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TODAY'S WEATHER Today: Sunny.

Tonight: Mostly clear.







Top six tips to enjoy your high school reunion

The world consists of two types of individuals – those who love high school reunions and those who hate them. I'm in the former category.

COLUMNIST

Chances are if you're an empty nester like me, you've been invited to at least a few of these. I attended my

AMY SHANKLAND Perfectly Imperfect

5, 10, and 20-year reunions. I couldn't go to my 25 or 30-year ones. So, when I saw people talking about getting together on the Mishawaka High School Class of 1988 Reunion Facebook Page for a 35-year reunion, I was excited.

Reunion Gurus Drew, Polly, and Drew's wife led the planning efforts. Jennifer, Tim, Roxanne, and Tim's wife helped with set up for the big event last Saturday. Since I'm 2 and 1/2 hours away here in Noblesville, I volunteered to be a worker bee that evening to take cash at the door and help with clean up. Michelle and her husband Brad handled the slide show and an amazing photo booth for the evening.

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Heights' Ogden receives IHSWCA Administrator of the Year award

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights High School Athletic Director Kurt Ogden is this year's recipient of the Indiana High School Wrestling

Coaches Association's (IHSWCA) Tom Cameron Administrator of the Year award. The award recognizes an individual who has exemplified the highest standards of the profession and has made significant contributions to his or her school,

district and/or state.



Photos provided by Noblesville Schools

Noblesville Schools offers 17 different PLTW courses across all grade levels with students exploring robotics, biomedical, cybersecurity, aerospace engineering, construction, energy, weather, and much more.

Noblesville Schools maintains top 1% national ranking for STEM

The REPORTER

nounced Wednesday that the placing the district in an elite, courses, Noblesville Schools district has been nationally recognized as a Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Distinguished District for providing broad access to transformative Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) learning opportunities for students.

Noblesville Schools is one in a row.

of only 18 school districts in top 1 percent group nationally.

All 10 of the district's schools were also recognized Distinguished Schools, as with Noblesville High School and Noblesville East Middle School receiving the top national honor for the sixth year

In addition to dozens of to increasing student access, Noblesville Schools an- the nation to receive the honor, traditional math and science offers 17 different PLTW courses across all grade levels with students exploring robotics, biomedical, cybersecurity, aerospace engineering, construction, energy, weather, and much more.

The Distinguished recognition honors schools committed programming.

engagement, and achievement in their PLTW STEM programs. To be eligible for the designation, schools had to offer a variety of PLTW STEM courses and have a significant portion of students participating in them, while students had to demonstrate mastery in the content and continuation in the

Westfield elementary schools honor their graduating seniors

By AMY ADAMS For The Reporter

On Wednesday, each of

the six elementary schools in Westfield Washington Schools (WWS) held a breakfast for graduating seniors to return for a celebration of their achievements.

Senior Day, which has become a tradition in WWS, was first begun in 2008 by former Oak Trace Elementary School principal Robin Lynch, who returns every year for the event.

"That was our first year of graduating fourth graders and the first year we did the breakfast," said current Oak Trace Principal Jane Hitch. "We've been doing it ever since."

The approximately 250 seniors who attended across all the elementary schools were given the opportunity to share their plans after graduation and their favorite memoschool.

At Oak Trace, the seniors rewatched their year-end video from fourth grade. At Carey Ridge and Maple Glen



Senior Brennan Decker led the way in the clap out at Monon Trail Elementary School.

elementary schools, the seniors welcomed students into of my most favorite convocathe school building. And at tions we do each year. I always Shamrock Springs Elementary carry my yearbook because School, the seniors got to "run we may not look like we've down the ramp" one last time.

Fourth grade teacher Ann ry of their time in elementary Joseph served as emcee for the morning event at Washington Woods Elementary School, welcoming seniors, parents, and former staff members.

intersections

of 8th and 10th

streets. Traffic

is anticipated

to settle into

over a period of

begin in June:

two-week period if required.

Temporary Closure of

8th Street between Mulberry

changed to the students, but they all look different to us."

Former staff members returned for the occasion, including Dr. Scott Williams. Williams moved from Washington Elementary, which is "I love when the kids come now Westfield Intermediate

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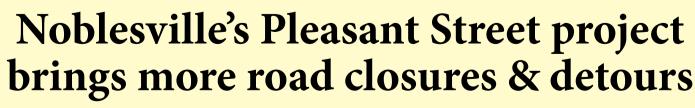
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back," Joseph said. "It's one School, to WWES when it opened in 2003 and served as principal when the currently graduating seniors were there.

Photo provided

Megan Spitzer taught fourth grade at WWES for 17 years. She hugged and caught up with her former students, including Halena Michael, who plans to attend IUPUI to study dental hygiene.

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The REPORTER

Beginning in June, additional road closures will begin due to the construction of the Pleasant Street project.

Access will be maintained regular patterns to all property owners during the closures. The official detour route may be used during the entirety of the closures. The detour route is designed to remain consistent throughout all road closures during the 2023 construction season.

Temporary signals will be added on Hannibal Street at the

Project Maps See the lastest maps of road closures and detours on Page 4.

about two weeks, during which Street & 9th Street (150 days) the project team will monitor

• Temporary Closure of althe detour route. Adjustments ley between 8th Street & 9th may be made during or after the Street at Pleasant Street (150

days) The following closures will · Permanent Closure of Walnut Street at 8th Street

> • Permanent Closure of 7th Street at Pleasant Street

Affected residents and busiington Street nesses are encouraged to contact Noblesville City Engineer Alison Krupski at akrupski@ rary Closure of noblesville.in.us, or Cory Mah-Pleasant Street an of CHA Consultants at cmahan@chacompanies.com or (317) 997-2327. CHA Consultants is overseeing the project construction.

> For more details about the project and up-to-date closures, please visit ReimaginePleasantSt.com. You can also follow the project on Facebook and Twitter.

Ogden

"I feel extremely flattered and honored to receive the Tom Cameron Administrator of the Year award," Ogden said. "Looking at the list of recipients over the past 12 years, it looks like the Mt. Rushmore of Indiana Athletic Administrators. So to be the joining this elite group is something I will cherish forever."

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Get tickets now for White River Wind Symphony's July 2 concert in Fishers

Submitted

The White River Wind Symphony, which is the professional concert band in Fishers, announces its seventh annual Sounds of America concert on 5:30 p.m. on July 2 at Legacy Bible Church, 13490 Howe Road, Fishers.

The theme of this year's concert, comprised entirely of American music, is "The Sound of Music," and it includes selections of music from all the places in life we hear the sounds of music: Broadway (from the show with the theme name of the concert), film, TV, parade, circus, church, ballet, radio, armed forces, and more.

Guest soloist Mindy Root, an exceptionally gifted professional singer, will perform an extended version of the National Anthem to kick off the concert. The concert will conclude with the national march of the United States of America, John Philip Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever." Peter McMonigle will serve as narrator.

The concert will be conducted by Dr. Keith Kunda, music director of Fishers Music Works, which is the parent organization of the White River Wind Symphony and the White River Chamber Orchestra. Tickets are \$12 and are available at FishersMusicWorks.org. Anyone under 18 may obtain a free ticket at the same website.

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REUNION-

If you're like me and to most of us! love reunions, or not like me and you hate them (but someone is making you go ... ahem ...) I thought I'd share my top six tips for how to truly enjoy your high school reunion:

1. Volunteer to help in any way you can. I loved greeting people at the door - it gave me a chance to learn who they were thanks to some conversation and name tags. After 35 years, things happen ... a little more weight and wrinkles, a little less hair ... all realities of life that made each of us look different from the yearbook photos. And cleanup was a breeze thanks to about 12 of us a relief, because the thought of going to bed late at this

2. Dress comfortably. We had an 80s theme, naturally, with a Best 80s Attire contest. I decided to let someone else win and stuck with black leggings, a long sleeveless white blouse, and black booties. It was nice to be comfy and not worry about anything riding up or down, or sore feet like me and you don't live from heels.

3. Bring earplugs. I'm a highly sensitive person, so I always have earplugs in my purse. It was fun to listen to some great 80s tunes last Saturday, but I had to eventually use the earplugs to talk to people. Which leads me to ..

working together. This was take a break or two. I started to feel tired after three hours Saturday, so I decidage is no longer appealing ed to take a walk around the one of my business cards

neighborhood. Our reunion was just a block away from my sister's old house, where I spent half of my childhood and teen years. I told Polly I'd be sure to be back for clean up, then went on my way. It was fun to see what had changed and what didn't.

5. Speaking of, if you're in your hometown, take some time before and after the reunion for trips down memory lane. I indulged in a root beer from my alltime favorite BK root beer stand (still going strong in Mishawaka!) It was fun to bask in the nostalgia.

6. Finally ... be your-4. Don't be afraid to self. At this stage of life, you should completely relax and have fun. Heck, network a little! I gave out



Our columnist enjoyed catching up with her friend Michelle and other classmates at her recent high school reunion.

friend Rob.

helped make our reunion forgive me. It doesn't mean A GREAT BIG thank such a success. If I didn't I appreciate you any less.

for my new book to my you to everyone who recall some names, please



UGDEN

Ogden has been in education for 38 years. He was an educator at Tipton Middle School for 14 years (1985 to 1999) and Tipton High School for 11 years (1999) prior to taking on the School Athletic Administrator for Hamilton Heights in 2010. Backed by a MA in Physical Education and Health, 25 years as a coach of a variety of sports at all grade levels), Ogden hit the ground running.

do a ton of work with not work as an Athletic Direc- 2012-13 year when we had

much praise," Gary Myers, Hamilton Heights High School Wrestling Coach and President of the Indiana High School Girls Wrestling & Coaches Association. "A few of the reasons why Mr. Ogden won was for his vision, leadership, and quick willingness to help girls wrestling get started. Hamilton Heights' held the first Girls Wrestling State Championships and two more after that! Another

explained tor! Congrats again Mr. Ogden!"

"As the leader of athletics at the high school, I thoroughly enjoy shaping the experiences of young athletes in a positive way," said Ogden when reflecting over his tenure at Heights. "We've had a lot of recognition and success with athletics the past 13 years in several different sports. We've celebrated several individual state champions "I always feel like AD's reason has been his lifelong and enjoyed a tremendous

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two teams (Football and Girls Basketball) reach the state finals. That's not accomplished without hiring qualified and experienced coaches who are committed to developing the student athlete on and off the field. And I've been blessed to hire some of the best coaches who have the same vision I have for their athletes."

"I want to thank Gary Myers for nominating me," continued Ogden. "I have tremendous respect for the sport of wrestling and the sacrifices and commitments required to be successful. I especially respect everything Gary has accomplished at Hamilton Heights with his wrestling program. It has been one of the most successful programs, if not the most successful longterm programs in athletics at Hamilton Heights High School. So again, it is a privilege and honor to be a part of it." "I may be biased but I believe Kurt is one of the very best athletic directors in the state," Hamilton Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood said. "Throughout his career in public education and athletics, Kurt has developed student athletes, coaches, and athletic staff. He has greatly elevated our athletic programs, is extremely dedicated to his work, and is well respected among our staff and his peers. Moreover, he's been a great asset to Heights and deserving of this recognition." Tom Cameron was an outstanding wrestling coach at Merrillville High School from 1975 to 1992 who went on to become a well-respected athletic administrator. After his passing the award was created in his honor with the first recipient in 2007.

Once you take charge, there's **ID.4 Electric SUV**

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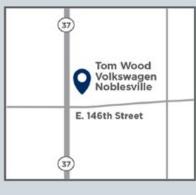
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GRADS

"I keep this event on my calendar," Spitzer said. "They're your kids for a year, and it's so neat to see them grow up."

WHS soccer teammates Beck Hunter and Cooper Ardaiolo had Abby Odmark as their first and second grade teacher at WWES because that happened to be the year she moved up. Though after 11 years she is no longer teaching at the school, Odmark brought her former students copies of "Everything I Need to Know I Learned From a Little Golden Book" by Diane Muldrow.

After graduation, Hunter will be headed to Ball State University to study accounting or business administration, and Ardaiolo will be attending the University of Cincinnati to study environmental engineering.

After being given time to complete a scavenger hunt around the school, the seniors led the WWES students and staff in the pledge of allegiance.

Favorite memories of WWES included field days and field trips. Seniors recalled creating the murals that now adorn the walls of the MPR where the breakfast was held, as well as the movie nights and wax museums held in that room.

At Monon Trail Elementary School, the top favorite memory of seniors seemed to be the "probably way-too-competitive fourth grade kickball tournament," according to current Principal Jeremy Marvel.

"Monon Trail is the youngest school," Marvel said. "We don't have the number of seniors that the other schools do, but we are growing each year."

Jamie Boxler, who now teaches STEM, taught some of the seniors when they were in fourth grade back when there were only two classes per grade at MTES.

"It was a smaller group, so we really knew all of them," Boxler said.

MTES has a tradition of doing a "clap out" to en(Above left) Retired librarian Mrs. Lane reads to her former students in the story pit at Oak Trace Elementary School. (Above right) Second grade teacher Chris Van Den Berg posed with seniors from his class at Oak Trace Elementary School.

Photos provided (Above left) Monon Trail seniors Jerry Hubbard, Luis Rodriguez, Ty Moran, Kennyon Disney, Collin Hagemeier, Brennan Decker, and Joselyne Iracheta chatted with former fourth-grade teacher Jamie Boxler. (Above right) Seniors Joselyne Iracheta and Jerry Hubbard posed with photos of them and their classmates in fourth grade at Monon Trail Elementary School.











courage and celebrate their students for any academic competitions, like Math Bowl, Spell Bowl, and LEGO League.

School counselor Stacey Kraus suggested doing a clap out for the seniors.

So as "We Will Rock You" by Queen played, more than 500 elementary students and staff members lined the walls joining in the iconic stomp-stompclap in time with the music as the 14 seniors made one last run through the halls of Monon Trail giving and receiving high fives and cheers.

Senior Joselyne Iracheta, who plans to attend Marian University to study art, has a special connection to Monon Trail because she is the oldest of five siblings who have attended the elementary school.

Next year, her brother Jose will have the opportunity to run the halls during the school's clap-out for fourth graders on the last day of school. And before parents and teachers know it, those fourth graders will be running the halls for the last time as seniors.



Photos courtesy Heather Hunter

(Above left) Returning seniors led the students and staff at Washington Woods Elementary School in the morning pledge of allegiance. (Above right) Abby Odmark returned to give her former first- and second-grade students copies of a special book for graduation.



(Above left) Seniors from Washington Woods Elementary School check out the new-to-them playground. (Above right) Seniors gathered beneath the Student of the Month board at Monon Trail Elementary School: "I don't think I was ever student of the month." "Well, you are now." See more photos at ReadTheReporter.com.

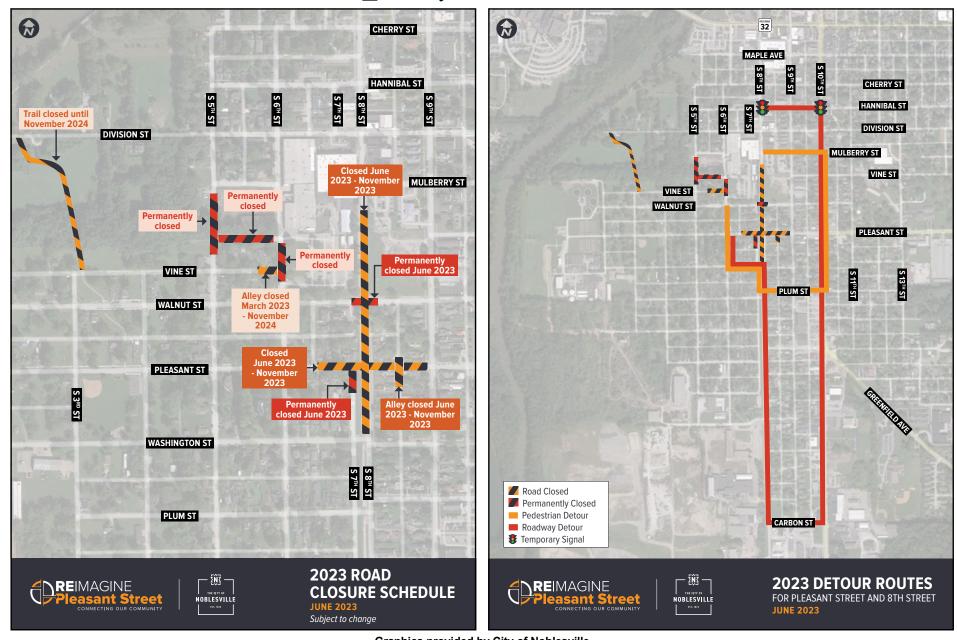


Community Free Shred Day! Wedensday, June 7 11:30 a.m. - 1p.m.

Donations are welcome! All proceeds will go directly to Westfield Youth Assistance Program

Community First Bank, 707 E SR 32, Westfield Limit of 5 Boxes per vehicle. CFBindiana.com/shred

Pleasant Street project closures & detours



Graphics provided by City of Noblesville



Thursday June

SHERIDAN PUBLIC LIBRARY **COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE EVENT!**

COMMUNITY ROOM

Blood is an essential medicine that cannot be manufactured. Whether you're looking for a way to

See Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band in Westfield

The REPORTER

The Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band is coming to Jams at the Junction in Westfield on Friday, June 2 as part of the Hamilton County Bicentennial Celebration.

Billed as "the greatest front-porch blues band in the world," band is led by Rev. Peyton, who has earned a reputation as both a singularly compelling performer and a persuasive evangelist for the rootsy, country blues styles that captured his imagination early in life and inspired him and his band to make pilgrimages to Clarksdale, Miss., to study under such blues masters as T-Model Ford, Robert Belfour and David "Honeyboy" Edwards. The band's latest record Dance Songs For Hard Times went No. 1 on the Billboard, iTunes and Sirius XM Blues charts and was produced by Grammy winner Vance Powell (Jack White, Chris Stapleton). concert beginning at 7 p.m. Learn more at BigDamn- on Friday, June 2 at Grand Turns200.com.





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and raised in Westfield. He King will open at 6 p.m. graduated from Westfield High School in 1999 and most of his family still resides in the city. His band is a world-renown bluegrass embark on a world tour.

Graphic provided

Junction Plaza, 225 S. Rev. Peyton was born Union St. Westfield. Kassev

Westfield and Washington Township at large are the focus of the Bicentennial Celebration during June. See a listing of more events group and they're about to at WestfieldWelcome.com/ bicentennial. Learn more Come enjoy this free about the entire Bicentennial Celebration at HamCo-

Feast on pancakes with Westfield Fire Department

The REPORTER

Join the Westfield Fire Department on 8 a.m. on Bicentennial Friday, June 2 for Pancakes orates the county's 200 in the Park when Park Street years of history and takes is transformed into a pancake haven.

Enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice while dining al fresco. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door; this event is open to the public, and businesses are encouraged to bring their employees for a team breakfast. Click here to register.

The Hamilton County commemplace throughout 2023. The month of June has been designated as the celebration of Washington Township.

This event is being presented by Westfield Washington Township, Westfield Welcome, the Westfield Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Westfield Association.

Sponsor a table

Two levels of sponsored tables are available for purchase: \$100 per table with company signage; and \$250, which includes company signage and a commemorative bicentennial mug for each of your 10 guests at the table.

Learn more about the Hamilton County Bicentennial Celebration at HamCo-Turns200.com.

Cicero's own Colin Kaurich graduates Keystone College

The REPORTER

La Plume, Pa., celebrated its 152nd commencement

Keystone College in day, May 20. Degrees were of Cicero, who earned a conferred upon 246 students. master's degree in business Among the graduates is administration.

during a ceremony on Satur- Colin Alexander Kaurich

Fishers' own Kara VanDyke makes Dean's List at Trinity Christian College

The **REPORTER**

In recognition of outment, Trinity Christian Col- this semester. lege of Palos Heights, Ill.,

List for Spring 2023.

Kara VanDyke of Fishstanding academic achieve- ers made the Dean's List for undergraduate students who

The Dean's List is Trinireleased the college's Dean's ty Christian College's high- credits with grade points.

est academic honor. It is recognized for traditional achieve a semester GPA of 3.5 or better in 12 or more

Thanks for reading, Hamilton County!



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.



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

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. Ribboncutting 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.)

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 for details and registration.*)

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

Bicentennial Partners







Under the Big Tent Pork Chops, Chicken, Dogs, and Extras FRIDAY, June 2 Lunch/Dinner 11:00AM to 8:00PM \$13 Advance \$15 At the Door \$8 Hotdog <u>SATURDAY, June 3</u> **Breakfast** 7:00AM to 11:00AM \$6 Adult \$4 Kids

Noblesville Lions Club welcomes Riverview Health CEO Dave Hyatt



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions

On Wednesday, the Noblesville Lions welcomed Dave Hyatt, newly hired CEO of Riverview Health. He comes with 15 years of healthcare experience. He highlighted some of the challenges of healthcare today and some strategies of Riverview Health. The past few COVID years affected service of the hospital, which were overcome to a point, but with a lot of changes. The hospital is looking into changes to systems and new equipment to help with the growth of need in Hamilton County. Certain areas of the hospital are in need of more specialist doctors, which is being worked on today. Currently, Riverview has two hospitals, Noblesville and Westfield, with 25 to 30 medical locations in the county. Lions asked a lot of questions, developing more discussions. (Above) Lions Club Vice President Walt Scheid (right) presents Riverview Health CEO Dave Hyatt with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Sheridan Library announces **2023 Summer Concert Series**

The REPORTER

Sheridan Public Library has announced its Summer Concert Series sponsored by the Adams Township Trustee's Office.

Please welcome these Food Truck local artists for an outdoor

will be available. All concerts begin at 6 p.m.

Flowers with J + J Street

• June 16: Kevin Food Truck

are free, and a food truck Smith with T'Days Jerk Food Truck

• June 30: The Ackermans with Daddios Food • June 9: Mike & Joe Truck

• July 7: Ma Bell with Bigg Higg the Food Dude

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food at the library, located at Food Truck 103 W. 1st St. These events

evening with music and Stonerock with Guac Box • June 23: Bailey & Food Truck

• July 14: The Elizabeth Lee Trio with the Love Bug



Treating Shoulder & Knee Pain

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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.

News & Opinion

Hamilton County Fairgrounds: Living a contented it's more than a two-week fair!

By Hamilton County **Extension Board**

Recently there has been some public discussion of the vision for the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds and Purdue Extension programs.

First, a little background: Hamilton County has a long history of Cooperative Extension, first organized as a 4-H Club in 1904 with a Corn Club with 93 members.

The current Hamilton County Fairgrounds was purchased in 1950 by local families through fundraising efforts. The current site was owned and operated by the 4-H Council until it was deeded to the Hamilton County Commissioners in 1996 when they built the current Exhibition Center.

The federal government had the foresight in 1887 to ensure that each state would receive up-to-date research in agriculture, health and human sciences, and engineering to support economic development and improve daily living.

In 1914, the Smith-Lever Act was passed providing Extension programs to communities and local residents through the landgrant university. Our Purdue Extension office is an extension of Purdue University, Indiana's land-grant institution. Extension programming reaches every township and corner of Hamilton County with nearly 1,000 volunteers assisting in their delivery.

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The most visible activity on the fairgrounds, the annual Hamilton County 4-H Fair, is only one event that occurs on the site. Additionally, there are multi-generational learning opportunities through Extension that en-

such as STEM, arts-minded, programming for our counand life skills (money man- ty, we explored what interior agement, food preservation, and outdoor facilities were etc.). These are delivered needed. through 4-H Clubs, Extension Homemakers, Master Gardeners and many more. Programs for all ages focus on providing skills and knowledge to compete in the modern workforce, lead need for more classrooms, organizations and business- event spaces, and yeares, and serve throughout the round facilities.

community. Due to its central location, the property serves as Commissioners contracted the Emergency Management Center when issues arise. Likewise, the main Exhibition Center was used as a COVID vaccine clinic for 18 months.

The fairgrounds are also used for voting, public meetings, partner events, family reunions, vendor shows, livestock events, and rented storage. It is an events center, meeting place, and offers community engagement on every front, demonstrated by it being booked 49 of 52 weeks per year.

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In 2016, the Hamilton County Extension Board established a Life Sciences Team to explore the future programming needs of youth, adults, and partners and then consider a physical plan to support them. Stakeholders were invited to meetings to share ideas. We found that our facilities didn't match what was needed for this future programming.

invested significant dollars into any new buildings on the Fairgrounds since 1997. The buildings have been current Llama Barn to make kept up very well for their it a year-round rentable faage, due to the fine management of the Hamilton County Buildings and Grounds Department. However, to drainage issues on the fair-

gage people of various paths, match the vision of future grounds.

Using the input from stakeholders and in collaboration with Hamilton County Tourism staff, the team visited various sites around the state and identified the

In 2022, the County with Mussett Nicholas and Associates architects and The Veridus Group to investigate if the current location could meet the needs of this vision and to develop a Master Plan on this site, if appropriate.

The architects determined the current site would meet these needs and then worked with the Life Sciences Team to develop a Master Plan that was ultimately approved by the Commissioners on July 11, 2022. Throughout the process, we met with stakeholders and the Master Plan was unveiled during the 2022 Hamilton County 4-H Fair.

In addition to the proposed changes in the Master Plan, the City of Noblesville is widening Pleasant Street, which will cause the loss of the O.V. Winks and Annex buildings along with the fairgrounds maintenance garage.

These events made the priorities clear for the First Hamilton County hasn't Phase of the project: replace the Winks and Annex buildings, build a new maintenance garage, upgrade the cility, and update the Exhibition Center and offices. This phase will also correct

To meet the evolving needs of the Hamilton County Fairgrounds, we are recommending a rebranding of the site – The Silos@37 - The Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds and Events Center – to honor the county's agricultural heritage while creating a modern learning and meeting space for Extension programming and other community needs. The total cost of the pro-

posed Master Plan is \$65 million and we greatly appreciate support of the Hamilton County Commissioners and the County Council for approving \$15 million for Phase I-A. However, this amount will not take care of the entire cost of Phase I. We are beginning private fundraising to assist with Phase I-B, which is an additional \$11 million and will include a new Show Arena and Education Halls.

The design team, which includes Extension stakeholders, architects, developers, and public officials, is striving to be a good steward of the public and private funds committed to The Silos@37 project.

It is an exciting time in Hamilton County. Let's not forget that with all the investment in road infrastructure, we also need social infrastructure. We need places for people to gather socially, engage in learning, and serve each other in our communities. For decades, our county fairgrounds has been a great venue for engaging our community and we are building a fairgrounds for future generations.

If you have questions about the plan, please contact the Purdue Extension Office at (317) 776-0854 or a member of the Life Sciences Team.

life: learning how to sort wants & needs

"No, you can't always get what you want / But if you try sometime vou might find / You get what you need ... " - Rolling Stones, 1969 As old as I

am, I take heart

that my Stones are even older than me! been a peaceful and enjoy-The time we have spent inside our homes this past gray winter has allowed me to review some of my music library that gets pushed aside in the everyday events of our lives.

And for those of us who are retired (rewired) our has changed "everyday" somewhat. That change, hopefully, includes renewed interest in taking care of ourselves through a healthy eating plan, awareness of the importance of a fitness regimen, and making time for fun activities.

Back to the Stones ... or at least the lyrics! (Although one must wonder how in the world they keep going at their age - and with a past lifestyle that would have put most of us under!) I, as many of you, am not getting "what I want" these days. I want to live in a world that is less violent, more secure, with a bit of kindness and respect thrown in!

No, I can't get "what I want" necessarily, but I am trying to "get what I need" as the song goes. I have the food I need (and some food items I have no business eating, true confession) and frankly have been reviewing some family recipes long buried in cookbooks physician for any issues of yore. I have, through you may have related to

drawers, ing desk, paperwork, cabinets. etc. through Going my clothes and shoes has been almost frightening - why do I hold on to so Tuning much? up my neglected instruments has

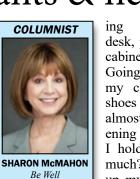
able experience; challenging myself to improve my long-neglected musicianship. Exercise of course always.

So all things considered, I do have mostly what I need as most of you do as well if you are reading this column. I feel very badly for those who are suffering economically, and/or with serious health issues.

Another quote that I cherish is from Albert Schweitzer and it goes like this: "Every person I have known who has been truly happy has learned how to serve others." I have found this to be true personally and in observation of others. There are many things we cannot control in this sometimes-crazy world, but the essence of a contented life is truly in serving others. And, in taking care of your health, you have more opportunity to experience a joyful life which, in truth, is what we all really want and ultimately what we really *need*.

Keep rocking, Stones! **Sharon McMahon**

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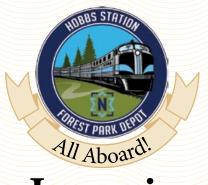
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Noblesville Lions deliver flowers for Mother's Day





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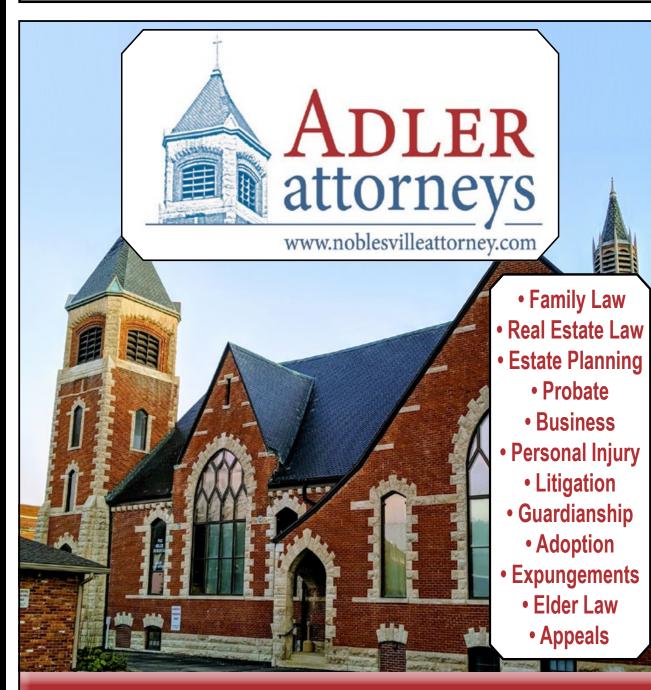
On Friday, May 12 and Saturday, May 13, the Noblesville Lions made flower deliveries for Adriene's Flowers. Each year Adriene's Flowers uses the local Lions Club to help deliver flowers for a small stipend to the Lions Club. Nine Lions Club members helped with deliveries. (Above left) Lions Gary Hipes and Kennedy Penwell gather flowers to load their vehicle. (Above right) Lion Steve Shaw loading his vehicle to make deliveries.

Last chance to get tickets for Ballet Theatre of Carmel Academy's The Sleeping Beauty



Photo courtesy Christie McLaughlin Photography

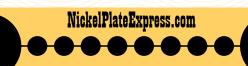
Tickets are still available to see Ballet Theatre of Carmel Academy's stunning production of The Sleeping Beauty. The first performance is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. tonight, May 26, at the STAR Bank Performing Arts Center, 1000 Mulberry St., Zionsville. The second and final performance will stage at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 27. These talented ballet dancers have completed rehearsal, and they're ready to show you the classic fairy tale story of The Sleeping Beauty. Get your tickets now at BalletTheatreOfCarmel.org/sleeping-beauty. Cost is \$25 for adults aged 18 and up, and \$20 for children, seniors, and military service members and veterans. Read more about the production, which includes four dancers from Carmel, at ReadTheReporter.com.



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Nickel Plate Arts collaborating with Lacy Arts Building to present Comic Book Show & Tell

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Nickel Plate Arts, along with the Lacy Arts Building, will play host to a unique comic book event: Comic Book Show & Tell, which will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 27 at the Lacy Arts Building, 848 Logan St., Noblesville.

Attendees can meet and learn more about local comic book creators and shop Mutant Ninja Turtles artist



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Carmel's Center for the Performing Arts receives National Endowment for the Arts funding

The REPORTER

The Indiana Arts Commission has been approved for a \$1,031,200 National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Fiscal Year 2023 State & Regional Partnership Agreement to address priorities identified at the state level. These funds will support the arts in areas such as community and economic development, cultural tourism, education, and health and human services.

In Carmel, the Center for the Performing Arts will receive a \$12,000 grant for Arts Projects -Presenting & Multidisciplinary Works.

"The National Endowment for the Arts is pleased to support the work of our state and regional partners nationwide, demonstrating the many ways the arts enrich our lives and contribute to healthy and thriving communities," said NEA Chair Maria Rosario Jackson, PhD. "These organizations play an important role in advancing the creative vitality of our nation and helping to ensure that all people can benefit from arts, culture, and design."

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The State & Regional Partnership Agreement grant awarded to the Indiana Arts Commission from the NEA will be utilized to positively impact Indiana's cultural, economic, and educational climate through regranting and other programming in service of arts and creativity in the state.

The next deadline for organizations interested in applying for Grants for Arts Projects is Thursday, July 6, 2023. For organizations interested in applying for Our Town, the deadline is Thursday, Aug. 3, 2023. Visit arts.gov for guidelines and application resources.

Cabela's & Bass Pro Shops doubles down on support for U.S. military veterans

The REPORTER

Bass Pro Shops founder Johnny Morris has announced the company is doubling down on its suplines.

Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's stores throughout the country will proudly feature patriotic displays remembering those who have fought for our freedoms. Morris also has announced Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's is doubling down on their Legendary Salute discount by increasing the everyday military discount from 5 percent to 10 percent and extending to include

veterans, active military, law enforcement officers, firefighters, and fish and wildlife agents.

The company will award port for those on the front special patriotic vests to nearly 4,000 Bass Pro and Cabela's Veteran Outfitters across the country as part of the new Proud Veteran Outfitter vest program. Veteran Outfitters will be able to wear these vests over their Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's uniforms, so that team members and customers may acknowledge and recognize their service to our country.

See Support . . . Page 10

You can see the creations of these winners of the New Works art commission project on Saturday, June 10 at the Palladium in Carmel.

and their peers under the the Center Presents perforguidance of trained performing arts instructors, encourages all of us to express rock, country, comedy, and ourselves through dance, other genres. Educational music, and drama.

Live at the **Center: Dizgo** 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 28 Online and at the Palladium Livestream: Free

culminating public perfor- ents and hosts hundreds of mance, written by the cast events each year, including mance series, featuring the best in classical, jazz, pop, and experiential programming includes children's concerts, summer camps,

book clubs, lectures, and classes in music and dance. The Center is home to the affiliated Great American

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Get tickets now for these great events at Center for the Performing Arts

The REPORTER

There's always something for everyone at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel, and June is no different. For tickets to any of these fine events, go to TheCenterPresents.org or call (317) 843-3800.

Child & Adult Music Class: Song Stories 9:30 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. Fridays, June 2 to 30 The Palladium Cost: \$70 for all five sessions

Song Stories is a family music class inspired by popular song-based children's books and designed for children ages 18 months to 5 years and their caregivers, but open to all ages. Classes are filled with live music, stories, movement, singing, dancing, and playing instruments. Stories this session include: "Down by the Bay," "There Was a Tree" and "I Ain't Gonna Paint No More!" Families will receive a link to a digital audio recording of each book and a CD of songs sung in class. **New Works Premiere**

Performances 8 p.m. Saturday, June 10 The Palladium FREE

Now in its second season, New Works: An Arts Commission Project is an



initiative by the Center for the Performing Arts to promote and sustain central Indiana's working artists and arts communities in an inclusive way by supporting the creation of new works across all performing arts disciplines. This year's winning pieces are Suits, a dance performance by Emily Franks and En Pointe Indiana Ballet; Open Heart Surgery, a short opera by Jamey Guzman; and Boon Bestowed, a contemporary classical performance by saxophonist Cecily Terhune. The performances will be followed by a talkback session with the artists.

Prism Project Performance 2 p.m. Sunday, June 25 The Studio Theater

Tickets: \$10 Come join the 2023 Summer Cast of the Prism Project at the Center as they bring their talents to the stage. The Prism Project is an inclusive, four-week performing arts camp for children and young adults with disabilities. The program's unique design enables the students to express themselves and engage with others while developing self-confidence, gaining creative arts experience and building friendships. This

(pay-what-you-can, no minimum) On site: \$5 (pay-whatyou-can, \$5 minimum)

Dizgo blends jamtronica, funk, deep-groove soul, and psychedelic rock into a musical journey that features intricate compositions and extended improvisation. The result is both danceable and introspective, with soulful vocals, interweaving analog synths and shredding guitar. The band has performed at festivals including the Peach Music Festival, Summer Camp Music Festival, Resonance Music Festival, Werk Out Music Festival, and Sonic Bloom Music Festival.

About the Center for the Performing Arts

The mission of the nonprofit Center for the Performing Arts is to engage and inspire the Indiana community through enriching arts experiences. Its campus includes the 1,500-seat Palladium concert hall, the 500-seat Tarkington theater and the black-box Studio Theater. The Center pres-

Meeting Notice

The Adams Township Board will meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at the Adams Township Trustee's Office, 201 S. Main St., Sheridan.

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News & Obituary

Potentially deadly flaw in 911 system exposed by I-Team 8; lawmakers now acting to fix it

By RICHARD ESSEX WISH-TV | wishtv.com

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year by I-Team 8 exposed a potentially deadly flaw in the 911 system. Now, the state is acting to fix this problem.

On Nov. 16, 2019, 30-year-old Matt West had Eric Holcomb ceremonia heart attack caused by an undiagnosed heart condition. He was at a house in Fishers with his friends, who called 911 for help.

The call went to the Hamilton County Public Safety Center. The closest fire station to the Fishers home was Indianapolis Fire Department Station 28, less than a mile away. However, the station was outside of the county line, and Hamilton County dispatchers can't see across county boundaries and vice versa.

tragically died.

George West, Matt's An investigation led last father, has been working tirelessly to convince lawmakers to take a hard look at why communication centers can't talk across county lines.

> ously signed legislation that across the state." puts \$14 million towards finding a solution to this neighboring systemic problem.

"I think this is going to be a work in progress, getting this started and moving forward we are elated," George West told I-Team 8.

In many ways, technology has made the problem worse. The companies that dispatch computer systems use proprietary software and they aren't really keen current state health comon sharing trade secrets.

The new legislation As the dispatchers were now creates a central dataunable to send the closest base to protect proprietary

emergency assistance, Matt software, while creating a way for 911 centers to talk to each other across county lines.

"This is something that is important," Indiana Statewide 911 Board member Jeff Schemmer said. "We have a chance to do some-On Wednesday, Gov. thing that is going to affect the citizens of Indiana

> Marion County and Hendricks County have an agreement to allow their respective dispatch systems to see and dispatch across boundaries.

> Smaller counties don't need, and in some cases, can't afford the same system. I-Team 8 has been told this problem is well-known among first responders.

Dr. Kristina Box, the until next July to inventory missioner, is a close friend of the West family, and was devastated over Matt's death.

SUPPORT -

bela's has a long history of ist Johnny Morris with the support for America's veterans, actively supporting the most prestigious honor veterans' causes and the awarded to a civilian, for U.S. military community, including strong partnerships with Helping A Hero, Folds of Honor, All Secure Foundation, Hiring A Hero, and many more. In 2022, the Association of the United States Army awarded mitment to military and vet-Bass Pro Shops founder

National Service Award, the company's five decades of exemplary service and enduring support to Ameri-

community. For more information about Bass Pro Shops' comerans, visit **BassPro.com**.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

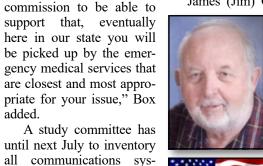
"Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

"Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city. Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star." Revelation 22:12-16 (NIV)

James (Jim) C. Green July 2, 1945 - May 23, 2023

James (Jim) C. Green, 77, Fishers, passed away on



Tuesday, May 23, 2023, after a seven-year battle with Parkinson's. He was born on July 2, 1945, to Curtis and C. Louise (McGovren) Green in Beech Grove, Ind.

He leaves behind his beloved wife of 53 years, Jeannie; daughter, Shanna Hull of Indianapolis; siblings, Thomas (Roberta) Green of Indianapolis, Jacqueline (David) Trees of Walcott, Iowa, and Linda (Michael) Hupp of Indianapolis; several nieces and nephews; and his cat, Muffy.

Jim graduated from Scecina Memorial High School and then joined the

United States Air Force where he served four years. After being honorably discharged he went to work for Indiana Bell for the next 38 years. After retiring from the phone company, he worked for another 15 years as a driver for Enterprise Rent-A-Car. Jim was a member of St. Louis de Montfort Catholic Church. He enjoyed music, hockey, NASCAR, and bowling. Jim served 10 years as a Fishers Volunteer Fireman.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 1, 2023, at St. Louis de Montfort Catholic Church, 11441 Hague Road, Fishers, with an additional visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. Burial will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, IN 46038 (hamiltonhumane.com). Condolences: randallroberts.com



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Bring a blanket and picnic to truly experience the nostalgia of America's favorite pastime. Family-friendly activities from the past and present will be staged throughout the event. Guests can learn about Bishop's Park's fascinating history through displays and details provided by parks historians. And as a special treat, players will stage a meet and greet and personally autograph their baseball cards.

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Softball-Westfield wins! Westfield wins!

"Eight years of a lot of work": Shamrocks win first sectional championship

By RICHARD TORRES For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE Brian Revercomb couldn't contain the emotions welling up within him. As the tribulations of the program's past collided with the jubilation of the present moment, Revercomb stood at a distance, watching on with teary eyes while his Westfield Shamrocks raced over and rejoiced together around the Class 4A Sectional 8 championship trophy at Noblesville's Miller Park.

From Indiana high school softball afterthought to first-time sectional champions, Revercomb and the Shamrocks achieved what few believed was possible, let alone anyone would have predicted.

The Shamrocks (17-13) made history on Thursday night during the Sectional 8 title game against rival Hamilton Southeastern, winning 1-0, and the feat capped a about the bottom of the todemonstrative week of unprecedented firsts.

On Monday night, the Shamrocks won their first sectional game in eight years by knocking off rival Carmel, 10-0, in the quarterfinals, followed by an intense, walk-off semifinal win Wednesday against defending sectional champion Noblesville, 4-3 – a team that had dashed Westfield's postseason hopes in four of the past seven seasons.

On Thursday, the Shamrocks figured it out to become the last team standing in uncharted territory.

"Eight years of a lot of work," said Revercomb while a tear trickled down his face. "To get to this point, it's just a ton of work for eight years of a lot of kids and a lot of coaches."

Westfield's journey didn't happen overnight, but the team's rise seemingly began taking shape last season, beginning with snapping a four-year span without a Hoosier Crossroads Conference win to finish 15-10 overall and 4-3 in the league.

Against 4A No. 12 HSE, the Shamrocks needed to take another step, and behind the unflappable composure of sophomore ace Chloe Tanner and their senior leaders, the program formerly without a sectional title became the new standard.

"If you could think tem pole, that's where we double to open the bottom started at," Westfield senior Maggie Roh said. "We hadn't won a sectional game in eight years, so all of this is very new to us, but we're taking it one game at a time and just enjoying the ride."

Tanner (2-for-2), who provided the Shamrocks' walk-off hit the night prior, supplied the heroics, once more, in the sectional finale, while the defense repeatedly had her back.

The sophomore phenom and allowed just three hits pitched a complete-game shutout, walking two and

striking out nine with three hits allowed, but her lead-off of the third sparked what would become the decisive

Able to connect for a line drive to left-center field off of HSE freshman ace Grace Swedarsky, Tanner's hit broke up consecutive three-up, three-down frames for the Shamrocks.

rally.

Swedarsky, who struck out 14 of the 23 batters she faced, retired the side in order four times in the game

two to Tanner.

championship. The Shamrocks beat Hamilton Southeastern 1-0 at Noblesville's Miller Park.

play loose, so I go up there later, a walk drawn by sophwith a song in my head (in the third)," Tanner said. "I had to make some adjustments and widen my stance, shorten my swing and I just connected with the ball."

Before her bat drove the ball deep into the outfield, Tanner let her personality take hold.

"I don't even remember (the song). I think it was 'Jessie.' I was in a (Disney's) Jessie mood. Like a, 'Hey, Jessie!," Tanner laughed. "Yeah, just random."

of the season was a direct "In general, I have to opening, and two at-bats omore Avery Banas set up Roh, who drove in Tanner with a single to left field.

"All last year, (Chloe) bugged me to bat, and I finally said, 'O.K., you'll bat this year.' Because I like to protect my pitchers, but I said, 'O.K., you'll bat, and she's been great this year," said Revercomb, referring to Tanner's .297 batting average.

"Maggie has just been clutch. She's played injury-riddled all season with her shoulder thing, so for

Her seventh double her to just bear down and get the job done, and she's batted about .400 all season; I couldn't be prouder of her and her effort this year."

Determination was the key word for the Shamrocks, especially on defense, as they halted a potential top of the first HSE run with a swift double play initiated by third baseman Grace Fanelli. The junior recorded a force out at third before rifling the ball across the diamond to senior Allie Dolenc at first base with two runners on and no outs.

See Rocks . . . Page 13



Reporter photo by Frank Brown The Westfield softball team made history on Thursday by winning the program's first-ever sectional



Reporter photos by Frank Brown

(Left) Hamilton Southeastern catcher Alex Kiemeyer grabs hold of a pitch. (Right) Westfield's Chloe Tanner pitched a complete game and had two hits for the Shamrocks.



Sports

Softball Huskies hit it off, secure sectional trophy

By RICHIE HALL sports@readthereporter.com

INDIANAPOLIS The Hamilton Heights softball team powered its way to the Class 3A Sectional 27 championship trophy on Thursday.

The Huskies cruised past sectional host Bishop Chatard 9-1 to claim their first sectional title in seven years. Heights left little doubt that it was the team to beat in the sectional, as the Huskies outscored their three opponents 40-2 this week.

Heights coach Ken Olovich credits the fact that his team was healthy for the sectional, saying that his team was "a little dinged up" coming into the last week of the season. The Huskies were healthy and eager, as the team collected 16 hits against the Trojans and got another superb effort from pitcher Lily Roush.

"Everything sort of clicked as we got healthy," said Olovich. "That was the key."

Playing as the home team, Heights got on the board right away with three runs in the bottom of the first inning. Kaylee Rhoton blasted a double into left field to score Hailey Hall for the first run, then Isabel

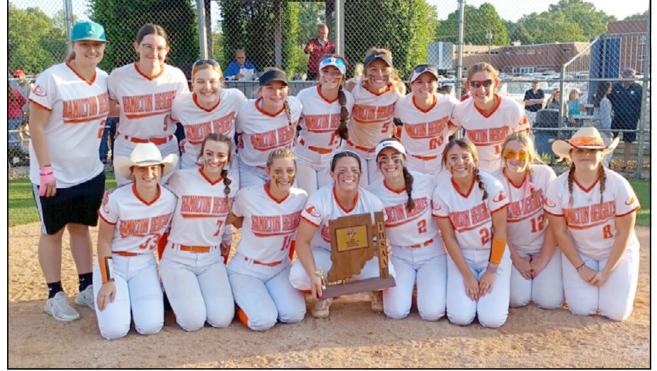
Morrow sent another double into left field to bring in Rhoton. Kassidy Schakel's single moved Morrow to third, and Melanee Forrester finished the job with a single to send Morrow home.

Chatard scored its run in the top of the third inning. Lucy Pyrz led off with a triple, and scored on a left field hit by Anni Felts. The Huskies got the run back in the fourth inning: Rhoton led off with a double, moved to third base on Schakel's left field hit, and ran home after Forrester delivered a center field hit, her second RBI of the game.

"We know Chatard," said Olovich. "We played them this season. They're well-coached." The Trojans are consistent winners, as they have won four sectional titles over the last decade and 10 overall. Heights beat Chatard 14-1 on March 20, the Huskies' first game of ing Heights' lead to 5-1. It gles, then Rhoton cracked ninth strikeout of the game the season.

"We knew that coming into this game, it was not going to be like the first night when we surprised them a little bit," said Olovich. "We knew they got better. You onship game and make hiscould see their progress."

Rhoton provided some excitement in the fifth in- to the finish line, putting ning. She sent a two-out up four runs in the sixth solo home run over the inning. Hall and Roush three-down in the seventh the win, allowing only four



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Hamilton Heights softball team won the Sectional 27 championship on Thursday, beating host Bishop Chatard 9-1. It's the Huskies' first sectional title since 2016.

was Rhoton's first-ever high school homer.

"It was really a dream come true," said Rhoton. "What a better way to do it than in a sectional champitory with our team."

The Huskies sprinted

a left field single to bring in Hall. Morrow hit a sacrifice bunt to move Roush sending everyone home.

center field fence, increas- both got on base with sin- inning. Roush collected her hits and two walks. her fourth hit of the game, for the first out, then Taya Trosper caught two pop outs to seal the win.

Rhoton had a perfect day to third base and Rhoton at the plate, going 4-for-4: a to second, then Schakel home run, two doubles and stepped up and blasted a a single. Hall, Schakel and home run into left field, Forrester were each 3-for-4. Morrow had two hits Heights' defense took and Roush had one. Roush care of the Trojans three-up, pitched a complete game for

Heights has now won sectional softball four crowns: The Huskies won their first title in 1986, then went back-to-back in 2015 and 2016.

Heights is 19-8 for the season, which is a new record for most wins in a season. The Huskies will host Beech Grove for the Re-

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"We knew this was going to be a tight game. We knew we had to come out here and play our absolute best, and Grace Fanelli does what she does best and fielded her position very well," Roh said.

Nine defensive putouts helped keep six HSE runners stranded, while Tanner the top of the sixth.

The Royals (20-8) put two runners on base with one out with a single by and the Shamrocks have It's so great to have her be-Payton Fox and a walk issued to Morgan Hicks, forcing Tanner to protect Westfield's 1-0 lead.

sectional, it's a successful ing out here and playing no recipe for anybody in the matter what the result is." sectional, if you're going to allow three runs, and that here, the Shamrocks know game against Noblesville last night was fantastic," Revercomb said. "They're a great team. They'll be back. HSE, they are going to be so hard to beat next retired five straight in one year because they'll be oldstretch and proved clutch in er and a little bit more mature. It was a great week of softball for us."

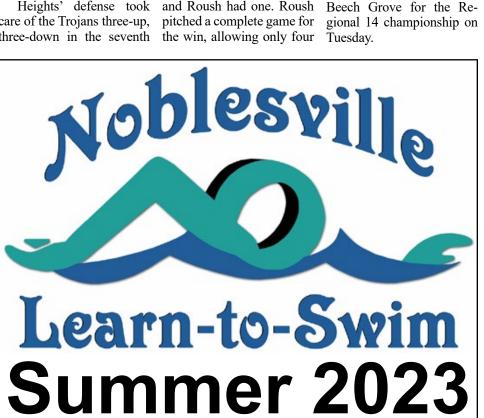
> It was more than great, the hardware to finally show it.

for each other through all

from Page 12 "Allowing three runs in ter team. It's just fun com-

Whatever happens from they will be there for each other every step of the way, much like junior Cara Snedeker for Tanner before the pitcher delivered a strikeout looking for the second out in the top of the seventh with a 2-2 count.

"She just came up to me and was like, 'Chloe, you got this. I believe in you.' cause she always comes up to me and is like, 'Chloe, "It was just being there you got this.' It's helpful, and I love it," Tanner said



and a swinging strikeout to close the inning inspired Tanner to hop off the diamond in elation, as her teammates raced into the dugout with a sigh of relief.

"Our team chemistry is one like no other. We have each other's back no matter what. To the end of the season to whenever our chapter ends, we are always there for each other. Good, bad, indifferent," Roh said.

"Chloe is one of a kind," Dolenc added. "She's the best pitcher we could have asked for. She's awesome. Her spirit is just so unmatched."

Tanner carried a no-hitter into the top of the fourth, through 12 batters faced, despite one runner reaching with a walk in the first, another on a fielder's choice in the same frame and a third on an error in the third.

After the sixth, the right-hander shut down the Royals, as Banas hauled in the final out on a ball hit to left field.

A groundout to Dolenc the years," Dolenc said. grasped this."

now.

amazing," Dolenc said. "We couldn't ask for a bet- competing."



"There was so much "I feel like I haven't fully pressure. Never in a million years would I have accept-No Shamrock has, until ed that we could do that. That's crazy to me. That's "It's crazy to see how so cool, and I'm so proud much we can accomplish of us. Just the way that we between years, even this competed the entire game. year from last year. It's been The sectional and the entire season. I can't wait to keep

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14 Boys Track & Field



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

Carmel's Adom Quist (center) edged out Fishers' Tyler Tarter (second from left) by 0.04 seconds to win the 110 hurdles event Thursday at the Lafayette Jefferson boys track and field regional. Both athletes qualified for next weekend's state meet by finishing in the top two. Tarter would later win the 300 hurdles event, with Quist placing second, qualifying them for state in that event as well.

Greyhounds finish as team runner-up, county collects 30 qualifiers to state meet

The REPORTER

The Lafayette Jefferson boys track and field regional, which took place Saturday at the Bronchos' Scheumann Stadium, was arguably the toughest of the eight regionals across the state.

The top four teams all had representatives there, including No. 2-ranked Carmel and No. 4-ranked Fishers. Those two teams more than held their own, with the Greyhounds placing second by scoring 80 points. Topranked Brownsburg won the meet, totaling 126 points.

Carmel won four events. and more importantly qualified nine to next weekend's IHSAA state finals, which take place June 2 at Indiana University. Meanwhile, the Tigers placed fifth as a team with 54 points, winning one event and qualifying seven to the state meet.

The 'Hounds were led Provenzano in the 3200 run. Mathison won the race in 8 minutes, 59.81 seconds, just a few tenths of a second shy of the regional record he set last year. Provenzano placed second in 9:05.35. Mathison also triumphed in the 1600 run, clocking in that race at 4:12.99. Adom Quist won the 110 hurdles, holding off Fishers' Tyler Tarter by 0.04 seconds. Quist's winning time was 14.43 seconds. Drew Franklin got a victory in the discus, emerging from a crowded field to win with a top throw of 170 feet, 8 inches. Carmel had five other top-three finishes, which guarantees a ticket to state.

Quist placed second in the ford in the pole vault. 300 hurdles, while Charlie Leedke took third in the team points and had two 800 run. The Greyhounds had two relays finish third: dard. The Millers' 4x800 The 4x800 crew of Thomas relay team of Luke Mu-Biltimier, Mathison, Drew maw, Alec Moor, Caden Grogan and Provenzano, Click and Jack Strong were and the 4x400 team of Cole Taylor, Camren Avant, Everett Carlisle and Gabriel Propst qualified by standard LaBoyteaux.

Making the standard

Fishers was led by Tyler Tarter, who won the 300 hurdles in a time of 37.49 seconds in addition to his runner-up in the 110 hurdles. The Tigers had three other second-place results, starting with the 4x800 team of Makell Wiggins, Tommy Clark, Sam Quagliaroli and Matthew Kim, who also took second in the 800 run. JonAnthony Hall was the long jump runner-up, and relay. The Shamrocks team Quagliaroli placed third in of Caleb Haney, Landon the 3200 run.

by the 1-2 distance punch of Tarter, Cavitt Fowler III, team's time of 7:59.13 was of Kole Mathison and Tony Leo Morrow and Wiggins almost half a second ahead placed fourth, but qualified of the standard. That's right: for state due to their time. The top EIGHT 4x800 relay The Tigers team finished the race in 3:21.41, nearly a second faster than the state standard. Any performance that equals or betters the standard automatically qualifies for state. placed sixth with 39 points. The Royals got an event win remarkable group of relay from Michael Griffith, who teams that are all headed to took the long jump with a IU next weekend. top jump of 22 feet, 10.25 inches. Mason Alexander had two qualify for state. placed third in the 100 dash and Rowan Hall was third in the high jump, both advancing to state. Southeastern also had two qualifiers by standard: Josiah Bird in the dard of 14 feet, 4 inches. discus and Connor Langs-

Noblesville scored 28 qualifiers by the state stanwell ahead of the standard, finishing in 7:56.14. Asher time in the 3200 run. Noblesville finished fourth in both events.

Westfield had three state qualifiers. Tom Ewing won the shot put with a best throw of 60 feet, 2.5 inches; he was the only athlete to break 60 feet. Ewing also placed seventh in the discus, but his top throw of 164 feet, 7 inches was nearly five feet ahead of the standard.

If you think that's impressive, look at the 4x800Jones, Sam Hinds and Owen Fishers' 4x400 squad Flynn placed eighth, but the teams qualified out of Lafayette Jeff to the state meet. Guerin Catholic had two state qualifiers. Jack Weber placed third in the 1600 run, and he joined Ethan Hines, Luke Moster and Hamilton Southeastern Ben Grissom to take sixth in the 4x800 relay, part of that Hamilton Heights also Colin Wilson placed second in the shot put, while Peyton McQuinn was fourth in the pole vault, but his top vault was right at the state stan-University's Steven

Scott placed fifth in the long jump, but there is a chance he (and others) could receive a callback to state. Those will be determined today.

Team scores: Brownsburg 126, Carmel 80, Plainfield 65, Zionsville 56, Fishers 54, Hamilton Southeastern 39, Harrison 31, Noblesville 28, West Lafayette 23, Mooresville 17, Hamilton Heights 17, Guerin Catholic 14, Westfield 14, Avon 13, Lebanon 11, Danville 10, Lafayette Jefferson 6, Frankfort 6, University 4, Benton Central 4, McCutcheon 4, Tri-West 1, Twin Lakes 1.

4x800 relay: 2. Fishers (Makell Wiggins, Tommy Clark, Sam Quagliaroli, Matthew Kim) 7:46.88, 3. Carmel (Thomas Biltimier, Kole Mathison, Drew Grogan, Tony Provenzano) 7:50.66, 4. Noblesville (Luke Mumaw, Alec Moor, Caden Click, Jack Strong) 7:56.14, 6. Guerin Catholic (Ethan Hines, Jack Weber, Luke Moster, Ben Grissom) 7:57.09, 8. Westfield (Caleb Haney, Landon Jones, Sam Hinds, Owen Flynn) 7:59.13.

110 hurdles: 1. Adom Quist (C) 14.43, 2. Tyler Tarter (F) 14.47, 8. Clayton Allen (HSE) 15.09. 100 dash: 3. Mason Alexander

(HSE) 10.71, 7. Christ Degni (N) 11.02. run: 1. Mathison 1600

4:12.99, 3. Weber (GC) 4:16.31, 4. Click (N) 4:19.90, 8. Kiefer Jay (C) 4:25.67, 9. Tate Meaux (F) 4:30.49, 10. Ethan Nix (F) 4:33.68, 13. Strong (N) 4:47.37

4x100 relay: 6. Noblesville (Derrell Coleman, Degni, Sidney Weaver, Cameron Wilson) 42.78, 8. Fishers (Joe Syrus, Cavitt Fowler III, Josh Payton, Tristan Capps) 43.40, 9. Southeastern (Silas Newton, Xavier Dokes, Ethan Falconer, Alexander) 43.47, 10. Westfield (Cade Parker, Jacob Good, Gabe Aramboles, Mikeah Webster) 43.62, 11. Guerin Catholic (Luke Moody, Havden Cler, Nick Bauman, Alex Gibbs) 43.68.

400 dash: 9. Dylan Walker (W) 51.05, 10. Sevin Barringer (N) 51.36.

300 hurdles: 1. Tarter (F) 37.49, Quist (C) 39.34, 4. Drew Willman (C) 39.95, 5. Ben Kern (N) 39.97, 9. Jack Huisden (W) 40.87.

800 run: 2. Kim (F) 1:54.06, 3. Charlie Leedke (C) 1:54.27, 5. Steven Case (HH) 1:55.42, 8. Moor (N) 1:58.21, 9. lan Ross (HSE) 2:01.74, 11. Sam Hinds (W) 2:03.88, 12. Colin Lakomek (W) 2:04.56

200 dash - Finals: 7. Degni (N) 22.37. Prelims: 10. Falconer (HSE) 22.46, 11. Wilson (N) 22.70.

3200 run: 1. Mathison (C) 8:59.81, 2. Provenzano (C) 9:05.35, 3. Quagliaroli (F) 9:07.83, 4. Asher (N) 9:32.13, 9. Liam Powers (HSE) 9:35.09.

4x400 relay: 3. Carmel (Cole Taylor, Camren Avant, Everett Carlisle, Gabriel LaBoyteaux) 3:20.77, 4. Fishers (Tarter, Fowler III, Leo Morrow, Wiggins) 3:21.41, 7. Guerin Catholic (Matt Dunlap, Alex Gibbs, Luke Moody, Weber) 3:23.74, 9. Westfield (Flynn, Landon King, Dylan Walker, Lakomek) 3:25.67, 11. Noblesville (Calvin Lighty, Coleman, Click, Barringer) 3:26.82, 14. Southeastern (John McCoy, Noah Link, Blake Braden, Michael Griffith) 3:33.21

Discus: 1. Drew Franklin (C) 170-8, 5. Josiah Bird (HSE) 167-1, 7. Tom Ewing (W) 164-7.

Shot put: 1. Ewing (W) 60-2.5, 2. Colin Wilson (HH) 59-10.5, 6. Alexander Boothby (HSE) 54-2, 10. Franklin (C) 51-11, 11. Joel Gates (F) 50-10.5.

Long jump: 1. Griffith (HSE) 22-10.25, 2. JonAnthony Hall (F) 22-7.75, 4. Lamine Sall (HSE) 21-8, 5. Steven Scott (U) 21-6.5, 8. Aramboles (W) 21-0.25, 9. Robert Campbell (W) 20-6.5, 10. Coleman (N) 20-4.5.

High jump: 3. Rowan Hall (HSE) 6-4, 6. Daniel Ernst (GC) 6-2.

Pole vault: 4. Peyton McQuinn (HH) 14-4, 5. Connor Langsford (HSE) 14-4, 12. Will Johnston (N)



Wed. May 24

Softball | 4A Sectional 8 | HCTV Sports 6:00 pm | Hamilton Southeastern vs Zionsville 8:15 pm | Westfield vs Noblesville

Thursday May 25

Softball | 4A Sectional 8 | HCTV Sports Hamilton Southeastern vs Westfield 6:00 pm | Sectional Championship

Saturday May 27

Baseball | 4A Sectional 8 | HCTV Sports 11:00 am | Carmel vs Noblesville 1:30 pm | Hamilton Southeastern vs Westfield

Monday May 29

Baseball | 4A Sectional 8 | HCTV Sports 12:00 pm | Championship



Propst (N) 9:11.74, 8. Ronnie Neal 13-0, 13. Alex Wilson (W) 12-6

Noblesville's Cooper Bean & Dani Mendez commit to play basketball



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Noblesville's Cooper Bean has committed to play basketball at Indiana State University. (Front row, from left) Jenny Bean (mother), Cooper Bean, and Brian Bean (father). (Back row, from left) Caleb Bean (brother) and Scott McClelland (Noblesville Boys Basketball Head Coach).



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Dani Mendez has committed to play basketball at the Milwaukee School of Engineering. (Front row, from left) Felix Mendez (father), Dani Mendez, and Delcia Mendez (mother). (Back row) Donna Buckley (Noblesville Girls Basketball Head Coach).