that everyone enjoys their time together. When you consider she has kiddos ALL YEAR LONG, it is quite im-

pressive!”

Congratulations to the April Husky Hero. Thank you, Erika Collins, for making an impactful difference at Hamilton Heights.

Do you know a Husky Hero? Nomination forms and information about this special recognition program for Hamilton Heights employees are available at bit.ly/hhschuskyhero. The Husky Hero Recognition program is made possible through the Hamilton Heights Educational Foundation in partnership with Craig and Amber Bowen (F.C. Tucker).

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Integrity & good character

Grandpa Howard told me that every human makes his own record in the arena of life. A name is illuminated by the light of the character that shines behind it.

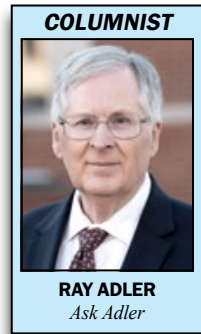
I found that some may try to besmirch the legacy you are leaving. Some will do so out of lack of understanding and others out of malice or jealousy. Nevertheless, I have tried to uphold Grandpa's admonition to maintain good character.

He told of a certain farmer who owed a Wayne-town grocer \$80. The merchant had not been able to collect the account and finally agreed to take a note. The debtor, believing that only his signature would be required, seemed pleased to settle in this manner, but the merchant demanded security. There was a young man about 20 years old who was working for the farmer at this time. Though a minor, his name as surety was satisfactory to the merchant. The young man knew nothing of this transaction until the note became due. The farmer had forged the signature and escaped prosecution by raising the money the same day to make the payment in full.

It was near closing time when a man came into the bank to get a check cashed. The cashier hurriedly made the exchange and the man went out without recounting the money until he arrived home. It was then learned the cashier had given \$5 more than the check called for. The following morning the money was returned and since the mistake was of no serious consequence there was little comment concerning the incident.

Some months later the man who presented the check wanted to borrow \$200 and asked the president of the bank what security was necessary. The banker said "We do not make loans without adequate security, but I consider your name worth \$200 and will make a personal loan without endorsement."

Grandpa encouraged me to be a climber, not a coaster, a booster, nor a boaster.



More than 200 attend HAND's workforce housing conference

More than 200 central Indiana community leaders gathered at the Embassy Suites Conference Center in Noblesville on May 3 to hear from experts working to address a growing need for suburban workforce housing.

HAND's 2023 Subur-

ban Housing Conference, presented by the Hamilton County Community Foundation (HCCF), was the Noblesville-based nonprofit's ninth annual event. It attracted elected officials, political candidates, municipal planners, housing developers, funding partners, nonprofit executives, com-

munity activists, and others concerned about the widening gap between household incomes and housing costs.

HCCF President & CEO
Tim Kilian set the tone for the educational day, which began with a panel of local developers discussing how they navigate obstacles like high land costs and restric-

tive zoning ordinances. Invest Hamilton County CEO Mike Thibideau led the discussion among developers Marchelle Berry from Radiant CDC, Alison Birge from Village Capital Corp., Nate Harris from Buckingham Cos., and Bryan Stumpf from 11th Street Development.

“Quick Hits on Housing” included an update on how housing-related bills fared in the just-completed Indiana General Assembly, from Prosperity Indiana’s Andrew Bradley, as well as an overview of the regional housing study the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organiza-

tion is working on, from the MPO's Andrea Miller. Hamilton County Commissioner Christine Altman provided a brief update on the county's plans to invest \$5 million in federal ARPA funds to acquire land and build infrastructure for an attainable housing development.

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Girls Tennis

Carmel gets 30th sectional win in a row, Fishers beats Southeastern

By **RICHIE HALL**
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CARMEL – The Carmel girls tennis team kept its sectional championship streak rolling last Thursday.

The No. 2-ranked and defending state champion Greyhounds beat No. 9 Westfield 4-1 at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center to win the sectional title. Carmel has now won 30 consecutive sectional titles, and 39 overall.

All five matches were decided in straight sets. The ‘Hounds swept both doubles, with Ali Griffin and Alexa Lewis taking the No. 1 match and Marina Duncan and Alex Widjaja winning the No. 2 flight. Meanwhile, No. 1 singles Nora Perkins and No. 2 singles Elyse Nelson both got victories.

“We came out with authority, started off pretty good,” said Carmel coach Dan Brunette. “I knew that 2 doubles and 3 singles was a strong point for Westfield and they played pretty well in those spots today.”

Brunette was complimentary of the Shamrocks, calling them a good team and noting their No. 9 ranking.

“And I think we needed some test early on here,” said Brunette. “It’s good for us, and it’s good for us to face a little bit of adversity and deal with it.”

The Shamrocks’ lone win came at No. 3 singles, where Addi Kooi held off Grace Kim 6-3, 7-6 (2).

Kim came back from 5-2 down in the second set to force a tiebreak.

Carmel will play Lewis Cass on Tuesday in the semifinals of the Kokomo regional. The Kokomo sectional championship is set for this afternoon between Northwestern and the host Wildkats.

In sectional semifinal matches last Wednesday, the Greyhounds beat No. 24 Guerin Catholic 5-0, taking all five matches in straight sets.

In the other semifinal, Westfield beat University 4-1. The Trailblazers’ lone win came from No. 1 singles Laurel Buttrick, who was victorious 6-2, 6-4. Buttrick will now advance to the individual state tournament, which begins this week.

Fishers wins again

Fishers, the No. 4-ranked team in the state, defeated district rival and No. 15-ranked Hamilton Southeastern 5-0 last Thursday to win its third consecutive sectional championship. The match was played at Noblesville.

No. 1 Mischa Briggs, No. 2 Izzy Mokra and No. 3 Caroline Ober all won singles matches for the Tigers, while the doubles teams of No. 1 Emma Beehler and Cassie Maurer and No. 2 Madelyn Barron and Meredith Ober were both victorious.

Fishers will host the regional this year, and begins play on Tuesday by taking on No. 30-ranked Mount Vernon.

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Buttrick



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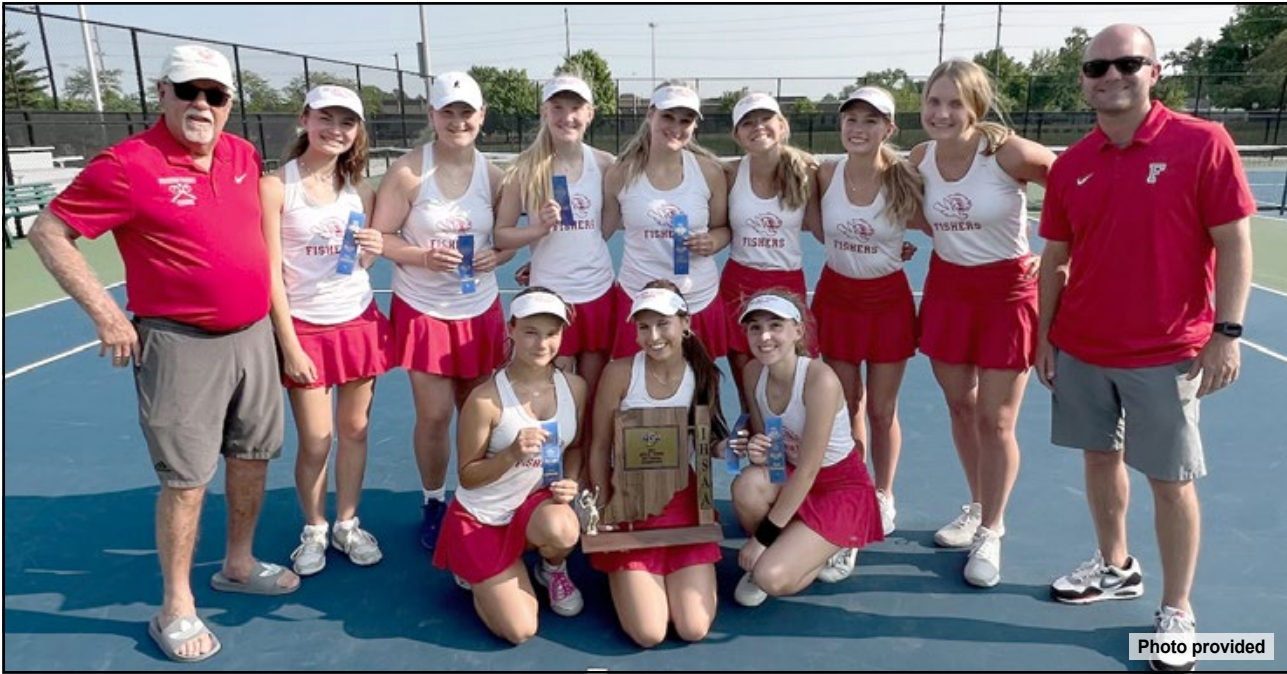


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(Top) The Carmel girls tennis team beat Westfield 4-1 last Thursday to win its own tennis sectional at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center. It’s the 30th sectional title in a row and the 39th overall for the Greyhounds. (Above) The Fishers girls tennis team beat Hamilton Southeastern 5-0 last Thursday to win the Noblesville sectional. The Tigers have won three consecutive sectional titles.

AT CARMEL

Carmel 4, Westfield 1

No. 1 singles: Nora Perkins (C) def. Juliette Grilliot (W) 6-0, 6-0

No. 2 singles: Elyse Nelson (C) def. Alana Raymond (W) 6-0, 6-3

No. 3 singles: Addi Kooi (W) def. Grace Kim (C) 6-3, 7-6 (2)

No. 1 doubles: Ali Griffin and Alexa Lewis (C) def. Olivia Krauss and Jenna Berry (W) 6-2, 6-1

No. 2 doubles: Marina Duncan and Alex Widjaja (C) def. Brianna Saylor and Chloe Carlson (W) 6-4, 6-2

AT NOBLESVILLE

Fishers 5, Hamilton Southeastern 0

No. 1 singles: Mischa Briggs def. Taylor Wolf 6-0, 6-0

No. 2 singles: Izzy Mokra def. Emma Bieberich, n/a

No. 3 singles: Caroline Ober def. Summer Wolf 6-2, 6-0

No. 1 doubles: Emma Beehler and Cassie Maurer def. Maya Wetzel and Novelle Lee 6-1, 6-2

No. 2 doubles: Madelyn Barron and Meredith Ober def. Naina Patwardhad and Peighton Baugh 6-3, 6-2

Qualifying Day 1 sees most runs ever at Speedway

By **RICHIE HALL**
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SPEEDWAY – Let the record show that there were not a million qualifying runs during last Saturday’s Day 1 of qualifications for the Indianapolis 500. It only seemed that way.

There were many qualifying runs, though. The most ever for any day of qualifying. A total of 84 qualifying attempts were made by the 34 drivers angling for a spot in the field of 33 for the 107th running of the Indy 500.

“My life goal, ever since I was a kid was to be a part of history, no matter in what way that would be,” said David Malukas, a young American driver who earned a place in the 500 for a second time. Malukas provided some exciting moments for the late afternoon fans when he pulled out a speed of 231.769 miles per hour for his qualifying run, one that came during a frantic last hour of driving.

Noblesville’s Conor Daly was part of the history as well. The veteran driver – this will be his 10th Indianapolis 500 – qualified 16th for the race. Daly made three attempts, and his first one was the fastest at 232.433 mph.

While Daly was frustrated about not being able

to go faster, he was aware that when it comes to the 500, it’s not always about where a driver starts.

“Honestly, we’ve started from much worse and ended up leading and being up front, so it doesn’t really matter too much,” said Daly. “It makes it a little bit harder to get there, but we’ve got there every time the last couple years.”

Not only were their many runs, but they were all fast as well. Five drivers touched 234 mph during individual laps, with Felix Rosenqvist reaching that level twice. Rosenqvist was the top qualifier of Day 1 with a speed of 233.947 mph, which is the third-fastest qualifying run ever. Rosenqvist is behind only Scott Dixon’s 2022 pole position speed of 234.048, and Arie Luyendyk’s 1996 run of 236.986.

“Super proud of the whole team for executing,” Rosenqvist said. “That last run we did was just phenomenal. Almost in a 234 average. That was pretty mind-blowing how we found so much speed. We weren’t super happy on our first run, so we had two or three reasons to think we were going to go quicker. We kind of put them all together. Wow, what a run.”

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Reporter photos by Kent Graham

(Above left) David Malukas provided some excitement during the last hour of Day 1 qualifications, leaping into the top 30 on his fourth qualifying attempt. (Above right) Noblesville’s Conor Daly qualified for his 10th Indianapolis 500 last Saturday. Daly finished 16th with a speed of 232.433 miles per hour, placing him firmly in the field.

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Track & Field

Royals earn seventh consecutive sectional title

By RICHIE HALL
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FISHERS – The Hamilton Southeastern girls track and field team continued its sectional streak last Tuesday on its home turf.

The Royals won their seventh consecutive sectional trophy in a tight battle with Carmel and Noblesville. Southeastern totaled 120 points, with the Greyhounds scoring 114 and the Millers 110.5. It was a competitive sectional, with multiple winners for each school, and people stepping up in different events.

“Our girls really stepped up,” said Royals coach Julie Alano. “We talked about just everybody in every event doing what they could.”

In addition to winning the sectional, Southeastern qualified several athletes to Tuesday’s regional at Lafayette Jefferson. The top three finishers in each event automatically qualify for the regional, and there were several callbacks for the Royals and the other schools, too. (A list of qualifiers appears on this page.)

“We talked about, top seven could move on with callbacks,” said Alano. “So, making sure you get in there and scoring the points and trying to get in the top seven. If you’re not three, don’t give up.”

Southeastern won two events, both in the distance area. Elizabeth Butler was first in the 1600 run, while Maggie Powers emerged from a very close battle to win the 3200 run. Powers finished in 11 minutes, 1.55

seconds, just a third of a second ahead of Noblesville’s Nadia Perez.

Alano said another highlight was HSE placing second and third in the 200 dash. Freshman Chloe Senefeld was second, while Jocelyn Davis finished third. Riley Williams helped out with a second-place result in the pole vault.

“We knew she could do that,” said Alano, who noted that it was just a matter of “finally having the chance.”

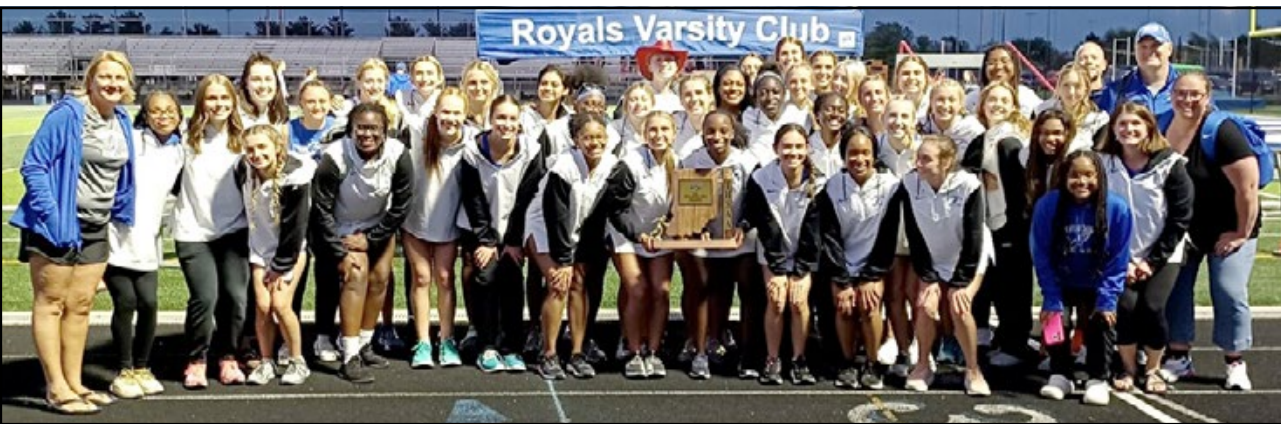
“We tried some other things and she’d had some knee issues, but we knew she could come through pretty well there,” said Alano.

Carmel won five events, including a sweep of all three relays. The Greyhounds won two of those relays in new sectional record time, with Olivia Cebalo, Kara Wenzler, Audrey Ricketts, Kaitlyn Oshimura setting a new 4x800 mark of 9:17.01 and Gabriela Grande Rosas, Cebalo, Cambell Wamsley and Emily Norris clocking in at 3:54.50 for the 4x400 relay.

Cebalo and Wamsley finished 1-2 in the 400 dash, while Norris won the 200 dash.

Noblesville also picked up five event wins. Hannah Alexander dominated the throwing events, setting new sectional records in both the discus and the shot put. Alexander won the discus with a top throw of 157 feet, 10 inches, and took the shot put in 47 feet, 4.25 inches.

Summer Rempe also set a new sectional record, practically sprinting



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Hamilton Southeastern girls track and field team won its seventh consecutive sectional championship last Tuesday. The host Royals emerged from a tough battle with Carmel and Noblesville to place first with 120 points.

Regional Qualifiers

Here is a list of Hamilton County qualifiers for the Lafayette Jefferson track and field regional, along with their seeds and sectional times.	
4x800 relay: 1. Carmel 9:17.01, 2. Noblesville 9:18.56, 3. Hamilton Southeastern 9:35.17, 6. Guerin Catholic 9:42.34, 12. Fishers 10:16.21, 13. Westfield 10:16.35.	48.92, 11. Noblesville 50.72.
100 hurdles: 1. Lucy Hauser (W) 15.04, 2. Makenzie Loftin (HSE) 15.17, 3. Ella Ewing (Hamilton Heights) 15.24, 4. Anna Williams (F) 15.63, 6. Elia Blackmore (HSE) 15.88, 8. Olivia Fowler (N) 16.34, 10. Madison Clary (W) 16.53.	400 dash: 1. Olivia Cebalo (C) 56.81, 6. Cambell Wamsley (C) 57.65, 12. Lily Hovda (University) 1:01.24, 15. Rylan David (F) 1:01.61.
100 dash: 1. Princess Campbell (W) 12.03, 2. Maya Taylor (F) 12.20, 3. Emily Norris (C) 12.24, 5. Tobí Fapetu (W) 12.37, 7. Mireya Benjamin (F) 12.55, 8. Gabriela Grande Rosas (C) 12.56.	300 hurdles: 1. Ewing (HH) 46.34, 3. Hauser (W) 46.59, 5. Ava Sinex (C) 46.77, 6. Blackmore (HSE) 47.59, 11. Williams (F) 48.82, 14. Loftin (HSE) 49.29.
1600 run: 1. Elizabeth Butler (HSE) 5:02.37, 2. Bridget Gallagher (GC) 5:05.85, 3. Paige Hazelrigg (N) 5:07.23, 5. Sadie Foley (C) 5:07.37, 7. Ava Powers (HSE) 5:12.71, 8. Kennedy Applegate (N) 5:16.09, 10. Olivia Mundt (C) 5:21.10.	800 run: 1. Summer Rempe (N) 2:12.72, 2. Ciara Kepner (HSE) 2:15.07, 3. Audrey Ricketts (C) 2:15.32, 5. Gallagher (GC) 2:17.61, 6. Brinkley Cooper (N) 2:17.93, 7. Isabella Murch (F) 2:18.40, 8. Jasmine Klopstad (C) 2:21.07.
4x100 relay: 2. Carmel 47.89, 3. Fishers 47.99, 4. Westfield 48.72, 6. Hamilton Southeastern	200 dash: 2. Norris (C) 25.35, 3. Chloe Senefeld (HSE) 25.59, 4. Jocelyn Davis (HSE) 25.60, 5. Fapetu (W) 25.63, 6. Taylor (F) 26.12, 8. Zinnia Pineda (F) 26.32.
	3200 run: 1. Maggie Powers (HSE) 11:01.55, 2. Nadia Perez (N) 11:01.89, 3. Brooke Lahee (N) 11:02.38, 4. Liz Smith (W) 11:02.47, 6. Charlotte Konow (C) 11:23.90, 7. Bailey Freese (GC) 11:24.44.
	4x400 relay: 1. Carmel 3:54.50, 4. Hamilton

through the 800 run to finish in 2:12.72. Rempe also joined Brinkley Cooper, Ansley Applegate and Riley Flynn to take second in the 4x800 run; their time of 9:18.56 was under the old sectional record. Malina Miller was first in the high jump and Delaney Teachnor won the pole vault.

Fishers placed fourth with 78.5 points. Maya Taylor was second in the 100 dash, and was part of the runner-up 4x100 relay with Mireya Benjamin, Zinnia Pineda and Kya Hoskins. Macey Miller placed second in the shot put and third in the discus.

Westfield scored 67

points and got two victories. Lucy Hauser won the 100 hurdles and placed second in the 300 hurdles. Princess Campbell also won a championship, placing first in the 100 dash.

Guerin Catholic was next with 48 points. Mia Chang took second in the long jump and Bridget Gal-

lagher was the 1600 runner-up.

Hamilton Heights totaled 42 points. Ella Ewing led the Huskies with two event victories in the long jump and the 300 hurdles, also taking second in the 100 hurdles.

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‘Hounds come out on top in sectional championship

By RICHIE HALL
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WESTFIELD – The Carmel boys track and field team won a competitive and well-balanced sectional championship last Thursday.

The sectional took place at Westfield’s Riverview Health Stadium this year instead of the usual Carmel Stadium. The Greyhounds finished ahead in a tight battle with Hamilton Southeastern, winning their fourth consecutive sectional title by scoring 124 points. The Royals were a strong second with 113 points.

Carmel won four events. Adom Quist won a very close 110 hurdles battle with Fishers’ Tyler Tarter, as both finished in a time of 14.57 seconds; Quist got first by a few millimeters. Kole Mathison was a double winner in the long-distance events, winning the 1600 run and leading a 1-2 finish in the 3200 run; Tony Provenzano placed second. Drew Franklin dominated the discus, with a winning throw of 188 feet, 5 inches, nearly 29 feet ahead of the state standard.

The Greyhounds also had several athletes finish in the top three in their events, which automatically sends them to next Thursday’s regional at Lafayette Jefferson.

“I’m very happy with what happened today,” said Greyhounds coach Ken

Browner. “We got everybody we expected to get out except the 4x1. That was unfortunate, but I still think we have a solid group of guys that can still make a run at it. We just got to put together another great meet next week.”

Michael Griffith won two events for the Royals, taking the 400 dash and winning the long jump in 23 feet, 1.75 inches. Lamine Sall placed third in the long jump in 22 feet, 1 inch; both HSE jumpers were well ahead of the state standard.

Noblesville placed third with 90 points and won three events. Christ Degni had a hand in all three, as he swept the 100 and 200 dashes, then joined Derrell Coleman, Sidney Weaver and Cameron Wilson for a close victory in the 4x100 relay. The Millers ran the race in 42.55 seconds, Southeastern was second in 42.56 seconds. Silas Newton, Christian Ortiz, Ethan Falconer and Alexander ran for the Royals.

Fishers placed fourth with 86 points. Tyler Tarter won the 300 hurdles, and joined Cavitt Fowler III, Leo Morrow and Makell Wiggins for a victory in the 4x400 relay.

Westfield scored 79 points to place fifth. Tom Ewing led the way in the throwing events, placing second in both the discus (176 feet, 3 inches) and shot put (59 feet, 5 inches). Both of Ewing’s throws were well



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Carmel boys track and field team won the Westfield sectional last Thursday, scoring 124 points. It’s the fourth consecutive sectional title for the Greyhounds and their 29th overall.

Regional Qualifiers

Here is a list of Hamilton County qualifiers for the Lafayette Jefferson track and field regional, along with their seeds and sectional times.	
4x800 relay: 1. Guerin Catholic 7:53.35, 2. Carmel 7:53.56, Fishers 7:58.81, 8. Westfield 8:04.58, 9. Noblesville 8:05.27.	300 hurdles: 1. Tarter (F) 38.11, 3. Quist (C) 39.91, 4. Drew Willman (C) 39.97, 5. Ben Kern (N) 40.71, 9. Jack Huisden (W) 41.18.
110 hurdles: 1. Adom Quist (C) 14.57, 2. Tyler Tarter (F) 14.57, 9. Clayton Allen (Hamilton Southeastern) 15.37.	800 run: 1. Matthew Kim (F) 1:54.71, 2. Charlie Leedke (C) 1:55.22, 6. Colin Lakomek (W) 1:56.34, 8. Steven Case (Hamilton Heights) 1:57.72, 9. Ian Ross (HSE) 1:57.99, 10. Sam Hinds (W) 1:58.28, 12. Alec Moor (N) 1:59.12.
100 dash: 4. Christ Degni (N) 11.09, 8. Mason Alexander (HSE) 11.13.	200 dash: 6. Degni (N) 22.15, 8. Alexander (HSE) 22.54, 10. Ethan Falconer (HSE) 22.75, 11. Jacob Wilson (N) 22.92, 12. Jacob Good (W) 23.33, 13. Cameron Parker (GC) 23.37.
1600 run: 1. Kole Mathison (C) 4:14.65, 2. Caden Click (N) 4:16.47, 3. Jack Weber (GC) 4:17.70, 6. Tate Meaux (F) 4:22.22, 7. Jack Strong (N) 4:22.58, 8. Ethan Nix (F) 4:23.33, 10. Kiefer Jay (C) 4:27.38.	3200 run: 1. Mathison (C) 9:03.33, 2. Tony Provenzano (C) 9:05.07, 3. Sam Quagliaroli (F) 9:11.47, 4. Asher Propst (N) 9:19.73, 7. Ronnie Neal (N) 9:34.65, 9. Liam Powers (HSE) 9:36.00, 11. Ethan Hines (GC) 9:39.44.
4x100 relay: 1. Noblesville 42.55, 5. Hamilton Southeastern 42.56, 7. Westfield 42.95, 10. Guerin Catholic 43.69, 12. Fishers 44.28.	
400 dash: 7. Michael Griffith (HSE) 49.53, 10. Dylan Walker (W) 50.71, 12. Sevin Barringer (N) 51.09, 13. Steven Scott (University) 51.15.	

above the state standard.

Guerin Catholic opened the meet with a victory in the 4x800 relay, as the team of Ethan Hines, Jack Weber, Luke Moster, Ben Grissom edged out Carmel by 0.21 seconds. The Golden Eagles

finished the race in 7 minutes, 53.35 seconds, while the Greyhounds team of Thomas Biltmier, Charlie Leedke, Drew Grogan and Everett Carlisle clocked in 7:53.56.

Hamilton Heights had

two event winners. Colin Wilson won the shot put in 61 feet, 10 inches, well ahead of the state standard, while Peyton McQuinn was first in the pole vault, hitting the standard of 14 feet, 4 inches.

Several other county ath-

letes earned spots at regional with top-three finishes, and several others got callbacks to the regional as well. A list of all regional qualifiers appears on this page.

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Softball

Tigers clinches share of HCC, Royals win two, Millers’ Fowler sets new home run record

The REPORTER

The Fishers softball team clinched a share of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship on last Thursday by beating Zionsville 13-1 in five innings.

The Tigers scored two runs in the first inning, then added four in the second, five in the third and two in the fourth. Hailey Trueblood had a perfect hitting night, going 4-for-4, including a triple. Trueblood batted in three runs

and scored three more.

Jenna Grubb was also perfect for Fishers, going up to the plate three times and hitting three doubles. She also scored three runs and batted in another three. Kate Murray included a triple among her two hits, totaling three RBIs. Kendall Jordan scored two runs. Murray pitched all five innings, striking out seven.

The Tigers finished their regular season by hosting Pendleton Heights

on Friday. The game ended in a 5-5 tie during the top of the fifth inning.

Both teams scored three runs in the third inning. Brooke Johnson got Fishers on the board with a two-run triple, bringing in Victoria Abel and Trueblood. Murray drove in Johnson with a single.

In the fourth inning, Jordan led off with a single, then Taylor Duplessis hit a double, moving Jordan to third base. Sophie Schoch sent them both home

with a center field hit; she finished 3-for-3 at the plate.

Trueblood had two hits. Murray got the pitching win, striking out eight.

The Tigers finished conference play tied for first with Avon; both teams had 5-2 records. It’s the first time in school history that Fishers has won an HCC championship. Overall, the Tigers are 15-7-1 and play Hamilton Southeastern Monday in the first round of the Noblesville sectional.

Millers win Unified Track Sectional

The Noblesville Unified Track team won the Franklin Central sectional last Saturday. Look for complete Unified Track results in the Wednesday email edition.

Baseball

Millers sweep Zionsville, clinch HCC championship

By **CRAIG ADKINS**
For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE – The stakes were high heading into last Wednesday night’s first game of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference series between Zionsville and Noblesville. The Millers had to simply win and they would clinch at least a share of the HCC baseball championship.

It was quite the pitcher’s duel between a pair of juniors in Zionsville’s Simon Wilkinson and Noblesville’s Nolan Decker. Late in the tight league matchup, Decker got to the Eagles, both with his arm and bat in helping the Millers to a 2-0 win.

“It’s no different than any other game. That’s what I want to do every game, obviously. Coach giving me the ball gives me all the confidence in the world,” said Noblesville junior pitcher Nolan Decker.

Zionsville was looking to play the spoiler role, but Noblesville had its eyes on the prize. The Millers have now clinched at least a share of the conference title, something they haven’t done since 2016. That season they shared the HCC crown with the Eagles, both having 15-3 marks that year.

“It’s a privilege to win this sucker. We’ve done it four times and it’s really, really hard. You’ve got really, really good teams and we’re just thankful. I don’t really care how long it’s been,” said Noblesville head coach Justin Keever.

“This is the year that matters right now. We look at this ballgame tonight and we’re celebrating a conference championship,” continued an excited Keever.

Keever’s reaction is just the tone that he and his team have to take in order to keep this momentum going in an effort to win the second game of the series for an outright HCC championship.

The Hoosier Crossroads Conference is deemed as the toughest baseball conference in the state and that

continues to hold up that standard every year.

Decker gave up three singles in different innings and only two others would reach base by a fielder’s choice and an error on the infield.

“Deck was awesome tonight. I thought we played really good defense,” stated Keever.

Wilkinson struck out five through five before his exit brought in Jackson Gillely in relief in the sixth inning.

Trevor Corbett led off the home half of the sixth with a single over Josh Girvan’s head at short. Bryce Riggs walked with one out for two aboard. Decker then grounded past Girvan into left, scoring Corbett for a 1-0 edge.

“Right after that hit, the dugout just exploded. That was incredible and one of the greatest feelings you could ever have. It’s a family. This is what we’ve wanted and being able to do that for my team is incredible,” stated Decker.

Two batters later with two outs, Aiden Ramsey lined a single to left, plating Riggs for an insurance run for the final score of 2-0.

Decker came out to finish it off in the top of the seventh. Girvan reached on an error by Riggs, but would be stranded to end the game. The junior southpaw shut the door on the Eagles, sending the final two hitters down on strikes, including Lincoln Belser looking, sealing the win.

Decker threw a complete game gem, striking out eight in his seven frames. He improved his pitching record to 6-3 while allowing just three hits without giving up a walk.

Trevor Corbett led the Millers with two hits, while Decker and Ramsey each added RBI singles. Hunter Corbett accounted for the fifth Miller hit.

Millers pour it on in Game 2

After taking the first game of the series, it was all business as the Millers

headed to Boone County last Thursday to face Zionsville.

The two were scoreless for the first few innings and then Noblesville’s offense cut loose en route to an 11-1 dominating road win over the Eagles, giving the Millers their first outright HCC championship since 2014. They were co-champs in 2016.

Jacob Edwards lined a single to center in the top of the fourth to drive in Jack Shade for a 1-0 lead for the Millers.

Zionsville tied it up 1-1 in the home half of the fourth with Max Bond sent a base hit to left, scoring Elliott Peter.

After that, it was all Millers and they kept their foot on the gas.

Hunter Corbett led off the fifth with a single to left and would move to second on a ground ball single by sophomore brother Trevor. Aiden Reynolds next reached on an error by pitcher Wrigley Bumgardner to load the bases. Bryce Riggs walked for a 2-1 score.

Decker would also reach on an error, this time by third baseman Elliot Peter. That allowed Trevor Corbett to make it home and it was 3-1.

Jack Shade sent a fly ball to center for a sacrifice, driving in Reynolds for 4-1. Ramsey made it 5-1, grounding into a double play, but courtesy runner Logan Shoffner made his way home on an error by Bond behind the plate.

Edwards walked to start the sixth. Sean McMahon came in to courtesy run. Blake Widget walked for two on. Tyler Utterback bunted into a fielder’s choice, forcing McMahon out at third.

Widget went home on an error by shortstop Josh Girvan. Trevor Corbett collected another hit, grounding to left, driving in Utterback for a 7-1 count.

Noblesville put the game completely out of reach with four more in the top of the seventh.

Decker, Shade and Ram-

sey lead off the seventh with consecutive walks. Then, Blake Widget took a 1-1 pitch for a ride on a deep extra-base hit to center for a bases-clearing triple, sending Decker, Shade and Ramsey around to score, pushing it to 10-1. Widget would score on a passed ball with two outs that produced the final score of 11-1.

Riggs sent the Eagles down in order in the bottom of the seventh to seal the game for the series sweep and the outright Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship.

Trevor Corbett connected for two of the five Miller hits, while Widget led all with three RBIs. Shade and Widget both scored twice.

Riggs had another solid performance on the mound, moving his season record to 7-0. The senior hurler struck out seven, gave up three hits and walked just one in his six frames of work.

Noblesville (20-6, 11-3 HCC) clinched its fourth HCC championship (2008, 2014) and first since 2016. The Millers finished one game ahead of Fishers (19-11, 10-4 HCC) in the league standings.

The Millers put an exclamation point on their regular season finale, taking down Lafayette Jefferson last Friday in dominating fashion in five innings, 15-4.

Trevor Corbett and Decker each had two hits and Shade added three RBIs. Decker also drove in four. The top three in the batting order of Trevor Corbett, Reynolds and Riggs combine to score seven of the 15 runs.

Lucas Stephan improved his record on the mound to 3-1, working four innings, striking out four for the win. Dylan Keever worked the fifth with one hit and a strikeout.

Noblesville (21-6) won its third in a row and has some time off before this week’s sectional. The Millers play Fishers (19-11) in the second game on Wednesday at Carmel’s Hartman Field.

TENNIS

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Reporter photo by **Richie Hall**
Westfield’s Addi Kooi won the No. 3 singles match for the Shamrocks.

In last Wednesday’s semifinals, the Tigers No. 5-ranked Noblesville 3-2. No. 1 singles Mischa Briggs, No. 2 singles Izzy Mokra and the No. 2 doubles team of Madelyn Baron and Meredith Ober won their matches for Fishers.

Noblesville’s winners

were No. 3 singles Josie Flinchum in a third-set super tiebreak, and No. 1 doubles Lina Hamashuk and Cami Crist. Hamashuk and Crist will play in the individual tournament this week.

The Royals beat Hamilton Heights 5-0, winning all five matches in straight sets.

HOUNDS

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Team scores: Carmel 124, Hamilton Southeastern 113, Noblesville 90, Fishers 86, Westfield 79, Guerin Catholic 49, Lebanon 38, Hamilton Heights 34, University 8, Western Boone 3.

4x800 relay: 1. Guerin Catholic (Ethan Hines, Jack Weber, Luke Moster, Ben Grissom) 7:53.35, 2. Carmel (Thomas Biltmeyer, Charlie Leedke, Drew Grogan, Everett Carlisle) 7:53.56, 3. Fishers (Makell Wiggins, Tommy Clark, Sam Quagliaroli, Matthew Kim) 7:58.81, 4. Westfield (Caleb Haney, Landon Jones, Luke Sullivan, Owen Flynn) 8:04.58, 5. Noblesville (Luke Mumaw, Alec Moor, Ashton Burns, Sam Rinker) 8:05.27, 6. Southeastern (Will Henning, Tate Watson, Joe Augustine, Adam Warski) 8:20.32, 8. University (Finlay Reid, Isaiah Smith, Rayan Shah, Ben Gleason) 9:06.59.

110 hurdles – Finals: 1. Adom Quist (C) 14.57, 2. Tyler Tarter (F) 14.57, 3. Clayton Allen (HSE) 15.37, 5. Jack Huisden (W) 15.93, 6. Seffrin Smith (GC) 16.19, 7. Landon Shackelford (W) 16.53, 8. Liam Arnold (U) 16.55, 9. Elgin Phillips (U) 16.69. **Prelims:** 10. Wesley Street (GC) 17.21, 11. Mac Murdza (C) 17.23, 12. Ben Kern (N) 17.33, 13. Damon Winston (Sheridan) 17.63, 14. Ethan Feliciano (N) 17.84, 15. Kortez Foster (F) 17.85, 17. Andenet Wolfgang (HH) 19.10.

100 dash – Finals: 1. Christ Degni (N) 11.09, 2. Mason Alexander (HSE) 11.13, 4. Jaylen Zachery (C) 11.34, 5. Cameron Wilson (N) 11.35, 6. Cade Parker (W) 11.43, 7. Joe Syrus (F) 11.57, 8. Silas Newton (HSE) 11.61, 9. Josh Payton (F) 11.64. **Prelims:** 9. Desmond Duffy (C) 11.57, 10. Payton (F) 11.58, 11. Luke Moody (GC) 11.59, 14. John Miles (W) 11.87, 15. Hayden Cler (GC) 11.95, 16. Phillips (U) 11.97, 17. Kevin Speck (S) 12.05, 19. Eli Kolb (S) 12.30.

1600 run: 1. Kole Mathison (C) 4:14.65, 2. Caden Clithorn (C) 4:16.47, 3. Weber (GC) 4:17.70, 4. Tate Meaux (C) 4:22.22, 5. Jack Strong (N) 4:22.58, 6. Ethan Nix (F) 4:23.33, 7. Kiefer Jay (C) 4:27.38, 8. Jack Loiselle (W) 4:28.88, 9. Ash Caylor (HSE) 4:32.83, 10. Andrew Smith (HSE) 4:40.55, 11. Ian Porter (W) 4:41.04, 12. Max Fish (GC) 4:44.44, 14. Rudy Bowman (HH) 4:48.42, 15. Gleason (U) 4:57.10, 18. Mena Marcos (U) 5:21.53.

4x100 relay: 1. Noblesville (Derrick Coleman, Degni, Sidney Weaver, Wilson) 42.55, 2. Southeastern (Newton, Christian Ortiz, Ethan Falconer, Alexander) 42.56, 3. Westfield (Cade Parker, Jacob Good, Gabe Arambolles, Mikeah Webster) 42.95, 4. Guerin Catholic (Moody, Cler, Nick Bauman, Alex Gibbs) 43.69, 5. Fishers (Syrus, Cavitt Fowler III, Payton, Tristan Capps) 44.28, 8. Heights (Alex Knepper, Conor Baumann, Eric Balcom, Jaylyn Pugh) 45.36, 9. University (Phillips, Steven Scott, Jordan Storey, Jayden Seaton) 45.80, Carmel DNF.

400 dash: 1. Michael Griffith (HSE) 49.53, 2. Cole Taylor (C) 50.36, 3. Matt Dunlap (GC) 50.40, 4. Dylan Walker (W) 50.71, 5. Sevin Barringer (N) 51.09, 6. Scott (U) 51.15, 7. Wiggins (F) 51.31, 8. Calvin Lighty (N) 51.88, 9. Jayden Chambliss (F) 52.56, 10. Jack Tholen (HSE) 52.57, 11. Will Snedeker (W) 52.79, 12. Eli Roberts (C) 53.08, 14. Aiden Orton (HH) 55.64, 18. Kolb (S) 57.51, 19. Austin Day (HH) 57.66.

300 hurdles: 1. Tarter (F) 38.11, 2. Quist (C) 39.91, 3. Drew Willman (C) 39.97, 4. Ben Kern (N) 40.71, 5. Huisden (W) 41.18, 6. Allen (HSE) 41.54, 7. Elijah Adams (HSE) 42.95, 8. Street (GC) 43.19, 9. Emmanuel Cowherd (F) 43.59, 10. Charlie Naas (U) 43.81, 11. Tyler Overton (HH) 44.00, 14. Peyton Cash (N) 44.67, 16. Smith (GC) 46.23.

800 run: 1. Kim (F) 1:54.71, 2. Leedke (C) 1:55.22, 3. Colin Lakomek

(W) 1:56.34, 4. Steven Case (HH) 1:57.72, 5. Ian Ross (HSE) 1:57.99, 6. Sam Hinds (W) 1:58.28, 7. Moor (N) 1:59.12, 8. Isaiah Smith (U) 2:00.07, 9. Clark (F) 2:01.10, 10. Andrew Cebalo (C) 2:02.68, 11. Henning (HSE) 2:04.24, 13. James Crocker (GC) 2:05.51, 15. Mumaw (N) 2:09.02, 16. Johnny King (GC) 2:12.35, 17. Shah (U) 2:17.97.

200 dash – Finals: 1. Degni (N) 22.15, 2. Camren Avant (C) 22.41, 3. Alexander (HSE) 22.54, 5. Falconer (HSE) 22.75, 6. Wilson (N) 22.92, 7. Good (W) 23.33, 8. Cameron Parker (GC) 23.37, 9. Connor Seagrave (W) 23.69. **Prelims:** 10. Mason Dowell (F) 24.01, 11. Speck (S) 24.19, 12. Eli Roberts (C) 24.35, 13. Jayden Seaton (U) 24.36, 14. Carter Imes (F) 24.39, 17. Phillips (U) 25.17.

3200 run: 1. Mathison (C) 9:03.33, 2. Tony Provenzano (C) 9:05.07, 3. Quagliaroli (F) 9:11.47, 4. Asher Propst (N) 9:19.73, 5. Ronnie Neal (N) 9:34.65, 6. Liam Powers (HSE) 9:36.00, 7. Hines (GC) 9:39.44, 8. Austin Wilson (F) 9:46.18, 9. William Cummings (W) 10:02.92, 10. Moster (GC) 10:06.22, 11. Riley Schamp (HSE) 10:07.21, 12. Drew Lovelace (W) 10:23.95, 13. Reid (U) 10:31.80, 14. Isaiah Heuer (HH) 10:38.15, 15. Max Bowman (HH) 11:33.59, 20. Owen Ascot (U) 12:42.01.

4x400 relay: 1. Fishers (Tarter, Fowler III, Leo Morrow, Wiggins) 3:21.19, 2. Guerin Catholic (Dunlap, Gibbs, Moody, Weber) 3:21.91, 3. Carmel (Taylor, Avant, Drew Willman, Gabriel Laboyteaux) 3:22.30, 4. Noblesville (Lighty, Coleman, Click, Barringer) 3:22.62, 5. Southeastern (John McCoy, Noah Link, Ortiz, Griffith) 3:24.05, 6. Westfield (Flynn, Landon King, Webster, Lakomek) 3:27.44, 9. University (Paul Bergeson-Dana, Scott, Seaton, Noah Moshe) 3:51.48.

Shot put: 1. Colin Wilson (HH) 61-10, 2. Tom Ewing (W) 59-5, 3. Drew Franklin (C) 57-7.25, 4. Alexander Boothby (HSE) 52-3, 5. Joel Gates (F) 51-6, 6. Josiah Bird (HSE) 49-4, 8. Josh Brown (HH) 48-1, 9. William Goodvine (U) 46-10, 11. Daniel Armstrong (F) 46-1, 11. James Kuhlman (N) 43-8, 13. Sam Setmeyer (N) 40-7, 15. Alex Herring (C) 39-11, 17. Luke Pierce (U) 36-3, 18. Liam Arnold (U) 29-9.

Discus: 1. Franklin (C) 188-5, 2. Ewing (W) 176-3, 3. Wilson (HH) 159-10, 4. Bird (HSE) 155-10, 5. Gates (F) 153-7, 7. Teddy Miller (HSE) 143-11, 8. Herring (C) 141-11, 9. Hayden Pentecost (W) 134-4, 11. Brown (HH) 131-0, 12. Andrew Giger (F) 128-7, 15. Kuhlman (N) 109-1, 16. Pierce (U) 98-0, 17. Arnold (U) 89-5, 18. Tresdon Hamilton (S) 83-7.

Long jump: 1. Griffith (HSE) 23-1.75, 2. JonAnthony Hall (F) 22-7, 3. Lamine Sall (HSE) 22-5, 4. Coleman (N) 21-3, 5. Arambolles (W) 21-2.75, 6. Robert Campbell (W) 21-2, 7. Scott (U) 21-0.75, 8. Gabriel Davis (C) 19-8.5, 9. Robert Sorensen (GC) 19-7.75, 10. Denkota Fletcher (F) 19-6, 11. Weaver (N) 19-4.25, 12. Parker (GC) 18-11.5, 14. Beau Snarr (C) 18-0.25, 15. Dax Woodfork (HH) 17-11, 18. Speck (S) 16-11, 19. Austyn Crail (HH) 16-1.5.

High jump: 2. Rowan Hall (HSE) 6-5, 3. Daniel Ernst (GC) 6-4, 4. Aydrin Caldwell 6-4, 5. Campbell (W) 6-0, 6. Ty Burrell (F) 6-0, 7. Blake Braden (HSE) 6-0, 8. Smith (GC) 5-10, 9. Tristan Johnson (F) 5-8, 10. Davis (C) 5-8, 11. Jackson Cantlon (HH) 5-6, T14. Henry Reno (N) 5-2, 16. Luke Etchison (U) 5-2.

Pole vault: 1. Peyton McQuinn (HH) 14-4, 2. Connor Langsford (HSE) 14-0, 3. Will Johnston (N) 13-8, 4. Alex Wilson (W) 13-8, 5. Carter Jay (C) 11-0, 6. Lucas Bland (W) 10-6, 7. Evan Senefeld (HSE) 10-6, 8. Justin Overton (HH) 9-6, 9. Max Wambach (N) 9-6, 11. Connor McNally (GC) 8-6, 12. Dominic Moringiello (GC) 8-6.

ROYALS

Team scores: Hamilton Southeastern 120, Carmel 114, Noblesville 110.5, Fishers 78.5, Westfield 67, Guerin Catholic 48, Hamilton Heights 42, Western Boone 22, University 9, Lebanon 9, Sheridan 3.

4x800 relay: 1. Carmel (Olivia Cebalo, Kara Wenzler, Audrey Ricketts, Kaitlyn Oshimura) 9:17.01, new sectional record, 2. Noblesville (Brinkley Cooper, Ansley Applegate, Riley Flynn, Summer Rempe) 9:18.56, under old sectional record, 3. Southeastern (Addison Smith, Grace Newton, Maggie Powers, Julianne McLean) 9:35.17, 4. Guerin Catholic (Katie Kolb, Rosie Barrett, Camille Morrow, Bailey Freese) 9:42.34, 6. Fishers (Brooke Butts, Addison Kane, Nithya Murthy, Corinne McCianahan) 10:16.21, 7. Westfield (Gianna Ferreri, Robyn Schemel, Ena Durbin, Olivia Barnett) 10:16.35.

100 hurdles – Finals: 1. Lucy Hauser (W) 15.04, 2. Makenzie Loftin (HSE) 15.17, 3. Ella Ewing (HH) 15.24, 4. Anna Williams (F) 15.63, 5. Elia Blackmore (HSE) 15.88, 6. Olivia Fowler (N) 16.34, 7. Madison Clary (W) 16.53, 8. Sophia Sullivan (C) 16.65. **Prelims:** 9. Megan Mahon (C) 16.53, 10. Lilly Chesney (S) 17.11, 11. Olivia Boe (N) 17.57, 12. Elle Powers (F) 17.78, 14. Lily Westerckamm (U) 19.05.

100 dash – Finals: 1. Princess Campbell (W) 12.03, 2. Maya Taylor (F) 12.20, 3. Emily Norris (C) 12.24, 4. Tobi Fapetu (W) 12.37, 5. Mireya Benjamin (F) 12.55, 6. Gabriela Grande Rosas (C) 12.56, 8. Mya Baker (N) 13.18. **Prelims:** 9. Sanai Smith (HSE) 13.02, 10. Lindsay Abeo (HSE) 13.23, 11. Brooke Bunnell (GC) 13.59, 13. Eli Gilbert (N) 13.73, 15. Lindsey Porter (U) 13.85, 16. Taylor Seay (U) 13.89, 18. Keira Wolf (GC) 14.25.

1600 run: 1. Elizabeth Butler (HSE) 5:02.37, 2. Bridget Gallagher (GC) 5:05.85, 3. Paige Hazellrigg (N) 5:07.23, 4. Sadie

Foley (C) 5:07.37, 5. Ava Pow-ers (HSE) 5:12.71, 6. Kennedy Applegate (N) 5:16.09, 7. Olivia Mundt (C) 5:21.10, 9. Claire Milam (GC) 5:31.10, 10. Emily Loiselle (W) 5:36.36, 11. Grier Swaim (F) 5:41.17, 12. Mary Ella Bichey (HH) 5:44.77, 13. Ashley Wright (F) 5:53.47, 15. Ava Britton-Heitz (W) 6:20.17.

4x100 relay: 1. Carmel (Rebecca Belanger, Emily Norris, D’ahni Branch, Grande Rosas) 47.89, 2. Fishers (Benjamin, Zinnia Pineda, Kya Hoskins, Taylor) 47.99, 3. Westfield (Fapetu, Hauser, Abbi Van Bibber, Campbell) 48.72, 4. Southeastern (Loftin, Jocelyn Davis, Smith, Chloe Senefeld) 48.92, 5. Noblesville (Boe, Baker, Kate Rollins, Maddie Coates) 50.72, 6. University (Emily Comparini, T. Seay, Porter, Lily Hovda) 52.35, 8. Heights (Savannah Deetz, Lizzy Smith, Aubrey Franklin, Anna Jozsa) 53.49, 10. Sheridan (Nova Cross, Ali Pickard, Chesney, Ji Warren) 55.61.

400 dash: 1. Cebalo (C) 56.81, 2. Cambell Wamsley (C) 57.64, 3. Camryn McKinney (HSE) 1:00.17, 4. Hovda (U) 1:01.24, 5. Rylan David (F) 1:01.61, 6. Maya Etheredge (HSE) 1:01.63, 7. Cross (S) 1:01.65, 8. Clara Cameron (W) 1:02.05, 9. Brittany Brown (F) 1:03.12, 11. Devyn Day (F) 1:03.40, 13. Ada Mertes (GC) 1:05.62, 14. Finley Volk (N) 1:05.74, 15. Emily Catalano (GC) 1:05.76, 16. Devyn Johnson (N) 1:06.15.

300 hurdles: 1. Ewing (HH) 46.34, 2. Hauser (W) 46.59, 3. Ava Sinex (C) 46.77, 4. Blackmore (HSE) 47.59, 5. Williams (F) 48.82, 6. Loftin (HSE) 49.29, 7. Mallory Kixmiller (F) 49.31, 8. Chesney (S) 49.58, 9. Clary (W) 49.63, 12. Jaydi Jones (N) 52.57, 13. Elisabeth Green (C) 52.66, 14. Ally Hutchinson (N) 52.69, 17. Westerckamm (U) 55.85, 18. Comparini (U) 56.15.

800 run: 1. Rempe (N) 2:12.72, new sectional record, 2. Ciara Kepner (HSE) 2:15.07, 3. Ricketts

(C) 2:15.32, 4. Gallagher (GC) 2:17.61, 5. Cooper (N) 2:17.93, 6. Isabella Murch (F) 2:18.40, 7. Jasmine Klopstad (C) 2:21.07, 8. Elise Herman (HSE) 2:24.25, 9. Jordyn Landrum (W) 2:25.17, 12. Anna Monnin (HH) 2:29.05, 13. Eva Parr (GC) 2:31.02, 14. Ferreri (W) 2:35.40, 17. Murthy (F) 2:41.14, 18. Bichey (HH) 2:43.42.

200 dash – Finals: 1. Nor-ris (C) 25.35, 2. Senefeld (HSE) 25.59, 3. Davis (HSE) 25.60, 4. Fapetu (W) 25.63, 5. Taylor (F) 26.12, 6. Pineda (F) 26.32, 7. Wamsley (C) 26.95, 8. Hovda (U) 27.88. **Prelims:** 9. Cross (S) 27.44, 10. Rollins (N) 27.59, 12. Brooke Bun-nell (GC) 27.74, 13. Addy Horvath (N) 27.77, 15. Cora McGee (GC) 29.29, 16. Emily Burns (W) 29.38, 17. T. Seay (U) 29.59.

3200 run: 1. Powers (HSE) 11:01.55, 2. Nadia Perez (N) 11:01.89, 3. Brooke Lahee (N) 11:02.38, 4. Liz Smith (W) 11:02.47, 5. Charlotte Konow (C) 11:23.90, 6. Freese (GC) 11:24.44, 7. Emersyn Weaver (C) 11:47.31, 8. Abby Lot-ter (F) 11:55.50, 9. Catey Campbell (HSE) 11:59.53, 10. Grace Boivin (GC) 12:19.42, 12. Tanvi Pothuri (F) 12:35.77, 14. Angelina Abriani (W) 12:53.34.

4x400 relay: 1. Carmel (Grande Rosas, Cebalo, Wamsley, Norris) 3:54.40, new sectional record, 2. Southeastern (Kepner, Smith, Butler Senefeld) 4:01.89, 3. Noblesville (Cooper, Coates, Addy Horvath, Rempe) 4:03.07, 4. Guerin Catholic (Barrett, Kyn-dall Osborne, Mia Chang, Emily Demings) 4:09.97, 5. Westfield (Brown, Landrum, Cameron, Van Bibber) 4:10.47, 6. Fishers (David, Hoskins, Marina Agapios, Day) 4:14.02, 9. University (Comparini, Hovda, Westerckamm, T. Seay) 4:36.67.

Discus: 1. Hannah Alexander (N) 157-10, new sectional record, 3. Macey Miller (F) 122-2, 4. Fanta Sall (HSE) 108-2, 5. Victoria Vance (HSE) 108-0, 6. Anna Jozsa (HH)

105-7, 7. Maris Bulger (GC) 104-7, 9. Jada Henson (W) 99-6, 10. Kayla Gregory (F) 93-5, 11. Abigail Bonacker (C) 93-3, 12. Audrey Dickson (C) 92-10, 13. Thalia Siefert (N) 90-7, 14. Alana Halsted (W) 87-9, 15. Hadleigh Cherry (HH) 87-6, 18. Avery Hayden (S) 71-7, 19. Sophia Moore (GC) 68-0, 20. Payton Seay (U) 58-8.

Shot put: 1. Alexander (HH) 47-4.25, new sectional record, 2. Miller (F) 39-4.75, 3. Bulger (GC) 37-5.5, 6. Mia Tobias (F) 33-5.25, 7. Elaina Constantine (HSE) 32-5.5, 8. Hen-son (W) 30-1, 9. Marielle Fitch (N) 30-0.5, 10. Liliyana Steiner (HH) 29-10, 11. Sarah Crook (C) 29-9.5, 12. Audrey Dickson (C) 29-9.5, 13. Jazmine Young (HSE) 29-8, 16. Halsted (W) 28-6.5, 17. Cherry (HH) 27-10.5, 18. P. Seay (U) 26-9.5, 19. Moore (GC) 26-3.

Long jump: 1. Ewing (HH) 18-6, 2. Chang (GC) 18-4.75, 3. Alyssa Karwowski (HSE) 17-8, 4. Grande Rosas (C) 17-3, 5. 5. Jumee Hall (F) 17-1, 6. Rebecca Belanger (C) 16-10.25, 7. Gilbert (N) 16-9.5, 8. Baker (N) 16-6.5, 9. Chesney (S) 16-5, 11. Kayla Stone (W) 16-2.25, 12. Gracie Czubik (W) 16-1.25, 13. Madison Paciorek (F) 16-0.5, 14. Rotimi Aluko (HSE) 15-9.5, 15. Comparini (U) 15-9.5, 16. L. Smith (HH) 15-4.5, 20. Cristina Trice (GC) 12-1.5.

High jump: 1. Malina Miller (N) 5-6, 2. Waverly Woolever (HH) 5-4,

— COURT NOTICES —

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 Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
5/8/23, 5/15/23, 5/22/23

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
2nd day of May, 2023.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County
Superior Court
5/15/23, 5/22/23

29D03-2304-EU-000167
Hamilton Superior Court 3
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE Hamilton Superior Court
CASE NO: 29D03-2304-EU-000167
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 Kreag 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

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.)
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 Kreag 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

29D03-2305-EU-000213
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE Hamilton Superior Court
CASE 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
Nighntenhelser, 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 Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Rhonda Yoder Brehman
Attorney No.: 23520-49
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Indianapolis, IN 46260
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R2509 5/15/23, 5/22/23

29D02-2305-EU-000220
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STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE Hamilton Superior)
COURT)
Cause Number 29D02-2305-EU-000220
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE)
OF DECEDENT,)
DEBORAH A. ORFF.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Jennifer
I. Stites was on the 10th day of
May, 2023, appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate of
Deborah A. Orff, deceased.
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 in Hamilton County, Indiana,
this 10th day of May, 2023.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court
R2526 5/22/23, 5/29/23

29D02-2305-EU-000214
Hamilton Superior Court
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE Hamilton Superior)
COURT)
CASE NO: 29D02-2305-EU-000214
IN THE MATTER OF)
THE UNSUPERVISED)
ADMINISTRATION OF THE)
ESTATE OF KATHY JANE)
GROVES, DECEASED)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
NOTICE is hereby given that
on May 10, 2023, Matthew Allen
Groves was appointed Personal
Representative of the Estate of Kathy
Jane Groves who died on March 28,
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 form 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 10, 2023.
Kathy Kreag 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
R2527 5/22/23, 5/29/23

29D01-2304-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 Kreag Williams
Circuit Court Clerk
R2486 5/8/23, 5/15/23, 5/22/23

29D01-2304-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)
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James Nathan Montgomery, whose
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Ridge Drive, Carmel, Indiana 46032
in Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby
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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 Kreag Williams
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— COURT NOTICES —

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 2
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO. 29D02-2305-PL-004525
PARKSIDE VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.)
CP. MORGAN COMMUNITIES, L.P., its successors in interest,)
COLIN ALTEVOGT, CATHLEEN NINE ALTEVOGT, NAN WANG,)
KATHLEEN LEMONTE, and ILSE CHRISTINE JONES,)
Defendant.)
NOTICE OF SUIT
Notice is hereby given that Plaintiff Parkside Village Homeowners' Association, Inc. has filed a suit to foreclose liens in the Hamilton Superior Court 2, against Defendant C.P. Morgan Communities, L.P., its successors in interest, whose whereabouts are unknown. Said case is pending under cause number 29D02-2305-PL-004525. The Court is located at One Hamilton County Square, Suite 384, Noblesville, IN 46060. Plaintiff is represented by Steven C. Eamhart, Thrasher Buschmann & Voelkel, P.C., 8440 Woodfield Crossing Blvd., Suite 310, Indianapolis, IN 46240, 317-686-4773. Said claim for adverse possession arises from the failure of said Defendant to transfer certain parcel(s) of real estate intended to be common areas within the Parkside Village community. Defendant C.P. Morgan Communities, L.P., its successors in interest, must respond within thirty (30) days after the last notice of the action is published. If said Defendant fail(s) to do so, judgment by default may be entered against it for the relief demanded in the Plaintiff's complaint.
Respectfully submitted,
THRASHER BUSCHMANN & VOELKEL, PC.
Attorneys for Parkside Village Homeowners' Association, Inc.
By: /s/ Steven C. Eamhart
Steven C. Eamhart, Atty # 18618-49
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Cause No. 29C01-2305-MI-004079
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Sophie Joy Burns)
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**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
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Sophie Joy Burns, whose mailing
address is: 14723 Chamberlain Drive
Westfield, Indiana 46074, Hamilton
County, Indiana hereby gives notice
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petition in the Hamilton County
Circuit Court requesting that name be
changed to Simon Sage
Carter Burns.
Notice is further given that hearing
will be held on said Petition on the
August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Sophie Joy Burns
Petitioner
Date: May 5, 2023
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R2520 5/22/23, 5/29/23, 6/5/23

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Cause No. 29C01-2304-MI-003578
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Sarah Leslie Heath, whose mailing
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Carmel, Indiana 46032, Hamilton
County, Indiana hereby gives notice
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changed to Dimitri Dane Heath.
Notice is further given that hearing
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August 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Sarah Leslie Heath
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Date: April 20, 2023
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— SHERIFF SALES —

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. 29D04-2206-CC-004570 wherein *FORUM Credit Union was Plaintiff, and Jon Martin, Allison Martin, Christopher V. Pence, Linda G. Pence, and City of Noblesville, 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 **6th day of July 2023**, between the hours of 10:00 am and 12:00 pm of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriffs Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana. **Lot Number**

Boys Volleyball

Tigers headed to semifinals

The REPORTER

Three Hamilton County boys volleyball teams won regional championships last Saturday.

Fishers hosted Regional 3, and beat Homestead 25-7, 25-16, 25-16 to its sixth consecutive IBVCA regional championship last Saturday. Westfield played the Regional 6 match at Cathedral, defeating Brownsburg 25-8, 25-19, 25-18 for the championship. Hamilton Southeastern hosted Regional 7, and beat Fort Wayne Carroll 25-9, 25-7, 25-15.

The regional winners advanced to the state quarterfinal matches, which were played at the same sites. Fishers beat Brebeuf Jesuit 25-10, 25-16, 25-11 in its



Photo provided

The Fishers boys volleyball team advanced to the state semifinals in the IBVCA tournament last Saturday. The Tigers beat Homestead to win Regional 3, then defeated Brebeuf Jesuit in the state quarterfinals.

quarterfinal. In the other two quarterfinals, Westfield dropped its match to the host Irish 25-11, 25-19, 25-21, while Southeastern fell to Perry Meridian (set

scores were not available). With the victory, the Tigers qualified for the state semifinals, which take place this Saturday at Lafayette Jefferson. The semifinals

begin at 2 p.m., with Roncalli taking on Perry Meridian, and Fishers playing Cathedral. The winners play at 7 p.m. that night for the state championship.

QUALIFY

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Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Three-time Indy 500 champion Johnny Rutherford shakes hands with Alexander Rossi, the 2016 champion. Rossi placed second in the Day 1 qualifications with a speed of 233.528.

The top 10 speeds on Day 1 were all better than 233 mph. Alexander Rossi, the 2016 Indy 500 champion, led for most of the day with a 233.528 until Rosenqvist's attempt, which finished at 4:42 p.m. Alex Palou, winner of the Indy Grand Prix race on May 13, was third with a 233.398.

The top 30 drivers automatically earned a place in this year's race, with the 30th spot going to Katherine Legge. The British driver had to sweat out the last few minutes of qualifying before hanging on for a place in the 500. Legge's speed was 231.070 — a 230 wouldn't get a drive into the top 30 this year, which shows just how fast this year's field is.

"Our qualifying average is 232.4 and I'm upset with that," said Daly. "But that's an insane speed." Malukas, a 21-year-old from Chicago, proved to be a young man with per-

severance. After getting bumped twice and waved off another time, Malukas made it into the field for good on his fourth try, with less than an hour to go. Malukas started with a first lap of 232.433, and only dropped slightly throughout his next three laps.

"We were really confused with what we needed to do on the setup," said Malukas. "We tipped the scales the first time obviously way too on the safe side, and then the next run was way too much on the intense side. So we had to try to find it in between."

Malukas and his team found the in-between in the second to last run, and Malukas implored his team to give him a fourth run — "I promise you, if we get one more run, we're not just going to make it, but we're going to be there," Malukas told his team.

"The run was perfect," said Malukas. "And everybody did a perfect job."

The top 12 qualifiers drove again last Sunday afternoon for a chance to make the Fast 6 qualifying, with those six drivers competing for pole position. The bottom four drivers participated in a Last Chance qualifying, with the top three getting in the race. Results were announced after press time. As for positions 13 to 30, they all took a breather, and began preparing for the big race this coming Sunday.

"We just go back into race mode," said Daly. "We got a session on Monday, we have a session on Friday. So we got a few more things we want to try to dial in and just get better and better. But we left Thursday having a really, really competitive race car, feeling like we were a top-five race car pace-wise. And that's the goal."

Boys Golf

Shamrocks win conference meet on fifth-man score over Southeastern

The REPORTER

The Westfield boys golf team won an incredible Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet on May 15 at Bear Slide.

The Shamrocks played to a 279-279 tie with Hamilton Southeastern, and Westfield won on the fifth-man score. In addition, all six 'Rocks golfers finished All-Conference. The 279 score is a new team record.

Jake Cesare led the way as individual medalist, carding a five-under par 66 and tying the individual 18-hole conference record. Cam Kooi scored a 69, going two under par. Will Harvey and Matt

Shull both had 72s, Kaden Mendler scored 75 and Ryan Cesare totaled a 76.

The Royals were led by under-par rounds from Cole Starnes (68, three under), Lane Zedrick (69, two under) and Mattingly Upchurch (70, one under). Kai Warner scored a 72 and joined the other three on the All-Conference team. Nate Benson totaled 80 and Tyler Marcinko carded 81.

Noblesville placed fourth with a 310, just behind third-place Zionsville's 309. Alex Peck led the Millers with a 72, making the All-Conference team. Other Noblesville scores were Drew Werkley



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78, Rory Bushong 79, Cooper Claussen 81, Drew Decker 81 and Will Barnes 83.

Fishers placed fifth with a 318. Tommy Klinker and

Ryan Stewart both scored 77s for the Tigers, followed by Henry Keithley 80, Sam Keithley 84, Will Major 87 and Jonathan Ash 88.

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