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“This was a great training opportunity for police officers and firefighters to work together,” said Captain John Mehling, who serves as the Public Information Officer for Fishers Fire & Emergency Services. “While we always hope for the best, we train for the worst. Having partnerships with companies like Ascension St. Vin-

cent, affords responders realistic situations in a variety of circumstances that only makes more prepared in our response. Working with other emergency agencies within the county and surrounding areas, assures a response that can integrate seamlessly to save more lives.”

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taking care of them and helping them thrive. She has also learned quickly how much the little bunnies have taken a liking to her garden and treat it like a salad bar. Fortunately, she is like me, and finds them so cute that it’s hard to be too mad at them.

I have always held a great desire to make sure my kids not only know nature but to also have an appreciation for it. There are so many learning opportunities for our children that nature affords us. Are we using them to educate our children and foster a love for nature?

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



ART

paintings. Many of the paintings are large pieces that can serve as a strong focal point in a room, and he encourages anyone who loves to hike and travel or has a strong affinity for striking landscapes to check out the exhibit.

“Even if there is not a particular landscape painting in the show that you are drawn to, maybe you have a special place that you are drawn to or that you remember in recent travels that you would like to have painted as a commissioned work,” Mullins said.

You can visit Mullins' website, [cwmullinsart.com](#), to see examples of his commissioned paintings.

The full *Favorite Sub-*

jects and Special Places exhibit can be seen in the Stephenson House starting Aug. 4 through Aug. 26, Wednesday through Friday from noon to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. You can meet Mullins during his free public reception at the August First Friday event from 6 to 9 p.m. on Aug. 4 in the Stephenson House on Nickel Plate Arts campus.

Meyer Najem John Dierdorf

See Dierdorf's full exhibit, *Floral Celebration*, now through Sept. 29, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Meyer Najem second floor gallery, located at 11787 Lantern Road, Fishers.

Four Day Ray Chris & Amie Knuckles

The Knuckles' full exhibit, *The Artwork of Vintage Adventures*, can be seen at Four Day Ray Brewing, 11671 Lantern Road, Fishers. The exhibit is open now through Sept. 29, Sunday and Monday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

About Nickel Plate Arts

Nickel Plate Arts is an umbrella nonprofit organization that creates and coordinates arts and cultural experiences across communities in eastern Hamilton County and the surrounding areas to improve the quality of life for residents, strengthen local economies and enrich experiences for visitors. Nickel Plate Arts is a project of Hamilton County Tourism, Inc. Learn more at [NickelPlateArts.org](#).

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Hamilton County Councilman Mark Hall’s August 2023 Timesheet

Welcome to the Timesheet. This column is a report of work done on behalf of the people of Hamilton County. It’s to be informative too, a place to learn about projects and how our county government works.

As your employee, it’s important to me that you know what is being worked on as transparently as possible in government. You hired me as your County Councilman, and my hope is that you’ll choose to be informed by regularly reading this column, getting involved, and by asking questions. Council meetings are at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month at the judicial center in downtown Noblesville. They are also available to watch online for those unable to attend in person.

Here is where my time this past month has been spent.

Month seven is in the rearview mirror. Finances dominate my Council activity with 2024 budget work sessions only weeks away. I received my copy of the Council’s 2024 budget book. It’s hundreds of pages, 27 different chapters and weighs nearly five pounds. The primary job of your County Council is financial oversight for Hamilton County. Reading, rereading, asking questions, listening, absorbing, and reviewing dozens of department



budget requests will consume a great deal of time over the next few months.

Ultimately, as your representative I’ll work with the six other council members to decide on 2024 tax rates as well as department and county budgets.

This month, our in-person personnel committee meeting was canceled, replaced by a poll of the members for a single position reclassification request. Personnel requests will be voted on by the full council at our Aug. 2 meeting. Our highway committee meeting provided updates on existing projects, among other developments, updates included 146th and Allisonville, visit streamline146.com for updates, and the Pleasant Street Phase I project.

We also reviewed the 2024 highway department budget request summary. Highway projects require council sponsorship. Project details are reviewed in advance, sponsored, and then moved to votes at a subsequent full council meeting. This process, along with statutory regulations that govern procurement, are in place to ensure value and multiple checks and balances on behalf of the taxpayers.

In addition to the County Council public meetings, July’s work included attending a Hamilton Southeastern School Board meeting, Cicero, and Noblesville town council public meetings and

a planning meeting with Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt.

This past month also included participating in the quarterly Northern Hamilton County planning meetings between the county and Cicero officials as well as meeting with David Giffel, a Fishers town council member, to discuss county and city tax rates, tax distribution, and upcoming projects. I had the honor to represent the county at the Blue Door Breakfast hosted by the Boys and Girls Club of Noblesville and at the Bicentennial Pavilion groundbreaking at the fairgrounds. The month included time with State Senator Scott Baldwin discussing property and income tax relief and time with the next Mayor of Westfield, Scott Willis, discussing a wide range of cooperative initiatives between Westfield and Hamilton County.

Of note this month was the continued review and assessment of the County’s health insurance and retiree benefits in the annual review process. This is one of the largest expenses of the county. It’s critical that we get this right. For our retirees, we have the rare opportunity to lower some costs, improve some benefits and save the taxpayers money. Working through the volume of details with the county team and our vendors is tedious, time-consuming, and important. While nationally, fully insured health insurance plan costs are increasing 12 percent or more, we are fortunate to have a

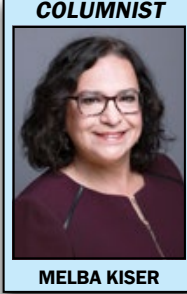
well-managed self-insured plan with an expected modest annual cost increase to the taxpayers.

This month’s work also included additional meetings regarding what could be a new Multi-Purpose Hamilton County Senior Center. As with any significant project, funding will be challenging. Funding primarily with grants is more so. The project is still in the idea stage and far from a success, but I’m attempting to create a space that can serve several groups of our fellow citizens with as little public money as possible.

This is my time sheet. This is where my time went during month six. There are quite a few projects in the queue for 2023 and while my job is primarily the financial oversight of the county budget it is important to understand the Board of Commissioners priorities and balance them with the stewardship of taxpayer dollars. That is the job, and I am excited to do the people’s business.

As a taxpayer myself, and listening to so many of you, our employers, it’s important for the taxpayers to have access to all the information you want. I work for you and although you may not choose to do a deep dive into what your County Council does, it’s important that you can always do so. Feel free to contact me at 317-832-1104 or mark.hall@hamiltoncounty.in.gov with questions, feedback or if you would like to talk about county business.

The case for better communication



In the July Noblesville School Board meeting, there were several policies presented for a second reading and a vote. Notably absent from the list is a policy that had been presented in the June meeting. That is the case with policy H225, Public Comments and Concerns.

Before I get into more detail regarding policy H225, let me briefly note some of the other agenda discussed and voted on during the July meeting.

First was a report on Miller Explorers and Little Miller Preschool programs. Both of these programs are very popular and are 100 percent capacity. Miller Explorers is a self-funded before and after-school care program for students in grades K-6. The Little Miller Preschool is a Kindergarten-ready, self-funded program for ages 3 to 5 and has a waiting list.

The agenda moved to vote on the approval of CSO as the architect for the design of the high school academic expansion project. This motion carried. Also voted and carried was a resolution establishing supplemental payment for teachers for class coverage.

Now back to the absent policy.

One of the goals of my candidacy for the school board was to increase transparency and communication between the board and the community. To that end, I was pleased to see that the board was considering updating its public comment policy to include a more open discussion on items that were not on its monthly agenda.

There were three policy options presented:

- The first option was the current policy that only allows one to speak on an agenda item.
- The second option was the most restrictive for three reasons. The first reason is that if a person wants to com-

ment on an item, not on the agenda, they must register their intent with the Superintendent at least seven days prior to the meeting. There is no such requirement in the current public comment

policy. The second reason is that policy option two states that a written statement or outline that contains the purpose and major points of the presentation must be provided. Again, there is no such requirement for the current public comment policy. The third reason is that option two stated that such public comment requests shall be approved by the Superintendent and the Board President. Why would we be required to get approval to express our thoughts and concerns? That is our right.

• The last option for a new public comment policy is the one that I supported and that lives up to the goal of better communication and transparency between the school board and the community. That policy would provide for public comment at the end of the regular meeting on items that are not on the meeting agenda.

It is my understanding that policy H225 was not brought up for a second reading and vote because there was disagreement on the wording. The public comment policy may be brought up again for the August School Board public meeting. I would encourage people to submit their input to the members of the board before the August meeting to ensure that your opinions and concerns are noted. Better yet, come to the next meeting and let your voices be heard.

The next meeting of the school board is 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 15 in the ESC Board Room. You can find the contact information for the board members by going to noblesvilleschools.org/Page/8015.

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Robin Hood on stage & in the lobby



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Main Street Productions (MSP) and Basile Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St., Westfield, are not only staging a youth production of *The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood*, but they are also following Robin's lead and asking those who have more than enough to give to those who do not. Audiences are meeting that challenge in a big way by bringing food to donate to Open Doors Pantry. Recent productions have been a big hit with families, and these kids had to get a photos with the stars of the cast: (from left) Dhyani Jethava, Grace Dishon, Jaydyn Stewart, and Evelyn & Norah Mann. You still have time to catch the play until Sunday, Aug. 6. [Click here](#) for more information.

Sally keeps audiences a bit too off-balance

By ADAM CROWE
A Seat on the Aisle

Indianapolis' Fonseca Theatre Company is presenting *tj loves sally 4 ever* by James Ijames as a part of its Season of Choices. The playwright, also an actor and scholar, won the 2022 Pulitzer Prize for his version of *Hamlet* called *Fat Ham*.

tj loves sally 4 ever isn't quite on that same level of writing, but it contains lots of interesting ideas and chews thoroughly on most of them. TJ and Sally are a Dean and a student at Commonwealth of Virginia University. They are also inheritors to Thomas Jefferson and slave Sally Hemmings. Sally serves frequently as our narrator, and Ijames gives her lots to talk about in terms of "inheritance" and personal agency.

Sexual harassment and social justice are also important themes. Ijames' style here is not about presenting a straightforward story, but rather an anarchic jumble of scenes and thoughts that keep the audience off its guard. When this works, as it almost always does when Sally and her Sorority Sisters are on-stage, it is enlightening and entertaining. Other scenes, however, feel like sketches rather than complete ideas. Only Sally feels like a living,



Photo by Ankh Productions

Chandra Lynch as Sally and Eric Bryant as TJ in a scene from *tj loves sally 4 ever*.

breathing human, and TJ often falls on the sketch end of the spectrum.

Director Josiah Ray McCruiston's cast holds up to the author's acrobatics. As Sally, Chandra Lynch shines. The audience hangs on her every thought and discovery. Shandrea Funnay and Avery Elise as students Annette and Pam are terrific support. Ijames has given actor Eric Bryant a difficult task with the character of TJ, as he remains more a collection of attitudes and bad ideas. Finally, Atiyah Radford is only given a bit more foundation for his portrayal of student Harold.

Technical aspects were all solid. Kristopher D. Steege's scenic design is evocative and eminently practical. Ben Dobler's

sound and Joy Caroline Mills' lighting were equally on point, as were the costumes by Tony Sirk.

Bottom line: despite some tonal inconsistencies, *tj loves sally 4 ever* features performances and ideas that are worthy of your time and attention. And don't let some heavy themes fool you. This play is very funny, especially when the ladies hold forth.

tj loves sally 4 ever by James Ijames runs through Sunday, Aug. 6 at the Fonseca Theatre, 2508 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis. Tickets and further information can be found at FonsecaTheatre.org or by calling (317) 653-1519.

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



Photo provided by Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation

Carmel Clay Parks & Rec invites preschoolers to Splash Bash

The REPORTER

The little kids are having a bash! Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation (CCPR) will hold a day of fun for preschoolers from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 7 at The Waterpark in Carmel, 1195 Cen-

tral Park Drive West.

The Preschool Splash Bash is for children ages six years and younger.

Tickets are \$15 per child; accompanying adults are free. Participants will have access to the kiddie pool, ac-

tivity pool, and the lazy river.

Concessions will not be available during the event. Guests are welcome to bring their own snacks or lunch.

Pre-registration is required. [Click here](#) to sign up.

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Priority Physicians of Carmel welcomes Jacob A. Brandon, M.D.

The REPORTER

Priority Physicians has announced the addition of Jacob A. Brandon, M.D., to its concierge medical practice. Dr. Brandon joined the Carmel office team on July 31.

Dr. Brandon is board-certified in Internal Medicine and hails from Fishers. His undergraduate studies were at Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis, followed by medical school at Indiana University and Ross University School of Medicine. He completed his internal

medicine residency at Ascension St. Vincent hospital in Indianapolis, serving as Chief Resident his final year. He has since been serving with Ascension in an Indianapolis primary care practice before joining Priority Physicians.

"Dr. Brandon is a fantastic addition to our growing team," Priority Physicians Chief Operating Officer Joe Rizzuto. "He absolutely shares in our com-



Brandon

mitment to delivering personalized attention, professional excellence, and unparalleled service for each and every patient that we serve."

Dr. Brandon is now accepting new patients at Priority Physicians of Carmel. For more information or to schedule an appointment Dr. Brandon, please call Priority Physicians at (317) 688-9000.

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Lt. Gov. Crouch issues statement on farmland losses

The REPORTER

Indiana Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch released the following statement on Monday:

"As I travel the state, I'm hearing growing concerns from farmers and other constituents regarding the loss of farmland in the LEAP district in Boone County and in other parts of our state.

"Today, in addition to inventorying farmland lost from 2010 to 2022 (per HEA 1557), I've asked the Indiana Department of Agriculture to conduct an economic analysis of lost farmland to determine its value to local and state economies.

"Let me be clear, I am not opposed to the LEAP district or others like it. I applaud the investment and jobs it will bring to our state. As the eighth largest farming state in the country, agriculture contributes more than \$35 billion to our economy. State leaders must carefully consider the impact of lost agricultural production and, as Indiana's Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, I will ensure this happens."

The Lieutenant Governor serves as President of the Indiana Senate, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development, chairs the Indiana Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Task Force & Indiana Roundtable on Mental Health, and oversees four state agencies.



Crouch

Jennifer Templeton promoted to Personal Banker at Horizon Bank in Noblesville

The REPORTER

Connie Chesney, Horizon Bank's Vice President Senior Business Banker and Branch Manager, has announced the promotion of Jennifer Templeton to Personal Banker at its Noblesville location.

Templeton joined Horizon at the beginning of 2021 as a Customer Service Representative where she showcased her skills in customer relations and dedication to providing exception-

al service. In her new role as Personal Banker, Templeton will work closely with customers, offering personalized financial guidance and assisting them in opening and maintaining accounts. Additionally, she will play a key role in streamlining loan applications.

Beyond her professional achievements, Templeton has been an active and involved member of the community. She is currently a Board Member and Executive Board Secretary

of the Hamilton County Shepherd's Center and a member of the Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrises.

About Horizon Bancorp, Inc.

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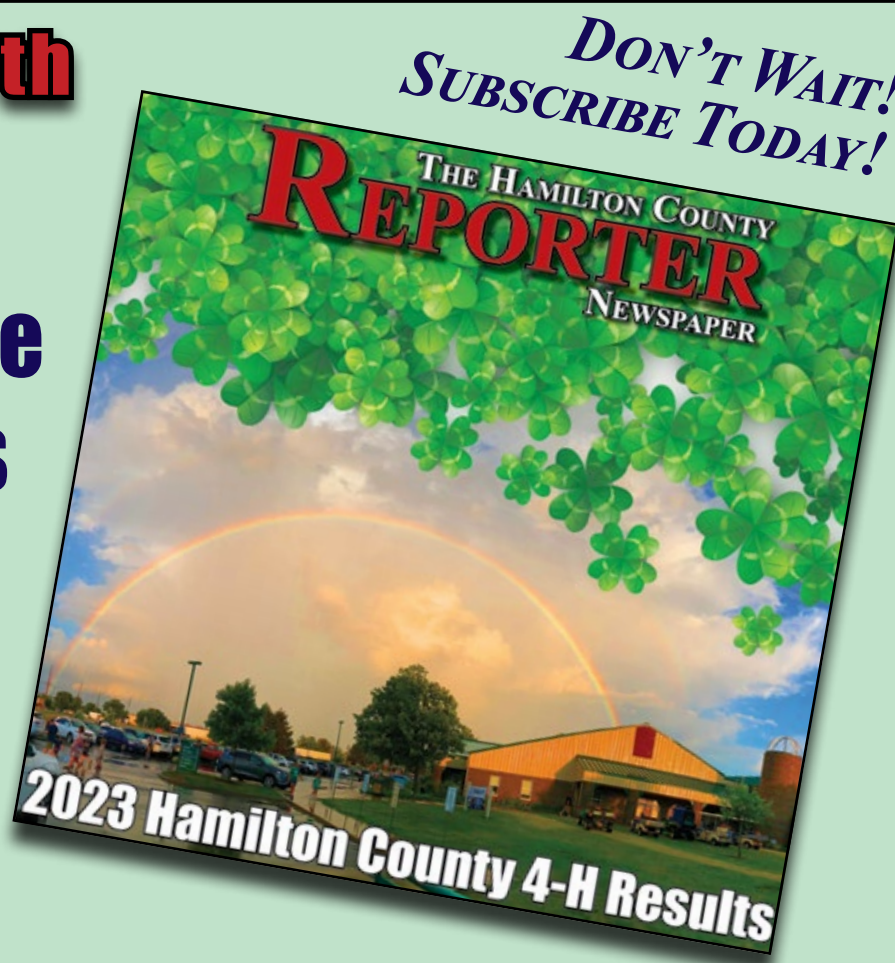




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(From left) Zane Callison, Lily Cross of Zionsville, Jackie Bevil, Tess Barrett, Sen. Young, Henry White, Shaan Mishra of Carmel, Joan Lederer, and Jack Hudson of Pendleton.

College student from Carmel interns for Senator Todd Young

The REPORTER

U.S. Senator Todd Young (R-Ind.) recognized Hoosier students who participated in the second session of his summer internship program in Washington, D.C. The students assisted with daily activities and special projects related to legislation, communications, and constituent services.

The intern class included (from left) Zane Callison, a senior from Upland attending Taylor University; Lily Cross, a junior from Zionsville attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison; Jackie Bevil, a junior from Munster attending the University of Alabama; Tess Barrett, a sophomore attending the University of Notre Dame;

Henry White, a junior attending DePauw University; Shaan Mishra, a junior from Carmel attending the University of Pennsylvania; Joan Lederer, a senior attending the University of Notre Dame; and Jack Hudson, a senior from Pendleton attending Butler University. Senator Young's office offers internship opportunities

year-round, in both his Washington, D.C. and Indianapolis offices. The internship program offers students the opportunity to experience the legislative branch of government and serve Hoosiers. Students interested in applying can visit [Senator Young's internship webpage](#) or call (202) 224-5623 to learn more.

Register now for GOP breakfast

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Republican Party will holds it next [Chairman's Breakfast](#) from 7:30 to 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 16 at Bar Louie, 1111 W. Main St., Carmel.

Guest speakers will include Carmel City Council member and GOP mayoral candidate Sue Finkam, as well as presidential candidate Ryan Binkley of Texas.

Finkam is the founder and CEO of Fire Starter LLC, a certified woman-owned, full-service marketing agency. In addition, she has served 12 years on the Carmel City Council, where she has consistently worked to advance the interests of the people of Carmel. Her focus on public safety, community-driven initiatives and transparent leadership has resonated with Carmel residents from all walks of life. She will tell event attendees about her vision for Carmel, how her campaign is progressing, and how Republicans can help her win in November.

Binkley is from Richardson, Texas, and is the President and CEO of Generational Group, a business consulting and wealth advisory firm. He and his wife, Ellie, are also founders of Create Church, a multiethnic, multigenerational church in Richardson. He says he believes it is important to return to the core values of trusting in God and each other, caring for the hurting, leading with integrity, and bringing hope and healing to the country. He will speak to event attendees about why he is running for president and what his goals are if elected.

Hamilton County GOP officials say they expect this month's breakfast to sell out, so interested folks should register now. Cost is \$30 per person for non-members.

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State Senator Scott Baldwin (R-Noblesville) and State Senator Mike Gaskill (R-Pendleton) stand on either side of a street sign honoring fallen Elwood police officer Noah Shahnnavaz.

Elwood names street after fallen officer Noah Shahnnavaz

By KYLA RUSSELL
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

On Monday, the city of Elwood renamed a section of State Road 37 in honor of fallen Elwood police officer Noah Shahnnavaz, [according to a Facebook post by the city](#).

A one-mile stretch of the road is now known as “Officer Noah Jacob Shahnnavaz Memorial Mile.” The renaming marks a year since Shahnnavaz was killed.

“With the roadway dedication and the amazing plaque that now welcomes guests and our employees into the Elwood Police Department, this city continues to ensure that Noah’s bravery, dedication to this city, service to our country, his infectious laugh, and outgoing personality will NEVER be forgotten,” Elwood Mayor Todd Jones said in a statement.

Shahnnavaz was 24 years old when he was shot and

killed in the line of duty in Elwood.

Carl Roy Webb Boards II, of Anderson, is charged with Shahnnavaz’s murder and several other crimes connected to his death.

Prosecutors announced in August 2022 that they plan to seek the death penalty.

In July, Boards claims he has an “intellectual disability” that makes him ineligible for the death penalty.

Boards’ trial is set for January 2025.

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In May, Senator Braun welcomed Officer Shahnnavaz’s family to his Washington, D.C. office to talk about their son and brother.

U.S. Senator Mike Braun honors life of Elwood Police Officer Noah Shahnnavaz

The REPORTER

On Monday, U.S. Senator Mike Braun released the following statement honoring the life of Elwood Police Officer Noah Shahnnavaz, who was killed in the line of duty one year ago on July 31.

“Today marks one year since Indiana lost Officer Noah Shahnnavaz in the line of duty, and Indiana has lost too many heroes in the year since,” Sen. Braun said. “Every time a police officer

is injured or killed in the line of duty, it sends a shockwave through their community. Congress should pass the Thin Blue Line Act to increase penalties on those who target police, and all Americans must do what we can in our communities to restore respect for our police as an American value. I’m glad to hear the City of Elwood and Madison County will be naming a mile of Ind. 37 to honor Officer Shahnnavaz’s memory.”

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The REPORTER

With construction season in full swing, thus making it ever more challenging to travel around Hamilton County, our friends at Hamilton County Tourism have compiled this handy guide.

Below you will find links to road projects in each of the four major cities in the county, as well as county projects like the Streamline 146th plan. Even a link to state projects through INDOT is included. Thank you, Hamilton County Tourism!

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AG Rokita partners with Sammy Terry to return your unclaimed property during the 2023 Indiana State Fair

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is partnering with the longest running TV horror host in the world, Sammy Terry, to treat Hoosiers with more than fair food during this year's Indiana State Fair.

"It's a tradition for many Hoosier families to visit the State Fair, and we invite them to stop by our booth and introduce themselves," AG Rokita said. "That's why I'm proud to have Indiana icons like Sammy Terry reminding Hoosiers that our booth offers a chance to interact with our team and learn about the services our office provides, including the opportunity to search for unclaimed property."

Team members will be available to assist Hoosiers with unclaimed property searches. Staff will also have information and tips to help consumers protect themselves from identity theft and other scams.

The Indiana State Fair runs until Sunday, Aug. 20 and is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

AG Rokita's booth is located in the Agriculture and Horticulture Building and will be staffed from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day.

The Attorney General's Office is on pace to have a record-setting year in 2023 with \$47.5 million returned to Hoosiers in the first six months. One lucky Hoosier

found \$14,000 last year at the fair. With more than a million dollars being returned every week, you could be next.

Recovering your unclaimed property is safe, secure and simple. Hoosiers should visit IndianaUnclaimed.gov and check for these types of property that might go unclaimed:

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AG Rokita's office works tirelessly to locate the rightful owners or heirs of unclaimed property. Thank you to Sammy Terry for helping in those efforts this year. Don't miss out on meeting the man, the myth, the legend, Sammy Terry, at the booth from 1 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 12.

"Deep fat-fried lady fingers don't scare me, but I am frightened by the thought of missing money," Sammy Terry said. "Don't be afraid to stop by Attorney General Rokita's booth at



Rokita

the fair and see if you have any unclaimed property rising from the dead. Who knows? Maybe we can deep fry George on a stick."

Over \$800 million remains to be claimed, so it's time to find what you may be missing at IndianaUnclaimed.gov or text SAMMY to 46220 to search your name, family, or business.

You can also contact the Unclaimed Property Division at 1-866-462-5246 or updmail@atg.in.gov. You may also like and/or follow the Unclaimed Property Division on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/IndianaUnclaimed). Make sure you keep an eye out for Sammy Terry's reminders. Even he knows it's ghoulishly fun to search for unclaimed property.

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Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – Needle Crafters

Aug. 8 & 22 at 1:30 p.m. – Euchre Club

Aug. 9 at 6 p.m. – Friends of the Library Meeting

Aug. 16 at 5:30 p.m. – Sheridan Readers Book Club (Book: *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks)

Aug. 21 at 6 p.m. – Pinners

All Ages

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Red Cross needs your help to avert a blood shortage

Chance at shark dive trip, \$10 e-gift card for donors in August

The REPORTER

After a summer of declining donations, the American Red Cross needs the public's help to prevent a blood shortage. When donors make and keep their appointments to give blood in the weeks ahead, they can help ensure trauma patients, those undergoing cancer treatment, and people with lifelong blood disorders can get the blood they count on.

Cross especially needs type O negative, type O positive and type B negative blood donors. Donors of all blood types can schedule an appointment to give by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). The Red Cross is teaming up with Warner Bros. for the theatrical release of *Meg* 2: *The Trench* to celebrate a

summer of sharks and help stave off a summer blood and platelet shortage. All who come to give through Aug. 12 will be automatically entered for a chance to win a three-night New York getaway for two with a private shark dive adventure at Long Island Aquarium. Those who come to give throughout the month of August will also get a \$10 e-gift card to a movie merchant of their choice. Details are available at RedCrossBlood.org/Movie. In Hamilton County, there will be three opportunities to donate blood:

on Aug. 4 at Westfield High School, 18250 N. Union St.
• **Fishers:** 2 to 6 p.m. on Aug. 8 at IU Health Saxony Hospital, 13100 E. 136th St.
• **Carmel:** 2 to 6 p.m. on Aug. 11 at IU Health North Hospital, 11700 N. Meridian St.
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To make an appointment, simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

When Noah awoke from his wine and found out what his youngest son had done to him, he said, "Cursed be Canaan! The lowest of slaves will be to his brothers."

He also said, "Praise be to the Lord, the God of Shem! May Canaan be the slave of Shem. May God extend Japheth's territory; may Japheth live in the tents of Shem, and may Canaan be the slave of Japheth."

After the flood Noah lived 350 years. Noah lived a total of 950 years, and then he died.

Genesis 9:24-29 (NIV)

Meeting Notices

The Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2023, has been canceled. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2023.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5(a) the Hamilton County Community Corrections Advisory Board will meet to discuss agency business at noon on Thursday, Aug. 3, 2023, at Hamilton County Community Corrections, 18104 Cumberland Road, Noblesville.

The Hamilton County Plan Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2023, has been canceled due to a lack of petitions for consideration. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20, 2023.

The Noblesville Police Merit Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2023, has been rescheduled to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2023, in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The public meeting will be preceded by an Executive Session at 4:30 p.m. pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5) To receive information about prospective employees. The Executive Session will be held in the Council conference room at City Hall.

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Why Indiana's abortion ban remains on hold

By **GARRETT BERGQUIST**
WISH-TV | wistv.com

An expert on reproductive law on Tuesday said the uncertainty over Indiana's abortion ban has created a de facto ban even though the law is still officially on hold. When the Indiana Supreme Court on June 30 overturned a trial judge's order blocking Indiana's abortion ban on privacy grounds, the law did not immediately take effect because the justices' order had to be certified, a process that takes at least 30 days. Late Monday, hours before the ban took effect, the ACLU of Indiana filed a new petition with the court asking that the law remains on hold while the group requests a new injunction based on the potential medical risks the law poses. IU Maurer School of Law Professor Jody Madei-

ra, whose specialties include law and medicine and reproductive endocrinology, said the filing automatically paused the law while the court considers the ACLU's filing and any response from the state. "They're asking for the preliminary injunction to remain in place, basically, until they can file another proceeding in the lower court that they address how broad the serious health risk exemption is," Madeira said. "Technically, the preliminary hearing prevents the Supreme Court from certifying their final order. Without that petition, the ban would have taken effect." The move is the latest in a long legal battle over the ban that began almost from the moment Gov. Eric Holcomb signed it into law following last year's special legislative session. The law completely bans

abortion in the state of Indiana with three exceptions: up to 10 weeks into pregnancy in cases of rape or incest, up to 20 weeks into pregnancy in cases of fatal fetal anomalies, or to prevent the mother's death or a serious health complication. The ACLU quickly filed a lawsuit that claims the law violates the state constitution's right to privacy. So far, all the legal wrangling has involved whether to allow the law to take effect while the privacy lawsuit proceeds. The lawsuit itself has yet to go to trial. Meanwhile, a separate judge has issued an order blocking the law in a case involving Indiana's Religious Freedom Restoration Act. That lawsuit was filed on behalf of several Jewish and Muslim women whose faiths allow abortion at a later stage in pregnancy. The judge's order in that

case only blocks the law for people who have a sincerely-held religious objection to the abortion ban. ACLU lawyer Stevie Pactor said someone could claim a religious exemption by filling out an affidavit, the same process used for other cases of religious exemptions. Madeira said the extent of the legal wrangling over the law shows how significant its impact is and how much opposition there is to it. "I believe that the more controversial the law, the more heavily it will be litigated and certainly, this is a law that has a pervasive effect on millions of Hoosier lives, not just women, but also men, children, et cetera," Madeira said. Pactor said there is currently no timeline for when the Indiana Supreme Court might consider the group's new petition.



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AUGUST 8-12

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WAYNE TOWNSHIP'S SIGNATURE EVENT

FARMING PAST AND PRESENT
AUGUST 13, 2-5 P.M.




Clarksville Christian Church, *Lehr Street, Noblesville*
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Join lifelong farmers Donald and David Zeller at 2:30 p.m. or 4 p.m. as they discuss how farming in Wayne Township has changed over the decades. Plus, check out the agricultural artifacts “show and tell.” Inside the church, enjoy history displays about Clarksville and the surrounding areas. Outside, experience the Hamilton Southeastern Schools FFA “touch a truck” area with old tractors alongside new Reynolds farm equipment and old Ford trucks and Model T’s alongside new trucks. Free refreshments will be provided at the church, with the Wayne/Fall Creek Lions Club providing food for sale.

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Girls Golf



(Above left) The Guerin Catholic girls golf team began its season Monday with a win at the Cathedral Invitational. (Above right) The Carmel girls golf team took care of business to open the 2023 season, winning its first two tournaments. The defending state champion Greyhounds were first at the Bloomington South Invitational on Monday, then won the Hamilton Southeastern Invitational on Tuesday (pictured).

Three teams start season as champs

Carmel, Guerin Catholic & Westfield show they're tough by winning early events

By **RICHIE HALL**
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NOBLESVILLE – The Carmel girls golf began its 2023 season by playing the way the Greyhounds did for most of the 2022 season: As champions.

Carmel, winner of an IHSAA state title last year, began this season with back-to-back tournament victories to start the week. On Monday, the ‘Hounds triumphed at the Bloomington South Invitational at the Bloomington Country Club, then came back on Tuesday to win at the Hamilton Southeastern Invitational at Stony Creek Golf Club in Noblesville.

“The girls are just doing an amazing job of just playing the golf course,” said Carmel coach Kelly Kluesner. “Taking each shot for what it is and just managing their expectations.”

The coach said that is the team’s game plan “and what we stick with. Sometimes it’s easy, sometimes it’s hard, but they’re doing a great job of it so far.”

At Bloomington South, pre-season No. 1-ranked Carmel held off No. 2 Center Grove by five strokes, 303-308. The Greyhounds were led by medalist Claire Swathwood’s 70, while Michaela Headlee scored a 71.

Both players are seniors, and they were the leaders again at Stony Creek for the Carmel Blue team. Swathwood put together an im-

pressive four-under par 66, while Headlee also went under par, with a two-under 68.

“What a wonderful way for them both to start their senior season,” said Kluesner. “They’re leaders, players doing a great job trying to accomplish some individual goals, and obviously they have a team goal as well.”

With four players returning from last year’s state champion team, Swathwood said the Greyhounds have their fair share of experience, but she also said that this year’s Carmel club is a “fun team this year.”

“A lot of younger faces coming in, filling in our JV team, and it’s been really fun with them so far,” said Swathwood. “Definitely feels good to have another fun team. We can just go out there relaxed, just having a good time with each other.”

Senior Kamryn Williams helped out with a 76, placing her fifth individually, while freshman Maddie Headlee added a 79 and was part of a three-way tie for seventh. Swathwood and the other seniors are making sure the new Carmel players are feeling like part of the team.

“We have a big group chat and we’re just making them feel comfortable and teaching them what Carmel golf’s about,” said Swathwood. “It’s simple things and just having fun. It’s nothing too crazy, but just teaching them what we know. Eventually we’re

going to be graduating and passing it along to them, so we want to make sure they’re comfortable replacing our roles.”

Solid nucleus

Host Hamilton Southeastern is ranked No. 10 in the first list, and the Royals played solid, with their Blue team finishing in second place by scoring 310. Sophomore Janelle Garcia was third individually with a 72, while Ella Bui took fourth with a 73.

“With those two coming back, I think it’s a solid nucleus that we can build around,” said HSE coach Steve Guenin. We had a lot of girls play out here, so there’s going to be a lot of competition to see who’s going to fill in those other spots.”

Southeastern played three separate teams at the event (Blue, White and Gray), and also had four girls compete as individuals. The Royals had three more players place in the top 10: Sophie Roberts and Karolina Franssen’s 79 got them into the seventh-place tie, and Laci Hart scored an 81 to finish 10th.

“I love the opportunity to see all the girls play out here,” said Guenin. “We had a great day for it. We had good competition, a nice bunch of girls that came out. Very much enjoyed it. Stony Creek does a great job of hosting this every year.”

Westfield, ranked fourth in the state, had two teams in the field. The Shamrocks’

1 team placed third with a 333. Ellison Daggy scored an 82, while Sophie Thompson added an 83. Sophie Raines led the Westfield 2 team with an 83 as well.

Fishers played a Red and Gray team; Ava Wellbaum was the top Tigers golfer with a 92. Taylor Morrison led Hamilton Heights with an 86 and Annie Murphy led Guerin Catholic with a 105.

AT STONY CREEK

Team scores: Carmel Blue 289, Hamilton Southeastern Blue 310, Westfield 1 333, Hamilton Southeastern White 338, Hamilton Southeastern Gray 342, Westfield 2 371, Fishers Red 377, Mount Vernon 393, Carmel Gold 410, Lawrence Central 427 Fishers Gray 429, Hamilton Heights 463, Guerin Catholic 463.

Medalist: Claire Swathwood 66.

Other Carmel Blue scores: Michaela Headlee 68, Kamryn Williams 76, Maddie Headlee 79, Gabby Saber 92.

Southeastern Blue scores: Janelle Garcia 72, Ella Bui 73, Laci Hart 81, Alaina Sumner 84, Brooke Willard 94.

Westfield “1” scores: Ellison Daggy 82, Sophie Thompson 83, Lily Murray 84, Addison Crosby 84, Maggie Thompson 116.

Southeastern White scores: Sophie Roberts 79, Paige O’Hara 84, Maya Cieply 85, Isabella Stanley 90, Bryce Brindley 106.

Southeastern Gray

Pre-season girls golf rankings

Rank	Team	Points
1	Carmel (8)	160
2	Center Grove	152
3	Homestead	142
4	Westfield	130
5	Noblesville	121
6	Zionsville	102
7	Floyd Central	97
8	Fort Wayne Carroll	95
9	Culver Academies	91
10	Hamilton Southeastern	89
11	Franklin Community	86
12	Batesville	85
13	Penn	80
14	Bedford North Lawrence	51
15	Brownsburg	33
16	Valparaiso	27
17	Plainfield	26
18	Castle	21
19	Lake Central	19
20	Gibson Southern	14

First place votes are in parentheses.

Honorable Mention
Delta, Bishop Dwenger, Terre Haute South, **Guerin Catholic**, Cathedral, New Albany, Jasper, **Fishers**, Logansport, New Palestine.

scores: Karolina Franssen 79, Natalia Nieset 82, Anna McNairy 82, Emily Vandall 89, Mila Parthun 92.

Westfield “2” scores: Sophie Raines 83, Kate Brown 91, Ava DeCraene 96, Taylor Nokes 101, Addison Ross 114.

Fishers Red scores: Ava Wellbaum 92, Kate Jansen 94, Elli Webster 95, Lola Kivett 96, Maren Spencer 98.

Carmel Gold scores: Kate Harding 93, Reese

Roudebush 101, Ananya Yemme 107, Allie Thompson 109, Maren Sander 115.

Fishers Gray scores: Sophia Rush 102, Ayanna Bodake 109, Scarlet Rodriguez 109, Natalie Vinton 114, Jillian MacLaughlin 122.

Heights scores: Taylor Morrison 86, Tanner Penwell 120, Camryn Runner 124, Alayna Kauffman 133, Sammie Powers 135.

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(Above left) Carmel junior varsity coach Taylor Pietruch (left) walks with Ananya Yemme. (Above right) Westfield's Addison Crosby (left) and Hamilton Southeastern's Anna McNairy share a laugh. (Below) Hamilton Heights' Taylor Morrison looks through the Range Finder, while Lola Kivett gets her club ready.

Guerin Catholic scores: Annie Murphy 105, Mallory Aigotti 113, Ava Klinker 114, Maya Thomas 131, Cora O'Connor 146.

Southeastern individuals: Taylor Wetzel 91, Sydney Gregory 98, Emerson Johnson 99, Keira Bassett 100.

Westfield's varsity group traveled to Battleground Golf Club on Tuesday for the Lafayette Jefferson Booster Invitational.

The Shamrocks came home as champions, scoring a 328 for first place. Addi Kooi was the meet medalist, scoring a 73 then making a birdie on the third playoff hole to win. Kelsey Haverluc's 79 placed her third, while Sam Lemieux added an 80 for fifth place. Lilley Ku's 89 and Anna McKeown's 92 rounded out the Westfield scoring.

Guerin Catholic also sent a team to Lafayette, totaling a 377. Ali Scott led the Golden Eagles with an 87, followed by Sydney Delagrang 92, Sarah Rigg 96, Avery Wall 102 and Gracie Navarro 103.

On Monday, Guerin

Catholic won its season opener, triumphing at the Cathedral Invitational at Maple Creek Golf Club.

The Golden Eagles scored a 371. Scott led the way with an 89, followed by Delagrang with a 92, Rigg 94, Navarro 96 and Wall 105.

Westfield and Noblesville joined Carmel Monday by playing in the Bloomington South Invitational. The No. 5-ranked Millers scored a 318 for third place, while the Shamrocks scored a 331.

Jordan Adam and Josie Kelley both scored 76s for Noblesville, followed by Karis Shields 82, Olivia Fowler 84 and Olivia Anderson 88. Kooi was Westfield's low woman with a 78, followed by Ku 83, McKeown 84, Lemieux 86 and Sophie Thompson 92.

Noblesville's Varsity 2 team placed fifth out of 15 teams at Monday's Homestead Invitational at Chestnut Hills Golf Club.

Two sophomores led the Millers: Peyton Kauzlick carded a 78 to place ninth individually, while Savannah Munson scored an 82.



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Steichen, Taylor share conversation during Colts training camp

By ANGELA MORYAN
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WESTFIELD – Indianapolis Colts running back Jonathan Taylor and head coach Shane Steichen took a moment during training camp Tuesday for a discussion while watching the offense work.

WISH-TV was the only station to capture the conversation on camera.

This comes after a tumultuous weekend when news broke that the **All-Pro running back had requested a trade away from the Colts.**

The saga continued Sunday when reports surfaced

that Taylor had been suffering from a back injury sustained during an offseason workout — an injury that could allow the Colts to place him on the Non-Football Injury list. Taylor strongly refuted the reports **on Twitter** later Sunday night on Twitter.

Steichen has refused to comment on any part of the Taylor drama, from the contract dispute to the medical issues keeping him on the Physically Unable to Perform list.

Meanwhile, the Horse-shoe lost its next best running back Zack Moss Monday to a broken right arm.

Moss reportedly had surgery to correct the break Tuesday and is expected to be out four to six weeks.

In an effort to bolster the running back group, the Colts signed former University of Indianapolis back Toriano Clinton Tuesday morning. The Greyhound worked out with the running backs and on special teams at Grand Park. Clinton left UIndy as the program's all-time leading rusher.

Official release from the Colts:

Clinton, 5-8, 191 pounds, played in 43 games at the University of Indianapolis (2018-22) and com-

pleted 593 carries for 4,538 yards (7.7 avg.) and 48 touchdowns. He also totaled 39 receptions for 322 yards and four touchdowns in addition to 32 kickoff returns for 990 yards (30.9 avg.) and three touchdowns. Clinton finished as the program's all-time leader in rushing yards, total touchdowns, rushing touchdowns, rushing average, kickoff return average, 100-yard rushing games (19) and 200-yard rushing games (seven). He earned numerous accolades, including First Team All-GLVC honors (2021 and 2022) and Second Team All-GLVC recognition (2018 and 2019).



Two new hires deepen the talent for growing local sports industry

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Sports Authority, a division of Hamilton County Tourism, recently welcomed two new employees to its team as it pursues its next phase of growth. Carl Daniels joins the Sports Authority as its new director and Gabe Amick will serve as senior sports development manager.

"We can't be more excited in the level of talent we found for the Sports Authority with these two individuals," said Karen Radcliff, Hamilton County Tourism's Vice President & Chief Strategy Officer and interim director of the Hamilton County Sports Authority. "Filling these roles was critical as our communities rise in their influence as sports destinations."

In the next three years, two new sports arenas will be built within the county and other sports-focused projects are currently being assessed by Hamilton County Tourism, Inc. as part of its BEST Masterplan – the Business of Entertainment, Sport and Tourism – investment strategies.

Daniels brings many years of experience in sports-focused roles with previous work at Indiana

Sports Corp, Butler University, NCAA, Adidas, and the Indiana Pacers. In his role as Hamilton County Sports Authority's director, Daniels will oversee all activities and staff for the office and lead efforts to build brand equity, value, innovation, and growth.

Amick's career also started with the Indiana Sports Corp and included stints at Indy Fuel and Indianapolis Motor Speedway. He joins Hamilton County Sports Authority from the City of Fishers where he managed its two largest events. His new position will focus on attracting, supporting, and developing events and activities that drive positive impact through sport.

About Hamilton County Sports Authority

The Hamilton County Sports Authority creates positive economic and community impact by attracting, supporting, and developing sporting events, facilities and clubs for Hamilton County. Learn more at [VisitHamiltonCounty.com/Sports](#).

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Fever's Emma Cannon to host shoe drive benefitting local Indianapolis shelters

The REPORTER

The Indiana Fever announced that forward Emma Cannon will host a shoe drive this week at Gainbridge Fieldhouse benefiting underserved adults and children of Indianapolis shelters.

Fans are encouraged to donate new or gently-used shoes of any style or size and can bring shoes to Gainbridge Fieldhouse all week. Fans may also bring shoes during the two Fever home games this week starting tonight against the Phoenix Mercury and also Friday, August 4 against the Connecticut Sun. Both games will begin at 7 p.m.

"Being able to give back to our community in Indianapolis means so much to me, especially with school starting back soon. I hope this helps families as much as possible, and reminds us all that a small gesture can mean the world to someone," Cannon said.

One of the local shelters that will benefit from Cannon's shoe drive is the Wheeler Mission Center

for Women and Children. Wheeler is a non-denominational, Christian, social services organization, which provides critically needed goods and services to individuals experiencing homelessness, poverty, and need in Central and South Central Indiana without regard to race, color, sexual orientation, creed, national origin, or religion.

This season, the Indiana Fever selected Wheeler Mission Center for Women and Children to receive a donation as a result of this year's final standings in the **WNBA Commissioner's Cup**. The annual in-season competition during the WNBA season allows WNBA teams to provide funding to local nonprofits in each market focused on women's health, with a focus on advocacy in Black, Brown, and LGBTQ communities.

In 2022, Cannon also partnered with Brittney Griner's Heart and Sole Shoe Drive to assist underserved adults and children in Indianapolis.



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SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Aug. 2 GIRLS GOLF

Guerin Catholic Invitational, 10 a.m.
Carmel, Hamilton Heights, Westfield at Tipton Invitational, 1:30 p.m. at Tipton Municipal Golf Course

Thursday, Aug. 3 GIRLS GOLF

Zionsville at Westfield JV, noon at Wood Wind Golf Club
Hamilton County meet, 2 p.m. at Harbour Trees

Saturday, Aug. 5 GIRLS GOLF

Westfield at Kokomo Invitational, 12:30 p.m. at Kokomo Country Club
Carmel, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, Westfield at State Preview meet, 1 p.m. at Prairie View

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