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ICE CREAM

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Each team of two to four people will have 40 minutes to make their favorite ice cream recipe. Prizes will be awarded in youth and adult categories for electric freezer and hand-crank freezer.

Participants using recipes with eggs must use cooked eggs, egg substitutes, or powdered eggs. Teams must furnish their own supplies and register in the Purdue Extension Hamilton County Office by 10 a.m. on Friday, July 21. [Click here](#) for more information. Forms are also available in the Purdue Extension Hamilton County Office.

The Hamilton County 4-H Fair is organized and sponsored by the Hamilton

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For more information on the 4-H Fair or the Purdue Extension Service, call the Purdue Extension Hamilton County at (317) 776-0854 or visit extension.purdue.edu/county/hamilton. A complete schedule of events can be found by clicking the 4-H Fair link. More information can be found on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#).

Be sure to keep reading The Reporter over the coming days for more information about all the activities going on during this year's 4-H Fair.

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LEISURELY SUMMER

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I have purposely had days where we just stay home and do nothing except sit in our driveway and check out which of our flowers have bloomed. Sometimes I just let them crash and watch TV because downtime is OK and there's nothing wrong with your kids having time to just camp out. I'm sick of the people who act like it's the devil's box and you're a lazy or bad parent if you let your kids have their days where they just relax and have a home day and crash.

Just as summer will soon come to a close when I blink my eyes, I know that my children, too, will grow up and I will look back on these leisurely days of summer and long for them. I have made it my mission to make this the summer of popsicles, berry picking, ice cream, learning, picnics, parades, blowing bubbles, staying in pjs, building forts, reading, parks, sidewalk chalk, paper airplanes, gardening, and most importantly, PLAY.

We planted a vegetable garden as a family. Each day we check on it to see

Photos provided by Megan Rathz

The Rathz kids, Mary and Pat, are enjoying a fun, leisurely summer together.

the status of our plants. We talk about what individual plants are and we all share a part in the watering of our garden. My children planted seeds at the start of the season and they're seeing the fruits of their labor as the pepper plants sprout and sunflower stalks take hold of our gardens.

We don't have a big and exotic trip planned this summer, but I have made a point to take trips to the honey farm so my kids can see how bees make honey. We learned different things about local food by talking to folks at the farmer's market. Every time we go to the Indianapolis Zoo or The Children's Museum, we try to learn something new.

Sometimes when I'm in the throes of a toddler meltdown at the grocery store and an older person comes up to me and says, "Enjoy this. It goes so fast," I find myself appreciative of their sentiment, but also somewhat annoyed because while it's very sweet, I have a two-year-old having a meltdown over something ridiculous while I am trying not to lose my ever-loving mind.

The thing is, though, when I have a chance to calm down and regain clarity from an epic toddler tantrum, I do realize that they are right. This is going to go by fast; it already is.

Just as the season of summer will soon come to a close, I know that this chapter in my life with two toddlers will, too. For now, I am going to keep things simple and let them be little. I am also going to try to not lose my you know what the next time they're in hysterics in public and remind myself that someday I am going to miss this.

Megan Rathz is a wife, mother, and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.

FILM FESTIVALS

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honor to help share another person's story, but to have TWO films selected by one of the coolest film festivals in the world? It's incredible! Can't wait!"

"We're deeply thankful to the thoughtful panel of moviemakers and film experts who handpicked these festivals," MovieMaker Editor-in-Chief Tim Molloy said. "In addition to celebrating film, all of these beloved festivals offer the promise of new friendships, new adventures, and new experiences, on- and off-screen."

MovieMaker's 2023 Panel of Cool includes Katie Bignell and Ian Bignell (Festival Formula), as well as filmmakers Hanadi Elyan (Salma's Home), Camrus Johnson ("She Dreams at Sunrise"), Aaron Hills (Cine-digm, Fish Kill Flea), Geoff Marslett (Quantum Cowboys), Sylvia Caminer (Follow Her), and Ondi Timoner (Last Flight Home).

"With thousands of film festivals in the world, this is an incredible achievement," said Artistic Director Greg Sorvig. "This honor has been on the top of our wish list for years, and we're incredibly fortunate to the panelists and alumni who have made our events so intimate and fun over the years."

Heartland Film was founded in 1991 with the mission to curate, promote and celebrate thoughtful and engaging films from diverse perspectives. Over the years, the festivals have presented \$3.5 million in cash prizes – the largest total amount awarded by any film festival in North America.

Last year, Indy Shorts was included on *MovieMaker Magazine's* 2022 Best Short Film Film Festivals in the World list. Both festivals are annually on the 50 Best Film Festivals Worth the Entry Fee.

The shorts festival is also Academy Award-Qualifying in all three short film categories (Live Action, Documentary and Animated) – only 34 film festivals in the world hold this designation. With a track record of 33 nominations and 10 Oscar-winning shorts, there's a good chance attendees will see the next Academy Award-contending films first in Indianapolis. Last year, an Indiana Spotlight film *Stranger at the Gate* won the Grand Prize for Best Short Documentary receiving its Oscar qualification. The film was then nominated for an Academy Award.

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Oscar-winning director, Ben Proudfoot, is scheduled to attend Indy Shorts with his Academy Award statuette. Proudfoot's new documentary, *Forgiving Johnny*, will World Premiere as part of the Spotlight: Breakwater Studios Program. This program also includes two other shorts from the director. Ben Proudfoot's Oscar-Winning short documentary, *The Queen of Basketball*, is playing at the Indy Shorts International Film Festival on Friday, July 21, during the Oscar Shorts program at the Amphitheatre at Newfields.

ESPN Films, Vanishing Angle, Easterseals Disability Film Challenge, Children's Resilience with Shine Global, and the High School Film Competition are other Spotlight Programs at Indy Shorts.

Tickets and the full schedule can be found at IndyShorts.org.

The 32nd Heartland International Film Festival is running Oct. 5 to 15 at theaters around the Indianapolis area. The film lineup and tickets will be available starting on Sept. 15.

About Heartland Film, Inc.

Heartland Film is a non-profit arts organization that runs the 11-day Heartland International Film Festival in October, the Academy Award-Qualifying Indy Shorts International Film Festival in July, the Truly Moving Picture Award and other year-round programs.

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Noblesville Lions cook lunch for senior citizens



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On Saturday, July 15, the Noblesville Lions treated the seniors to cooked hamburgers and hot dogs for a quick lunch. It was a rainy day, but a break in the rain allowed the chefs to work their magic! Chef duties were carried out by Lions Tim Baker, Walt Scheid, and Steve Shaw. The Lions Club has done this for the seniors for quite a few years. (From left) Lions Tim Baker, Steve Shaw, Steve Stage, Steve Morgan, Pres. Walt Scheid, Dale Unger, Jen Carr, and John Grimes.

Letter to the Editor

Noblesville reader finds today's problems not that different from 1975's

Dear Editor:

In 1975, during my junior year at IU, I wrote the following in my journal. I am beyond grateful that I still think this way. My mother and father were my role models, always.

"If we really listen to what people say, we can acknowledge their deficits and move on. Some really do not know better, which they may or may not be, totally accountable for. There is an absolute correlation between children raised by biased or bigoted adults, growing up to be biased and bigoted adults. Sometimes, the bias may appear benign in nature, but all are indicators of privilege at some level. Privilege is not a bad thing if we truly set a level playing field to earn it. However, privilege is fleeting when the objectives are at the expense of others. In fact, not only is privilege fleeting when it hurts others, but the venom eventually destroys the privileged either in this world, or in the next."

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Jacob Talty of Fishers makes honor list at MSU-Mankato

The REPORTER

The Academic High Honor and Honor lists (Dean's lists) for the past spring semester at Minnesota State University, Mankato have been announced by Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs David Hood.

Jacob Talty of Fishers was named to the Honor List.

Among 3,434 students, a total of 1,081 students qualified for the High Honor List by achieving a 4.0 straight "A" average, while 2,353 students earned a 3.5 to 3.99 average to qualify for the Honor List.

To qualify for academic honors, undergraduate students must be enrolled for at least 12 credit hours for the semester.

Rep. Spartz will not support any GOP rule vote until Republicans "starts governing"

The REPORTER

Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.-05) sent a letter on Tuesday to Speaker Kevin McCarthy expressing her utmost dissatisfaction with the lack of leadership in dealing with the fiscal state of our nation – 70 percent of spending is not authorized, major programs are going bankrupt, and oversight is not effective.

"Our country is going through some challenging times where the other side is striving for a complete gov-



Spartz of what Cicero said when the Roman Republic was falling: 'Times are bad. Children no longer obey their parents, and everyone is writing a book.' Therefore, I am not planning to support any Republican rule vote until we start governing."

[Click here](#) to read the full letter.



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Hamilton County Health Department to hold four immunization clinics

Parents encouraged to vaccinate their children before school starts

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Health Department will hold four Back-To-School Immunization Clinics in July and August as part of a statewide effort to help families easily access school immunizations prior to the start of the 2023-24 school year.

"Routine immunizations are the best way to protect children from highly contagious diseases and can help ensure every student has a healthy start to the school year," School Immunization Liaison Gema Lopez said. "We're encouraging parents of school-age children to check their children's vaccine status and to take advantage of one of our

upcoming clinics or schedule an appointment with their healthcare provider."

The first of the four clinics will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 19 at the Hamilton County Health Department, 18030 Foundation Drive, Noblesville. Three other clinics are scheduled for Aug. 2, Aug. 16, and Aug. 30 for the same times and location.

Those interested in participating are asked to register in advance at patients.vaxcare.com/registration. Parents need to enter the



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code IN15561 and then select their preferred date. Families should provide insurance information if available. There is an \$8 administration fee per vaccine for those who are uninsured or underinsured.

The clinics are open to children ages five and older. Indiana school children going into kindergarten, sixth grade, and 12th grade are required to receive age-specific immunizations prior to school starting. A full list of immunizations required and recommended for school can be found at [this link](#).

Musical production breathes new life into Shakespeare's play *Troilus and Cressida*

By DANIEL SHOCK
A Seat on the Aisle

Attending a performance of a Shakespeare play can often feel like homework. The language can wash over you without penetrating, leaving you baffled about what is happening on stage. When I attend a play by the bard that I am unfamiliar with, it can sometimes take up to half an hour into the performance before I start to grasp the relationships and motivations of the characters.

Troilus and Cressida is one such play that I have not seen or read. I cannot compare Marcia Eppich-Harris' musical adaptation to the original traditional version of the story. However, I can attest that it did not feel like homework. Sitting down in the Shelton Auditorium on the Butler campus, I was treated to an entertaining fusion of the old and the new.

The talent we have in central Indiana is truly impressive. Over the past year, I have witnessed more than one original piece of theater that not only avoided being terrible but was also highly entertaining. It is evident that Eppich-Harris has made substantial cuts to the dialog and replaced them with several original songs – catchy and moving tunes that shoulder the weight of helping us comprehend the story and the characters.

Prior to seeing the play, I had a conversation with her about the changes. She estimated that about 95 percent of the dialog remained Shakespeare's. Some alterations were made to the order, and much was trimmed to allow room for the music. Her intention was to amplify the voices of the women in the play and deepen our understanding of Cressida's actions as she becomes a pawn in the war.

In her program notes, she writes, "Set in the seventh year of the Trojan War, *Troilus and Cressida* reintroduces characters from Greek mythology, but Troilus and Cressida may be somewhat less familiar. Troilus (Matthew Walls) is the youngest son of King Priam of Troy, and Cressida (Amalia Howard) is a Trojan woman under the care of her uncle, Pandarus (Paul Hansen). Traditionally, Cressida has been portrayed as a traitorous woman who betrays her lover, Troilus; however, I have always believed her story to be more complex than what writers across the ages have allowed."

The show has been well cast. Matthew Walls, as Troilus, portrays the character with masculinity and heroism. Amalia Howard, in



Photos by Rob Slaven / [IndyGhostLight.com](https://www.indyghostlight.com)
(Above) Matthew Walls as Troilus and Amalia Howard as Cressida. (Below) Jenn Kaufmann as Andromache and Rob Beltz as Hector.

the role of Cressida, successfully reimagines a character historically vilified, bringing forth a nuanced portrayal that evokes empathy and understanding. Paul Hansen stands out as Pandarus, serving as Cressida's guardian. He captures both the humor and tragedy of the character with gentle sensitivity. Brant Hughes delivers a captivating performance as Achilles, particularly in his solo, "The Rage of Achilles." Kevin Bell portrays Ulysses with a strong presence and a pleasing voice, while Natalie Marchal impresses as Paris (a traditionally male role) the brother of Troilus and abductor of Helen.

Carolyn Rae Lynch wows the audience with her remarkable singing voice as Helen of Troy. Anthony Nathan steals the show with his portrayal of Thersites, providing endless laughs throughout the performance. Rachel Snyder leaves a lasting impression in her portrayal of the arrogant Agamemnon (again, in a traditionally male role).

The rest of the company, including Kendall Maxwell as Ajax, Nick Asher as Diomedes, Aaron Henze as Aeneas, Jennifer Kaufmann as Andromache, Lane Snyder as Iphigenia and Servant, Robert Beltz as Hector, and Karen Webster-Cones as Priam and Menelaus, deliver outstanding performances that contribute to the overall excellence of the production.

The cast is charming, and the songs are catchy. If I have any criticism, it's that some of the singing seemed off to me last night. However, it's very possible that can be attributed to opening night jitters or even my aging ears. This was a minor issue there is nothing to keep me from enjoying the show and recommending that you take a chance and see this new interpretation of a classic and support our local creatives.

The set design by Nick Kilgore is simple yet effective, creating an appropriate atmosphere for the production. Eric Matters' lighting design is equally impressive, adding depth and en-



hancing the visual elements of the show. The costumes, skillfully designed by Karen Webster-Cones, strike a balance between old and new, effectively evoking the desired time and place. Natalie Marchal's choreography is simple yet enhances the overall aesthetic of the musical adaptation, adding movement and grace to the performances. Music director Seth Young deserves praise for his contribution in arranging the score and skillfully leading the live musicians backstage.

Marcia Eppich-Harris has much to be proud of with this musical production. She composed, wrote, and directed it, assembling a team that brought it to life. The tremendous energy and effort involved in putting it all together are truly admirable.

Please be advised that this show contains frank discussions of sexual assault and the effects of war on women and children. It is recommended for audiences aged 16 and up, considering the mature content.

Troilus & Cressida: The Musical, produced by The Southbank Theatre Company, is currently running at The Shelton Auditorium, located at 1000 W. 42nd St., Indianapolis. The upcoming performances are scheduled as follows:

- Thursday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, July 22 at 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, July 23 at 2 p.m.

For tickets, please contact the box office at (317) 940-6444 or purchase them at [this link](#).
Read more great play reviews from *A Seat on the Aisle* at asota.wordpress.com.



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Kenton Ward elected Central VP of County Surveyors Association

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Surveyor Kenton C. Ward has been elected Central Vice President by the County Surveyors Association of Indiana.

The election was held at the 2023 annual business meeting

of the Association held recently at Purdue University.

In the past, Ward has held the offices of President, Central Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and Chair of the Legislative Committee for the Association.



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Advance HSE group relaunches to support operating referendum

Submitted

Advance HSE, the group that successfully led the 2016 referendum, has been relaunched. The committee, composed of parents, teachers, and community volunteers, is now focused on generating public support for the continuation of the Hamilton Southeastern Schools (HSE) operating referendum renewal at a reduced rate, which is set to appear on the Nov. 7 ballot.

This referendum seeks to ensure the continuation of teacher salaries, student safety measures, and a diverse range of course offerings that underpin the exceptional educational experience provided by HSE. A 'Yes' vote signifies the preservation of HSE funding and leads to a decrease in the impact on property tax bills.

In an unprecedented combined meeting, the HSE Board of Trustees and the Fishers City Council passed joint resolutions backing the proposed school district operating referendum. This proposal is expected to reduce the cost of the referendum for homeowners by nearly 20 percent in 2024.

"The success of our schools is synonymous with the success of our community," Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness said. "Investing in our schools through this referendum should be a priority for every voter this November. I encourage our entire community to come together and support our top-tier school district."

The referendum on the Nov. 7 ballot is a renewal

of the successful 2016 referendum, with the maximum tax rate being reduced. Voting yes will not lead to a tax increase for residents; on the contrary, homeowners will experience a substantial 19.1 percent reduction in the impact of the referendum starting in 2024. This referendum will ensure that HSE schools can continue to fund educational, academic, and safety programs, maintain class sizes, and attract and retain excellent teachers.

Co-chairwomen Sneha Shah and Laura Smoots will lead this grassroots effort, aiming to rally robust support for the operating referendum renewal.

"Advance HSE is a group of staunch advocates for HSE Schools, working tirelessly to provide a safe, high-quality educational environment for our youth so they can excel at the highest level today and in the



Smoots



Shah

future," Smoots said.

"We are thrilled by the overwhelming number of volunteers who have joined our cause so far," Shah added. "We welcome and encourage all residents of the school district to get involved and support the referendum."

To actively participate and stay informed, visit the Advance HSE website at advanceHSE-schools.com.

About Advance HSE

Advance HSE is a volunteer-led committee comprising parents, teachers, and community members, which successfully ran the 2016 referendum. The committee is now advocating for the renewal of the Hamilton Southeastern Schools operating referendum at a reduced rate, with a focus on maintaining the high-quality educational environment that HSE is known for. The organization is supported by donations. No tax dollars are used.

HSE Schools Trustees & Fishers City Council endorse proposed school operating referendum

Submitted by City of Fishers

Hamilton Southeastern Schools (HSE) and the Fishers City Council approved joint resolutions on July 12 in support of a proposed November school district operating referendum that is expected to reduce the cost of the referendum for homeowners by nearly 20 percent in 2024.

By supporting this referendum, community members will help safeguard teacher salaries, student safety measures, and a broad range of course offerings that contribute to the exceptional educational experience provided by HSE.

"I am very pleased that our school board and Fishers City Council have come together to endorse a referendum that will support our schools and our students," HSE Board President Dawn Lang said. "We both understand the importance of working collaboratively so that our community continues to thrive. I also appreciate the diligence of our district administrators and referendum committee to help us address this important issue."

Lang added that HSE Schools, which is recognized for its academic success as the 16th ranked public school out of 371 in Indiana, is determined to overcome its current state funding status as third lowest in Indiana.

"As a longtime member of the Fishers City Council, I have always appreciated and valued our longstanding relationship with HSE Schools and its importance to the vitality of our city," Fishers City Council President John Weingardt said. "Our action tonight further strengthens this relationship as we continue to promote our city as a great place to live and work."

The joint meeting provided a comprehensive understanding of the purpose and impact of the operating referendum reduced-rate renewal, ensuring that the

district can uphold and improve its high standards and continue delivering an exceptional education to its students.



Lang



Weingardt



Stokes



Fadness

"As the fourth largest school corporation in Indiana and the largest employer in the City of Fishers, we understand the vital interdependence between school districts and communities where they operate," HSE Superintendent Dr. Yvonne Stokes said. "These public pronouncements tonight further illustrate our collective desire to build on our past educational successes and those that lie ahead for our students, staff and community."

"I am wholeheartedly supportive of the proposed renewal, and I am extremely pleased that the school board and city council came together to publicly support it as well," Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness said. "We have worked hard during my administration to build a mutually beneficial relationship with the schools so that we remain a smart, vibrant, and entrepreneurial place where people want to work and live."

Advance HSE is a dedicated political action committee comprised of passionate parents, teachers and community supporters from Fishers who strongly believe in the mission of the HSE Schools District. As co-chairwomen, Sneha Shah and Laura Smoots lead this grassroots effort, aiming to rally support for the operating referendum renewal, scheduled to appear on the ballot on Nov. 7.

"We are thrilled by the overwhelming number of volunteers who have joined our cause so far," Shah said. "We welcome all residents of Fishers to get involved and support the referendum."

To actively participate and stay informed, visit the Advance HSE website at advanceHSEschools.com.

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Hamilton County 4-H Fair Schedule, July 20 – 24

THURSDAY, JULY 20

Grilled Cheese Sandwiches 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers' Special: Taco Platter



VIP Animal Care

Exhibits & Displays Open 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Bicentennial Groundbreaking 9 a.m.
4-H Bucket Calf Show 9 a.m.
4-H Llama Senior Showmanship 9:30 a.m.
4-H Crops Judging 10 a.m.
4-H Horse & Pony English Show 10 a.m.
4-H Poultry Show 10 a.m.
4-H Robotics Activities 10 a.m.
4-H Dairy Show 10:30 a.m.

4-H Tractor Driving Contest 1 p.m.
4-H Pygmy Goat Show 1 p.m.
4-H Llama Pack Obstacle 1:30 p.m.
Kids' Craft Activities 2 p.m.
Indiana Blood Center Blood Drive 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Extension Homemakers Flower Show 4:30 p.m.
Purdue Extension Celebrates! 6 p.m.
4-H Rabbit Ambassador Contest 6 p.m.
Do-Si-Squares Exhibition 6:30 p.m.
4-H Clogging Exhibition 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 21

Rabbit & Poultry Producers' Barbecue 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue 5 - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers' Special: Chicken & Noodles



Exhibits & Displays Open 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
4-H Rabbit Show 8:30 a.m.
4-H Beef Grooming Contest 8:30 a.m.
4-H Chicken Barbecue Contest 9 a.m.
4-H Llama Intermediate Showmanship 9:30 a.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Western Show 10 a.m.
Master Gardener Fair Fun 11 a.m.
Sheep Fitting Contest 11:30 a.m.
4-H Llama PR Obstacle Class 12 p.m.

Kids' Craft Activities 1 p.m.
Indiana Blood Center Blood Drive 3 - 6:30 p.m.
Indiana Wild Animal Show 3 p.m.
4-H Meat Goat Show 3 p.m.
Llama Costume Contest 5 p.m.
4-H Dairy Goat Show 6 p.m.
4-H Beef Barbecue Contest 6 p.m.
Leaping Llama Exhibition 6 p.m.
4-H Sewing & Consumer Clothing Revue 7 p.m.
Walk-A-Llama 7:30 p.m.
Blue River Band 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 22

Pork Producers' Barbecue 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue 5 - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers' Special: Meatloaf



Exhibits & Displays Open 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
4-H Swine Show 8 a.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Dressage 8 a.m.
4-H Public Speaking Contest 8:30 a.m.
4-H Llama Junior Showmanship 9:30 a.m.
Master Gardener Fair Fun 10 a.m.
4-H Demonstration Contest 11 a.m.
Providence Wildlife Animal Show 12:30 p.m.
Antique Tractor Pull 1 p.m.

4-H Llama Field Obstacle 1:30 p.m.
Homemade Pie Contest 2 p.m.
Kids' Craft Activities 2 p.m.
Extension Homemakers' Food & Craft Show 3 p.m.
Hedgehog Hannah 4:30 p.m.
4-H Cat Show 5 p.m.
4-H Dog Drill Team Demonstration 5 p.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Contesting Show 6 p.m.
Homemade Ice Cream Contest 6:30 p.m.
Walk-A-Llama 7 p.m.
Youth Swine Exhibition 7 p.m.
DJ Charlie Van Wieringen 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 23



Sheep Producers' Barbecue 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue 5 - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers' Special: Beef & Noodles

Exhibits & Displays Open 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
4-H Sheep Wool Judging 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10 a.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Hunter & Jumper Show 10 a.m.
4-H Sheep Show 10 a.m.
4-H Pocket Pet Show 12 p.m.
Caravan Classes Kids' Crafts 12 - 4 p.m.
4-H Lawn & Garden Tractor Contest 1 p.m.
Walk-A-Llama 1 p.m.
Stone's Crossing Live Music 1 p.m.
Youth Pedal Tractor Pull 2 p.m.
4-H Parents' Llama Show 2:30 p.m.
Kids' Craft Activities 3 p.m.
Youth Sheep Exhibition 4:30 p.m.
Antique Tractor Parade 5 p.m.
4-H Food & Microwave Auction 5 p.m.
Pet Parade 6 p.m.
Farmer Olympics 6 p.m.

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MONDAY, JULY 24

Beef Producers' Barbecue 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Joint Producers' Barbecue 5 - 9 p.m.
Extension Homemakers' Kitchen 8 - 11 a.m.

Exhibits & Displays Open 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
4-H Beef Show 9 a.m.
4-H 1/16th Tractor Pull 9:30 a.m.
4-H Horse & Pony Versatility Show 10 a.m.
4-H Llama Youth Judging 10 a.m.
Color Me Green Fun Run 11:30 a.m.
4-H Rocket Launch 1 p.m.
Youth Talent Contest 2 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.
Royal Showmanship 3 p.m.
Supreme Showmanship 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 25

4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION 5:30 P.M.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters receded. Now the springs of the deep and the floodgates of the heavens had been closed, and the rain had stopped falling from the sky. The water receded steadily from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the water had gone down, and on the seventeenth day of the seventh month the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. The waters continued to recede until the tenth month, and on the first day of the tenth month the tops of the mountains became visible.

Genesis 8:1-5 (NIV)

James M. LeCount
d. July 12, 2023

James M. LeCount passed away on July 12, 2023, at his home in Chandler, Texas, surrounded by family and friends.



He was preceded in death by his father, Corlyss LeCount. He is survived by his mother, Helen LeCount; his wife of 45 years, Kim (Emmert) LeCount; and the greatest blessings of his life, his two children, daughter Brooke LeCount and son Cory LeCount and his wife Erin, and grandchildren Lainey, Cole, Reily, Desi, and Sky; along with three great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are Jim's three brothers who he loved so much: Jerry and Linda Sue, Jeff and Kim, and John and Pam; along with any nieces and nephews as well.

Jim was the life of the party and never met a stranger. He was one of the most selfless, loyal, and caring people I knew. He loved fishing, motorcycles, classic cars, and his Gin game on the computer.

Rest in peace my love.

Brad Chambers steps down as Indiana Secretary of Commerce

By **ASHLEY FOWLER**
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Brad Chambers has resigned as Indiana's Secretary of Commerce, Gov. Eric Holcomb announced Monday.

Chambers' two-year term as commerce secretary and leader of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation began in July 2021. He will remain in the role until Aug. 6, according

to Holcomb.

During his time as head of the IEDC, Chambers encouraged state lawmakers to establish a **Film and Media tax credit**, represented Indiana on several overseas economic missions, and helped secure multi-million dollar investments from companies like



General Motors and South Korea-based JWA Co. Ltd.

The last two years "have been an incredible journey and even more rewarding than I could've imagined," Chambers said. "As my two-year commitment comes to a close, I believe we all can say we

are proud of what we've accomplished these last 24 months. While there is more work yet to do, I am proud to depart this chapter of public service, leaving behind an overflowing pipeline of future-focused, high-wage industries."

Gov. Holcomb says he expects to appoint the next Secretary of Commerce "sometime" after Chambers leaves the role on Aug. 6.

Mike Braun breaks fundraising record in gubernatorial race

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U.S. Senator Mike Braun raised over \$2.22 million for the first six months of 2023, the largest amount ever raised in this fundraising period for an open gubernatorial race.

Last December, Braun also set a Hoosier record by raising over \$1 million within the first 30 days of his campaign, and today

he currently has \$4.6 million cash on hand. Additionally, Braun has nearly 1,500 individual donors, nearly 60 percent of whom donated less than \$100, which he says highlights his conservative, grassroots network across Indiana.



"As the conservative Main Street entrepreneur running for Governor, I am thankful to have the strongest grassroots supporters in Indiana, and that's how we set another Hoosier fundraising record by raising \$2.2 mil-

lion and having \$4.6 million in the bank," Braun said. "These resources will help us talk to Hoosiers about the conservative and Main Street approach I will take in running this state. Which includes improving our schools and implementing conservative economic policies so that Indiana's economy is once again the model for America."

Sen. Young meets with HRSA & CMS officials to discuss organ transplant modernization & reform

The REPORTER

Last week, U.S. Senators Todd Young (R-Ind.), Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa), and Ben Cardin (D-Md.) issued a statement following a roundtable meeting held with Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Administrator Carole Johnson along with officials from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to discuss efforts to reform and modernize the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN).

"Today bipartisan senators attended a meeting with administration officials to discuss efforts to reform the OPTN on behalf of the thousands of American families waiting on an organ transplant," the Senators said. "This meeting marks an important step forward as we partner with the administration and continue our efforts to improve the transplant system. Members pressed CMS and



HRSA officials for a more coordinated, transparent, equitable and accountable system with robust enforcement. Administration officials also discussed the progress on implementing an OPTN modernization plan and offered support for the Securing the U.S. Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Act, which we will continue to push to pass before the contract process

begins this fall. The cost of inaction is unacceptable, as 17 people die every day waiting for a life-saving transplant."

In May, the senators **introduced** the Securing the U.S. Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Act, which builds on the initiative **announced** in March by HRSA to modernize the OPTN by breaking up the monopoly contract that has been used to run the network since 1986. A companion bill has been reported by the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Board will meet in an executive session at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023, at the HCPR Administration Building, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) the Hamilton County Non-Profit Grant Review Committee will meet to review the Non-Profit Grant Applications for 2024 funding at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 25, 2023, in Conference Room 1A at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Noblesville Economic Development Commission will meet at 9 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 7, 2023, in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., Noblesville.

The Carmel Teachers Association and the Carmel Clay Schools Board of Trustees will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, July 31, 2023, at the Carmel Clay Schools Educational Services Center, 5201 E. Main St., Carmel. Public testimony will be taken at this hearing pursuant to Indiana Code 20-29-6-1(a) regarding teacher compensation and collective bargaining.

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2023 BICENTENNIAL JULY EVENTS

Plus, Noblesville Township's Signature Event is so BIG we had to squeeze it into August:

NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP

FUN AT FOREST PARK CAROUSEL AND TOM THUMB GOLF COURSE

July 1-31, 11 a.m.- 6 p.m., Forest Park
Cicero Road, Noblesville

Some FREE events! \$2 for carousel, \$3 for mini-golf
The 103-year-old "Little Beauty" Carousel (*pictured above*) and "Tom Thumb" mini golf course will be showcased in all their glory. FREE ride times will include July 11 and 18, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

MUSIC FESTIVAL ON THE SQUARE

July 1, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Courthouse Square
Conner Street, Noblesville | **FREE**

The Noblesville Township Office will offer a jam-packed music festival to kick off Noblesville's month! Almost a dozen artists will play multiple genres throughout the day!

NOBLESVILLE NOSTALGIA ART SHOW

July 7-29 (hours vary), Nickel Plate Arts
South 8th Street, Noblesville | **FREE**

Artists will share original pieces showcasing Noblesville's history and heritage. Art from the Hamilton County Bicentennial book and traveling exhibit will also be on display. The exhibit will open on First Friday on July 7; visit with artists and book authors, and purchase a signed copy! (Limited quantities available.)

HISTORY FAIRE

July 8 and 22, Gal's Guide to the Galaxy Library
South 8th Street, Noblesville | **FREE**

Kids and adults are invited to create a tri-fold board and dress up as notable people from Hamilton County to interact with History Faire guests.

July 8, 1-2 p.m. Information session will provide ideas, examples and tri-fold boards for free.

July 22, 1-4 p.m. The History Faire is open to the public. See how history comes to life when the community shares what they have learned about our wonderful community.

HAMILTON COUNTY MILITARY & VETERANS CELEBRATION AND RESOURCE FAIR

July 8, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m., Noblesville Schools Community Center, Field Drive, Noblesville | **FREE**

Veterans, active military, their families, and the general public are invited to this Veteran Resource Fair to learn about federal, state and local resources available to our Hamilton County Veterans.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 45 REOPENING

July 15, time TBD, American Legion Post 45
South 8th Street, Noblesville | **FREE**

Recently moved from Conner Street to the historic R. L. Wilson House, the Noblesville American Legion invites the public to its reopening with activities, historic presentations, music and ice cream.

NOBLESVILLE TOWNSHIP'S SIGNATURE EVENT

HAMILTON COUNTY FABRIC ARTS SHOW

August 2023 (Visit HamCoTurns200.com for date updates)

Noblesville Township Office, South 8th Street, Noblesville
FREE



Celebrate the fabric arts, both old and new! Hosted in partnership with Nickel Plate Arts, the Hamilton County Fabric Arts Show will showcase artists and techniques for different fabric arts. Check out heirlooms and new pieces and vote for your favorite. Artists may apply to participate until July 22.

TASTE OF HISTORY: EARLY NOBLESVILLE DINING AND RECIPES

July 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Hamilton East Public Library - Noblesville, Library Plaza | **FREE**

Sample dishes that made Noblesville's early restaurants famous, from corn pone to wild game; in partnership with 9th Street Bistro. (*Registration is full. Keep an eye out for the next in this series!*)

POLITICAL CELEBRITIES AND THE VOTE ICE CREAM SOCIAL

July 22, 1-4 p.m. Hamilton County Historical Society, 810 Conner St. Noblesville | **FREE**

Hear reenactments of speeches by Harry Truman, Frederick Douglass, Susan B. Anthony and Teddy Roosevelt on the stage of the Noblesville Street Dance! Free ice cream while supplies last. Inside the museum, enjoy the Indiana Historical Society traveling exhibit "Faces in the Crowd."

GIBSON GUITAR AND MANDOLIN COMPANY TRAVELING INSTRUMENT TOUR

July 29, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Preservation Hall
Logan Street, Noblesville | **FREE**

Enjoy an exhibition of valuable antique and vintage instruments from 1903 to the present, transported all the way from Nashville, Tenn. Musician-historians, including the Master Luthier for the Gibson Company, will play and discuss the historic context of the instruments. (*RSVP requested.*)

LIGHT UP THE NIGHT

July 29, 8-10 p.m., Potter's Bridge Park - Allisonville Road, Noblesville | **FREE**

Hamilton County Parks and White River Canoe Company are working together to provide a lighted visual experience for visitors during this evening event along historic Potter's Bridge.

HAMILTON CO. BICENTENNIAL TRAVELING EXHIBIT

Noblesville:

July 1-14, Nickel Plate Arts, S. 8th St.

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Overwhelming support at Tony Etchison Memorial Foundation golf tournament

Foundation makes \$5,000 donation to Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville

By **RICHIE HALL**
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NOBLESVILLE – The rain stayed away for most of the afternoon at Fox Prairie Golf Club on Monday.

Tony Etchison may have had a say in that. It was his golf tournament that was taking place that day, or formally, the second annual Tony Etchison Memorial Foundation Golf Tournament. The event raises money for the foundation, of which the primary mission is “to continue to show love, kindness, and to make a difference in the lives of community youth to empower children to reach the highest potential for their lives,” according to its website, etch21.com.

The first tournament took place last year and was very successful, and this year’s second annual tournament continued that trend. Toby Etchison, Tony’s wife, said there were 38 foursomes that played in the tournament, and board member Jody Roudebush said that a total net of \$30,000 to \$35,000 was raised at the end of the evening.

“Incredible,” said Toby Etchison. “And overwhelming and humbling to say the least.”

Toby Etchison also said there were around 30 volunteers that came out to help with the event, “that came out willing on their own just because they wanted to be a part of it and really, to be honest, because they love Tony so much. It was, again, another humbling experience that so many people were out here because they believed in what Tony felt so strongly about, giving back and helping the kids and helping their families.”

At the start of the tournament, the Foundation donated \$5,000 to the Tom & Soni Sheehan Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville. Those funds will be used to benefit the Club’s outdoor youth programs at Camp Crosser. In addition, Lilly announced a match of the donation, making it a total of \$10,000.

“I keep saying overwhelming and humbling, but it’s an honor and a gift to be able to give back to those who are in need or those that are just wanting something special,” said Toby Etchison. “Like being able to go to camp. That’s a luxury for a lot of families and kids to be able to send their kids to camp. So to me, it’s a blessing to be able to provide that for so many people.



Photo provided

The Tony Etchison Foundation presented a \$5,000 check to the Tom & Soni Sheehan Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville at the Foundation’s second annual Tony Etchison Memorial Foundation Golf Tournament, which took place Monday at Fox Prairie Golf Club in Noblesville. The check will be used to benefit the Club’s outdoor youth programs at Camp Crosser. (From left) John Stretch, board member of both the Boys & Girls Club and the Tony Etchison Memorial Foundation; Tony Eslamirad, BGCN Community Center Director; Toby Etchison, Tony Etchison Memorial Foundation board member; Nathan Helm, BGCN Director of Development.

“It’s just weird, because he did things so quietly, and sometimes I didn’t even know what he had done for so many people. It blesses me and it brings me a little joy, makes him feel closer. It makes me proud, very proud.”

The Foundation started in December 2019, several weeks after Tony Etchison died in a farming accident. The Foundation’s principles are based on Tony’s motto of “Love everyone, be kind and make a difference.” The board members on the Foundation make sure to adhere to that motto.

“Jody is a rock star,” said Toby Etchison. “He is amazing what he has done with this and the passion that he has put into it. My board is absolutely amazing, because they all do it because of Tony. And this is their way of honoring him. And it’s also a way of grieving, to be able to still be thinking of him, and putting this



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Tony Etchison’s family met with the groups during the tournament. Pictured: Tillman Etchison, Bobby Allen, Pete Smith, Scott Fleming, Brian Spacey, Toby Etchison.

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Swimming

Carmel's Lexie Ward picks up win Sunday to finish Swimming Senior State Meet

The REPORTER

The Indiana Swimming Senior State Meet finished last Sunday at the IU Natatorium.

Hamilton County picked up a Sunday victory from Carmel Swim Club's Lexie Ward. She finished the women's 800 freestyle in a time of 8 minutes, 51.05 seconds.

In the team standings, Carmel Swim Club finished first overall with a score of 2,574 points, and was also first in both the men's list (1,319 points) and women's list (1,255 points). Fishers Area Swimming Tigers placed fourth overall with 1,523 points, but was a strong second in the women's standings with a total of 1,084 points.

Here is a list of Sunday results.

Women's 200 individual medley

"A" Final: 3. Marizel Van Jaarsveld (Carmel Swim Club) 2:18.13, 6. Keira Kask (CAR) 2:21.35, 7. Audrey Crawford (Southeastern Swim Club) 2:21.70.

"B" Final: 9. Berit Berglund (CAR) 2:22.02, 10. Lucy Enoch (CAR) 2:22.87, 13. Kayla Barr (CAR) 2:24.48.

"C" Final: 18. Maddy Lathrop (CAR) 2:26.67.

"D" Final: 27. Mia Wilson (Fishers Area Swimming Tigers) 2:30.43, 29. Kiley Zoeller (SSC) 2:32.52, 30. Emma Schwertfeger (FAST) 2:33.26.

Men's 200 individual medley

"A" Final: 2. Gus Rothrock (CAR) 2:05.57, 7. Luke Whitlock (FAST) 2:08.21.

"B" Final: 13. Brian Qian (CAR) 2:11.65, 14. Landon Holman (CAR) 2:12.03.

"C" Final: 17. Eduardo Sanchez (FAST) 2:12.23, 18. Cory Han (CAR) 2:13.71, 20. Dan Bennett (FAST) 2:14.33, 21. Carter Hadley (CAR) 2:14.75.

"D" Final: 28. AJ Adams (FAST) 2:117.50, 29. Will Chambley (Westfield Aquatics) 2:17.54, 31. Cameron Harrell (CAR) 2:18.45.

Women's 800 freestyle

1. Lexie Ward (CAR) 8:51.05, 3. Kate Mouser (FAST) 9:02.40, 5. Alyssa Street (CAR) 9:04.52, 6. Jo Jo Ramey (FAST) 9:10.39, 8. Claire Parsons (FAST) 9:20.63, 9. Addy Czarnecki (CAR) 9:22.34, 11. Teegan Madara (FAST) 9:27.37, 12. Sabrina Ledwith (CAR) 9:30.55, 13. Rose Parsons (FAST) 9:30.78, 15. Frankie Ramey (FAST) 9:42.58, 17. Claire Francis (FAST) 9:45.88, 19. Izzy Heuck (FAST) 9:46.37, 23. Lisa Bradford (FAST) 9:51.24, 26. Hannah McNally (CAR) 9:55.08, 27. Amira Leer (FAST) 9:59.42, 29. Madison Conley (CAR) 10:02.37, 31. Olivia Motz (Noblesville Swim Club) 10:07.28, 37. Lily Ziino (FAST) 10:18.35.

Men's 800 freestyle

3. Jonny Hines (FAST) 8:26.19, 4. Lewis Zhang (CAR) 8:26.34, 6. Anderson Kopp (CAR) 8:34.95, 8. Lukas Biller (CAR) 8:35.62, 10. Luke Pugh

(CAR) 8:37.91, 11. Ethan Zhang (CAR) 8:43.80, 12. William Lathrop (CAR) 8:48.09, 13. Colin Cammack (CAR) 8:51.81, 28. Sean Halvorsen (NOB) 9:13.31, 30. Jack Waren (SSC) 9:16.54, 31. Brody Chop (FAST) 9:16.68, 34. Drew DuBois (CAR) 9:23.32, 36. Aiden Clarke (CAR) 9:24.45, 38. Mark Berger (NOB) 9:30.17.

Women's 200 freestyle

"A" Final: 5. Emma Schumacher (FAST) 2:06.70, 6. Kayla Barr (CAR) 2:07.49, 8. Grace Dougherty (CAR) 2:10.70.

"B" Final: 9. Nalanie Cortez (FAST) 2:07.51, 10. Claire Parsons (FAST) 2:07.55, 12. Crawford (SSC) 2:09.00.

"C" Final: 17. Meghan Christman (CAR) 2:08.48, 23. Leer (FAST) 2:15.29.

"D" Final: 27. F. Ramey (FAST) 2:13.45, 29. Arabelle Johnson (CAR) 2:15.57.

Men's 200 freestyle

"B" Final: 12. Brandon Malicki (CAR) 1:57.91, 15. Luke Parsons (FAST) 2:01.04.

"C" Final: 20. Adams (FAST) 1:59.67.

"D" Final: 25. Hadley (CAR) 2:00.90, 27. Connor Pearson (NOB) 2:02.66, 28. Tommy Johanneman (FAST) 2:03.20, 31. Cameron Harrell (CAR) 2:06.95.

Women's 100 butterfly

"B" Final: 11. Van Jaarsveld (CAR) 1:03.07.

"C" Final: 18. Vivian Wilson (CAR) 1:03.36, 19. Cortez (FAST) 1:03.79, 22. Parker Kurzawa (CAR) 1:04.66, 23. Haddie Vohs (NOB) 1:05.14, 24. Avery Stein (FAST) 1:05.48.

"D" Final: 25. Ella Hare (FAST) 1:05.24, 26. Aubrey Simmons (CAR) 1:05.89.

Men's 100 butterfly

"A" Final: 2. Sean Sullivan (CAR) 54.22.

"C" Final: 17. Andrew Shackell (CAR) 56.03, T19. Emile Haig (CAR) 57.27.

"D" Final: 26. Jihoon Jung (SSC) 58.19, 28. Landon Holmes (CAR) 58.73, 29. Sanchez (FAST) 59.05, 31. Qian (CAR) 59.26, 32. Luke Pugh (CAR) 59.62.

Women's 400 freestyle relay

3. Carmel "A" (Christman, Barr, Van Jaarsveld, Simmons) 3:56.99, 5. Fishers "A" (J. Ramey, Mouser, Schumacher, Av. Stein) 3:59.02, 7. Fishers "B" (Francis, Schwertfeger, Hare, Cortez) 4:01.12, 9. Fishers "C" (Kalli Agapios, Grace Ruble, Alexandra Stein, Parsons) 4:04.13, 10. Carmel "B" (Czarnecki, Ledwith, Enoch, Lathrop) 4:04.17, 20. Fishers "D" (F. Ramey, Anna Brown, Wilson, Madara) 4:13.38, 24. Noblesville "A" (Maya McDonald, Exley Tricker, Emily Knott, Vohs) 4:15.42, 26. Noblesville "B" (Ellie Hayward, Kyra Blackwell, Motz, Mia Field) 4:16.45, 28. Southeastern "B" (Meghan Voelker, Naomi Haines, Eloise Harrison, Lauren Bergman) 4:17.15.

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Football

Millers to face off against Mount Vernon for Colts Horseshoe Classic Aug. 18

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The Noblesville football team will open its season at Lucas Oil Stadium as part of the Colts Horseshoe Classic on Friday, Aug. 18, the opening week of the high school football season.

The Millers will play Mount Vernon at 8:30 p.m. as the second game of the two-game Classic. The opening game will be between Lafayette Jefferson and Cathedral, and kick off at 6 p.m.

"We were ecstatic

when we got the call," said Noblesville coach Dave Sharpe. "We're just ecstatic about the season in general. To be able to play in the Luke is a once in a lifetime experience for these guys."

The Millers-Marauders game was originally supposed to be an away game, but now it will be played in downtown Indianapolis.

"It's really given our kids, especially our seniors, a nice little something to look forward to on top of being excited for the season," said Sharpe.

The coach is happy with how Noblesville's summer workouts have been progressing, saying there has been "tremendous participation."

"We have such great kids, many of whom play multiple sports," said Sharpe. "We ask a lot of our Miller athletes, but between Coach McClelland and Coach Keever and the other coaches at Noblesville High School, I think we do a tremendous job of sharing athletes."

"I really like the vibe

that we have," said Sharpe.

Sharpe also credited NHS athletic director Leah Wooldridge with making sure "we're in a line and not asking too much of the kids."

There will be a minimum of 20 minutes between the two games, and the Noblesville-Mount Vernon contest will not start before the scheduled time.

Presale tickets are available now and cost \$10. [Click here](#) and use the code NOBLES. Tickets at the gate will cost \$13.

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together is a form, I wouldn't say grief, but it kind of helps you to heal. And I think for my friends and our family and our board, it's a form of healing for them."

Toby Etchison said that the day "is very hard because of why we're doing it. But when it's all said and done, and I see all these people here and they're smiling and they're telling me stories about Tony, it just warms my heart."

The tournament winner was Empire Outdoor Solutions, which consisted of Jacob Deakyne, Michael Podzielinski, Nick Holder and Kasey Lilly. The runner-up team was Roudy for Etch, with Jody Roudebush, Riley Roudebush, Ethan Roudebush and Matt Heimonen playing on that foursome.



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In addition to the golf tournament, there was also a putting contest. Pictured from left are Brian Doak, Hunter Doak and Ross Andis.

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Butcher emerges late for Redbud 400 win, 1-2 finish for Wilson Motorsports

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Cole Butcher took his first-career ASA STARS National Tour win in the Greg Hubler Automotive Group Redbud 400 at Anderson Speedway. He took the lead from teammate Gio Ruggiero with 93 laps to go and drove away in the caution-free final stage for his first ASA STARS National Tour win.

Ty Majeski was the class of the field for the first three-quarters of the Redbud 400, taking the lead from the jump and leading over 280 laps to start the race. However, pit stops just before the final stage would be his undoing, losing the lead to Ruggiero just before the lap 300 mark and would ultimately finish third in his first Redbud 400 start.

Not only was it Butcher's first win with the series, it was also his first win with Wilson Motorsports as part of a 1-2 finish for the team. By virtue of his victory, the Porter's Lake, Nova Scotia native becomes just the third Canadian to win an ASA-sanctioned race (Junior Hanley, John Cadman), and the first to do so since



Cadman won a race at Canadian Tire Motorsports Park in 1992. He also becomes the second Canadian to win the Redbud following Hanley's win in 2004.

“It's finally nice to get my first Super Late Model win, especially being here. We have tracks at home just like this so it feels extra special. Happy Birthday to my Father, this one's for him. Me and Donnie Wilson, we've been together six or seven years now, and it's time.”

The top-five was rounded out by a pair of former Redbud winners – Kyle Crump and Dalton Armstrong. The ASA STARS National Tour heads back to the state of Wisconsin for the third and final time on Tuesday, August 1 for the Gandrud Auto Group 250 at Wisconsin International Raceway. More information will be released soon.

For the full ASA STARS National Tour schedule, plus Super Late Model rules and other information, please visit the series website at starsnationaltour.com, or be sure to follow the series on social media (Facebook: [STARS National Series](https://www.facebook.com/STARS-National-Series) | Twitter: [@racewithstars](https://twitter.com/racewithstars) | IG: [@starsnational](https://www.instagram.com/starsnational)).

ASA STARS National Tour
The ASA STARS National Tour debuted in March of 2023 for Super Late Model racing in America. Announced last October, many of the best drivers in America will compete in the ten-race national tour with a minimum \$100,000 point fund. The championship team will be guaranteed \$25,000.

The ASA STARS National Tour is made up of three races from each of the regional pavement Super Late Model Series under the Track Enterprises banner; the ASA CRA Super Series, the ASA Midwest Tour and the ASA Southern Super Series.

The **Team Construction** Winner's Circle program has been announced as a part of the ASA STARS National Tour for licensed drivers/teams with perfect attendance. The program provides additional financial incentives to those teams who support the Series, thanks to Team Construction.

Track Enterprises, a Racing Promotions Company based in Illinois, will operate the ASA STARS National Tour. It announced the acquisition of the CRA sanctioning body in January and followed that up with the purchase of the Midwest Tour in July. In October, Track Enterprises President, Bob Sargent announced a partnership with the Southern Super Series which set the table for the formation of the ASA STARS National Tour.



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