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The man behind the lens

Two careers. One team. Kent Graham makes Millers proud.

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For the past 37 years, the Noblesville community has had one of the best people in the state: Kent Graham.

Kent came to Noblesville High School in 1986 as a teacher, and a track and field and cross country coach. He retired from teaching and coaching a few years ago, but he has been a part of the Noblesville and Hamilton County sports world thanks to photography – another vocation where he is one of the best.

Kent came on board the Hamilton County Reporter when it started 10 years ago, which means we had one of the best photographers in the state. I met Kent 16 years ago when I began covering sports in Hamilton County, and he quickly became one of my best friends.

If I'm using the word "best" quite a bit, it's because that's the perfect way to describe Kent: The Best.

I got to see Kent in action as a coach and a photographer right away. In 2008, I covered the boys state track and field championships, and in the first running event of the day, Noblesville won the 4x800 relay. Not only did Kent take pictures, but he also got to celebrate a state championship.

Kent had another state champion in 1990, when Ty Oliver won the 300 hurdles. The Millers finished fourth in the state as a team, one of three top 10 finishes under Kent's su-



Photos courtesy Emma Pearce, NHS Shadow Yearbook
Kent Graham was honored last Friday for his loyal support of Noblesville Schools.



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools
He also served as the Grand Marshal during this year's Homecoming Parade.

pervision. Noblesville tied for ninth in 1992 and placed seventh in 2008.

Then there's cross country. Kent coached the Millers to a runner-up finish at the state meet in 2010. That was one of the few times he couldn't take a team trophy photo at a meet, because he was in the photo. That runner-up placement was one of seven times Noblesville finished in the top 10 at state.

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50th New Earth Festival will bring fireworks to the skies over Atlanta

The REPORTER

The population of Atlanta is approximately 750, but by the weekend this little northern Hamilton County town will see 60,000 to 100,000 visitors at the 50th annual Atlanta New Earth Festival, which started in 1974.

The 50th anniversary sponsor is Stepping Stones Behavioral Solutions.

Saturday evening there will be a 9 p.m. concert and a Duke Energy-sponsored fireworks display in conjunction with the 50th anniversary milestone. Food vendors will stay open late Saturday night for concert attendees.

The Reporter had the opportunity to speak with event organizer Jennifer Farley about what visitors can expect at the longest-running and largest festival in Hamilton County.

Farley said the kids zone with free bounce houses at Dolles Park is sure to be a popular stop. There will be over 600 vendors lining Atlanta's streets.

"The town has three different areas it rents: Main Street, Dolles Park, and Broadway Street, but homeowners also get involved," Farley told The Reporter. "So around 600 vendors is the estimate throughout the whole town."

It should be noted that official participation in the New Earth festival will involve all vendors and events taking place up to the south side of County Line Road.

According to Farley, Main Street will be reserved for vendors offering handmade items.

"On Broadway Street you will find antiques, collectibles, vintage and seasonal home dé-



Photo provided by Town of Atlanta
The streets of Atlanta will fill with tens of thousands of happy New Earth Festival-goers this weekend.

cor, jewelry and boutique clothing, just to name a few," Farley said. "Vintage and repurposed items are very big right now."

There will also be a Gatewood's farmers market on Broadway.

Returning vendors have consistently told Farley this is the event that puts them in the black for the year. The festival

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Homecoming then & now

We had joy. We had fun. We enjoyed so many seasons in the sun.

In the fall of 1967, Noblesville Junior High School at 16th Street and Field Drive was brand new. In early September, almost 200 seventh-grade students burst through its doors. They were a force to be reckoned with.

Those students broke sports records during the next six years and suffered their first broken hearts. They learned to drive cars and also drive their parents crazy. And now the rest of the story.

We were the NHS Class of 1974 . . . the greatest forevermore. Well, that is, in our minds.

If you saw us riding on the trailer in the Homecoming Parade on Friday, you probably realized we are still a force to be reckoned with. Don't anyone dare remind us of our age. Someone called us classic, while another called us vintage.

Fifty years later, we still call ourselves friends.

As we gathered on bales of hay, riding on a trailer pulled by the truck of our leader, Jerry Millikan, the conversations sounded like they did some 50 years ago, except they included stories about kids and grandkids and even a few great-grandkids. Lots of "remember when?" A few Coach Belden stories were shared.



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Help Noblesville Trustee to help your neighbors

The REPORTER

The food pantry at the Noblesville Township Trustee's office is running low, and you can help by going to the Farmers Market this month.

Theresa Caldwell told The Reporter the Trustee's office will have a booth at the Farmers Market on Saturday, Sept. 30, which is also Pet Day at the Farmers Market.

"Our office has partnered with Kiln Creations and Pet Supplies Plus," Caldwell said. "Kiln Creations is providing a coupon to everyone who donates non-perishable food items. The coupon is good any Saturday in October or November to make a paw print ornament for free. Pet Supplies Plus in Noblesville has donated a nice gift bag filled with a dog leash, dog toys and dog treats. Anyone who donates food will also be entered into a drawing to win the gift bag. Any food items can be dropped off at our booth. Gift cards from Kroger and Meijer are welcome as well."



Caldwell

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Killer show hits the stage this week

Sink your teeth into "Sweeney Todd" at Basile Westfield Playhouse

By **STU CLAMPITT**
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The Demon Barber of Fleet Street is ready to stalk the stage in Westfield.

Main Street Productions (MSP) will present *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street* from Sept. 21, to Oct. 1 at Basile Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St. The Reporter sat down with MSP Director Andrea Odle to talk about bringing a meaty London tale to Westfield.

Odle's road to Fleet Street was a long one. Getting the rights to perform *Sweeney Todd* took a fair bit of time. It

is also a popular show that can require juggling calendars to be sure no one else is also staging it within a reasonable distance for audiences. And then there was the pandemic.

"A lot of us directors are still being caught up from COVID on all the shows that we wanted to put on in 2020 to 2022," Odle told The Reporter.

After those delays were dealt with, Odle had her time set on the calendar and had to find her cast, which she called "unbelievably talented."

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The cast is ready to put on a great show at Basile Westfield Playhouse.

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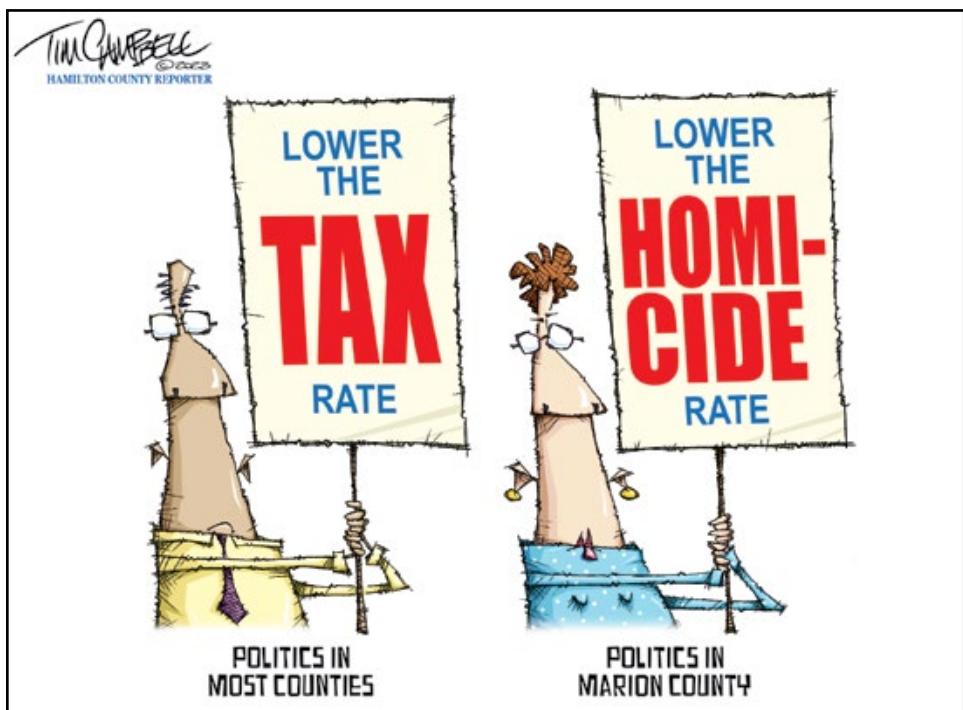
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SCAN ME





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In honor of Donté's service, a Huey helicopter landed at Pebble Brook Golf Club before the tournament began last Thursday morning. (Above, from left) Bob Brenner, Chuck Koschnick, Charlie Walker, Stu Reynolds, Tim Chisler, Randy Sloan, and Travis Petrie.

Cpl. Donté Whitworth scholarship fund off to \$137,000 start

The REPORTER

The Indiana Chapter of the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation held its 28th annual Golf Tournament last Thursday at Pebble Brook Golf Club, 3110 Westfield Road, Noblesville.

This was first time a scholarship is named for a Noblesville marine: Corporal Donté Whitworth.

According to Noblesville Police Dept. Sgt. Tyler Mensch, a former marine

who is involved in organizing this golf tournament in in Whitworth's memory, the field of golfers was fuller than anticipated with 76 foursomes golfing the day away for this great cause.

At the end of the day, over \$137,000 was raised for the scholarship fund.

The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation is the nation's oldest and largest provider of need-based scholarships to military

children. For more than 60 years it has provided access to affordable education for the children of Marines and Navy Corpsmen attending post-high school, undergraduate, and career technical education programs.

If you were not at the golf tournament and would like to make a donation to the scholarship fund, you can do so online at tinyurl.com/MCSFindianascholarship.

Ledger legends gather for annual reunion



Photo courtesy of Betsy Reason
Members of the staff of the former Noblesville Daily Ledger gathered last Thursday evening for their annual reunion. No longer published, The Ledger was Hamilton County's daily newspaper for more than a century. Former employees socialize over dinner to maintain friendships and recall their days in local journalism.



Photo provided
(From left) Hamilton County Community Foundation Board members who participated include County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt, Tonya Harvey, Eddie Rivers, Kristy Murphy, and Danielle Stiles-Polke. They were joined by Janet Gafkjen (right), who serves as the Meals for Kids & Special Projects coordinator for Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank.

HamCo Harvest Food Bank enjoys fruits of HCCF's labor

Submitted

The Hamilton County Community Foundation (HCCF) recognizes the importance of having an engaged board and therefore holds a board retreat every year, which creates a sense of community, collegiality, and teamwork that can be felt throughout the coming year in board and committee meetings.

Last Tuesday, board members spent most of the

day volunteering, packing food boxes, and learning about Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank and the good work it does for so many in the area.

HCCF knows firsthand that when truly engaged, board members become the organization's best ambassadors, advocates, strategists, and all-around supporters. This year, HCCF changed the board retreat to provide space and time

for personal engagement in mission work through hands-on volunteer opportunities with various not-for-profit partners in Hamilton County.

The goal with this approach is to encourage HCCF board members to increase their commitment to the group's mission as well as highlight opportunities for them to use their time, talent, and treasure to benefit Hamilton County.

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Hayden Parsons, now a Noblesville Lion



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club
Last Wednesday, the Noblesville Lions inducted Hayden Parsons into the club. An associate attorney at Adler Attorneys in Noblesville, he is new to the area and was welcomed by the club. He is sponsored by Lion Walt Scheid. (From left) Lion Jeff Kozicki inducted Hayden Parsons, along with Sponsor Lion Walt Scheid.

ISP mourns loss of Kenneth Anderson

Submitted

The Indiana State Capitol Police is mourning the loss of one of their own.

Nineteen-year veteran, Master Officer Kenneth Anderson of Noblesville, passed away on Sept. 9.

Master Officer Anderson's commitment to public service and his passion to help others was evident throughout his life. Serving in the United States Airforce and as an Indiana State Capitol Police Officer undoubtedly made a positive impact on his community.

Indiana State Capitol Police are saddened by his loss but will continue to honor his memory by serving the communities he was so passionate about.

Kenneth Anderson's obituary appears on Page A11.



Anderson

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Millers fans always adore a good hometown homecoming



Photos provided by Noblesville Schools

Noblesville High School held its football Homecoming festivities last Friday. The annual parade was a massive success as always, featuring high school sports teams, the Marching Millers, and cheerleaders. The Millers went on to defeat Zionsville that evening, ensuring a weekend full of fun, family, friends, and good weather was as sweet as could be. *Read more about the game on Page B3.*

HOMECOMING

We paraded down the streets where we learned to ride our bikes, skinned some knees, and broke a few bones. Our parents would send us outside for the day and knew where to find us ... where the bikes lay in some friend's yard. We remembered the best of times.

We were the class to bring back Senior Cords. We cruised Jim Dandy. Mr. Ramsey took our Senior pictures. Principal LeCount's squeaky shoes never allowed him to sneak up on us.

Our Senior Float for Homecoming was the Pinball Wizard, and we beat Lebanon 28-10. Girls wore new outfits from Mr. Ed's or ones designed by our mothers. Our dates for the dance bought us huge yellow mums with a large black N on them. Repp Florist was the go-to place.

Steve Coverdale was our quarterback. He recently retired from Noblesville Schools, where he oversaw Environmental Services. He also coached many a Grinder Football player. You can take a die-hard football player out of the game, but he will find a way to get back on the field. His heart would always hug his players. That is after he chewed them out



Hey, Noblesville Class of '74 . . . you're still the greatest forevermore!

for missing a tackle.

Many of the Class of 1974 stayed in Noblesville or have returned. Our parents came here, seeing it as the Promised Land. The fields were fertile for the farmers, and the factories provided good-paying jobs.

Our parents had no idea that Noblesville would bring their children 'til-death-do-us part friendships. That is what the Class of 1974 has found.

Most of us are retired, but if you look at our calendars, you will see we keep busy. But we were not too busy to gather for our 50-year Homecoming Reunion with the parade and the foot-

ball game where Noblesville beat Zionsville 24-7 with Senior Jake Baker as quarterback. His proud grandma sat in the bleachers with her classmates.

The spirit in the stands of Miller Nation was off the charts. The crowd roared. Friday night, lights flashed. More records were broken. The thrill of victory was alive and well! I saw Steve Coverdale sitting on the front row of the bleachers, smiling and perhaps remembering. Fifty years later, after playing for the Millers, we cheered as the team and cheerleaders from 1974 were honored at halftime.

I wonder if those young men, playing for the Millers on Friday night, will be sitting in those bleachers in 50 years and think, "How did those years fly by so quickly?" 2024 seems like yesterday. 1974 did for us.

It's been many seasons since 1973-74. We took a trip and a parade ride down memory lane on Friday.

You see ... we still have joy, and we have fun as we are enjoying another season in the sun.

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KENT

Kent coached several runners to individual top 10 finishes as well. Matt Sparks reached the top five three times in the state meet (1989-90-91) and is now finding success as the director of track and cross country at Notre Dame. **I wrote an article about Sparks**, and we ran a photo of him coaching at the NCAA national championships in 2020. Guess who took the photo?

Kent had two other top 10 finishers at the state meet as well: Blake Dirksen in 2008 and Sam Roudebush in 2011. And in what is undoubtedly the toughest cross country area in Indiana, his Noblesville teams qualified for state 12 times and won four regional titles.

Since the 2007-08 school year was my first one covering sports in Hamilton Coun-

ty, I had only gotten to know Kent a little bit when his relay team won state. But that was to be expected. Great working relationships and friendships take time to develop.

But once they finally do develop, it turns into something amazing. Kent became my right-hand man throughout these past 16 years. I can't count the number of events we've been to together. Not just track meets and cross country invitations, but every sport there is.

Hundreds of football, basketball, baseball, and softball games. Volleyball and soccer matches. Swimming, wrestling, tennis, and golf meets. And the Indianapolis 500 several times. It's not just me who notices. I was on the MaxPreps website a few days ago, and there was a photo of the

Noblesville-Fishers football game. It was Kent's photo - he's been taking pictures for MaxPreps for a while now.

And for the friendship part? Kent has become one of those very few people I can call on the phone at any time and we can talk for a half-hour, if not more, about anything and everything. There are few people with whom I can do that. He became a confidant for me, and I became the same for him. People like that are hard to find.

As many of you know, Kent is leaving Noblesville this week. He's moving to California to be close to his family. He told me he was considering this a couple years ago, so this wasn't a surprise. Kent has grandchildren now, and he wants to be active in their lives,

something I fully support. You don't get that time back.

It is going to be weird not seeing him regularly at events and not getting his text - "Sent pics" - a minute or two after he emails me the link to his photos of that night's football or basketball game. But while the working relationship is coming to an end, the friendship will still go on. I'm sure Kent and I will have phone chats every once in a while, and he has expressed interest in coming back next May for the Indy 500.

By the time you read this column, Kent will be getting ready to head out to California and the next part of his life. I wish him safe travels and that he enjoys this time with his family for many years to come.

Thanks, Kent, for being The Best!

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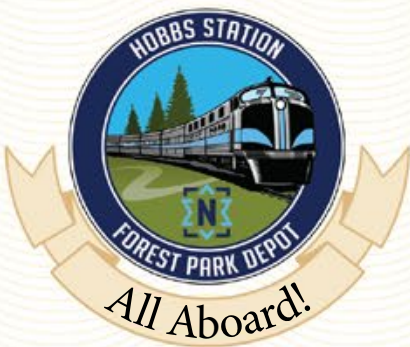
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September 24 and 25

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Wizard Express

Climb aboard for a magical journey into the wizarding world. Brush up on local wizarding news, learn some new spells and enjoy treats such as a butter beverage! All excursions board in Noblesville at platform 8 ¾.

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Chugga, Chugga: Northbrook Brewery Caboose

All aboard for a special 21+ caboose ride to the newly opened Northbrook Brewery in Arcadia. Ride the historic Monon caboose from Hobbs Station in Noblesville up to the brewery in Arcadia and back.

October 15 and 22

Cicero Dinner Express

Experience the nostalgia of the past with a delightful train ride to dinner. Depart from Hobbs Station in Noblesville, IN on the vintage Nickel Plate Express for a charming 30-minute journey to Cicero.

October 5 and 19

Marilyn's Place finds new Noblesville home

Submitted

It was a match made in heaven for Marilyn's Place Non-Food Pantry (MPNFP) and the Bethel Lutheran Church congregation.

The Care Center at Bethel opened recently in a former farmhouse neighboring the church that has been at 206th Street and Cumberland Road for 25 years. Generations had gathered in that house to solve problems, give blessings and gifts, and weather life's storms. Its first new occupant is Marilyn's Place, a nonprofit organization that continues the tradition by providing families-in-need with home goods, hygiene products and other essentials.

"Marilyn's Place was unable to continue its lease and faced having to end its mission last year," explained the Rev. Dave Hill, Bethel pastor. "We heard of their plight, recognized the need and invited them to use classroom space in the church until our congregation was able to remodel the house for them."

Marilyn's Place is now open Tuesday through Saturday in the Care Center at Bethel, 9810 E. 206th St. Arrangements are being made to occasionally offer social services intake and employment counseling at the center, as well.

"Food pantries bridge the gap between staying alive and eating for health. Non-food pantries elimi-

nate having to choose between warm, clean clothes and a safe place to sleep," explained Glenn Conn, MPNFP board president.

"Food and water are survival necessities," says Hilary Ricks, MPNFP co-founder and board officer. "Work, weather, and school-appropriate clothing, personal hygiene products, and cleaning supplies are quality-of-life necessities. So are dignity, self-esteem, and self-confidence."

Bethel Lutheran Church is a 167-year-old congregation built by local people wanting to share community and God's word. In addition to adding Marilyn's Place to the campus, Legacy Christian School opened its satellite preschool program this month in the main building.

"The Care Center at Bethel builds on our history of being an engaged and engaging congregation that works faithfully to meet the needs of our Hamilton County neighbors," Hill continued. "God has blessed us immeasurably with our church and property. We are humbled to join with Marilyn's Place and Legacy to use it to help others."

For more information on Marilyn's place, visit MarilynsPlaceInc.org or call (317) 219-5449. For more information on Bethel Lutheran Church, visit Bethel-LutheranChurch.com or call (317) 773-4315.

TRUSTEE

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Tuesdays are the food pantry day at the Trustee's office, 836 Division St., Noblesville, but they will help anyone that needs food on any other day as well.

"A bag of food typically contains canned good items like, soup, vegetables, fruit," Caldwell said. "We also will put a recipe in the bag and the ingredients to make that recipe – for example, spaghetti or tacos. Our bag typically contains food for one or two days depending on the size of your family, so people would have to access other food pantries as well. We also get fresh produce right now which we put out in the front of our office, and people are welcome to come in any day of the week and get the produce they like."

According to Caldwell, the office serves many people who do not have transportation and walk or ride bikes. They serve many homeless individuals and families. They also work with individuals who get out of jail and need food to get started since some people have nothing when they are released.

"We are open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday

from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.," Caldwell said. "Because most food pantries have specific days and times that they are open, many people come to us to help them get through until they can get to another food pantry. This summer we have served 732 individuals."

It has been a long time since the office has needed to hold a food drive for the pantry.

"We do partner with Harvest Food Bank and receive food from them," Caldwell said. "We typically have an abundance of soups, mac-n-cheese, spaghetti, breakfast foods, and we are just low on everything. This has been a record year for us in assisting people who have needed help."

Bring non-perishable food items to the Noblesville Farmers Market at Federal Hill Commons, 175 Logan St., Noblesville, on Saturday, Sept. 30 to help restock the pantry. You can also donate gift cards from Kroger or Meijer, which allows the Trustee to buy specific items needed for the pantry.

If you would like to find other ways to help, call the Noblesville Township Trustee at (317) 773-0249.



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Fish fry will benefit Fishers UMC food pantry & missions

The REPORTER

Fishers United Methodist Church will hold a Dan's Fish Fry from 4:15 to 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 3.

The menu includes all-you-can-eat fish and chicken strips, with side dishes of baked beans, coleslaw or applesauce, bread, and pie. Cost is \$12 for adults and \$7 for children five and above. (Children under age 5 are free.) Tickets can be purchased at the church office, 9691 E. 116th St., Fishers, and also will be available at the door.

Dine-in, carryout, and drive-thru will be available. Proceeds from the event will support the Come to Me Food Pantry, as well as adult and youth mission trips.

The Come to Me Food Pantry serves families in all of Hamilton County, as well as the McCordsville and Fort-

ville areas. Each week, between 5,000 and 8,000 pounds of food is distributed from 1 to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

The adult and youth mission teams serve deprived areas in the U.S. each summer, doing repairs, cleaning, and building in areas of need.

Let Nickel Plate Express take you to Atlanta New Earth Festival

The REPORTER

Get ready to embark on a delightful adventure as Nickel Plate Express (NPX) announces its special train rides to the popular Atlanta New Earth Festival on Sept. 23 and 24. This exciting opportunity allows passengers to enjoy a hassle-free trip to the festival, immersing themselves in a day filled with shopping, music, food, and celebrations.

Passengers will step aboard the historic 1950s train for a scenic one-hour ride from Noblesville to Atlanta. Upon arrival, they will disembark and have the chance to explore the festival's vibrant atmosphere, featuring an array of

vendors selling handmade crafts, boutique clothing, jewelry, outdoor and indoor décor, children's items, and much more.

"The Atlanta New Earth Festival holds a special place in the hearts of locals and visitors alike, and we are thrilled to offer a convenient and enjoyable transportation option for those who want to join in the celebrations," NPX Executive Director Emily Reynolds said. "Our train rides provide a nostalgic experience, allowing passengers to savor the journey while anticipating the festivities that await them."

The train will remain at the Atlanta New Earth Festival for two hours each ride, giving passengers ample time to soak up the vibrant atmosphere before returning by train to their vehicle in Forest Park in Noblesville. This unique experience eliminates the hassle of finding parking, making it the perfect way to enjoy the festivities stress-free.

Tickets for the Atlanta New Earth Festival train rides are available for purchase now. Prices start at \$20 per person, offering an affordable and convenient transportation solution.



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Trimming trees, the purchase and removal of abandoned properties, special projects, maintenance of Dolles Park, and other local projects are paid for with funds from the festival.

If all that seems a little overwhelming, have no fear: the Boy Scouts are always prepared to help. There will be an information booth on Main Street manned by local Boy Scouts to help you find your way around. You can find fliers, maps, programs, Anniversary T-shirts, and more at the booth. You can also find that information online at AtlantaIndiana.com under the New Earth Festival link.

Farley emphasized the importance of the sponsors and volunteers who make this festival happen every year.

The New Earth Festival social media is handled by Annie Dixon, about whom Farley said, "Annie is the deputy clerk for Atlanta and co-organizer for the festival. Part of her job is handling Facebook, Instagram, and the website. She does an amazing job and I really could not do all this without her, especially in festival season."

Some of the main sponsors include: Duke Energy, who is helping with the fireworks display, Commissioners Mark Heirbrandt and Christine Altman, Roudebush Equipment, Endeavor Communications, Ace Tool Rental, Hamilton County Tourism, Nickloy, Albright & Gordon Law, Ace Paving and Tool Rental, Kleinpeter Consulting Group, and Fleis & VandenBrink. A special thanks to 50th Anniversary Sponsor Stepping Stones Behavioral Solutions.

A big draw for Hamilton County visitors is the live entertainment.

"The entertainment sponsorship started at our 40th anniversary," Farley said. "We decided we wanted to do something new and we wanted to do it right. In order to fund that we started a sponsorship program. This year's free entertainment is made possible by the sponsorship of Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt. Commissioner Heirbrandt was one of the first sponsors of the festival and we appreciate his continued support."

Once again, the festival is also partnering with Good Samaritan Network (GSN) on a festival food drive.

Farley told The Reporter GSN is a project begun by Nancy Chance to unite several charitable organizations in one place. All the resources available for charitable and outreach projects are reachable in one location. Thus, the network can connect people with the right organization for their individual needs.

GSN will have several barrels around the festival for donations. You can also give by scanning the QR code at the festival or right now by going to gsnlive.kindful.com.

County Commissioner Christine Altman is sponsoring the public safety health awareness area, which will offer a variety of interactive learning experiences. There will be a fire safety trailer offering kids the opportunity to learn how to stay safe around fire. Agencies including the State Police, People Against Impaired Drivers, Mended Hearts, the American Legion, and others will be present to help teach health and safety

to the next generation.

The bloodmobile will be at the garage south of Dolles Park on Saturday. According to Farley, they are in dire need of donations, so please stop by when you are at the festival.

When asked about the name and history of the festival, Farley told The Reporter, "The festival started on Main Street in 1974. One of the businesses that helped start it was called 'A Touch of Earth.' Everything at the first festival was handmade. Originally it was the first week in October, but in time it was moved the fourth weekend in September."

Farley especially thanks Chief Moore and the Jackson Township Fire Department, Blaine Mallaber and the entire Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, as well as Atlanta town officials and the Street/Utility Department for all they do to help make the Atlanta New Earth Festival a success.

On Sept. 23 and 24, the Atlanta New Earth Festival has plenty to offer. Visit AtlantaIndiana.com for more information.

SWEENEY

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"We had almost 70 people at auditions," Odle said. "I had a plethora of talent to pick from, which was amazing. Our Sweeney Todd, one of his dream roles. And then I know Lovett, she would say the same. It's a dream role for her. So I got very lucky."

Cutting a field of 70 down to just over 20 actors made for a long night after the first auditions.

"I think we were here until two o'clock in the morning," Odle said. "Afterward, just kind of going through all the possibilities and then once we had it, the second night of callbacks – no, first night after callbacks – we kind of knew."

Odle said she fell in love with the Johnny Depp movie

version of Sweeney Todd, "only because there were so many things that I want to do differently. I looked at it and compared it to Angela Lansbury and I loved her. Her version is my all-time favorite. But I loved the movie because there's certain things in the movie that I picked out of it that I liked, but almost everything I want to do differently. So that's kind of why it was a challenge to bring it back to Angela Lansbury's version versus Johnny Depp's version."

While the story itself is a very dark tale, Odle said she'd taken steps to emphasize some of the lighter moments. She's also staging the show with no blood effects. Given that, rather than

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age-restricting the show, she said she is leaving it up to the discretion of parents to decide if they want their older children to see the show or not.

"There is some adult content," Odle said. "It's done lightheartedly, but it's about eating people, so you have to be very careful. But also, there is a lighthearted nature to some of the scenes. And then we are not doing

any blood effects whatsoever. Good and bad parts, but I think taking away the blood aspect of it opens up the audience for a younger audience a little bit, too."

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Reporter photo by Amy Adams
Senior Grace Vartee spoke openly to the crowd about her own mental health struggles, reminding her fellow students “it’s okay to not be okay.”

Westfield High School’s Save a Life Walk promotes mental health awareness

By AMY ADAMS
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Westfield High School played host to the annual Save a Life Walk in conjunction with WHS Robbie’s Hope Club and the Westfield Wellbeing Coalition on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 9, at Asa Bales Park with more than 250 people of all ages gathering to support mental health awareness.

Volunteers offered attendees colored beads to wear: purple for supporting mental health, green for those who suffer from mental health challenges, silver representing a family member who has struggled, blue supporting suicide prevention, and gold for anyone who has lost a loved one to suicide.

WHS senior Grace Vartee spoke vulnerably with the crowd about her personal struggles.

“Anyone can cry. Anyone can be sad. Anyone can not be okay,” Vartee said. “And it’s okay to not be okay,” repeating a mantra of Robbie’s Hope.

Robbie’s Hope was founded in Colorado in 2018 by Kari and Jason Eckert following the death of their 15-year-old son to suicide. The word HOPE stands for “Hold On Pain Ends,” and the organization’s goal is to empower the next generation to cope with the pressure and stress they face

today and to cut teen suicide rates in half by 2028.

A few years ago, students Zoe Milewski, Analiece Emigh, and Nora Flickinger, who are now seniors, began a Robbie’s Hope Club as there was no mental health club at WHS at the time.

On Aug. 30, First Lady Dr. Jill Biden and Surgeon General Vivek Murthy visited Westfield High School to speak with Robbie’s Hope Club members and other WHS students about the mental health struggles facing young people today.

Westfield Washington Schools Director of Student Support and Counseling Services Kyle Miller and WHS Dean of Wellness, Connections, and Growth Jake Gilbert were on hand at the event. Miller and Gilbert also serve as interim president and past president, respectively, of the Westfield Wellbeing Coalition. WHS Principal Alicia Denniston and WHS Assistant Principal Kurt Frederick attended as well.

Both Coach Gilbert and senior Rocks football player Zeke Richardson spoke to the crowd about the importance of connecting with others and finding support through sports teams and school clubs.

“Be bold about mental health,” Gilbert said. “Be bold about getting the help

you need. Be bold about helping your friends get the help they need.”

In addition to the contemplative walk along the park paths, tables set up at the event provided participants hands-on activities, information, and opportunities to support and prioritize mental health.

One such opportunity, the Direct Your Hearts Film Contest is being piloted this year with WHS students through a partnership between the Hamilton County Community Foundation, Aspire Indiana Health, and the Hamilton County Council. The contest aims to break down barriers associated with mental health stigmas and inspire people to seek support by inviting students to create 60-second videos or 30-second animations about mental health topics.

The deadline for this year’s contest is Wednesday, Nov. 8, and the winner will receive \$500 to put toward the school mental health program or mental health organization of the filmmaker’s choice. To enter the contest or learn more, go to directyourhearts.com. Next year, the competition will be open to all Hamilton County high school students and individuals up to age 25.

To support or learn more about Robbie’s Hope, visit robbies-hope.com.



Reporter photos by Amy Adams
(Above) A crowd of about 250 gathered at Asa Bales Park for the WHS Save A Life Walk to promote mental health awareness. (Below) Volunteers, students, parents, school staff, and community members listen as senior WHS football player Zeke Richardson talks about the importance of connecting with others to find support for mental health struggles.



First “That’s What She Said” show in Indiana inspires women

By AMY ADAMS
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Katie Vigil called herself the “woman with a million ideas” at the first That’s What She Said event in the state of Indiana presented to a full house at the Booth Tarkington Civic Theater on Friday evening, Sept. 8.

Vigil grew up in Champaign-Urbana, Ill., where That’s What She Said began as a one-night event in 2013. In 10 years, that one show has grown to multiple productions throughout the Midwest. One of Vigil’s “million ideas” was to bring That’s What She Said with her when she moved to the Indianapolis area in 2019.

Though Vigil said she would rather watch the Indy 500 on the hottest possible day than to speak in front of people, she can now add speaker and producer to her LinkedIn profile. A mother to three with a full-time job, Vigil began planning the event about a year ago in conjunction with Jenette Jurczyk, national director of She Said Project.

“One thing that really resonated with me when I experienced the show in Champaign was that it provides a platform for ordinary, everyday women to share their stories,” Vigil said.

The “ordinary, everyday” speakers Friday evening included Vigil and nine other women from across the area. Each spoke for around 15 minutes, sharing diverse experiences with humor and sincerity.

Heather Hughet and Brandi Bruemmer had the crowd rolling with laughter. Becca Goldsberry and Lisa Brandenburg shared faith-filled messages. Myra



Reporter photo by Amy Adams
The speakers and producers are all smiles after the show: Michelle Derleth, Brandi Bruemmer, Jennifer Johnson, Heather Hughet, Katie Vigil, Becca Goldsberry, Myra Levine, Lisa Brandenburg, Cara Dalton, Jenette Jurczyk, and Kelli Caughman.

Levine spoke without glancing at her script and Cara Dalton quoted Jesse Spano from *Saved By the Bell* as both women told of their journeys to motherhood.

Michelle Derleth of Noblesville talked about developing Guillain-Barré syndrome following spinal surgery and becoming paralyzed from the neck down. Having relearned how to do everyday activities that most take for granted, Derleth walked onto the stage with a cane and stood with a small table for support as her feet still can’t feel the floor.

“Through the power of optimism, we can conquer even the most daunting of circumstances,” Derleth said.

In her talk entitled “Advocate Like a Mother,” Kelli Caughman of Fishers shared about how she stepped into the life she asked for as the mother of a son with Down Syndrome. Caughman co-founded the Black Down Syndrome Association.

“Though it has not been

easy, I have a purpose,” Caughman said. “I’m walking in it right now.”

Jennifer Johnson of Cicero closed the show by singing “Make Your Own Kind of Music” by Cass Elliot, echoing the words of her own story.

Vigil spoke last about the rough road of recovery that has led her to sobriety and ended her inspiring message with words of praise and encouragement for each of the other speakers.

“Without struggles, there can be no victory,” Vigil said.

The audience responded throughout the show with applause, laughter, hoots and hollers of support, and, yes, some tears, and gave Vigil, Jurczyk, and the rest of the speakers a standing ovation.

“The whole show felt like a warm hug from an old friend, or a brand new one,” said one audience member. “I hope they bring this show to every city in the U.S. It was so inspiring.”

That’s What She Said Indianapolis was sponsored by CIBM Bank, and proceeds support Kids’ Voice of Indiana. According to President and CEO Lindsay Scott, Kids’ Voice of Indiana serves and protects 5,000 children across the state every year and advocates for a child-centered legal system.

Vigil is already putting together a small team and planning for next year. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or speaker, email katiev@shesaidproject.com.

If you missed the event or want to find more stories like those shared by the speakers, check out The She Said Project Podcast wherever you listen to podcasts or order a copy of *That’s What She Said: From the Stage to the Page* at shesaidproject.com. You can also visit the website to register for The Power of Storytelling Conference set for Oct. 8 and 9 in Champaign.

Start your autumn with Barktoberfest in Westfield

The REPORTER

Westfield Welcome has announced that Barktoberfest, presented by Community First Bank, will return to Asa Bales Park from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 7.

Bring your furry friend for an amazing dog-themed afternoon. Let your pup take on the agility course, shop the pet-related vendors, and the pet costume contests run at 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 p.m. You can take advantage of professional pet portraits, caricatures, and adopt adorable pets from the Humane Society booth. You can also design your own collar bow with the Westfield High School Animal Club.

This year, the Humane Society of Hamilton County will collect items frequently needed in the shelter, such as Easy Cheese, canned dog and cat food, 55-gallon trash bags, and plush dog toys. These donations will help ensure the daily operations of the shelter. Donating earns attendees a raffle ticket for a chance to win one of three gift baskets worth over \$100 each. Raffle tickets from the Humane Society will also be available for \$5 per ticket.

“Everyone loves Barktoberfest; it is by far one of our most popular events. It’s a great way to kick off the fall season with the entire family,” Westfield Welcome Director Kayla Arnold said.

Tickets are \$5 per person, and ages three and under must reserve a free ticket. Dogs will not need a separate ticket. Tickets for Barktoberfest are available now at westfieldwelcome.ticketleap.com/barktoberfest2023.

Free public parking will be available at Westfield High School, 18250 N. Union St. More information can be found at westfieldwelcome.com/barktoberfest.

Westfield Welcome focuses on community engagement and hospitality for residents, businesses, and visitors. As a city department, Westfield Welcome hosts more than 50 annual events and provides hundreds of volunteer opportunities yearly.



Photo provided
Principal Rick Davis and teacher Allison Waitt with her \$2,500 check for digital learning innovation.

Sheridan H.S. teacher Allison Waitt receives state recognition

By MARY ROBERSON
For The Reporter

Sheridan High School (SHS) teacher Allison Waitt earned state recognition at the 2023 Indiana Department of Education’s (DOE) Educational Excellence Awards Gala on Sept. 8.

Waitt received the Digital Innovator Excellence Award, which recognizes individual educators who leverage technology to improve student learning. She takes the initiative to learn how to use digital tools in the classroom and may support others in implementing technologies in the classroom.

In addition to the statewide accolade, the recognition comes with a \$2,500 prize for Waitt to use to further her work in digital innovation for her students.

SHS Principal Rick Davis described Waitt as, “a phenomenal educator who has taken it upon herself to learn about the ever-changing landscape of digital education for the benefit of our students. Her efforts and talents have initiated and grown the Next Level Program of Study (NLPS) Digital Design Pathway at Sheridan High School.”

Waitt has 11 years of teaching experience at SHS, teaching various business classes, with a special focus

on digital design. She has helped start a new pathway to give students opportunities to explore innovative career options in our changing digital world. She is also involved in helping the school with digital marketing efforts and supporting student clubs.

“Allison is one of those outstanding teachers who is never afraid to take on a new challenge for her students and SHS as a whole,” Davis said. “She is a leader in the classroom and in the school whose positive and energetic personality carries over to others. She is so deserving of this honor and recognition as she makes great things happen in her classroom for all of her students.”

Davis and Waitt attended the DOE gala that was held in downtown Indianapolis last Friday evening. The black-tie event focused on recognizing and elevating educators from across the state.

“I’m really thankful to have a corporation that supports me in my new classes and programs,” Waitt said. “They have always backed me when I want to try something completely new. Every yes to something new has been a great benefit to the students, community, and corporation. I am beyond grateful for the recognition and support from the state and Sheridan Community Schools.”

Kegley appointed to replace Stokes as interim superintendent of Hamilton Southeastern Schools

The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern Schools board members have accepted the resignation of superintendent Dr. Yvonne Stokes.

The school board unanimously approved the resignation and separation agreement during an emergency meeting at 7 a.m. last Wednesday.

“I am grateful to HSE and the Fishers and Noblesville communities for my time here,” Dr. Stokes in a written statement released by the district. “The opportunity to serve as superintendent was one I never took lightly. As this shift in leadership commences, I am committed to supporting the district and feel confident that our staff, students, and families will be in capable hands. The future is bright for HSE.”

The school board attorney announced that Dr. Stokes’ attorney approached the district approximately two weeks ago to discuss her resignation.

The district agreed to pay Dr. Stokes the full amount of her salary for this year, the final year of her contract with the district.

Dr. Stokes will also receive payment for unused sick time and has agreed to not sue the district.

“I want to express our profound thanks to Dr.



Stokes



Kegley



Lang

Stokes and her leadership during this time,” Lang said in a statement read at the end of the meeting. “This is a crucial time during our district’s history and we are so grateful for her service and dedication to our district.”

Two board members who voted to approve the resignation and separation agreement said they did not agree with the process, but voted yes to respect Dr. Stokes’ wishes to step down.

The HSE board’s work in 2023 has been dominated by contentious discussions about the role of diversity, equity and inclusion in schools, a grant for mental health services, and the non-renewal of several administrator contracts.

One parent at the meeting criticized the role of newly elected board members in the superintendent’s resignation.

“The truth is Dr. Stokes was not wanted by you before you were elected,” Stephanie

Hunt said in her comments. “You even shamed her by moving her to the end of the table and essentially silenced her and disrespected her. We saw it. It wasn’t some sly move on your part.”

Board members appointed Matt Kegley, assistant superintendent for teaching and learning, as the school district’s interim superintendent. The district also approved a two-year contract extension for Kegley, who has 17 years of experience within the district.

Dr. Kegley, who will be appointed as interim superintendent, joined HSE in 2006 as an assistant principal at HSE High School. Over the next several years, he assumed roles as a high school principal and the executive director for secondary education before assuming the assistant superintendent role in January 2021.

“The last few years have presented several challenges for our school community,” said Dr. Kegley. “Howev-

er, with challenge comes the opportunity to learn and grow. I’m humbled by HSE’s trust in me to lead in this interim period and am looking forward to having open conversations with our board, administration, staff, students and families to identify a path that will bring us all together.”

As Kegley takes the interim helm, the school board and district leadership will begin preparations to implement a comprehensive search for a permanent superintendent within the next several months.

Stokes joined the Fishers-based school district in April 2021 after serving as assistant superintendent for Munster schools. She replaced Superintendent Allen Bourff, who retired at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

More than 1,000 community members had signed a petition calling for Bourff to step down after he sent a letter to faculty in February 2021 outlining how to address the Black Lives Matter movement in district classrooms.

At the time of her hiring, Stokes said, “Please don’t fret about academic excellence. We’re here to make sure that our students have academic excellence.”

WISH-TV’s Brady Gibson contributed to this story.

Northern Hamilton County Academy seeks to give students second chance

By MARY ROBERSON
For The Reporter

A collaboration between Westfield, Sheridan, and Hamilton Heights high schools is giving students a second chance at academic success through the Northern Hamilton County Academy (NHCA).

Sheridan Principal Rick Davis explained, “NHCA gives students who have fallen behind in credits due to any number of reasons the opportunity to focus on their work in a small, controlled, and exceptionally supportive environment in order to return to their home school and/or graduate on time.”

The project is made possible through many partnerships. Hamilton Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood describes it as “the brainchild” of Sheridan’s Dr. Dave Mundy. A host of founders believed in the concept and stepped forward with financial support, including the Hamilton County Council, Hamilton County Commissioners, Beck’s Hybrids, Waitt Grain, Reynolds Farm Equipment, Biddle Memorial Foundation, and Duke Energy. Arrowood expressed gratitude for initial funding and explained that the long-term goal is to create a sustainable financial

model utilizing state tuition support, along with alternative school grant funding.

Even the location represents a collaboration and immense support from the community.

“NHCA is housed in a Sheridan building that was obtained through a local vendor who had space available and was able to rent us the facility at a very affordable rate,” Mundy said. This building allows students to have their own space and specialized support that would be unobtainable in a traditional classroom setting.

Hamilton Heights High School Principal Jarrod Mason explained, “Life happens to students in ways that it didn’t used to happen. We have provided the flexibility for students who need it given whatever their situation is.”

Sheridan veteran teacher Jeff Guenther is the lead teacher for the program. Because the program is set up differently – off campus, with a different type of curriculum, and a different schedule, Guenther explained, “Students get back on track and continue their education in a separate, supportive environment while still being a part of their home school.” Guenther went on to praise the connection between the



Photo provided

The Northern Hamilton County Academy is housed in Sheridan in a building located off-campus.

two schools as a reason that solutions for challenges have been dealt with easily.

In addition to the location being off-campus, Guenther explained how the schedule is set up to promote student success. He explained how they build each student’s schedule to best create the possibility for success. They divide the year into learning blocks that are derived from the classes needed and the given time frame. Some students may be working on four-week blocks, while others are nine weeks or a semester. He went on to say, “We have both daily and weekly goal meetings with students. This allows them to take ownership of their learning.”

With just one month into the school year, students are already finding success.

“All of our students are finding their version of success,” Guenther said. “We have three seniors. One has completed the courses needed to graduate while the other two are making significant progress towards completing the required courses to graduate on time in May.”

Students are also expressing their excitement about the program as they enjoy learning and making significant progress. Through community support, innovative founders, and the dedication of everyone involved, NHCA is truly giving students a second chance.

Groundbreaking set for major county sewer & water utility

By FRED SWIFT
The County Line

Groundbreaking is scheduled Oct. 4 for the Hamilton County Regional Utility District’s wastewater treatment plant, the first step in providing sewers and municipal water service to a large rural area of northern Hamilton County.

Generally referred to as the Bakers Corner utility project, it will provide water and sewer service to an area from 216th Street to 276th Street, both east and west of U.S. 31 for varying distances of up to a mile or more to the east of 31.

Future expansion of the service area is anticipated, according to the Commissioners’ Director of Administration Lee Buckingham. He said the estimated \$64 million cost will come largely from state and federal funds, including COVID relief money given to the county over 2023-24.

Locally issued bonds of an estimated \$10 million may also be employed if needed. The county receives about \$65 million in COVID relief, of which around half will be dedicated to the Bakers Corner project.

Final financing arrangements will be made once construction bids are received.

It is the first time the county government has become involved in providing utility services. Construction is expected to go rapidly in two phases. One target date is December 2024 when service is planned for the new National Guard Armory being built at 276th Street and U.S. 31.

County commissioners, who serve as the regional utility board of directors, said last year that hundreds of future customers are already seeking connection to the service. The utility is considered a separate entity from Hamilton County although officers are county officials.

The project will aid greatly in economic development for the northern part of the county, says Mark Heirbrandt, who will serve as president for the district. Buckingham will serve as acting general manager, Conner Sullivan will serve as the district’s attorney, Bondry Consulting will be financial officers, and Wessler Engineering will be district engineer.

Fishers Century Club announces Indiana Chapter of Crohn’s & Colitis Foundation as September meeting charity recipient

The REPORTER

The Fishers Century Club, an organization dedicated to making a positive impact on the Fishers community, has announced that the Indiana Chapter of the Crohn’s & Colitis Foundation has been selected as the winning charity from its meeting last Tuesday.

The decision to support the Indiana Chapter of the Crohn’s & Colitis Foundation was met with enthusiasm from the Club’s members.

Kirk Klabunde, an esteemed Fishers Century Club member and local banking executive, presented the charity to the group,

highlighting the vital work and impact of the Indiana Chapter of the Crohn’s & Colitis

Foundation does to serve a need within the local community. Funds are still coming in for the meeting of those who could not attend in person but are expected to reach \$3,000.

“I want to thank all my peers at the Century Club for their overwhelming support in selecting the Indiana Chapter of the Crohn’s & Colitis Foundation as this quarter’s beneficiary,” Klabunde said.



“It’s truly an honor to be part of this dynamic group, and I’m thrilled that

we’re able to make such a meaningful contribution to our community. The Fishers Century Club is like a ‘shark tank’ for local charity groups, where a great group of guys and charitable spirit come together to make a difference. I encourage anyone reading this to come join us at our next meeting on Dec. 12.”

Founded in June 2021, the Fishers Century Club has rapidly gained momentum

as a leading force for good in Fishers and its surrounding areas. Members include a variety of area business leaders, community leaders, and individuals who meet quarterly. With a collective commitment to community charitable groups, the club is approaching nearly \$30,000 directly given to chosen charitable organizations.

The phrase the Century Club uses is “small commitment, BIG IMPACT.” The commitment is just four times per year and only \$100 per meeting, using the power of numbers to make a larger impact.

Hamilton County celebrates women in law enforcement

By AMICIA RAMSEY
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](#)

Women in Hamilton County are changing the game in law enforcement, a field traditionally dominated by men.

In recent years, more women are now deciding to join the ranks of law enforcement professionals.

In celebration of National Police Woman Day last Tuesday, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) held the "Women in Law Enforcement Forum."

HCSO officials say the event aims to highlight the experiences and perspectives of female law enforcement employees, offering insight into their roles and responsibilities.

At the forum, female law enforcement professionals discussed their careers, including hiring standards,



Photo provided by Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

academy expectations, healthcare benefits, day-to-day duties, and unique challenges they face.

Attendees also hear from guest speakers from the Cherish Center Child Advocacy Center and a member of the Hamilton County Sexual Assault Response Team.

72 donors "Meating The Need" with Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank

The REPORTER

Dozens of organizations, businesses, and individual supporters came together in a big way for the eighth year of Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank's (HCH) Meating The Need program.

With everyone's contributions, the meat from animals donated by 19 local 4-H'ers resulted in 4,749 pounds of pork and beef distributed to 25 pantries served in Hamilton County. That's equal to 18,996 servings of protein for the community!

Long time sponsors include:

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, Biddle Memorial Foundation, Hamilton County Farm Bureau, David and Brenda Day, Gary and Barbie Vaught, Tim and Deborah Foley, Indy Prep – Gary and Alisha Baird, Carmel Culinary Arts, Mark and Pam Heisler, George Kristo, Jan and Paul Labbe Family Fund, Doug and Sunali Sweet, Hank and Kit Prohm, Kiwanis Club of Fishers, Paul Guyer, Leah Johnson, Gary Richter, Pat Wendland, Al Huda Food Pantry, Atlanta Christian Church, Bread of Life Pantry at Venture Christian Church, Fishers United Methodist – Come to Me Food Pantry, Arcadia Christian Church with Angels Attic and HHHELP, Delaware Township Trustee, Excel Center of Noblesville, Green Valley Church of Christ, Noblesville Township Trustee, Bethel Lutheran Church, Carmel Friends Church, Carmel United Methodist Church, Shepherds Gate Pantry at St. Maria Goretti Church, Open Arms Pan-

try at Aroma Methodist, Sheridan Lunch Club and Sunflower Pantry at Sheridan First United Methodist, Open Doors Pantry of Westfield, MAMA's Cupboard Food Pantry, Third Phase Christian Center, Fall Creek Township Trustee, Wayne Township Trustee, White River Christian Church.

Additionally, the Hamilton County Reporter was able to make the single largest donation ever to Meating the Need – \$3,500 – because of the support from these fine organizations, businesses, and individuals:

Adler Attorneys at Law, Atlanta New Earth Festival, Beck's Hybrids, Breathe Easy Hamilton County, Cicero Friends of the Park, Cicero Market, Community First Bank, Congresswoman Victoria Spartz, Crossroads Church At Westfield, Duke Energy, Feeding Team, Fishers Arts Council, Friends of Howard Stevenson, Gaylor Electric, Inc., Hamilton County Bicentennial, Hamilton County Farm



Photos provided by Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank

(Above) Many volunteers took part in the distribution of the processed meat to 25 food pantries in Hamilton County. (Below) More than 4,700 pounds of meat was donated and processed.



Bureau, Inc., Hamilton County Parks & Recreation, HCTV, Jackson Township, Lights Over Morse, Local 4416, Main Street Productions, Nickel Plate Express, Noble Geeks, Noblesville Lions, Prevail Inc., Purdue Extension Hamilton County, Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, Realtor Dani Robinson from FC Tucker, Sue Finkam for Carmel Mayor, Westbrook Village, and Westfield Lions Club.

HCH thanks Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry for donating the processing fees for all 18 animals, as well as Beutler Meat Processing and Archers Meats & Catering for their superb work.

Finally, thank you to volunteers from St. Christopher's Episcopal Men's Group and Mike McCloughan, Brad Lewis, Randy Hagen, and Tim and Deborah Foley for transportation, coordination, and distribution of the processed meat to the food pantries.

HCH welcomes donations year-round for this initiative. Please send any donations to: HCH Food Bank, P.O. Box 881, Noblesville, IN 46061; or visit [HCHFoodBank.org](#) and designate your donation towards "Meating The Need."

Grab your colorful coat & come see *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* at Beef & Boards

The REPORTER

With a crash of drums and a flash of light, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* takes the stage at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre starting Oct. 5. The Bible-based Broadway sensation was the first collaboration between composer Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyricist Tim Rice to be staged and was nominated for seven Tony Awards.

The musical is based on the Old Testament story of Joseph, the favorite of Jacob's 12 sons, who receives the gift of a colorful coat from their father. His jealous brothers reach their limit when Joseph tells them of a dream he had in which their sheaves of wheat bow to his. The enraged brothers abduct Joseph, destroy his coat, and sell him into slavery.

Down, but not out, Joseph finds that any dream will do for him to be happy again – and possibly even reunite his family.

Joseph and the Amazing

Technicolor Dreamcoat features a kaleidoscope of musical styles, from rock and country to pop and calypso. Songs include "One More Angel in Heaven," "Close Every Door," "Jacob and Sons" and "Any Dream Will Do."

TJ Wessel reprises the title role he played in 2017. Bridgette Ludlow (*Beauty and the Beast*, *Honky Tonk Angels*, *Kinky Boots*) is the Narrator. The show is directed and choreographed by Doug King, who performed the role of Levi in the Chicago and Toronto touring productions of *Joseph* starring Donny Osmond in the title role. King has been performing at Beef & Boards for more than 30 years.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is on stage for 52 performances through Nov. 19 in the intimate space of Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Tickets range from \$52.50 to \$79.50 and include Chef Larry Stoops' dinner buffet and select beverages.



Photo provided

TJ Wessel reprises the title role he played in 2017.

To purchase tickets online, visit [BeefAndBoards.com](#). Tickets are also available by calling the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre Box Office at (317) 872-9664 anytime between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays). Discounts are available to groups of 20 or more; contact the Group Sales Department at (317) 876-0503 for more details.

For more information, including the complete show schedule, visit [BeefAndBoards.com](#).

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre, Indiana's only year-round professional dinner theatre, is celebrating its 50th Anniversary of serving exceptional entertainment with dinner in 2023.

Community News

Rep. Spartz to hold town hall in Westfield

Congresswoman Victoria Spartz will hold a town hall at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23 at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St. All constituents are invited to attend.

Hilleary named new Director of Fishers Planning & Zoning

The REPORTER

Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness has announced Ross Hilleary as the new Director of Planning & Zoning.

Formerly the department's Assistant Director, Hilleary will lead the day-to-day operations and implementation and special initiatives for long-range planning of the city's parks, trails and greenways efforts and Unified Development Ordinance update.

"Ross has been instrumental in the success of our Planning & Zoning Department, and his efforts are crucial to elevating the quality of life in Fishers," Mayor Fadness said. "I'm excited to collaborate with him as we continue investing in our community."

Hilleary succeeds former director Megan Vukovich, who resigned from her position in August. Hilleary will continue to lead the team in its efforts to identify gaps and priorities in the city's trail network and potential funding sources; streamline and update the department's review processes; educate the public and development community on land use and zoning regulations; and gather local data to assist policy makers and community officials in making informed decisions regarding the city's future.

Hilleary also serves as the Fishers ADA Coordinator, the city liaison for

the award-winning Fishers Advisory Committee on Disability, and a mayoral appointment to the Fishers Arts & Culture Commission. He also currently serves as the Vice President and Treasurer of the Fishers Arts Council.

Joining the City of Fishers in 2017 as a City Planner, Hilleary was later promoted to Assistant Director where he oversaw the continued growth of the Nickel Plate District, annual comprehensive plan updates and public art grant programs.

"I am excited to work under leadership that is committed to finding ways to improve the built environment and community we live in today through sustainable measures, smart growth practices and community design standards," Hilleary said. "With an emphasis on data-driven decisions, our department's goal will be to plan for possible future scenarios with proactive planning efforts."

Hilleary received his bachelor's degree in urban planning and development from Ball State University and is CNU-Accredited.

Hilleary resides in Fishers with his husband and two dogs and enjoys spending time in Fishers Parks and long walks on the Nickel Plate Trail.

Learn more at [fishers.in.us/96/Planning-Zoning](#).



Hilleary



Fadness

Jim Probst appointed to City of Carmel Advisory Committee on Disability

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Jim Probst, vice president and general manager of Carmel-based BraunAbility's Commercial Division, has been appointed to the Carmel Advisory Committee on Disability. He was appointed by the City Council to fulfill the term left vacant after Wendy Kiefel stepped down.

Probst will serve until the end of 2023 and will then be eligible for reappointment by the Council.

Probst has been involved in wheelchair accessibility since the early 1990s when he began working for a company that built wheelchair-accessible vans. In 1999, he founded his own manufacturing business in

Kalamazoo, Mich., which was purchased by BraunAbility in 2011.

In his current role, Probst oversees the commercial business that encompasses wheelchair-accessible vehicles, wheelchair lifts and ramps used in school buses, cutaway shuttles, minivans, motorcoaches, taxis, and autonomous vehicles. He spends significant time engaged in global transportation activities. He moved to Carmel in 2021 with his wife and two children, who are now attending college in Indiana.

BraunAbility's global headquarters moved to Carmel in 2019, followed by the Global Innovation Lab, which was built in 2020.



Probst

CENTURY

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The Fishers Century Club will hold its next quarterly meeting to be a celebratory event at a new location and time. It will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 12 at The Club at Crosspoint / Knowledge Services, 9800 Crosspoint Blvd, Fishers. This meeting will include food and beverages.

Club members look forward to continuing their mission of supporting the

local community through an innovative and fun approach to charitable giving. A link to directly add the meeting to a calendar can be found at [tinyurl.com/Dec12FCC-meeting](#).

For more information about the Fishers Century Club and to view previous winning charities, visit [FishersCenturyClub.com](#) or email [fisherscenturyclub@gmail.com](#).

Reducing the mental load at home: finances

We ended last week talking about how to lighten your mental load when it comes to taxes. Today we'll talk about daily or weekly financial tasks.

I'm a big fan of using technology for all our budgeting and bill paying tasks. But I know not everyone is comfortable with this. At the very least, I would encourage you to pay your bills online either through the provider or your bank's online bill payment system. Just be careful with the former because sometimes they charge convenience fees.

I pay all my bills online through my bank and it is a Godsend. It's great to set up different payee addresses just one time and create automatic payments for those bills with amounts that don't change from month-to-month. You can even pay people through this system if you don't use Venmo or other money transfer apps. And most banks also allow you to deposit checks by simply taking a photo of them on your phone.

I like being able to view transactions on my computer or phone each day and to easily transfer money between accounts by tapping just a few keys. I've caught some unauthorized transactions in the past by keeping an eye on my account this way, which obviously saves a lot of headaches and aggravation.

Of course, when doing any sort of financial transactions online, you need to take precautions to make certain you have a secure connection. I never do any bill paying or viewing of my bank account when I am away from home. Even when I am taking care of online banking in my dining room, I quickly log out when I am finished.

Watch out for the email scam when you receive a message that looks like it's from your bank. If it truly appears that you have an email from your bank, log on to that institution's site and get your message there.

Taking care of our family's banking and bill payments online saves me at least an hour a week. I remember sitting down every week or every other week decades ago and writing checks/envelopes by hand and "licking and sticking" multiple stamps. I had to carve out 45 minutes or more for the process. Then there was the hour each month of getting a hard copy of our bank statement and balancing our checkbook.

Now I just look at our monthly budget, which is a simple Word document that breaks down our income and what is typically due on what week of the month and pay that week's bills every Friday online through our bank.


I keep any paper copies of bills all together in a file in order by due date and do the same for any email bills on my computer. The rest is taken care of by automated bill payment or withdrawal from our account. I also take a minute at the start of every weekday to check our account online and do some quick balancing.

Finally, if you're like I was a couple of years ago and still using a paper check register, I would encourage you to get a free app on your phone to track everything instead. I use My Register. It saves me probably 15 to 20 minutes a week!

Being smart with your finances and getting organized in managing them is an important first step in reducing the mental labor of taking care of your home. By using some or all these tips, you can decrease your financial mental load by up to 75 percent.

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AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

Respecting our roots as Hamilton County boldly goes into the future

Understanding history is its own type of exploring. It can be difficult for outsiders to grasp the essence of what a community represents.

The only way to know is to dive into the ocean of collective memories to piece together what makes a place the way it is.

Ever since my fortuitous assimilation into the community, I've had the opportunity to hear stories of the Hamilton County of yester-year. Some of the time-honored members of the area were able to give me a glimpse of a simpler time. The topic mentioned most often was the transformation of the county as the population leaped from around 50,000 residents to nearly septuple (multiplied by seven) the number of residents at 350,000. In just short of a lifetime, many of the once humble fields have metamorphosized into an ever-growing sprawl of urban advancement and innovation.

While I would love to write down every story that I've heard about the Hamilton County before my time, I wouldn't be able to do it justice. I wasn't there. I can only experience the Hamilton County of the present.

However, these recollections allowed me to get a sense

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HAYDEN PARSONS
Exploring Hamilton with Hayden



Reporter photo by Hayden Parsons
The Model Mill's retired smokestack stands in stark contrast to a cell phone tower in Noblesville, but these two objects represent well the interplay of past and future within Hamilton County.

of what the Hamilton County of 2023 values – a spirit with respect for its roots that courageously embraces the future. Nothing seems to have better captured this symbiosis than the retired smokestack of the Model Mill building standing tall next to a cell tower. Technological feats of the past and present towering over Noblesville.

This duality may even be evident in your very hands right now. Are you reading The Hamilton County Reporter digitally or on newsprint? Either way, both versions exist just like the smokestack and cell tower.

What we do today defines our tomorrow. The only way we can respect our roots and hold

true to the Hamilton heritage is to ensure we can share our history with our successors. Using the tools and opportunities around us, we can record our stories for future generations to know. We live in a time where anyone can capture moments in our lives to be remembered by others (and perhaps with a bit too much detail thanks to obsessive use of social media by some individuals). Memorializing our past creates a cornerstone of community values for future generations.

And while it may seem inconsequential, you, reader, have a unique perspective that has defined what Hamilton County has become. I urge you to me-

morialize your story. You are a part of Hamilton County, too. Your story, regardless of how small it may seem to you now, has and will continue to impact on Hamilton County far beyond the years of anyone reading this column now.

Remember, the community wouldn't be the same without you. Otherwise, it would just be a *commnit*. It just doesn't make sense with you missing from it.

Editor's note: If you have a story or photos you'd like to share of Hamilton County of old, please email them to News@ReadTheReporter.com.

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Ask The Feeding Team anything

We love hearing from all our neighbors, those who donate, take food, pantry hosts, volunteers, sponsors, and yes, even those who criticize what we do. This month's column is an "Ask Us Anything" article, featuring answers to a few recent questions the team has received.

Michelle from Fortville asks: how do you decide where the pantries go?

Great question! Thank you for asking. We research location requests and potential new locations that the team identifies using data from the American Community Survey (part of the Census). Based on area maps of family sizes and income ranges, we do our best to locate pantries within a few miles of neighborhoods with a concentration of what are referred to as gap families. These are families that make too much money to qualify for public assistance but not so much that a large, unexpected bill doesn't hurt their ability to feed their family.

Over the years we have also partnered with civic organizations, churches, schools, and

government agencies to locate pantries where families who might one day be in need often frequent.

Suzanne from Sheridan asks: how come we only have one pantry in Sheridan?

We've asked ourselves that same question after failing to connect with the right neighbors in Sheridan to host pantries. Frankly, it's been a struggle until recently. Just last month we were able to meet with some folks from Sheridan Community Schools and we are beginning the process of building and deploying two more pantries in Sheridan. Stay tuned – more pantries are coming.

Roberta asks: do you allow fresh produce in your pantries?

The answer is yes, but we'd prefer that they be placed on a cardboard box next to a pantry. Fresh produce inside a pantry quickly becomes bad produce. During the warmer months, this happens quite a bit. Great neighbors with big gardens donate lots of extra produce and we are grateful for any donations.

Tom from Noblesville writes that canned and boxed food can go bad if it freezes and thaws or in extreme heat. He wonders how we address this.

Great question. Before deployment, food is securely staged at our facility. Before being stocked in a pantry, food packaging, seals, and expiration dates are checked. Anything potentially compromised is discarded and never makes it into a pantry. Volunteers regularly stock and check their pantries for any issues with food, maintenance, and trash. Volunteers take out food that has remained in a pantry too long. Pantries are vented and enclosed as added protection to food product.

Admittedly, our team can't be at every pantry every day, so as an additional protection, written warnings are posted inside of the pantries in English and Spanish (Creole where needed) reminding neighbors to check expiration dates, seals, and packaging before consuming food taken from a pantry.

It's also important to realize that hundreds of families stop by one of our pantries regularly. Canned and boxed food seldom stays in a pantry for more than a

FeedingTeam.org Facts

54 pantries

10,000 meals in June 2023

Over 30 volunteer families

few days. Over several years of providing food to our neighbors we have had one canned food item go bad because it popped its seal. Attentiveness and high product turnover address the concerns in your question.

Over extended periods of time, high heat or freezing and thawing can compromise food in a pantry. The Feeding Team pantry model is designed to provide a few meals for many families. Especially gap families, those who don't qualify for public assistance or those who are embarrassed about being in need and who don't want any required registration. What may just be a wooden box to some people is a survival lifeline that feeds children to others.

With over 44,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, FeedingTeam.org is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides

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Ridiculousness, part 1: the '80s were a smokin' time, dude!

Being a forty-something husband and dad in Fishers is a great experience, in a great city at a great stage of my life. There was a time, however, when I was a pre-teen-something kid in Indy. Everyone's gotta start somewhere.

My somewhere, or sometime really, was the '80s and '90s. Anyone alive during that time knows that the human experience today is 5 million percent different than it was then. Things that were commonplace would never ever fly now. As a kid, I never realized or even thought about how ridiculous some of the things we considered normal actually were; things I would never let my kids get away with. But it wasn't anyone's fault. It was literally just a different time.

So, I present to you,

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TIM RATHZ
Forty-something in Fishers

Ridiculous Stuff from the '80s and '90s that we could never do now: Part 1.

Riding in the back of a truck with the team.

I remember how great it was to play Little League baseball.

Being 12, all I cared about was having some fun and getting the piece of baseball gum that said "Home Run" on it. But there was nothing better than that sweet taste of victory, which led to the post game trip to Dairy Queen.

Oh yes, the classic tradition of letting the entire baseball team pile up in the back of the coach's pickup truck with no parental supervision whatsoever and praying he doesn't hit any bumps on the way. Why would anyone think twice about letting 12 to 15 kids pile on top of each other in the bed of the truck

of a man the parents may or may not know, who may or may not have a kid on the team?

The dipped cone tasted so much sweeter because we knew we had survived the journey there.

Facing backward in a station wagon.

Anyone who has seen *National Lampoon's Vacation* knows the "Family Truckster." Even right now, I bet you're picturing the green and brown station wagon driving at night in the rain with a dead Aunt Edna sitting on the roof.

Well, growing up we had our own version of a Rathz Family Truckster. While not as iconic as Clark's pride and joy, it did serve us well. Being the youngest, I was always the one that got to sit in the far back in the backward seat and look out on the traffic behind us. I can still remember the nervous faces of the drivers behind us, wondering when I would be projectile vomiting on

the rear windshield. Ah, the good old days.

And of course, I would ride back there without the one thing that could possibly keep me alive if we wrecked. Which takes me to my next line item...

Not wearing a seat belt.

There was nothing as uncool in the '80s as strapping that restrictive harness across your chest or lap. I mean, why deny yourself that fun flight through the front windshield after a fender bender? I actually heard someone once say they didn't wear their seat belt because they thought it would decapitate them in a wreck. This truly was a time of great philosophers – the same genius minds that brought us in-car ashtrays and cigarette lighters.

Speaking of cigarettes... **Smoking anytime and anywhere.**

Was there really a difference between the smoking section and the non-smok-

ing section of a restaurant? It's not like the smoke floated to the end of that section and just stopped. Sometimes there was a booth that was in the smoking section that was right next to a booth in the non-smoking section. Now what?

Restaurants, hotels, airplanes, and hospitals; they were all cigarette playgrounds. My favorite smoking story was when I played eighth-grade football. I was one of the quarterbacks and my coach would call the plays. I remember running a quarterback end-around keeper about 50 yards for a touchdown, but it was called back for a holding penalty.

I knew my coach must have called a timeout because I saw a moving cloud of smoke coming toward me. He took the lit cigarette from his mouth and placed it in the grass. He leaned in an inch or so away from my facemask and muttered with stale tobacco breath, "You run that same play the oth-

er f****ng way." Then he turned, picked the cig off the grass, put it back between his lips, and went back to the sidelines.

After the fog cleared from my face, I did as he said and ran for another touchdown. Oh, the glory days! And finally, speaking of smoking...

Candy cigarettes

I loved these. Especially the ones that had the red tip, so they looked like they were lit. Nothing like marketing and glorifying these beauties to babies, huh? What could go wrong? Genius!

That's all for now, but don't worry, I'll be back with more because the ridiculousness never ends. The moral of the story is ... what doesn't kill you, makes you stronger. Or maybe just lucky to have survived childhood.

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Flip-flops on, fins up

“The fantastic trip” that was Jimmy Buffett

For the first half of this month, I found myself immersed in all things Jimmy Buffett (JB).

That tends to happen to fans when a favorite entertainer representing a big chunk of time in their lives passes away. Sigh.

The amount of media reaction since JB’s death on Sept. 1 has been incredible. Countless major magazines and newspapers published heartfelt tributes about our favorite beach-bum-of-Margaritaville-turned-mayor-of-Margaritaville-turned-mogul-of-Margaritaville.

To put his well-earned wealth in perspective: JB reached a point of being so rich that a lost shaker of salt no longer shook him – he could afford an entire salt mine to solve his seasoning problem. Or he could just run next door and borrow a shaker from Paul McCartney.

JB actually made the cover of *People* (I Don’t Know) magazine a few days after dying. I’m guessing it was the first time that his face graced its cover during his 50-some year career. Why he never appeared on the cover when alive is beyond me. For once, though, I actually recognized a name and face on the magazine’s cover. At some point, pop culture passed me by – say around the start of this century. I couldn’t care less about the magazine, but it reappears in my mailbox weekly because the previous inhabitants of the house I now live in never canceled their subscription.

There’s JB on the cover smiling that sunny smile of his, in memoriam. It’s the first *People* issue that I didn’t drop, unread, into the recycling bin. Still, I prefer JB’s smiling face in all its mustachioed glory on the cover of the Oct. 4, 1979,



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SCOTT SAALMAN
Scaramouch

Rolling Stone. He was alive then. His new album *Volcano* was about to erupt.

His wife, Jane, released a public statement referencing his smile: “Thank you for creating the world’s most joyful community. The smile that Jimmy beamed at you from the stage was sparked by your spirit. I think that’s why he loved performing so much ... He was so grateful to the community you built around him.”

The President wrote glowingly of Buffett in ghostwritten prose. Our former President didn’t release a statement, too smart to shine the spotlight on a person who actually achieved a billion dollars without smoke and mirrors.

My favorite story recently written about JB is by Chris Dixon for *Garden & Gun* magazine, headlined “My Wild Ride with Jimmy Buffett.” Search it online.

JB’s daughter, Delaney, penned a lovely tribute.

“I knew my dad my whole life, but in his final days, I saw who he was: a man whose spirit could not be broken. Despite the pain, he smiled every day. He was kind when he had every excuse not to be. He also told us not to be sad or scared, but to keep the party going,” Delaney wrote, adding that her dad wanted everyone “to enjoy the fantastic trip that life can be.”

Over the past two weeks, I developed an earful of JB while revisiting his expansive discography. JB hooked us with many great song lines. My current favorite is from his wisdom-soaked song, “Carnival World.” “Watch your step at the wishing well,” he advises. It’s profound.

Thousands of fans continue posting their feelings about JB on the BuffettNews – Jimmy Buffett Facebook page, reminding

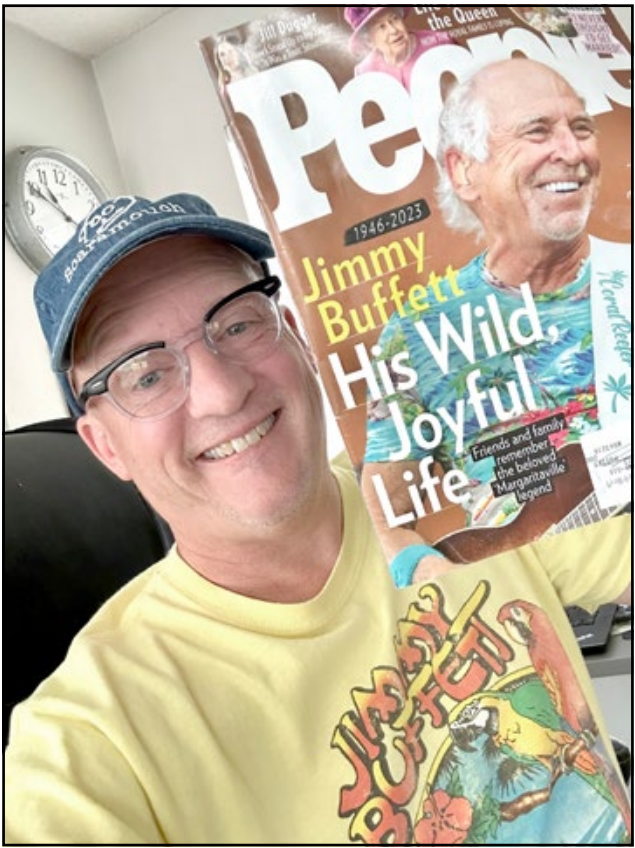


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me again of the community that Jane Buffett alluded to. I love the comments and likes and hearts. I’m still baffled though about how some fans erroneously spell his last name with only one “T” and cite Parrot Head as one word. Walk the plank, thee! But I’m not a perfect Parrot Head either. The most shocking thing I learned after JB’s death was that “mustard” is not a Cheeseburger in Paradise ingredient. It’s actually “Muenster.” I’ve been singing the cheeseburger song wrong for 45 years.

I wrote a column about JB last week. Readers provided favorable feedback thru email. Posthumously, JB still brings strangers together. We are better people for it.

A woman named Connie emailed, in part, “With tears in my eyes, I thank you for sharing this with me ... I’m 78 and in the last stages of my cancer. I can’t wait to meet JB and tell him all about your beautiful piece about him.”

Connie’s anticipated heavenly meet-up reminded me of the one and only per-

sonal encounter I (almost!) had with JB. On July 30, 1989, as a reporter in Williamsburg, Va., I found myself standing six feet away from JB, who was walking a beagle in the grass of the outdoor venue while The Neville Brothers opened. It was a dream come true, a moment I had been awaiting since eighth grade, the chance to shake JB’s hand and tell him how he inspired me to become a journalist. It was just me and JB and his dog. Beneath the blazing Tidewater sun, I froze. I could not form syllables. All that emitted from my mouth were seal barks and froth. JB looked back at me, the strange, foaming seal boy possessing a likely bogus press pass, and then walked his hound away to safety.

I have remained stuck in that star-struck moment for 34 years. Someday I might get a do-over, I thought, and not seem like a stalker.

Who knows, maybe one day “Connie” will introduce me to JB. If that do-over does come, I hope I don’t bark like a damn seal.

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Downsizing

parents to prepare for their future

As my mom and stepdad got older, they were considering what to do with the large five-bedroom house my siblings and I grew up in. They weren’t quite ready to move to assisted living, or even a community, but they knew they needed to make some changes. Remodeling wasn’t really an option, but they needed something smaller and more manageable for them to get around, especially with some hip problems my step dad was facing.

It’s an awkward subject, but if you’re starting to worry about something like this, it’s time to start talking about it. The best time to make changes is well before a crisis happens.

Difficult conversations

When talking with my parents, my siblings and I did our best not to “tell” my parents what to do, but instead tried to listen to what their concerns and needs were before making suggestions.

It was important to us to offer to help go through their finances and help in ways that gave us a better picture of our parents’ finances and living expectations. We tried to help with everyday tasks, such as bill paying or overseeing a home repair job. The more we were involved, the better our communication was to open the door for further conversations – and the more we were able to learn about their financial health, the better prepared we were to discuss their living arrangements.

Communication

We focused on communicating things like, “I’ve always loved this house, and I know you do too. Is there anything I can help you with to keep it in good shape?”

We did our best to acknowledge our parents’ feelings about their home. We tried to take the time to reminisce about family gatherings, memorable holidays, and shared history before shifting the conversation into the physical and financial challenges of maintaining their home. Having simple suggestions to get the ball rolling seemed easier for our parents to accept.

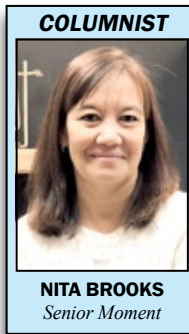
Simple discussions

My sister was able to have good conversations such as, “You’re spending a lot of money to keep up your house, and you have a lot of equity in it. Have you thought about selling and using that cash to move somewhere more comfortable?”

Since our parents had paid off their mortgages, we looked around at the cost of homes within their neighborhood, specifically those that needed work for comparison. Since moving into their neighborhood 36 years ago, we knew they would have a significant amount of equity built in their home. Downsizing to an easier-to-maintain, smaller home or condo was definitely an option given the amount of revenue they’d make by selling their home.

If the notion of moving doesn’t appeal to your mom and dad at first, offer to take them on a tour of retirement communities, or look at houses near where you or another family members live. Living near one of their children or grandchildren may be a very desirable option.

One major advantage of a retirement community was that my parents could still participate in activities and socialize. We encouraged them to be in a place where they could continue to be active and make new friends along the way.



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NITA BROOKS
Senior Moment

Decision time

My parents got very lucky. A smaller, out-dated house became available across the street from my sister’s home. Coincidentally, the senior lady living in the house decided it was time to move to an assisted living community – so it was a perfect opportunity for my mom and stepdad. Ultimately, our parents decided to sell their house and purchase the smaller, one-story house across from my sister.

They didn’t know at the time, but there are many resources out there for seniors who are making a move. HALO Senior Move Solutions has worked with many vendors who specialize in helping seniors declutter, pack, move, and can even help with repairs and maintenance as they get their home ready to sell. HALO has a great realty group with over 17 years of experience helping seniors prepare to sell their homes and buy new ones.

The equity that my parents got out of their home allowed them to pay off debts and even put a large amount of money into their new house to get it updated and more manageable for them to live in as they age. Facing upcoming physical challenges and my stepdad’s early hip issues was top of mind. Being across the street from my sister would allow them to share meals, hang out with grandkids, and always have someone nearby when they are in need of help. Having a home that they know is tailored to their senior needs, gives them some independence that they enjoy.

For many seniors, ties to family and community are what keep them in place. But if their children and grandchildren no longer live nearby, the resulting distance can pose challenges if the parents require more assistance. So it may make sense for them to move closer, or look at communities that will provide them with friends and a community of their own.

When we looked at our parents’ new home, we wanted to make sure they had basic accessibility features, like a grab bars in the bathrooms, a no-step entry into their home, and a bedroom and full bath on the first floor. We even went as far to make sure they had a fully accessible kitchen and doorways wide enough to handle a wheelchair in the event that they would need this in the future. Having done these simple steps, made all of us kids feel better about the fact that they were staying in a home.

Takeaways

Luckily for us, we were able to get in front of this move for our parents. Waiting until a crisis occurred, or until one of them was ill, or even had an accident or fall would have left us scrambling and rushing to get them settled. Taking the time to talk through their options, having the hard conversations about facing their future as they physically face more challenges, while uncomfortable, can save you a lot of stress in the long run.

If you can, have a plan for future care for your parents wherever they end up living. The more involved you can be with your mom and dad’s daily life now, and the more familiar you are with their finances, the easier it will be to provide the help they need. Be sure to enlist siblings as well since

Ray’s mom: “come to my wedding”

My mother told me the following stories about her childhood.

My friend is 84 years old. She lives many miles away, so we sometimes communicate by letter. On rare occasions she uses her “beer and cigarette” money to telephone me just to chat. I am always delighted to hear her voice.

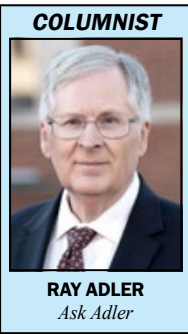
Recently she called and reminded me that many years ago, I invited her to a wedding at my house. We have both forgotten names of the bride and groom, but both of us remember her joy at being invited to the first wedding she ever attended.

Weddings were ordinary events in my home, yet each one was special. I had special permission from my father, or I would not have dared invite my friend to the wedding. Does it sound odd to you that there were many weddings in my home? To me it was a normal happening. That may be because I grew up during Depression years. Most people could not afford church weddings. Some brides and grooms could not even afford new clothes.

Dad was 42 when I was born, so while I still lived at home, he was old enough to marry children of couples he had married years before.

Let me tell you of one such couple.

It happened one year in May when I had gone home



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RAY ADLER
Ask Adler

to visit Dad. We were sound asleep when there was a tap, tap on Dad’s bedroom window. The town cop yelled, “Charlie, Charlie, are you awake? Will you get up and marry these young folks?”

By then dad was wide awake. “Who are they?” he wanted to know. Upon hearing the names, he replied, “Of course I will.”

With all the commotion I was awake and getting into some clothes. Dad was an old man; he would need help. Did I neglect to tell you it was about 2 a.m. when all this was happening?

I got the bridal party settled in the living room. They had brought another couple for witnesses. That was a great thing because a wedding requires two witnesses besides the pastor.

These young folks all seem nervous, so I tried to keep the small talk flowing while Dad finished his preparations. I learned they just had to have Rev. Howard because he had married their parents years before. I didn’t find out why they neglected to let him know they were coming.

I did discover the reason for the late hour and the police escort. The group had started hours before from their home in Illinois. They even allowed extra time, but not enough for the automobile having a breakdown. Fortunately, they found a mechanic willing and able to make the needed repairs.

And yes, they could still get there at a decent hour.

Several miles later the unthinkable happened again. The car stopped again! It took more searching, but another mechanic got them moving again. Much time had passed.

Also needed dollars had been spent on repairs. They just couldn’t afford to go back home and come another day.

Veedersburg is a very small town, and the only person they could see who could give directions was the night policeman. He felt it best to escort them to Dad’s house.

You can imagine that I didn’t look my best at that early morning hours. So it wasn’t surprising when the bride-to-be looked shocked when I told them I had also been married in May. She blurted out, “Not this May?!”

“Oh, my goodness, no. I have two children asleep in the next room.” That seemed to make things acceptable.

As they drove happily on their way, I couldn’t help wondering if they had money for a motel and/or another car breakdown.

Pearl’s desk was next to mine in the office where we both worked. She was about 19 and quite attractive Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Monday and Tuesday she looked like a different person. Acted different, too.

Pearl was engaged. She and her boyfriend had even bought furniture for their fu-

ture home. Then one weekend a lovers’ quarrel ended the whole affair.

Soon there was a new boyfriend and not much later another engagement.

By this time, I had heard on quite a few Monday mornings, “I’m NEVER, NEVER going to drink another drop.” And she didn’t – until the weekend.

On Monday, she asked, “Will your dad marry me?” I got the date and time. Later, having checked with Dad, I answered her question in the affirmative. The day came. I went home for the weekend and Dad was ready. Mom had the house in apple pie order. The appointed hour arrived, but no Pearl. Dad was a patient man. We waited. Waited. Waited.

Finally, Dad asked, “Do you realize what day this is? We’ve been fooled.”

Yes, it was April 1.

We laughed at ourselves for being so naïve and Dad changed into overalls so he could get some work done. As he was making his exit, Pearl and her fiancé drove in. Dad hastily changed into a suit, the wedding was performed, and so far as I know, Pearl lived happily ever after.

One couple came when I was about 10 years old. They were alone and Mom was the only adult available for witness. Dad looked at me and announced, “I guess you’re old enough to sign your name on a marriage license.” That made me feel quite important. I wish I’d kept a record of all the times I served as witness.

Noblesville kids thank local heroes



White River Elementary School students in Noblesville honored the anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy with a High-Five for Heroes event. Students and staff recognized approximately 50 local first responders and veterans with high-fives, cheers, flags, signs, and music from the Noblesville High School band.

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Elevance Health volunteers with Lion Julia Kozicki and Fueled for School volunteer Christine (Guyer) McCormick.

Noblesville Lions Club & Elevance help keep kids Fueled for School

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Lions Club recently received a grant from the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) to assist Fueled for School in fighting food insecurity for Noblesville Schools students.

The Club was awarded the grant in conjunction with Elevance (formerly Anthem) Health Volunteer Days, an annual project of Elevance Health to support hunger related service projects. The LCIF grant was used to purchase new pallet rack shelving for the new Fueled For School facility on Pleasant Street.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, Elevance Health supplied volunteers who constructed the shelving and sorted food donations. Members of the Noblesville Lions collected



Photo provided (From left) Christine McCormick and Lions Julia Kozicki and Gene Beck. Those not pictured who also helped include Lions Josh Kozicki, Jeff Kozicki, Julie Davis, Dave Marsh, and Kim Luckey.

food donations at area grocery stores that morning, totaling approximately 700 pounds of food.

Fueled For School provides 400 weekend meal

packs each week to students in all 10 Noblesville schools. The Noblesville Lions have regularly supported Fueled For School since 2019.

LWV to hold voter information forums

The REPORTER

The League of Women Voters of Hamilton County (LWVHC) will play host to several voter forums this fall to explain the voting process, from finding your voting location to ensuring that you are registered to learning the requirements for early voting.

Area libraries will host the sessions, which are free and open to the public. Members of the league will present basic procedures, introduce voter resources, and answer questions.

“We’ve heard from our members who work the polls that some voters find the process intimidating, especially if they’re new voters or have moved to Indiana from a state with different voting practices,” LWVHC President Lisa Dick said.

Sessions will cover registration, such as when and how to register, age limits and deadlines, and ways to access information about candidates. Members will demonstrate how to use the Indiana

Portals, where users can complete a variety of tasks, and will introduce Vote411.org, the league’s website that features candidates’ statements and positions.

The Voter Forums schedule so far is:

- 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18, Westfield Washington Public Library, 300 W. Hoover Road
- 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, Hamilton East Public Library, 1 Library Plaza, Noblesville
- 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, Hamilton East Public Library, 5 Municipal Drive, Fishers
- 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28, Carmel Clay Public Library, 425 E. Main St.
- 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. First St.



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Hamilton County High School Football, Week 5

Westfield outlasts Southeastern in thrilling Friday night battle

By JAMES SEAY
For The Reporter

FISHERS — In a heart-pounding Hoosier Crossroads Conference clash between two of Hamilton County’s top high school football teams, the Westfield Shamrocks managed to secure an exhilarating 30-28 win against the Hamilton Southeastern Royals last Friday night.

It was a back-and-forth battle that kept both student sections rowdy, with the Shamrocks ultimately delivering a stunning walk-off touchdown pass from senior Jackson Gilbert to junior Kendall Garnett III. For both schools, it was a second consecutive contest that came down to the wire.

The evening began slowly, with both teams struggling to find their rhythm in the first half. The Royals received the opening kickoff but were quickly intercepted by senior Jake Good, leading to an early field goal by senior Brody Boehm, which gave the Shamrocks a narrow lead in the first quarter.

On the following drive, HSE found success moving the ball on the ground, primarily through the efforts of senior Jalen Alexander and junior AZ Wallace. However, the drive seemed to stall as the Shamrocks’ defense



Photos by Julie Brown
(Above) The Royals’ Donovan Hamilton scored a third-quarter touchdown on a 22-yard pass from Chandler Weston. (Right) Westfield’s Kendall Garnett made the final play of the game for the Shamrocks, catching a two-yard pass from Jackson Gilbert to score the winning touchdown in Westfield’s 30-28 victory over Hamilton Southeastern last Friday.

forced a fourth down. Coach Michael Kelly had an ace up his sleeve, though, as he dialed up a fake punt run, executed brilliantly by Junior Braeden Totten for a 10-yard conversion. Wallace capped off the drive with a rushing touchdown, giving Hamilton Southeastern a 7-3 lead near the end of the first quarter.

Both teams then traded short drives, but Westfield managed to respond and extend their lead to 10-7 shortly before halftime, thanks to an impressive drive that ended

with junior Mikeah Webster finding the end zone. The Shamrocks’ defense stepped up again, intercepting a pass in the red zone, this time by junior Mason Alexander. The Royals returned the favor with an interception of their own, thrown to Jake Good for his second interception of the night as the teams headed into halftime.

The second half saw both teams kick into a higher gear, with six lead changes, including two in the final minute. senior Jackson Gil-



bert (Westfield) and junior Chandler Weston (HSE) delivered two touchdown passes each, setting the scoreboard on fire. Gilbert also added a rushing touchdown for the Shamrocks, while Alexander did the same for the

Royals. Coach Gilbert even mixed in a fake punt run, which senior Brody Boehm successfully converted after a 30-yard gain.

The final four minutes of the game were a whirlwind of excitement. In a mas-

terful drive, the Royals not only moved the ball but also expertly drained the clock, seemingly sealing the game away. With just 39 seconds left on the clock, Hamilton

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Blackhawks claim victory at 100th Homecoming

By RICHIE HALL
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SHERIDAN — The Sheridan football team’s Saturday Homecoming game was already a big occasion, since it was the 100th Homecoming game for the Blackhawks.

Sheridan made the night even more memorable by winning. The Class 1A No. 7 ‘Hawks held off a determined Clinton Prairie team 44-34 in a Hoosier Heartland Conference game. Although Sheridan never trailed in the game, the Gophers, ranked No. 8 in the 1A IFCA poll, stayed on the home team’s heels in an exciting contest in front of a standing-room only crowd.

The football game was the grand finale of a day-long celebration of the 100th Homecoming, which had been highly publicized for several weeks.

“I thought they handled them pretty good, because we came out fired up and ready to go,” said Black-

hawks coach Bud Wright, who celebrated win No. 451 on Saturday. “That first quarter was the difference in the ball game right there. That gave us a lead that we never relinquished.”

Sheridan scored first, with Zach Bales making a 15-yard run into the end zone. Owen Bell made the extra-point kick. The Gophers answered with a 26-yard run by Steven Dunford, but the kick was no good, keeping Sheridan ahead 7-6.

The ‘Hawks then powered through the second quarter, scoring 17 unanswered points during the first seven minutes of the period. Bell lobbed a pass to Trent DeCraene for a nine-yard touchdown. Sheridan then recovered two fumbles in the quarter, both of which led to points.

“They were big,” said Wright.

Eli Kolb scored after the first recovery, with a three-yard touchdown run. Bell added some more points after the second recovery, kicking

a 32-yard field goal to give the ‘Hawks a 24-6 lead.

But to their credit, the Gophers didn’t go away. Jaycob Wilson’s 38-yard TD reception brought Prairie within 24-12 by halftime, then the Gophers used a 30-yard touchdown run midway through the third to cut Sheridan’s lead to 24-19.

Kolb stepped up again, making a 55-yard kickoff return to set up good field position for the Blackhawks. On fourth-and-2, Bell threw to Joseph Franco for a seven-yard touchdown pass. Sheridan led 31-19, but that didn’t last long: Dunford dashed off on a 70-yard scoring run, and the third quarter ended with the ‘Hawks up 31-26.

Kolb stepped up another time, jetting off on a 54-yard touchdown run, and Sheridan led 37-26. The Gophers got one more score, and a successful two-point conversion, to get within 37-34. But Kolb had

one more big play for the ‘Hawks, making a 35-yard run to the end zone.

The Gophers got the ball back with less than a minute, but fumbled again, and Sheridan recovered to end the game. Prairie fumbled six times, with the Blackhawks recovering five of them.

On offense, Sheridan rushed for 176 yards. Kolb had the most yardage, gaining 124 and scoring three touchdowns.

Wright said he thought the running game “was really good, and I thought our passing game went pretty good, too.” Wright said he thought quarterback Bell “did a nice job throwing the ball;” Bell was 5-for-8, totaling 48 yards and the one touchdown.

Sheridan is still unbeaten in conference play at 3-0, sharing the lead with Carroll. The Blackhawks are 4-1 overall and play at Taylor on Friday to continue HHC play.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall
The Sheridan student section was out in force last Saturday night to celebrate the Blackhawks’ 100th Homecoming game. The students wore special T-shirts to commemorate the occasion. Pictured from left are Damon Winston, Keegan Stout and Solomon Arterburn.

SHERIDAN 44, CLINTON PRAIRIE 34

Score by Quarters

| | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|----|-------|
| Clinton Prairie | 6 | 6 | 14 | 8-34 |
| Sheridan | 7 | 17 | 7 | 13-44 |
| Team stats | CP | SH | | |
| First Downs | 19 | 14 | | |
| By Rush | 7 | 9 | | |
| By Pass | 11 | 4 | | |
| By Penalty | 1 | 1 | | |
| Rushes-Yards | 26-182 | 48-176 | | |
| Passing Yards | 228 | 48 | | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 18-28-0-2 | 5-8-1-2 | | |
| Fumbles-Lost | 6-5 | 1-0 | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 7-50 | 4-40 | | |
| Punts-Average | 3-37.6 | 4-33.3 | | |

Scoring

First Quarter

6:38 – Zach Bales 15-yard run (Owen Bell kick)

Second Quarter

8:54 – Trent DeCraene 9-yard reception from Owen Bell (Bell kick)

8:18 – Eli Kolb 3-yard run (Bell kick)

5:15 – Bell 32-yard field goal

Third Quarter

3:43 – Joseph Franco 8-yard pass from Bell (Bell kick)

Fourth Quarter

10:56 – Kolb 46-yard run (kick failed)

0:46 – Kolb 26-yard run (Bell kick)

Sheridan individual stats

Rushing: Kolb 27-124, Bales 9-58, Gavin Schwerdtfeger 2-6, Nolan Page 3-minus 1, Bell 7-minus 11.

Passing: Bell 5-8-48.

Receiving: DeCraene 2-22, Page 1-13, Franco 1-8, Kolb 1-5.

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Greyhounds hold off Lawrence North

The REPORTER

The Carmel Greyhounds managed to get back to their winning ways at home last Friday. It wouldn't be an easy task, but they were able to hold off the visiting Wildcats, 17-14.

The Greyhounds might have been outgained in total yards by LN, 387-220, but forcing two turnovers helped Carmel find their way to their third win.

They got the scoring started in the first when they went seven plays for 52 yards, finishing the drive off with Jacob Bellin catching a 13-yard pass for a touchdown from Anthony Coellner to put Carmel up 7-0.

Lawrence North got its first score in the second. Freshman tailback Izayveon Moore broke off for a 69-yard scamper on the first play of that particular drive to tie it up at 7-7.

A couple minutes into the third quarter, Carmel kicker Josh Placzek connected on a 46-yard field goal for a 10-7 edge.

A short time later, the Wildcats took just 1:22 off of the clock. Davion Chandler caught a pass from Izayveon Moore on a halfback pass for a 73-yard touchdown, giving LN a 14-10 lead.

Carmel took advantage of the opportunity when they got the chance. The 'Hounds used 3:16 of the latter part of the third period clock to go 40 yards in six plays.

They took the lead on a Coellner touchdown pass from 11-yards away to Ozzy Pollard. That gave the Greyhounds a 17-14 lead that they would keep.

Holding off LN, Carmel would lean on its defense in the fourth quarter in securing the home win.

Izayveon Moore ran for 100 yards exactly on 16 carries and a score to lead the Wildcats on the ground. Davion Chandler caught three passes for 93 yards, including the 73-yarder



(Above) Carmel's Alijah Alfayyad (20) takes the handoff from quarterback Anthony Coellner during the Greyhounds' win over Lawrence North 17-14 at Carmel Stadium. (Below) Carmel senior Evan Sailors is shown here with his parents as the Greyhounds honored their seniors.



from Moore.

Alijah Alfayyad led the Greyhounds' ground game with 10 carries and 57 yards. Norvil Tucker added 46 yards on seven rushes. Nate Rogers caught six for 40 yards, while both Jacob Bellin and Ozzy Pollard

Roncalli hands Guerin Catholic first loss of season

By RICHIE HALL
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NOBLESVILLE – The Guerin Catholic football team dropped its first game of the season last Friday, falling to Roncalli 35-21 in a Circle City Conference contest at a packed Eagles' Nest.

After picking up a league win last week at Brebeuf Jesuit, the Golden Eagles were trying for another victory – and possibly earn a date with Bishop Chatard for a conference championship next week. But the size and running game of the Royals proved to be a little too much for Guerin Catholic.

"They're a good football team, a great football program," said GC coach Tom Dillely. "They're very well coached. The kids play hard. We just didn't execute on either side the way we can. Some of that had to do with them, but a lot of it had to do with us, and I think there's some things we can improve on, so we'll do our best to do that."

Roncalli scored first, making its way into the end zone on a drive that ate up the first six minutes of the game. Zach Dozier scored on a 13-yard run. The Royals then went up 14-0 when Ben Brandenburg went on a 42-yard run for a touchdown.

Guerin Catholic broke through on the last play of



Guerin Catholic's Alex Gibbs scored two touchdowns for the Golden Eagles during their game last Friday with Roncalli at the Eagles' Nest.

the half. Ryan Zimmerman tossed a perfect pass from the 35-yard line to Alex Gibbs, who was waiting just shy of the end zone. Gibbs easily grabbed the ball and made the short trip in for a touchdown. Peyton Butts kicked the extra point, and the Golden Eagles were within 14-7 at the break.

The Royals got the first score of the second half, with Brandenburg punching it in from the one-yard line. But Guerin Catholic answered back. With the Golden Eagles at their own 22, Zimmerman threw a short pass to Hayden Cler, who was all alone on the home side of the field. Cler then took off, and didn't stop until he was in the end zone. It was a 78-yard touchdown reception, and Butts' kick brought GC to within 21-14.

Neither team scored again until the fourth quarter. The Royals' Collin Ash ran the ball in from the 10 for a touchdown. Again, Guerin Catholic answered. Gibbs hauled in a 14-yard throw from Zimmerman, and another kick from Butts made it 28-21.

But the Golden Eagles would get no closer. Roncalli finished up the scoring with Dozier making a 30-yard touchdown run. Guerin Catholic gave it one last drive, but the Royals made an interception to end it.

"Everybody has to deal with setbacks, so this will be

Huskies take over & shut out Western

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights coach Jon Kirschner put it simply: "It's evident we're firing on all cylinders."

The Huskies are becoming a defensive machine after getting their third straight shutout victory last Friday at Western. Heights rolled past the Panthers 32-0 in a Hoosier Conference East Division game. It's the first time in 20 years that the Huskies have blanked three consecutive opponents.

"We play very aggressive and very fast football," said Kirschner. "We're not big. We're just very fast and very physical."

Heights, still unbeaten at 5-0, scored in each quarter, starting with a nine-yard touchdown run by Owen VanHaaren in the first quarter. In the second period, quarterback Bodie Derrer put in two touchdowns on short runs, and the Huskies led 18-0.

In the third quarter, Derrer threw a short pass to Tyler Champion, who took the ball in for a touchdown for a six-yard score. Carson Fettig then picked up a fumble recovery in the fourth quarter, and then ran in 30 yards for a touchdown. Teigan Scoles kicked the extra point af-

ter both second-half touchdowns.

Derrer was efficient, making 12 of 17 pass attempts for 128 yards. VanHaaren led the rushing with 94 yards on 19 carries, and Champion totaled seven receptions.

As for the defense, Kirschner said this: "I could go through and make a list of kids that did a great job."

Dean Mason and Michael Cain both had solid games; Kirschner said Cain has "got to be top five in the state in sacks right now." The Huskies had six sacks against the Western quarterback.

"Jaylyn Pugh in the secondary does a great job," said Kirschner. "He had another interception tonight, I think that's No. 6 for him on the year."

Kirschner said that Heights has "taken an ownership of all three facets of the game," offense, defense and special teams, and it's paying off for the Huskies.

"That makes things difficult and it makes us dangerous," said Kirschner.

Heights will host Twin Lakes Friday for its Homecoming game. The Indians are 4-1 for the season, and Kirschner said his team will need to be ready for them.

Fishers overwhelmed by Bulldogs' balanced offense

The REPORTER

Brownsburg took full advantage of playing at home last Friday and they wasted very little time showing Fishers that it's not easy playing on the road in Hendricks County.

The host Bulldogs used a 21-point three quarter to outlast the visiting Tigers, 42-28.

Brownsburg got off to a 14-0 lead on drives that were just six minutes apart.

Corey Smith threw a 10-yard touchdown strike to Jake Dunn for the early 7-0 lead. Then, with 8:58 left in the second Garrett Sherrill scored on an eight-yard run to make it 14-0, capping off a 99 yard drive.

The Tigers came right back. Marching 80 yards in 11 plays, quarterback Bennett Gorak completed a 14-yard TD pass to Noah McPeck to cut it to 14-7.

Khobie Martin gave the Tigers a chance, punching it in from two-yards out. Jonathan Tangara's PAT attempt was no good, leaving Fishers down 14-13.

Brownsburg continued their scoring in the third. Sherrill scored again, this time from seven yards that pushed it to 21-13.

Jake Dunn caught another pass for a touchdown from Corey Smith, this one from six yards, extending the lead further to 28-13.

Sekai Bogle cut it to a one score game for the second time. Bogle reached paydirt from eight yards. Gorak ran in the two-point conversion, making it 28-21.

Dunn snagged his third score, this second in the third, on a deep pass of 60-yards for a 35-21 Bulldog lead.

Fishers would once again cut it to a one score deficit. Gorak found Jonathan Hall open for nine yards and a touchdown for a 35-28 count.

Just like Dunn, Sherrill found the end zone for his third touchdown of the night on a 76-yard run. This score made a statement and put the game away for the final of 42-28.

Garrett Sherrill was able to run free all night, carrying 24 times for 282 yards and three touchdowns. Corey Smith finished with six passes caught for 161 yards and three scores.

Brownsburg (5-0, 3-0 HCC) hits the road at Westfield (5-0, 3-0 HCC) next week in a game that could possibly be for the HCC crown. Westfield won on a last-second score at Hamilton Southeastern last Friday, 30-28.

The Tigers were led by Sekai Bogle's 83 yards rushing on 11 carries. Khobie Martin was held to just 54 yards on his 14 runs. Jonathan Hall led in yards with 121 on five catches, while Noah McPeck caught seven for 58, each scoring. Millen McCartney also had a good night with three receptions and 88 yards.

Fishers (3-2, 1-2 HCC) has a home game Friday to face the Avon Orioles (0-5, 0-3 HCC). Avon lost to Franklin Central last Friday, 31-28.

THRILL

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Southeastern took the lead, 28-24, after an electrifying 40-yard pass from Weston to junior Donovan Hamilton.

However, the Shamrocks had one more trick up their sleeves. Starting from their own 30-yard line, they executed a spectacular "hook and ladder" pass play, advancing the ball 53 yards to the HSE 17-yard line. In the blink of an eye, a quick 15-yard pass brought them to the two-yard line, where they were ultimately stopped. With just three seconds remaining, Gilbert found Garnett for the game-winning touchdown pass as time expired.

Coach Gilbert, reflecting on the thrilling play, shared, "We have practiced that play

all the time, and it hasn't worked too well in practice. We tell our kids not to celebrate early or quit early. This is our fourth game that has come down to the wire. Our kids are great at believing and executing."

Students and fans flooded the field after the catch as refs signaled the touchdown. One thing is for certain, this game will surely be remembered as a classic as both teams left their all on the field.

The Shamrocks' win advances their record to an impressive 5-0, while the Royals fall to 4-1. This Friday, Westfield will host an undefeated Brownsburg team, while the Royals will travel to Zionsville.



Reporter photos by Kent Graham

(ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville running backs Logan Shoffner (left), Gage Gulley (6) and Gabe Bellan led the charge for the Millers in their 24-7 Homecoming win over Zionsville last Friday. Shoffner gained 99 yards on rushing, with Gulley running for 91 yards and Bellan for 66 yards. (ABOVE RIGHT) Jackson Peterson makes a touchdown for the Millers. Coach Dave Sharpe said the Noblesville defense played “lights out” last Friday.

Millers make Friday Homecoming sweet in 24-7 defeat over Zionsville

The REPORTER

Noblesville got a tremendous Homecoming victory last Friday, as the Millers took care of Zionsville 24-7 in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game at Beaver Materials Field.

Most of the points were scored in the first quarter, which ended with Noblesville leading 17-7. Gage Gulley and Gabe Bellan both got into the end zone on short runs to give the Millers a 14-0 lead. After absorbing an Eagles touchdown, Jack Letourneau got Noblesville three more points with a 20-yard field goal.

Bellan added a third-quarter touchdown on a one-yard run. Letourneau kicked the extra point, as he had already done with the first two touchdowns.

“Our offensive line did a great job, and of course our backs did a great job,” said Millers coach Dave Sharpe. “All three of them were called upon numerous times and they all moved the sticks.”

Logan Shoffner led the rushing with 99 yards, fol-



Photos provided by Kathy Williams

(ABOVE) Noblesville High School’s 50-year football team was honored during last Friday night’s game. (BELOW) The bell was rededicated as the “Dick Dellinger Victory Bell,” named after longtime Noblesville High School teacher and former State Representative Dick Dellinger, who passed away on Sept. 6.

lowed by Gulley with 91 yards and Bellan with 66 yards. Quarterback Jacob Baker was 4-for-5 totaling 83 yards, and also rushed for 38 yards.

“Jacob Baker had a couple big runs for us,” said Sharpe.

Noblesville’s defense also played solid. Austin Hastings and Carson Cox both had four solo tackles, with Hastings making four assists and Cox getting two. Corbin Hornickel

had six assists in addition to two tackles for a loss. Grayson Owens and Jackson McDaniel both had five assists, while Jrue Kanté and Aiden Brewer both had three assists.

“Our defense played lights out,” said Sharpe. “Huge shoutout to Cam Wilson. He had the tough assignment of sticking with Eugene Hilton for most of the night and he did a great job. That’s a three-year starter stepping up and

making big plays for us.”

Overall, Sharpe called it a “great team win” on Homecoming night, noting that the stadium was packed an hour before kickoff.

“We had a wonderful parade, as always,” said Sharpe. “I can’t imagine a high school football team in the nation that has better support than we do.”

The Millers are 1-2 in conference play and 3-2 overall and play Friday at Franklin Central.



HSE’s Upchurch swings big win at fall series event



Photo provided

Hamilton Southeastern sophomore Mattingly Upchurch picked up a big win at the Kokomo Country Club in an Indiana Golf Association Fall Series Event. On Saturday, Sept. 9, Upchurch carded a six-under par 64 for his first round, then followed that with a four-under 66 in his second round on Sept. 10. Upchurch won the event by 10 strokes over Center Grove’s Nathan Springer. Upchurch finished the tournament with 12 birdies and only two 2 bogeys.

Boys Soccer — Huskies beat Lapel to win invitational

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Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Hamilton Heights senior Cameron Wheat takes the ball down the field during the Huskies’ game with Northwestern last Thursday. The game ended in a 1-1 tie.

ARCADIA – Sometimes it takes a little bit of time for a sports team to get past a tough defeat.

The Hamilton Heights boys soccer team went through a period of trying to recover from being dealt a difficult loss in the Hoosier Conference championship game on Saturday, Sept. 9. The Huskies were playing very well against West Lafayette, but the game ended in a 0-0 tie. As a result, the championship was decided by penalty kicks, and the Red Devils won the PK round 4-1.

“They were really pulled down from the championship, because we outplayed West Lafayette pretty heavily, and so it felt like we were going to win,” said Heights coach Drew Colvin.

It was the first loss of the year for the Huskies, who came into the title game with a 7-0-2 record. Last week, Heights played two more games, which both finished in 1-1 draws.

“Emotionally, it’s been up and down,” said Colvin. “We’ve had good days and bad days.”

The Huskies tied with Bishop Chatard last Tuesday, then hosted Northwestern last Thursday. After a scoreless first half, the Tigers put in their goal in the 43rd minute. But Heights rebounded after sophomore Bryce Hutcherson scored in the 60th minute. It was his first-ever varsity goal.

At that point, the Huskies

had a 7-1-4 record, which is still pretty good. Heights achieved those seven wins against a decent slate of opponents, including one of the top teams in Class 1A: Park Tudor.

The Huskies beat the Panthers 4-2 on Aug. 22.

One of Heights’ draws came against Muncie Burris, a 2-2 tie on Aug. 19. The Huskies have also held their own against 3A teams, with wins over Yorktown 3-2, Kokomo 4-2 and Anderson 6-2, and a 1-1 tie with Pendleton Heights. The Huskies also claimed a 2-0 win over 2A New Castle, then beat Benton Central 5-0 and Twin Lakes 3-1 in the conference tournament.

“It’s still not bad,” said Colvin. “We’ve got one loss, and technically no one has beat us on the field of play. We got beaten in a shootout, but it was a tie game on the field of play, so no one’s been able to beat us on the soccer field of play during regulation. Just keep trying to tell them that, keep the positivity up.”

Last Saturday, Heights got back on the winning track by claiming its own Husky Invitational trophy. Heights beat Lapel 11-0 and Secцина 8-1. That improved the Huskies to their current season record of 9-1-4.

“I think if we can pull out a win in our invitational, get our own trophy, then I think it could turn the season back towards where we were before,” said Colvin.

Noblesville’s boys team skipped to the front of the Hoo-

Golden Eagles secure soccer conference championship

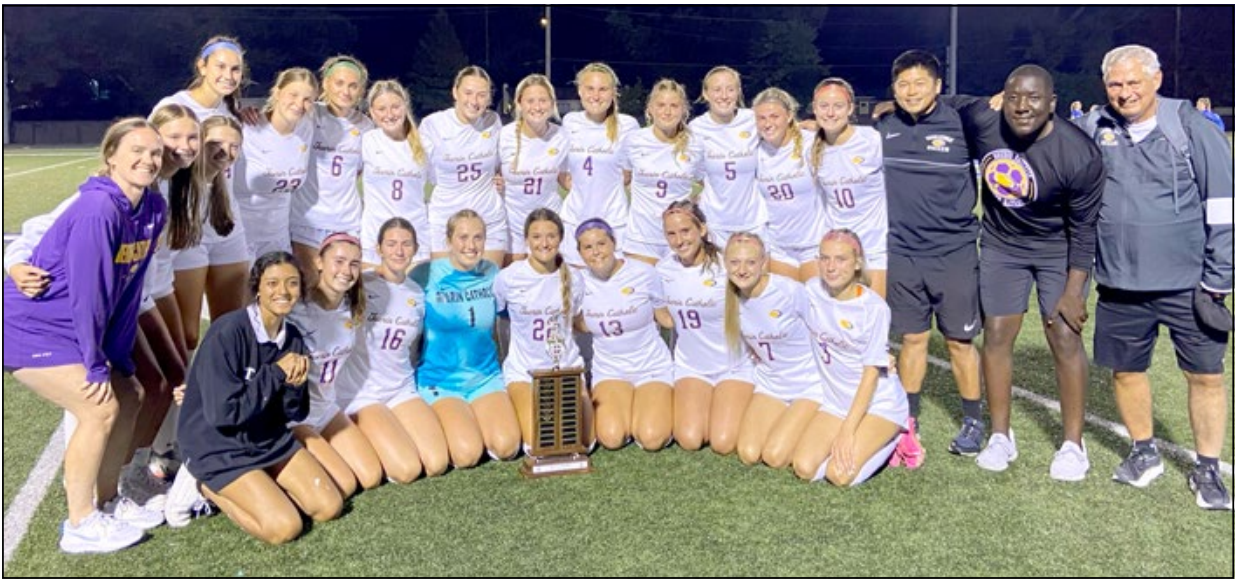


Photo provided

The Guerin Catholic girls soccer team clinched an undefeated Circle City Conference championship last Monday, Sept. 11. The Golden Eagles went 5-0 in conference play, outscoring its opponents 20-3. Guerin Catholic beat Brebeuf Jesuit 3-1, Covenant Christian 9-0, Bishop Chatard in penalty kicks (after a 1-1 tie), Roncalli 4-1 and Heritage Christian last Monday 3-0.

Cross Country — Carmel boys win Flashrock Invitational, Fishers boys win Golden Bear Invitational

The REPORTER

The annual Flashrock Cross Country Invitational took place last Saturday at Northview Church in Carmel.

The Greyhounds won the boys meet, scoring 79 points to hold off Dublin Coffman (82 points) and Warsaw (83 points). Carmel's Tony Provenzano was the individual runner-up, finishing in second place with a time of 15 minutes, 0.8 seconds.

In the girls meet, Hamilton Southeastern placed second as a team; Concordia Lutheran won the meet with 80 points to the Royals' 89 points. Noblesville was third with 100 points.

Three Hamilton County runners finished in the top 10. Southeastern's Maggie Powers placed seventh, Westfield's Liz Smith was eighth and Noblesville's Summer Rempe was ninth.

Complete results now follow.

BOYS MEET

Team scores: Carmel 79, Dublin Coffman 82, Warsaw 83, Hamilton Southeastern 108, Greenfield-Central 111, Concordia Lutheran 159, Center Grove 227, Brebeuf Jesuit 263, Westfield 267, North Central 290, Guerin Catholic 302, Avon 318, Zionsville 325, Noblesville 357, Crawfordsville 427, Lebanon 481, East Central 496.

Race winner: Cameron Todd (Brebeuf Jesuit) 14:58.1.

Carmel runners: 2. Tony Provenzano 15:00.8, 16. Jonah Kaul 15:58.8, 21. Carter Buhr 16:0.6, 22. Joel Spittal 16:09.3, 26. Jack Capes 16:12.9, 31. Josh Cale 16:20.9, 34. Deklin Bowser 16:23.9.

Southeastern runners: 13. Andrew Smith 15:54.2, 20. Nicolas Vega 16:06.6, 25. Isaac Smith 16:11.4, 27. Michael Chalfant 16:13.0, 33. Ian Ross 16:23.1, 35. Liam Powers 16:26.3, 36. Matthew Hemmerling 16:28.7, 40. Josh Montgomery 16:33.2, 43. Ben Tuckis 16:35.1, 48. Brayden Gebhard 16:41.7, 49. Zach Swedarsky 16:45.1, 76. Riley Schamp 17:05.3.

Westfield runners: 28. Jack Loiselle 16:15.4, 50. Owen Mohler 16:45.3, 77. Caleb Haney 17:05.4, 78. Tristan Hostetter 17:06.1, 85. Owen Ferreri 17:13.2, 92. Caub Douthit 17:21.3, 95. Calvin Vance 17:22.4, 100. Owen Dilley 17:24.5, 106. Bryce Pittman 17:27.9, 113. Landon Jones 17:32.6, 114. Carson Ackley 17:33.5, 131. JP Mikels 17:52.7.

Guerin Catholic runners: 18. Luke Mosier 16:03.3, 47. Maxwell Fish 16:41.4, 86. Sean Laferriere 17:14.1, 102. Hunter Kinzie-Gorman 17:25.1, 116. John Constantino 17:35.2, 122. Luke Ross 17:42.3, 128. Cole Eckstein 17:49.5, 132. Will Gebhardt 17:57.2, 146. Brady Linn 18:12.9, 159. Ashton Sommer 18:32.1, 164. AJ Doria 18:46.9, 179. Luke Jarymowicz 20:16.2.

Noblesville runners: 58. Jude Naville 16:54.3, 65. Noah Melton 17:00.1, 70. Banner Barnes 17:01.0, 119. Jack Rush 17:39.4, 127. Brady Livingston 17:49.2, 139. Tyler Stallings 18:05.9, 142. Ryan Clark 18:09.0, 149. Isaiah Rhamy 18:14.4, 152. Brady Shoffner 18:16.1, 158. Matt Huseman 18:30.3, 160. Grant Wamock 18:32.3, 161. Charlie Kimmel 18:36.8.

GIRLS MEET

Team scores: Concordia Lutheran 80, Hamilton Southeastern

89, Noblesville 100, North Central 112, Fort Wayne Carroll 169, Carmel 186, Westfield 223, East Central 249, Warsaw 268, Avon 282, Harrison 285, Guerin Catholic 345, Cathedral 353, Franklin Community 384, Pendleton Heights 399, Batesville 399, Zionsville 436, Maconaquah 466, Lebanon 492, Norwell 545.

Race winner: 1. Nicki Southernland (Delta) 17:01.9.

Southeastern runners: 7. Maggie Powers 18:05.9, 17. Elizabeth Butler 18:47.5, 22. Catey Campbell 19:04.1, 23. Ava Powers 19:05.7, 25. Anissa Lammie 19:13.8, 35. Elise Herman 19:27.7, 44. Ciara Kepner 19:43.5, 63. Aubrey Berger 20:02.3, 81. Anaya Lammie 20:23.1, 90. Raegan Hissong 20:38.2, 115. Kate Evans 21:00.3.

Noblesville runners: 9. Summer Rempe 18:14.0, 14. Nadia Perez 18:32.8, 21. Riley Flynn 19:03.2, 30. Ansley Applegate 19:21.3, 31. Kate Mumaw 19:21.8, 53. Brinkley Cooper 19:54.8, 68. Kennedy Applegate 20:09.0, 73. Gretchen Graham 20:17.5, 75. Bella Lingenfelter 20:17.9, 97. Ella Wirkner 20:47.1, 110. Dana Behlmer 20:57.6, 122. Lexi Miller 21:09.1.

Carmel runners: 19. Larkin Taylor 18:56.7, 27. Olivia Mundt 19:17.0, 32. Katy Dascoli 19:22.6, 56. Cara Naas 19:56.4, 57. Ella Gaddis 19:56.7, 67. Lilliana Cate 20:08.6, 72. Kara Wenzler 20:16.0, 74. Annabelle Inman 20:17.8, 80. Caroline Schmidt 20:21.8, 101. Maija Gilhooly 20:52.2, 102. Andy Bendaly 20:52.3, 133. Bri Roper 21:23.6.

Westfield runners: 8. Liz Smith 18:12.6, 16. Alivia Lozier 18:35.2, 58. Emily Loiselle 20:00.1, 76. Maggie Naas 20:20.0, 82. Jordyn Landrum 20:23.3, 83. Ella Bozarth 20:25.9, 92. Ena Durbin 20:40.9, 100. Gianna Ferreri 20:51.5, 103. Galiene Colon 20:53.5, 109. Olivia Barnett 20:57.2, 119. Izzy McCulloch 21:05.4, 150. Sam Plummer 21:48.6.

Guerin Catholic runners: 42. Katie Kolb 19:37.7, 59. Keira Hines 20:00.3, 78. Brinna Wolf 20:20.7, 99. Claire Flannagan 20:50.2, 105. Eva Parr 20:55.9, 114. Kara van Woerkom 20:58.7, 116. Delaney Gould 21:01.7, 139. Caroline Ford 21:25.3, 140. Ella Smith 21:26.3, 146. Sophia Galvin 21:34.4, 176. Isabella Galvin 22:51.2, 181. Mallory Ryan 22:59.8.

The Fishers and Carmel boys teams went 1-2 at the Shelbyville Golden Bear Invitational last Saturday.

The Tigers won the meet with 21 points, while the Greyhounds scored 34 points. Fishers had the top two individual runners: Sam Quagliaroli won the boys race in 14:56.42, with Matthew Kim second in 15:19.09. The Tigers also got top-10 results from Parker Melling (fourth) and Henry Wood (sixth). William Gilhooly's 10th-place finish led Carmel.

Race winner: Sam Quagliaroli (Fishers) 14:56.42.

Other Fishers runners: 2. Matthew Kim 15:19.09, 4. Parker Melling 16:12.69, 6. Henry Wood 16:15.48, 11. Cooper Mohr 16:29.18, 13. Bryson Slagle 16:29.51, 15. Dylan Wolf 16:34.85, 17. Nate Thomas 16:41.50, 21. Reece Torres 16:46.67, 27. Declan Mohr 16:58.10, 31. Jaden Guffey 17:04.95, 35. Jonathan Albright 17:11.31.

Carmel runners: 10. William Gilhooly IV 16:26.14, 23. Cohen Levy 16:50.60, 24. Lucas Bartlett 16:51.23, 25. Eli Gomez 16:57.42, 28. Ben Meisner 16:59.57, 29. Julien Gourgue 17:02.38, 33. Joey Arroyo 17:06.60, 36. Isaac Perrin 17:13.45,

39. Hayden Nagle 17:24.78, 44. Zach Flint 17:39.93, 47. Amory Spence 17:41.53, 49. Max Bontrager 17:57.30.

Fishers' girls team placed third at the Golden Bear Invitational, scoring 59 points. Mount Vernon and Roncalli both scored 38 points; the Marauders won the meet on the sixth-placing runner.

Three Tigers players landed in the top 10. Abby

Lotter was sixth, Addison Kane took eighth and Isabella Murch placed 10th.

Race winner: Tessa Mize (Roncalli) 19:01.10.

Fishers runners: 6. Abby Lotter 19:53.79, 8. Addison Kane 20:05.76, 10. Isabella Murch 20:22.10, 19. Grier Swaim 21:07.85, 20. Elise Bryan 21:08.39, 21. Kate Sheidler 21:09.44, 24. Alexandra Baker 21:15.75, 25. Charlotte Lawrence 21:16.58, 29. Greta Scott 21:32.99, 32. Fedora Hagenars 21:36.81, 35. Tanvi Pothuri 21:47.16, 37. Corinne McClanahan 21:53.70.

— JACKSON TOWNSHIP —

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE CICERO/JACKSON TOWNSHIP PLAN COMMISSION

Docket Nos. PC-1023-10-AG and PC-1023-11-AG

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission meeting on the **11th day of October, 2023 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at the Red Bride Community Center, located at 50 Red Bridge Drive, Cicero, IN 46034 (address is also known as 697 W. Jackson Street, Cicero, IN 46034)** will hold a Public Hearing regarding a rezoning application identified by Docket Numbers PC-1023-10-AG and PC-1023-11-AG (collectively, the "Request"). The subject real estate consist of two (2) parcels containing approximately 248 acres, which parcels are identified by the Auditor of Hamilton County, Indiana as Tax Parcel Identification Numbers 03-02-31-00-00-005.001 and 03-02-32-00-00-013.000, which parcels are generally located south of and adjacent to E. 246th Street, north of and adjacent to E. 241st Street, north of E. 236th Street and bisected by Anthony Road (collectively referred to as the "Real Estate").

The Real Estate is currently zoned AG-Agriculture and Lennar's Request is seeking rezoning approval: (i) from AG-Agriculture to R4-Single Family Residential (Docket Number PC-1023-10-AG); and, (ii) from R4 -Single Family Residential to PD-R4 Planned Development (Docket Number PC-1023-11-AG). The PD-R4 Planned Development Ordinance is referred to as the "Clark Farms Planned Development District" and the Request seeks approval to develop a master-planned residential community that will consist of approximately seven hundred and twenty (720) lots.

The Real Estate is legally described as follows:

PART OF THE NORTHWEST AND SOUTHWEST QUARTERS OF SECTION 32 AND PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31 BOTH IN TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A HARRISON MONUMENT MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 32; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER NORTH 88 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 59 SECONDS EAST (BASIS OF BEARINGS) 1395.85 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST HALF OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID WEST HALF SOUTH 00 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST 1881.53 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE LAND DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 308, PAGE 223 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA; THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH LINE NORTH 88 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST 1386.48 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG SAID EAST LINE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST 787.19 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 32 SOUTH 00 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST 1191.57 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST 2724.02 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE NORTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 38 SECONDS WEST 711.82 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE LAND OF HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS DESCRIBED IN INSTRUMENT NO. 2013016324 IN SAID RECORDER'S OFFICE; THENCE THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) COURSES ALONG THE PERIMETER OF SAID INSTRUMENT NO. 2013016324: (1) NORTH 89 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST 39.30 FEET TO A REBAR WITH "MILLER" CAP; (2) NORTH 00 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 31 SECONDS WEST 50.00 FEET TO A REBAR WITH "MILLER" CAP; (3) SOUTH 89 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 39.44 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE NORTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 38 SECONDS WEST 394.02 FEET TO A HARRISON MONUMENT AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 31 SOUTH 88 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST 1313.78 FEET TO A HARRISON MONUMENT AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST HALF OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID EAST HALF NORTH 00 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 1774.04 FEET TO A POINT 923.00 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID EAST HALF; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER NORTH 89 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST 793.24 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID EAST HALF NORTH 00 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 923.00 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH LINE NORTH 89 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST 527.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 248.43 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

All interested persons desiring to present their views on the above Request, either in writing or verbally, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place. Written comments may be sent to: Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, c/o Frank Zawadzki, Planning Director, Town of Cicero, P.O. Box 650, Cicero, IN 46034 and/or files may be examined at: Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, 331 East Jackson Street, Cicero, IN 46034, (317) 984-5845.

Applicant Lennar Homes of Indiana, LLC
c/o Jim Shinaver, Attorney and Jon Dobosiewicz, Professional Land Planner
Nelson & Frankenberger, LLC
550 Congressional Blvd., Suite 210
Carmel, IN 46032

9/18/23

— COUNTY —

Public Notice

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Merit Board has scheduled an executive session for September 27, 2023, at 6:00pm to receive information about and interview prospective employees pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5). The regular meeting will immediately follow the conclusion of the executive session (approximately 6:50 pm).

R3104 9/18/23

Meeting Date Change

The Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District has changed its scheduled 09-25-2023 meeting to 09-21-2023. The meeting is being held at the Government and Judicial Center in Noblesville at 12:00 pm.

R3105 9/15/23, 9/18/23

Meeting Date Change

The Hamilton County Airport Authority has changed its scheduled 10-11-2023 meeting to 10-09-2023. The meeting is being held at the Indianapolis Executive Airport at 6:30 pm.

R3106 9/15/23, 9/18/23

Noblesville hosts HCC boys tennis invitational

The REPORTER

Noblesville hosted the Hoosier Crossroads Conference boys tennis championships last week.

The event finished last Saturday, with Zionsville winning the team conference title. The Eagles scored 42 points and won four of the five flights. Avon placed second with 35 points and had the winner at No. 1 singles.

Fishers finished third as a team with 29 points. Jack Butler and Thomas Bender were the runners-up at No. 1 doubles and earned All-Conference honors. Westfield took fourth with 26 points. Alex Sagarra was the No. 1 singles runner-up and the Shamrocks' No. 1 doubles team of Gavin Dietz and Jack Dietz placed third. All three players were named

All-Conference.

Hamilton Southeastern placed fifth with 18 points, and Noblesville was sixth with 17 points. The Royals' best finish came at No. 3 singles, as Alex White placed fourth. The Millers finished fifth in three flights: Ethan Feliciano at No. 1 singles, Jack Brenneman and Coleman Kratz at No. 2 doubles, and Miles Robbins won the fifth-place match at No. 3 singles as an alternate.

The University boys tennis team finished second in the Whiteland Invitational last Saturday.

The Trailblazers beat Peru 5-0 and Jennings County 5-0, falling to Whiteland 3-2. No. 1 singles Owen Schellhase and No. 2 singles Kothé Birge both were 3-0 on the day.

— COURT NOTICES —

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2308-MI-007133)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Dominick Kazeck)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Dominick Kazeck, whose mailing)
address is: 17120 Shadoan Way,)
Westfield, IN 46074 in the Hamilton)
County, Indiana, hereby gives notice)
that Dominick Kazeck has filed a)
petition in the Hamilton County)
Circuit Court requesting that name be)
changed to Dominic Kazeck.)
Notice is further given that hearing)
will be held on said Petition on)
November 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.)
Dominick Kazeck)
Petitioner)
Date: August 2, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Judicial Officer)
R3062 9/4/23, 9/11/23, 9/18/23

29D02-2309-ES-000425
Hamilton Superior Court 2

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
SUPERIOR COURT 2)
Cause No. 29D02-2309-ES-000425)
IN RE THE SUPERVISED ESTATE)
OF THOMAS MICHAEL HENRY,)
Decedent,)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION)
Notice is hereby given that on)
September 11, 2023, Charles D.)
Henry was appointed Personal)
Representative of the Estate of)
Thomas Michael Henry, deceased,)
who died on June 27, 2023.)
All persons having claims against)
this estate, whether or not now due,)
must file the claim in the office of)
the Clerk of this Court Within three)
(3) months from the date of the first)
publication of this notice, or within)
nine (9) months after the decedent's)
death, whichever is earlier, or the)
claims will be forever barred.)
Dated 11th day of September, 2023.)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court #2)
R3107 9/18/23, 9/25/23

29D02-2309-EU-000427

Webster & Garino, LLC
209 E. 175th Street, Suite A
Westfield, IN 46074
317-565-1818

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Cause Number:
29D02-2309-EU-000427

In the Hamilton County Superior Court, Indiana. Notice is hereby given that Brian Kelly was on the 11th day of September, 2023, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of William W. Kelly, deceased, who died on July 29, 2023.

All persons who have claims against the estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this 11th day of September, 2023.

Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court
R3110 9/18/23, 9/25/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2308-MI-008006)
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE)
OF MAXIMILLIAN JOHN)
BRUSTKERN,)
Petitioner.)
NOTICE OF VERIFIED)
PETITION FOR CHANGE OF)
NAME)
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner)
Maximillian John Brustkern, whose)
mailing address and residence is:)
11199 Boston Way, Fishers, IN 46038,)
Hamilton County, Indiana, has filed a)
petition in the Hamilton County)
Circuit Court requesting that his)
name be changed to Maximillian John)
Crawford.)
Notice is further given that a hearing)
will be held on the Verified Petition)
for Change of Name on the 1st day)
of December, 2023, at 10:00 o'clock)
a.m.)
Date: August 28, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton County)
Circuit Court)
R3063 9/4/23, 9/11/23, 9/18/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2305-MI-4823)
INRENAME CHANGE OF:)
MACKENZIE MORGAN CABICO)
NOTICE OF HEARING)
Notice is hereby given that)
Petitioner, MACKENZIE MORGAN)
CABICO, pro se, filed a Verified)
Petition for Change of Name to)
change her name from MACKENZIE)
MORGAN CABICO to JORDAN)
LYALL CABICO.)
The petition is scheduled for hearing)
in the Hamilton Circuit Court on)
November 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m,)
which is more than thirty (30) days)
after the third notice of publication.)
Any person has the right to appear)
at and to file written objections on)
or before the hearing date. The parties)
shall report to One Hamilton County)
Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN)
46060.)
Date: June 30, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court)
R3120 9/18/23, 9/25/23, 10/2/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2606-MI-005529)
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE)
Hakimeh Ameri,)
Petitioner.)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner)
Hakimeh Ameri, whose mailing)
address and residence is: 1366)
Wind Castle Trl. 46280, Hamilton)
County, Indiana, has filed a petition)
in the Hamilton County Circuit Court)
requesting that name be changed to)
Kinia Ameri.)
Notice is further given that a hearing)
will be held on the Verified Petition)
for Change of Name on January 12, 2024,)
at 10:00 o'clock a.m.)
Hakimeh Ameri)
Petitioner)
Date: June 21, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Judicial Officer)
R3103 9/18/23, 9/25/23, 10/2/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2308-MI-008283)
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE)
Miya Park Arce,)
Petitioner.)
NOTICE OF VERIFIED)
PETITION FOR CHANGE OF)
NAME)
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner)
Miya Park Arce, whose mailing)
address and residence is: 12068)
Bayhill Drive, Carmel, IN 46033,)
Hamilton County, Indiana, has filed a)
petition in the Hamilton County)
Circuit Court requesting that name be)
changed to Mia Park.)
Notice is further given that a hearing)
will be held on the Verified Petition)
for Change of Name on January 12, 2024,)
at 10:00 o'clock a.m.)
Miya Park Arce)
Petitioner)
Date: September 1, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Judicial Officer)
R3099 9/11/23, 9/18/23, 9/25/23

29D01-2308-EU-000418

Jack G. Hittle, #7550-29
Church Church Hittle + Antrim
Two North Ninth Street
Noblesville, IN 46060
(317)773-2190; FAX (317) 773-5320

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1.

Notice is hereby given that Heather N. Chaykowski was, on September 1, 2023, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of MICHAEL A. CHAYKOWSKI, III, deceased, who died June 15, 2023.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on September 1, 2023.

Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana
R3069 9/11/23, 9/18/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2309-MI-008524)
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE)
Dan Schilling Nguyen,)
Petitioner.)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Dan Schilling Nguyen, whose)
mailing address is: 9714 Clay Brook)
Dr., McCordsville, IN 46055, Hamilton)
County, Indiana, hereby gives notice)
that Dan Schilling Nguyen has filed a)
petition in the Hamilton Court)
requesting that name be changed to)
Daniel Schilling Weiss Nguyen.)
Notice is further given that a hearing)
will be held on the Verified Petition)
for Change of Name on January 12, 2024,)
at 10:00 o'clock a.m.)
Dan Schilling Nguyen)
Petitioner)
Date: September 8, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Judicial Officer)
R3118 9/18/23, 9/25/23, 10/2/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2308-MI-008324)
IN RE CHANGE OF)
NAME OF MINOR:)
EMALYN LUCIA KRISTINE ROA)
Name of Minor)
JESSICA ANN MILBURN)
Petitioner)
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR)
CHANGE OF NAME)
Notice is hereby given that)
Petitioner, JESSICA ANN MILBURN,)
pro se, filed a Verified Petition)
for Change of Name of Minor to)
change the name of minor child from)
EMALYN LUCIA KRISTINE ROA)
to EMALYN LUCIA KRISTINE)
MILBURN-ROA.)
The petition is scheduled for hearing)
in the Hamilton County circuit Court)
on January 12, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.)
which is more than thirty (30) days)
after the third notice of publication.)
Any person has the right to appear)
at the hearing and to file written)
objections on or before the hearing)
date.)
Date: September 5, 2023)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court)
R3119 9/18/23, 9/25/23, 10/2/23

— COURT NOTICES —

29D01-2308-GU-000151
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT #1
SS) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2308-GU-000151
IN RE THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP)
OF THE PERSON AND ESTATE OVER)
ARIZONA WILSON, Adult.)
**NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN AND HEARING THEREON**
TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
On the date of November 2, 2023, at 10:00am a.m./p.m., in the Hamilton Superior Court #1, Noblesville, Indiana, a hearing will be held to determine whether a guardian should be appointed for Arizona Wilson. The purpose of this proceeding is to protect Arizona Wilson. At the hearing, the Court will determine whether Arizona Wilson is an incapacitated person under Indiana law.
If the Court finds that Arizona Wilson is an incapacitated person, the Court at the hearing shall also consider whether the Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County VASIA Guardianship Program should be appointed as guardian of Arizona Wilson. The Court may, in its discretion, appoint some other qualified person as guardian. The Court may also, in its discretion, limit the powers and duties of the guardian to allow Arizona Wilson to retain control over certain property and activities. The Court may also determine whether a protective order should be entered on behalf of Arizona Wilson.
Arizona Wilson may attend the hearing and be represented by an attorney. The Petition may be heard and determined in the absence of Arizona Wilson if the Court determines that the presence of Arizona Wilson is not required. If Arizona Wilson attends the hearing, opposes the petition, and is not represented by an attorney, the Court may appoint an attorney to represent the alleged incapacitated person. The Court may, where required, appoint a guardian ad litem to represent Arizona Wilson at the hearing.
The Court may, on its own motion or on request of any interested person, postpone the hearing to another date and time.

Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court #1
9/4/23, 9/11/23, 9/18/23
R3057

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2308-MI-7938)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Rajiv Kumar)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**
Rajiv Kumar, whose mailing
address is: 11078 Huntington Court
in the Hamilton County, Indiana,
herby gives notice that Rajiv Kumar
Bhatnagar has filed a petition in
the Hamilton County Circuit Court
requesting that name be changed to
Rajiv Kumar.
Notice is further given that hearing
will be held on said Petition on
December 1, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Rajiv Kumar
Petitioner
Date: August 24, 2023
Kathy Kreag Williams
Judicial Officer
9/4/23, 9/11/23, 9/18/23
R3026

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2308-MI-008089)
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:)
Nancy Eileen Best)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**
Nancy Eileen Best, whose mailing
address is: 3858 Elkhorn Way,
Westfield, IN 46074 in the Hamilton
County, Indiana, hereby gives notice
that Nancy Eileen Best has filed a
petition in the Hamilton County
Circuit Court requesting that name be
changed to Cassie Eileen Best.
Notice is further given that hearing
will be held on said Petition on
December 1, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
Nancy Eileen Best
Petitioner
Date: August 24, 2023
Kathy Kreag Williams
Judicial Officer
9/4/23, 9/11/23, 9/18/23
R3061

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2307-MI-6289)
IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE)
LANGDON PIERCE BARTOSIAK,)
NOTICE OF HEARING
Notice is hereby given that
Petitioner, LANGDON PIERCE
BARTOSIAK, pro se, filed a Verified
Petition for Change of Name to
change his name from LANGDON
PIERCE BARTOSIAK to MARIE
ANTOINETTE BARTOSIAK.
The petition is scheduled for hearing
in the Hamilton Circuit Court on
November 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., which
is more than thirty (30) days after
the third notice of publication. Any person
has the right to appear at the hearing
and to file written objections on or
before the hearing date. The parties
shall report to One Hamilton County
Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN
46060.
Date: July 13, 2023
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
Circuit Court
9/11/23, 9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3098

29D03-2309-EU-000431
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY)
SUPERIOR COURT)
CAUSE NO.: 29D03-2309-EU-000431)
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
ANDREA K. DOREN, DECEASED.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA In
the matter of the Estate of Andrea K.
Doren, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that on Sept.
13th, 2023 , Joseph M. B. Doren was
appointed Personal Representative
of the estate of Andrea K. Doren,
deceased, and is serving as Personal
Representative of the decedent's
estate, and is authorized to proceed
under unsupervised administration.
All persons having claims against
said estate, whether or not now due,
must file the same in said Court within
three (3) months from the date of the
first publication of this notice or said
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this
September 13th, 2023.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
Superior Court
Prepared by:
Anjali M. Stucky, *Of Counsel*
Lacy Law Office, LLC
11901 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3108

29D03-1810-EU-000421
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
SUPERIOR COURT)
CAUSE NO.: 29D03-2309-EU-000430)
IN THE MATTER OF)
THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF)
NANCY CHORBA, DECEASED.)
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION**
Notice is hereby given that Melissa
Chorba was on September 13, 2023,
appointed Personal Representative
of the UnsUPERVISED Estate of Nancy
Chorba, Deceased, who died on
January 16, 2023, and authorized to
administer said estate without
supervision.
All persons who have claims against
said estate, whether or not now due,
must file the claim in the Office of
the Clerk of this Court within three
(3) months from the date of the first
publication of this notice, or within nine
(9) months from the date of Decedent's
death, whichever is earlier, or the
claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on
September 5th, 2023.
Tammy Baitz
Clerk Hamilton Superior Court
Jeanette C. Kassebaum
Attorney
P.O. Box 221
11614 Maple Street
Fishers, IN 46038
(317) 578-4550
9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3112

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— FISHERS —

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1.1-20-5, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Hamilton Southeastern Schools has preliminarily determined to issue bonds in one or more series in the aggregate amount of approximately \$35,000,000 to fund the proposed (i) deferred maintenance throughout the School Corporation including HVAC, MEP, site, athletics, and roofing improvements; (ii) purchase of equipment including radio equipment, solar equipment, exterior equipment, furniture, and technology hardware; and (iii) purchase of school buses.
Dated: September 11, 2023
/s/ Secretary, Board of School Trustees
Hamilton Southeastern Schools
9/11/23, 9/18/23
R3091

NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that BW Construction, on behalf of Hamilton Southeastern Schools ("Owner" or "HSE"), will receive electronic bids for the following project until 2:00 p.m. (EDT) on 9/28/2023. Project: HSE High School – Chiller Replacement. Bids will be opened and read aloud virtually via Microsoft Teams at 2:10 p.m. (EDT) on 9/28/2023. A meeting link will be issued via addendum. Bids received after such time are subject to rejection. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter. Bid shall be submitted according to the Instructions to Bidders and properly executed. Bid shall be submitted via BW Construction's online public plan room (https://app.buildingconnected.com/public/5e2e30ca1e1c19001317e535). Bid shall be uploaded as a single PDF named "Bidding Company – Bid Submission – HSE Chiller Replacement." Each bid of at least \$150,000 must be accompanied by the Contractor's written plan for a program to test the contractor's employees for drugs in accordance with Indiana Code – IC 4-13-18. Each bid of at least \$200,000 or more must be accompanied by a Contractor's Bid Bond or certified check made payable to HSE Schools in an amount equal to 5% of total of the base bid and any alternate bids. If submitting certified check, the check must be delivered to BW Construction, 615 Russell Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46225 in an envelope labeled with "Bid for HSE Chiller Replacement" before the bid deadline. Each bid of at least \$200,000 or more shall include costs to furnish a Payment Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract. Upon notification to the successful bidder, no contract shall be valid until receipt of bond, if so required. The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed advised of the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for the project. A pre-bid meeting for interested parties will be held on September 13, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. EDT at the HSE High School Maintenance Building, near 13905 E. 126th St, Fishers, IN 46037. Prospective bidders shall meet outside adjacent to the maintenance building, and then a tour will follow. The architectural/engineering firm for this project is: RQAW / DCCM, 8770 North Street, Fishers, IN 46037. Hard copy and electronic PDF bidding documents may be obtained from: Eastern Engineering Supply, 9901 Allisonville Rd, Fishers, IN 46038 Phone (866) 884-4115 Fax (765) 288-8311. To order a set of plans, please contact Tamara Tinchir at the number above. Costs of documents are the responsibility of the bidder. Hamilton Southeastern Schools reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive, to the extent permitted by law, any of the terms, conditions and provisions contained in this Advertisement for Bids or the Instructions to Bidders or any informality, irregularity or omission in any bid, provided that such waiver shall, in the discretion of HSE, be to the advantage of HSE.
9/11/23, 9/18/23
R3071

— ARCADIA —

NOTICE
The Arcadia Town Council will meet in an Executive Session on September 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. located at the Arcadia Town Hall 208 W. Main Street Arcadia, IN 46030 to discuss IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B) initiation of litigation of litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specially in writing.
9/14/23, 9/18/23
R3101

— WESTFIELD —

PUBLIC NOTICE
Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m., Monday October 2, 2023, at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions:
• 2310-PUD-12; Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Indianapolis requests an amendment to the Wheeler Landing Planned Unit Development (PUD) District (Amendment no. VIII) modifying architectural standards for 1.46 acres +/- on one Lot located at 874 Virginia Rose Avenue, Westfield, IN 46074.
• 2310-PUD-10; Eugene Gorin by Church Church Hittle + Antrim requests an amendment to the Custom Commerce Park Planned Unit Development (PUD) District to permit a Specialty Auto Service and Sales Use on 5.34 acres +/- located at 17230 Foundation Parkway, Westfield, IN 46074.
• 2310-PUD-09; Haechl Group, LLC by Clark Quinn Moses Scott & Grahn, LLP requests an amendment to modify the signage standards within the Spring Mill Centre Planned Unit Development (PUD) District generally located northeast of the intersection at State Road 32 and Spring Mill Road, Westfield, IN 46074.
• 2310-PUD-11; LOR Corporation represented by Church Church Hittle + Antrim requests to rezone 34.62 acres +/- from AG-SF1: Agriculture / Single-family Rural District to the TowneRun Planned Unit Development (PUD) District generally located northwest of the intersection of Towne Road and West 146th Street, Westfield, IN
• 2310-PUD-13; Clark Quinn Moses Scott & Grahn, LLP representing Leo Brown Development, LLC requests an amendment to the Wheeler Landing Planned Unit Development (PUD) District (Amendment no. VII) modifying Area IV and Development Standards of the PUD for 20.94 acres +/- on three Lots generally located southeast of the intersection at 181st Street and Dartown Road, Westfield, IN.
Specific details regarding the requests may be obtained from the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3170.
Written suggestions or objections relative to the requests may be filed with the Secretary of the Commission at the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 at or before the hearing will be considered. Oral comments concerning the proposals will be heard at the aforementioned public hearing. In the case of a virtual meeting, written comments concerning the proposals can be provided before and during the aforementioned public hearing by emailing planners@westfield.in.gov. Such hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.
Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission
Westfield Community Development Department
2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074
www.westfield.in.gov
9/18/23
R3109

PUBLIC NOTICE
Request for Proposal/Qualifications. The Westfield Washington Public Library is requesting Statements of Proposal/Qualifications from interested parties for moving and Relocation Management Services. The WWPL invites any and all qualified parties to submit Statements of Proposal/Qualifications for the relocation of the library's collection, shelving, and select furniture and fixtures from the current location at 333 W. Hoover St. to the new Westfield Washington Public Library under construction at 17400 Westfield Blvd., Westfield, Indiana. An electronic PDF of the Statement of Proposal/Qualifications should be emailed to Sheryl Sollars, Library Director, at sollars@wwpl.lib.in.us by 4:00 pm EST on November 8, 2023 in order to be considered. Additional information and a packet outlining submittal requirements will be available at the Westfield Washington Public Library and may be requested.
9/18/23
R3114

PUBLIC NOTICE
Request for Proposal/Qualifications. The Westfield Washington Public Library is requesting Statements of Proposal/Qualifications from interested parties to operate a ~540 square foot light service Café in the Westfield Washington Public Library. The WWPL invites any and all qualified parties to submit Statements of Proposal/Qualifications for operations including financing, marketing, design, leasing, management and oversight of the Café within the new Westfield Washington Public Library under construction at 17400 Westfield Blvd., Westfield, Indiana. An electronic PDF of the Statement of Proposal/Qualifications should be emailed to Sheryl Sollars, Library Director, at sollars@wwpl.lib.in.us by 4:00 pm EST on October 11, 2023 in order to be considered. Additional information and a packet outlining submittal requirements will be available at the Westfield Washington Public Library and may be requested.
9/18/23
R3115

— COUNTY —

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY
Pursuant to IC 5-3-1-2(b) Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Council of Hamilton County, Indiana will meet Wednesday, September 6, 2023 beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom at their regular meeting place of One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Purpose of the meeting is for consideration of transfer of funds, 2023 144 amendments, reduction of funds and to consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year. The Council will hold a public hearing concerning the additional appropriations. Any person having concerns or questions concerning said appropriations shall be heard at the public hearing.
Fund 1000 (0101) County General 1000 Personnel Services 4,620
Fund 1138 (2391) Cumulative Capital Fund 4000 Capital Outlys 250,000
Fund 1171 (0792) Major Bridge Fund 4000 Capital Outlays 216,652
Fund 1175 (9513) Misdemeanant Fund 1000 Personnel 1,700
Fund 1235 (9543) PSAP LIT 3000 Other Services & Charges 8,002,698
Fund 4905 Digital Orthophotography 3000 Other Services & Charges 50,000
Fund 8952 Emergency Rental Assistance 3000 Other Services & Charges 1,220,318
9,745,988
9/18/23
R3117

**NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
OF THE DECISION TO ISSUE BONDS**
Pursuant to Indiana Code 6-1.1-20-5(a), the taxpayers of Hamilton County, Indiana (the "County"), are hereby given notice that the County Council of the County determined, at its meeting held September 6, 2023, to issue general obligation bonds of the County, in one or more series, in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 (the "Bonds"). The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to fund a number of proposed independent and separate capital expenditure and improvement projects within the County which include: (i) the County's \$5,000,000 obligation to the City of Westfield, Indiana (the "City of Westfield") arising from the City of Westfield's planned 191st Street local road system improvement project located within the County and wholly within the City of Westfield; (ii) certain land acquisitions for future improvements and expansions to County buildings and facilities, and (iii) various capital expenditures for the benefit of County departments and other capital improvements to the County's buildings and facilities, together with the costs of selling and issuing the Bonds.
The proposed Bonds will have a maximum term no later than December 31, 2033, and will bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 6.0% per annum, the exact rate or rates to be determined at the time of the sale of the Bonds. The Bonds will be payable from ad valorem property taxes levied and collected on all taxable property within the County.
Dated this 18th day of September, 2023 & 25th day of September, 2023.
AUDITOR
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3111

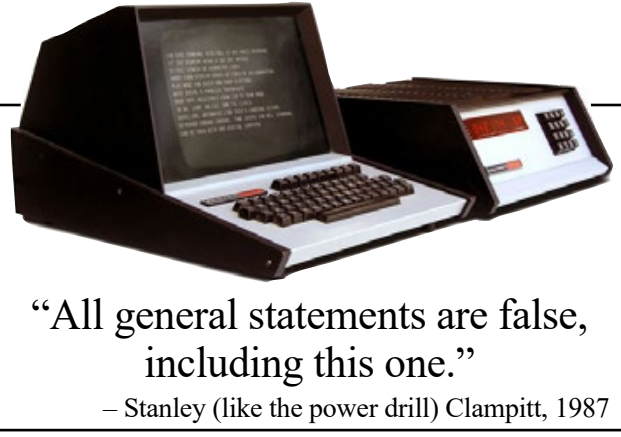
— SHERIFF SALES —

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D03-1909-MF-009119 wherein HSBK Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2004-SD1, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates was Plaintiff, and John T. Mavrikis, AKA John Mavrikis, BMO Harris Bank National Association FKA First National Bank & Trust, Thomas Mavrikis, Charleston Crossing Homeowners Association, Inc., CBS Mortgage Corporation, Unknown Occupants and Magnum Mortgage Company were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder on the **October 26, 2023**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or as soon as thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot Number One Hundred Nine (109) in Charleston Crossing, Section 5, an Addition to the Town of Fishers, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Cabinet 1, Slide 8, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known address: 7732 Colonial Circle, Fishers, IN 46038
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Township: Delaware
Parcel No./ Tax Id #: 29-14-01-112-006.000-006
J. Dustin Smith
Manley Deas Kochalski LLC
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Attorney for Plaintiff
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein
9/11/23, 9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3092

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2301-CC-000381, wherein Brookston Place Homeowners' Association, Inc. was Plaintiff, and Jermaine Baity, et al., was the Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the **26th day of October, 2023** between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
Lot No. 109 in Brookston Place, Section 3, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded July 29, 1998, as Instrument No. 9809841626 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
NOTE: This sale is subject to the lien and indebtedness due on the Mortgage to CIM Trust 2019-R2, its successors and assigns, dated April 23, 2008, and filed on May 9, 2008, as Instrument No. 2008024928, and subject to the lien and indebtedness due on the Third Mortgage to Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority, its successors and assigns, dated September 11, 2014, and filed October 9, 2014, as Instrument No. 2014045597; both with the Hamilton County Recorder's Office.
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
Gregory A. Chandler, Attorney #27057-49
EADS MURRAY & PUGH P.C.
Date: August 24, 2023
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Fall Creek
Township
Street Address: 10146 Hatherlev Way
Fishers, IN 46037
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address herein.
This is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
9/11/23, 9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3093

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D05-2202-MF-001200, wherein Eagle Accounts Group, Inc. was Plaintiff and Nancy Rowland a/k/a Nancy Carey-Rowland a/k/a Nancy Clint, Michael Rowland, Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company A/K/A M&T Bank Corporation, and Cach, LLC were Defendants; and Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company A/K/A M&T Bank Corporation was Cross/Counterclaim Plaintiff, and Judgment Assignee to Cross/Counterclaim Plaintiff is M&T Bank, and Nancy Rowland a/k/a Nancy Carey-Rowland a/k/a Nancy Clinton, Michael Rowland and Cach, LLC were Cross-Claim Defendants, and Eagle Accounts Group, Inc. was Counterclaim Defendant, and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. was Third-Party Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **26th day of October, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:
**A part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 20 North, Range 4 East located in Jackson Township, Hamilton County, Indiana being described as follows: Commencing at the Harrison marker at the Northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 20 North, Range 4 East; thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes 64 seconds East (assumed bearing) 28.79 feet to a mag nail at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 21 North, Range 4 East; thence North 89 degrees 41 minutes 23 seconds East 635.22 feet along the North line of said Northwest Quarter to a Mag naii at the Northeast corner of a 1.0 acre tract of real estate described in Instrument# 9138187 and the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 18 minutes 37 seconds East 1371.94 feet to a 5/8" iron rod with yellow cap stamped Miller Sun/cying on the North line of a 20.0 acre tract of real estate described in Instrument #200400034894; thence North 89 degrees 41 minutes 18 seconds East 690.02 feet to a 5/8" iron rod with yellow cap stamped Miller Surveying at the Northeast corner of said 20.0 acre tract of real estate, said corner being on the East line of 60.0 acres off the West end of the Northwest Quarter of Section 5, Township 20 North, Range 4 East; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 03 seconds West 1371.95 feet along the East line of said 60.0 acres to a mag nail on the North line of said Northwest Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 41 minutes 23 seconds West 697.44 feet along the North line of said Northwest Quarter to the point of beginning. Containing 21.85 acres, more or less. Subject to a 40 foot Drainage easement on the North side of the property. Also subject to the Elizabeth Wendy Drain. The above property may also be known as: Lot #1 296th Street Anthony Road Estates 29*02-05R000-001.003-008
and commonly known as: 3345 E. 296th Street, Atlanta, IN 46031.
Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # 29D05-2202-MF-001200 in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.
Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton County Sheriff
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.
41 E Washington St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Jackson
Township
3345 E. 296th Street, Atlanta, IN 46031
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
9/11/23, 9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3094**

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By Virtue of an order of sale to me delivered from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29C01-2212-MF-009649
PLAINTIFF: CENTER BANK
DEFENDANTS: ROBERT WILLIAM MILLER III AND ANNA RATTLER
I will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder on **October 26, 2023** at 10:00 AM-12:00 PM on said day, at the **HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, 18100 Cumberland Road Noblesville, IN 46060**, the fee simple title in and to the following described Real Estate in Westfield Township, Hamilton County, Indiana to wit:
Lot Numbered 28 in Ashfield, Section 1, a Subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded July 18, 2003 as Instrument Number 200300070134 and Plat Cabinet 3, Slide 211, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 4720 Beach Club Drive, Westfield, IN 46062
KEY NO.: 08-06-32-00-06-028.000
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws, and subject to all liens, encumbrances, and easements of record not otherwise extinguished.
The Sheriff's office does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.
/s/ Seth Buitendorp#23304-64
GENETOS LANE & BUITENDORP LLP
7900 BROADWAY
MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410
(219) 755-0400
Judgment: \$226,778.10 (plus interest and costs)
Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Hamilton County Sheriff
By: Beth Franklin, Sale Administrator
NOTICE:
GENETOS LANE & BUITENDORP LLP IS A DEBTOR COLLECTOR.
9/11/23, 9/18/23, 9/25/23
R3095



Girls Soccer

Southeastern coaches take the plunge

Girls team brings in nearly \$2,500 at Pink Out fundraising game

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

FISHERS – After last Wednesday night’s Hamilton Southeastern-Westfield girls soccer game finished, Royals coach Greg Davidson got a cold one.

A cold plunge, that is. Davidson and his son, Southeastern assistant coach Chayton Davidson, agreed to take a 90-second bath in a 45-degree tub from Cold Plunge Studios, a new “contrast therapy” location on 146th Street in Carmel.

Wednesday game was the Royals’ Pink Out game to honor cancer patients, and the team asked for donations during the game. If there was \$750 raised during the game, then Chayton would take the plunge. If the donations totaled over \$1,500, then head coach Greg would get into the tub.

The Southeastern team raised nearly \$2,500. Once he got out of the cold tub, Greg Davidson mentioned that there are “a lot of families that are affected by cancer in our Royal family,” and called the donations an “amazing way to show our love by financial support from our community. So, I’m really proud of the Royals tonight.”

The game between the Royals and Westfield finished in a 0-0 tie. Both

teams had opportunities throughout the game, but neither team’s defense yielded for one second.

“We’ve got an amazing defense,” said Greg Davidson. “Not just our goalie and our backline, but our team defense. We have been very stingy with giving up goals, as had Westfield. You knew that both defenses were going to be tough to get a goal in.”

“Tonight, our backline played really well,” said Shamrocks coach Hannah Eggert. “HSE has really good forwards and our backs stepped up. We also had a lot of good chances.”

Westfield is 6-0-5 this season, by far the school’s best-ever soccer start. The Shamrocks’ defense has been very strong, with senior goalkeeper Kate Pallante leading the way.

“Kate has been outstanding,” said Eggert. “She’s had a really great season. We’ve only given up two goals all season and a lot of that is credit to her and also our backline.”

Pallente has a 0.125 goals against average through Westfield’s first nine games, and believes

that confidence plays a big part in having such success – especially against the Shamrocks’ schedule, which includes the Hoosier Crossroads Conference. The ‘Rocks are 2-0-3 in HCC play.

“I think confidence is key when you’re playing in those big games,” said Pallente.

Southeastern’s goalkeepers have also been solid. Senior Hailey Wade played all 80 minutes to collect her seventh shutout of the season. Junior Addy Ash and senior Marisa Reinhard have also played several solid minutes for the Royals.

Ash said the Royals have “gotten to a point where we’re consistently getting better,” and while a tie wasn’t what they wanted, she said it was “it was a good performance by our defense.”

Southeastern is 5-0-1 in the conference and clinched the HCC title with Wednesday’s tie. The Royals are 11-1-2 overall and finishes up conference play next Wednesday at Zionsville. Westfield tied Brebeuf Jesuit 1-1 last



Reporter photo by Richie Hall
Hamilton Southeastern girls soccer coach Greg Davidson took the plunge last Wednesday night after the Royals’ game with Westfield. Southeastern raised \$2,500 during its annual Pink Out game to honor cancer patients; Davidson said he would go into the cold tub if the Royals raised \$1,500.

Saturday.

Up at Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex, Noblesville’s girls team was an HCC winner on Wednesday, beating Zionsville 2-0.

Meredith Tippner scored both of the Millers’ goals. Tippner put in the first goal in the 13th minute, then scored the second goal in the 45th minute, off an assist by Lily Ault.

The Millers won another HCC game last Saturday, beating Brownsburg 2-0. Tippner again scored both goals, getting the first score in the third minute. Tippner scored her second goal in the 32nd minute, assisted by Sydney Elliott.

The Millers are 3-1-2 in conference play and 8-1-2 overall.



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