

Heights Superintendent named IAPSS Superintendent of the Year

Dr. Derek Arrowood recognized as best among peers in District V

Whatever happened to RFK Jr.?

The REPORTER

The superintendent of Hamilton Heights School Corporation, Dr. Derek Arrowood, has been named 2024 Superintendent of the Year for District V by the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents (IAPSS).

Winners are selected by other superintendents in their district who consider the qualifications and accomplishments of area colleagues and their in-

structional leadership in a time of limited resources.

"I am humbled and honored by this recognition," Dr. Arrowood said. "It is a high honor considering the caliber and talent among my colleagues in the other District V schools."

Dr. Arrowood has been a respected leader of education



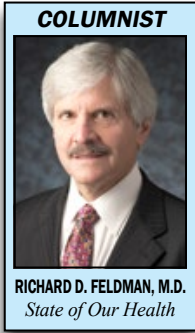
Arrowood

in Hamilton County for many years, and on a variety of levels. He has an impressive resume that touches on all aspects of leadership. Dr. Arrowood has served as superintendent at Hamilton Heights School Corporation since 2014 and is currently the longest-serving school superintendent in Hamilton County.

Located in the northeast-most part of Hamilton County, Hamilton Heights is the heart and hub of Jackson and White River townships which include the communities of Atlanta, Arcadia, and Cicero. Hamilton Heights is deeply rooted in its community with a storied history rich in tradition, community, and academic excellence more than a century strong.

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Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. was once one of the country's leading and most effective environmental lawyers. He was known as an extremely intelligent, charismatic, and politically astute individual who challenged the fossil fuel industry. Tough, determined, dedicated, and persistent in his litigation, his work was grounded in evidence-based science.



COLUMNIST

RICHARD D. FELDMAN, M.D.

State of Our Health

Since 2005, he has promoted conspiracy theories, falsehoods, pseudoscience, and disinformation. He is now the most prominent face of the anti-vaccine movement, leading the anti-vaccine group, the Children's Health Defense (banned from Facebook and Instagram).

America is waist deep in the "post-truth era," rife with anti-science, baseless beliefs, and propaganda of which I have previously written. Evidenced-based scientific views are replaced with pseudoscience or unproven or misleading assessments. Often these dangerous fabricated ideas are promulgated for personal or political advantage. To Kennedy's credit, the Kennedy family (although rebuking his claims) and others close to him trust that he is sincere in his beliefs with the best intentions of protecting the common good.

Sheridan Youth Assistance receives \$350,000 Lilly Endowment grant

The REPORTER

Sheridan Youth Assistance, Inc. has received a grant of \$350,700 from Lilly Endowment Inc. to help establish Blackhawks Building Bridges.

The program is being funded through Lilly Endowment's initiative, Strengthening Youth Programs in Indiana. The aim of the competitive initiative is to help youth-serving organizations working throughout Indiana improve their abilities to



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promote the academic, physical, and social well-being of young people, ages 5 through 18.

This grant will fund programs that directly impact the significant needs of at-risk youth in the Sheridan community. Blackhawks

Building Bridges includes two essential programming elements for youth success, which are tutoring and mentoring. Tutoring will take place at all three Sheridan schools Monday through Thursday, and transportation will

be provided. The mentoring program will include evidence-based practices for mentor selection, training for the Sheridan community, and peer mentoring.

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Noblesville & Zionsville Lions conduct vision acuity testing at Hazel Dell Elementary



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club / Jake Doll

On Monday, the Noblesville and Zionsville Lions conducted vision acuity testing at Hazel Dell Elementary School in Noblesville. This is testing required by the State of Indiana and saves time for school nurses. Any discrepancies noted in the students' vision are passed along to the parents. This is a Lions Club effort at schools in Noblesville and is chaired by Noblesville Lion Steve Shaw. (Above, from left) Lions Dan Dumbauld, Terry Lee Dawson, Lee Ann Balta, Josh Kozicki, Chery Helton, Walt Scheid, Vicki Neddenriep, and Steve Shaw.



Nickel Plate Arts unveils rebrand as Noblesville Creates

The REPORTER

Nickel Plate Arts introduces Noblesville Creates as its new name and brand.

Nickel Plate Arts Director Ailithir McGill announced the rebranding alongside Rachael Coverdale, Nickel Plate Arts board member and President of Coverdale Consulting, at the annual gala earlier this month.

McGill emphasized how the rebranding is an exciting step as the organization has worked to establish a clear and enduring identity, prompted by the overall goals and visions for its future.

"There are many things in this region that have the words 'Nickel Plate' in them, and many of them have led our guests to show up in the wrong location looking for our programs," McGill said. "Our new brand, Noblesville Creates, truly embraces all art forms and arts partnerships while also highlighting the City of Noblesville, which has

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McGill

Hamilton County Community Band schedules two concerts

Submitted by Brian Wuerch

Fall is upon us, and that means that the Hamilton County Community Band is preparing for its annual fall concert scheduled for 7 p.m. on Oct. 8 at the Noblesville High School Auditorium. The concert is free to the public and will feature some spooky favorites including selections from *The Wizard of Oz* and *The Phantom of The Opera*.

"The fall concert is definitely my favorite event because it allows the band to get back into

some more challenging pieces after a lighter summer season," said Brian Swart, lead director and founding member of the band. "We love to raise the bar a bit for our fall and winter seasons."

Additional selections for the concert include: "Shadow Waltzes" by composer Brian Balmages, Jason K. Nitsch's "Coffin Races," "Ammerland" by Jacob de Haan, and some sure-to-please spooky movie medleys.



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Over 80 volunteers came together to form the Hamilton County Community Band in 2018.

ARROWOOD

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This premier early childhood through grade 12 education institution has earned a respected reputation for its robust curriculum, student engagement, exceptional educators, and staff, abundant extracurricular, enrichment and social activities, diverse career pathways, award-winning performing arts, and athletic opportunities and countless stories of secondary success. The district serves 2,242 students in three buildings.

Dr. Arrowood notes that “people over paper clips” is a statement often heard when making financial decisions. “The more efficiently we spend our allotted funds on things like paper clips, the more money we can push toward our most important instructional tool: our people,” he said.

As an example, the district dug its own well and built its own solar field. The money the district was spending on water and electric bills is now being spent

on classroom structures that impact students.

A partnership with the Central Indiana Education Services Center (CIESC) has allowed the district to add a third counselor at Hamilton Heights High School and expand training for its counselor team. It is also participating in the Ford Next Generation Learning (NGL) program.

Dr. Arrowood, a 1986 graduate of Hamilton Heights High School, earned his Bachelor of Arts and Ph.D. degrees from Purdue University and his Master of Science in Education from Indiana University.

District V includes schools in Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Marion, and Shelby counties. One of the eight district winners will be named Indiana Superintendent of the Year for 2024 and will represent Indiana in the American Association of School Administrators National Superintendent of the Year program.

RFK JR.

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Incredibly, a significant proportion of Americans are gullible enough to embrace outrageous falsehoods. Post-truth public discourse is increasingly driven by what people want or expediently claim to be true rather than what is verifiably true.

History teaches us that troubled, unstable, and uncertain times are fertile ground not only for disinformation but also for bigotry, intolerance, and extremism. Kennedy has made some disturbing comments in these regards. Be careful Bobby.

Is Kennedy another victim of the post-truth era or a purveyor of anti-science and conspiracy theories?

He claims that a specific type of mercury (thimerosal) contained in vaccines, virtually eliminated in 2001, is related to childhood autism even though the prevalence of autism has since in-

creased. Even Rolling Stone retracted Kennedy’s 2005 article on the dangers of mercury-containing vaccines.

He claims that Dr. Anthony Fauci and Bill Gates were in a profiteering conspiracy with the COVID vaccine industry. He purports that vaccine mandates and pandemic mitigation efforts were comparable to Hitler’s Holocaust. He alleges that COVID vaccines are too dangerous to receive and alternatively touts treatments with ivermectin and hydroxychloroquine. Kennedy denies that he is anti-vaccine (once asserting being anti-unsafe vaccine) even though his comments and actions are extensively documented.

These positions have been soundly debunked as baseless or overwhelmingly determined as invalid by high-quality scientific studies. His claims are based on

pseudoscience, manipulated data, or misleadingly interpreted data. Some studies have been retracted by the very publications in which they appeared.

Kennedy’s departure from evidence-based science to garbage science and unfounded conspiracy theories is difficult to understand. He selectively ignores good science and relies on dubious unscientific reports to support his positions. Perhaps Kennedy’s views and suspiciousness were shaped by his environmental work confronting unscrupulous fossil-fuel companies that provided biased “scientific” studies while industry-influenced regulatory agencies did nothing. But his extrapolation to other issues is not justified. His judgements are those of a litigator, not a scientist.

Kennedy is now a presidential candidate. His

rhetoric is dangerous, especially since he’s from a renowned family which gives him enormous credibility. Kennedy was considered by then President Trump to lead a “vaccine panel” to study vaccine safety and industry integrity. Fortunately, it never happened.

Kennedy is a purveyor of fringe science that extends outrageously beyond vaccine-related issues. But I consider him mostly a victim of the post-truth era. He and a good portion of the American public distrust scientific institutions, powerful corporations, and government while being enamored by demagogues and conspiracy hucksters.

Richard D. Feldman, M.D. is an Indianapolis family physician and former Indiana State Health Commissioner who served in the administration of Governor Frank O'Bannon.

YOUTH

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Sheridan Youth Assistance President Jason Ells expressed appreciation to Lilly Endowment: “We are grateful to be able to continue this important work for at-risk youth in Sheridan,” he said. “Lilly Endowment’s investment in Sheridan is an investment in our youth and whole community.”

Sheridan Youth Assistance is one of 187 organizations receiving grants through Strengthening Youth Programs in Indiana.

“Indiana’s youth-serving organizations are crucial to the healthy development of children and youth across the state,” said Ted Maple, Lilly Endowment’s vice president for education. “The challenges these organizations have faced in meeting the needs of young people in recent years have made their work increasingly difficult. Lilly Endowment is pleased to support their efforts to strengthen programs and serve more

youth more effectively.”

Lilly Endowment launched Strengthening Youth Programs in Indiana Initiative in 2022 with an invitational round of grants to nine national youth-serving organizations to help them expand and enhance the work of their Indiana affiliates or chapters.

About Lilly Endowment Inc.

Lilly Endowment Inc. is a private foundation created in 1937 by J.K. Lilly Sr. and his sons Eli and J.K.

Jr. through gifts of stock in their pharmaceutical business, Eli Lilly and Company. While those gifts remain the financial bedrock of the Endowment, it is a separate entity from the company, with a distinct governing board, staff, and location. Although the Endowment funds programs throughout the United States, especially in the field of religion, it maintains a special commitment to its hometown, Indianapolis, and home state, Indiana.

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been and continues to be our largest supporter and a haven for artists for decades.”

The brand also reflects the important partnership with the City of Noblesville. The city has prioritized artists as cornerstones of the

community, creating an environment in which artists can thrive.

“Our understanding of what the arts community wants and needs has changed, and it’s time for Nickel Plate Arts to change,

too,” McGill said. “I’m looking forward to the opportunities the future will bring.”

Noblesville Creates (Nickel Plate Arts) will continue to be the regional arts partner for the Indiana

Arts Commission, ensuring that they continue to serve the entire central Indiana region.

The organization expects the new brand to roll out and be fully implemented by the first quarter of 2024.

BAND

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The Hamilton County Community Band (HCCB), with over 80 volunteer members, was formed on Feb. 25, 2018, with a meeting between current director, Brian Swart along with Eric Thornbury, and Marc Feehey. These three men saw a need for a true community concert band in Hamilton County.

“Our mission is to have a “FUN” atmosphere that is inviting to all musicians,” Swart said. HCCB performs multiple concerts in and around the Hamilton County area. Rehearsals are held weekly on Sunday evenings at Noblesville High School.

In addition to the Oct. 8 performance, the band will also team up with the Ham-

ilton Heights concert band on Oct. 22 at the Hamilton Heights High School. This concert will begin at 4 p.m. and will feature the Hamilton Heights bands and a combined performance with the Hamilton County Community Band.

Please consider supporting this community endeavor at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 8 in the Noblesville High School Auditorium, and at 4 p.m. on Oct. 22 at Hamilton Heights High School. Bring the family and grandkids and kick off the Indiana fall season. At the Oct. 8 concert, a free will offering will be collected to help with the purchase of new music and equipment.

HCCB also welcomes



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Conductor Brian Swart was among the founding members of the Hamilton County Community Band.

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FISHERS & HAMILTON COUNTY: A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

All through October!

Collaboration Hub, Hamilton County Community Foundation, Fishers | FREE

In this exhibit, Fishers Arts Council partners with the Fishers Historical Society and area authors and artists to share images, artwork and literature that highlight the history of small towns in Hamilton County, with an emphasis on Fishers. Additional items, period photographs, and speakers will be present for our Second Friday Reception on October 13, so be sure to join us then! Open all through October, with a **FREE special reception October 13, 6-8 p.m.**

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September 30 - October 13

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TASTE OF HISTORY: BLIND TIGER BOOTLEGGERS

October 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Hamilton East Public Library - Fishers, Municipal Drive, Fishers | **FREE**

At the turn of the 20th century, prohibition was gaining traction across the United States. Join the staff of Hamilton East Public Library's Indiana Room as they explore teetotalers and bootleggers from Hamilton

County during the early 1900s. Find out who drove the political forces in Indiana to promote temperance across the state. Take a tippie from a Fishers brewery as you discover how local Hamilton County bootleggers operated outside of the system with their "blind tiger" establishments. **Sign up on the library's website: hepl.in.us.**



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BICENTENNIAL BASH | December 3, 1-5 p.m.

Ivy Tech Hamilton County - 300 N. 17th St., Noblesville | **FREE**

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To register for tickets after October 1st, visit: HamCoTurns200.com

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Franciscan Health Carmel to hold flu shot clinic

The REPORTER

In preparation for flu season, Franciscan Health is will offer a drive-thru flu shot clinic at its Carmel facility.

The clinic will be open from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30 at Franciscan Health Carmel, 12188-B N. Meridian St., underneath the awning in front of the hospital.

Patients aged 6 months and older can receive the flu vaccinations. Patients aged 5 years and older can receive the COVID (Pfizer) vaccine. Available vaccines include COVID as eligible, shingles,

pneumonia, and flu, with high-dose, egg-free, flu mist, and quadrivalent options.

Those attending the drive-thru clinics are asked to dress appropriately to receive their vaccine, bring their insurance card and be prepared to complete paperwork. Those with no insurance or self-pay will be charged \$40 by cash, check, or debit card. If requesting the COVID vaccine, bring proof of vaccination. Other charges could apply.

For more information, call the Franciscan Health Immunization Department at (317) 528-6374.

Fight national blood shortage: make a Red Cross donation appointment now

The REPORTER

The American Red Cross continues to experience a national blood shortage and asks the public to book a time to give as soon as possible. Donors of all blood types are urgently needed, especially type O blood donors.

The Red Cross offers three ways to make a donation appointment that can help save lives:

- Download the [Red Cross Blood Donor App](#)
- Visit [RedCrossBlood.org](#)
- Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

The Red Cross experienced a significant blood donation shortfall in August,

contributing to the current blood shortage. **To ensure the blood supply recovers, the Red Cross must collect 10,000 additional blood products each week over the next month to meet hospital and patient needs.**

“When blood supplies drop to critical levels, it makes hospitals and the patients they are treating vulnerable – especially if there is a major accident or emergency medical procedure that requires large quantities of blood during a disaster,” said Dr. Baia Lasky, medical director for the Red Cross. “A single car accident victim can use as much as 100 units of blood. By making and keeping donation appointments, donors can help keep hospital shelves stocked with blood products and ensure patients have access to the timely care they deserve.”

As a thank you, those who come to give between Oct. 1 and 20 will receive a \$15 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. Details are available at [RedCrossBlood.org/Together](#).

Unique challenges to blood supply

In late summer, the Red Cross national blood supply dropped by about 25 percent on the heels of one of the busiest travel seasons and the beginning of back-to-school activities. As people settle back into fall school and work routines, a unique challenge to the blood supply remains – many employees continue to work from home or in a hybrid

Donate blood in Hamilton County
Sept. 28, noon to 5 p.m.: Harley-Davidson of Indianapolis, 12400 Reynolds Drive, Fishers
Oct. 5, 2 to 6 p.m.: IU Health Saxony Hospital, 13100 E. 136th St., Fishers
Oct. 13, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: IU Health North Hospital, 11700 N. Meridian St., Carmel
Oct. 17, 1 to 6 p.m.: Billerica Park Multi-Purpose Community Building, 12690 Promise Road, Fishers



ALERT: BLOOD SHORTAGE

Graphic provided by American Red Cross

capacity, reducing the number of opportunities to give blood at business-sponsored blood drives.

In fact, before the COVID-19 pandemic, more than 800,000 blood donations were made at blood drives hosted by businesses. Last year, the Red Cross saw only about 500,000 blood donations at these locations – a nearly 40-percent drop from pre-pandemic levels.

This, coupled with an active disaster season, is creating a perfect “storm” and challenging the organization’s ability to collect a sufficient amount of blood products to meet the needs of hospitals across the country.

The Red Cross provides community blood drives and donation centers across the Indiana Region. Those who may have previously given at a local business blood drive are encouraged to book a time to give at one of these locations by

downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](#), or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

How to donate blood

To make an appointment, simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](#), call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. A blood donor card or driver’s license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.



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New Earth Festival success

Submitted by
JENNIFER FARLEY
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The 50th anniversary of the Atlanta New Earth festival went very well. The weather was beautiful, and record crowds visited, with Saturday being the biggest day. The town added a Saturday evening concert and a Duke Energy-sponsored fireworks show to celebrate the 50th anniversary.

The fireworks could be seen throughout the town and the surrounding area. Nickel Plate Express provided rides between Hobbs Station in Noblesville and Atlanta, and they were sold out. Festival vendors were pleased and are eager to run return next year. Visitors enjoyed entertainment from talented musicians all weekend long on the Mark Heirbrandt Stage while resting in one of

the hospitality tents. Children enjoyed the free Kids Zone as well. All of this would not be possible without the support of sponsors this year, the number of which was as a record. Sponsors were well-recognized throughout the festival. Thank you to everyone who came to Atlanta, and we look forward to next year's New Earth Festival!

Editor's note: Farley told

The Reporter a festival like this could never happen without all their wonderful sponsors, all of whom were listed on clear signage at the festival itself, on the information flier handed out at the festival, on the Town of Atlanta's Facebook page, and in various media outlets including this newspaper; on Hamilton County Television webcasts, and on radio stations WFMS and WWKI.

Old travel to a new festival

Nothing reminds me more of where I grew up than the sound of a train horn. Of course, the trains often ran at night and through the early morning, meaning I would wake up to the call of the metal beasts regularly. While my teenage self dreaded hearing the horns, I do remember a different train ride that was a very special memory.

The South Shore Line is a commuter train in northwestern part of the state that takes passengers from South Bend to Chicago. The second stop headed west is Hudson Lake. I remember the excitement of getting on and taking the ride – partially because of my anticipation to see the fish at Shedd Aquarium. Besides riding on a school bus, this was my first real foray with public transit. Another experience was that of the Marshall County Blueberry Festival in Plymouth, Ind. While the festival is more of an agricultural and vendor-focused event, the hot ticket item was always the blueberry donuts, deep fried in vats of lard. Occasionally, some people would wait in line for well over an hour just to buy half a dozen. These memories aren't Hamilton County experiences. However, I was able to combine these childhood accounts thanks to the Nickel Plate Express and the Town of Atlanta.

Taking a train ride to the Atlanta New Earth Festival was a fantastic change of pace. The New Earth Festival turned a small town into a shoppers' paradise. I found it hard to believe that there would be so many vendors lining the streets.

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Rotary Club of Carmel kicks off OLD & NEW

Leadership Connection 2023

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The REPORTER

The Rotary Club of Carmel kicked off Leadership Connection 2023 with a day of service held at the Carmel Clay Public Library.

On Sept. 14, Leadership Connection welcomed 100 students from Carmel High School, Christel House Watanabe Manual High School, and Pro/Act Indy who all were fully invested in a day of leadership training and related activities led by Chairman Tim Flint, Vice Chairman Louise Jackson, and Pro/Act Indy Founder Derrin Slack.

Chick-fil-A, the official food sponsor, fed the 170 students, advisors, and Rotary volunteers in attendance.

The second part of Leadership Connection will be held on Friday, Oct. 27 at OneAmerica, Indianapolis (the Leadership Connection Event Sponsor). The educational component is underwritten by Indiana University Indianapolis. For that event, Leadership Connection expects to host 160 students.

Among the numerous community leaders on hand for student presentations and leadership discussions will be Jimmie McMillian, Senior Corporate Counsel for IndyCar and Indianapolis Motor Speedway; Dr. Demetra Andrews, Kelley School of Business; Stephon Tuitt, Notre Dame All-American and former Pittsburgh Steeler; Chris Jensen, Mayor of Noblesville; and Danny Portee, President and CEO of Professional Management Enterprises and Portee Leadership Connection Scholarships donor.

Leadership Connection launched in 2021 from a unique partnership between the Carmel Rotary and community and civic partners, including the Carmel Fire Department, Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation, Carmel Clay Schools, the Hamilton County Leadership Academy, iTeam, ProAct Indy, the Carmel Mayor's Student Advisory Council, and Christel House Watanabe Manual High School.

The vision is to devel-



A total of 100 students from Hamilton and Marion counties attended the Rotary Club of Carmel's first round of this year's Leadership Connection.

op a forum for local high school students to engage with distinguished professionals from both the private and public sectors, allowing students to build professional and personal leadership skills while providing members of our community the

opportunity to impact the next generation positively. The mission is to connect today's leaders to ignite future leaders in building a stronger community.

Click here to find out more about Leadership Connection.



A train ride to a small-town festival made Hayden Parsons feel right at home in Hamilton County.

It was not only the number of vendors that shocked me, but the sheer number of people. The streets were packed with persons from every walk of life – from the nuclear families to the cosplayers. Although, I did find it particularly funny when a couple people from the group dressed as Nordic warriors – who were banging their drum, marching in formation – broke off from the group to stop by a boba tea trailer which caused the whole group to stop and turn around for their comrades. I don't blame them though. It was probably sweltering in that costume and helmet on a sunny 80-something degree day!

The live music was a great addition as well. It seemed to bring people of all age groups together. Both the elderly and the young were clapping and dancing in front of the stage as the band played. It's not often you see a group of ladies

having fun dancing together with an age difference of 60 years.

The kid in me loved the sights, sounds, and smells of the festival. The adult in me liked not having to worry about parking thanks to the train ride.

It's always great to see that there are events that keep a community thriving, even if it is just once a year. I hope that this local tradition continues to make its mark for years to come. Then, maybe when I am 80 years old, I'll be dancing by the stage in Atlanta, Ind.

Hayden C. T. Parsons is the newest associate at Adler Attorneys in Noblesville.



Scott Rudd, Indiana's first Director of Broadband Opportunities, endorses Suzanne Crouch for Governor

Submitted

Scott Rudd, who served as Indiana's first Director of Broadband Opportunities from 2018 to 2021 and established the Indiana Broadband Office, has formally endorsed Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch in her bid for the Governor's office.

During his tenure, Rudd held a pivotal position within Lt. Gov. Crouch's Cabinet, collaborating closely on the development and implementation of Indiana's first broadband strategy.

"I've witnessed first-

hand Suzanne's fierce advocacy for local rural issues like broadband, mental health, and housing," Rudd said. "Each time, she made the right call in difficult situations, with Hoosiers at the top of her mind. This is why Suzanne has my full endorsement for Governor of Indiana."

Working alongside Lt. Gov. Crouch, Rudd played a key role in the \$350 mil-



Crouch

lion Next Level Connections broadband grant program, while also spearheading the state's Broadband Ready Community designation program. Additionally, he facilitated broadband investment deals exceeding \$500 million. Together, Rudd and Lt. Gov. Crouch's partnership was instrumental in helping farmers, agricultural businesses, and rural commu-

nities secure reliable and affordable high-speed Internet access.

In his current capacity as CEO of Rudd Consulting, a broadband consulting firm with a national reach, Rudd continues his mission to ensure connectivity for all Americans. Concurrently, he serves as a Brown County Councilman at large, furthering his commitment to the betterment of local communities.

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IRT's *Frankenstein* tells two tales of creation

By **VERONIQUE DUPREY**
A Seat on the Aisle

I had the pleasure of attending opening night of the first production of Indiana Repertory Theatre's 51st season, Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, adapted by David Catlin.

Though most everyone knows the classic tale of the man and his creation, this adaptation tells the tale through a story-within-a-story lens, from a night when Mary Shelley (then Godwin) comes up with the story in response to a dare, shared among her soon-to-be husband, Percy Bysshe Shelley, her step-sister Claire, and friends Lord Byron and Dr. Polidori, as they are gathered in a villa in Switzerland. All are eager to participate in enacting the story as it is being breathed into existence – a clever second-level of creation which we witness.

As always from IRT, the set and period costumes are a delight to behold, from the minds of Carey Wong and Devon Painter. Additional stage features set the eerie mood quite cleverly, thanks

to designs by Melanie Chen Cole (sound – plus some original music), Michael Klaers (lights), and Miko Simmons (projections). Director Risa Brainin has flawlessly executed a wonderful vision for this show.

The small cast is nothing short of phenomenal, taking on the roles of the famous friends as well as the characters in the *Frankenstein* story – stepping in and out of one or the other at the drop of a hat – or a cape, as the case may be. The storytelling technique is fascinating, as a character may wonder aloud at this plotline, or that decision, and a discussion may ensue showing that the author's story is much more personal than at first glance. Do not be concerned, however; the "workshopping" is minimal and the story flows quite nicely.

Rebecca Marie Hurd strikes perfect notes as a fierce author, a woman yearning, grieving, and loving, an ingenue, and mother figure, in an all-encompassing role.

Ty Fanning starts out as a rather pompous Shelley but shows us real growth in



Photos by Zach Rosing
(Top) Ty Fanning as Victor Frankenstein. (Above, from left) Rebecca Marie Hurd as Mary Godwin, Andrea San Miguel as Claire Clairmont, and Nate Santana as Lord Byron.

this single evening, while his Victor Frankenstein, in the pursuit of creating life, misses much of life itself, and we feel his pain in the end. I wish the script

had given us the chance to understand better why he abruptly decides to reject his creature; it seems a bit superficial, as if it was simply ... un-pretty.

Nate Santana is perfectly adequate in the persona of Lord Byron, but is truly exceptional as The Creature. Discovering life as a fully grown "man," he shows us how each new emotion is learned, and how the pain of being rejected affects him; he becomes, indeed, more human than his creator. The only flaw I could see was that he was not monstrous enough to warrant the reactions of horror from everyone else.

Andrea San Miguel, who was delightful as the French maid in last season's *Clue*, handles a myriad of roles with aplomb and great comedic timing. I hope she continues to return to the IRT.

Finally, Terry Bell gives us several versions of a sweet and kind friend, and would that we all had such a friend, or better yet, could be such a friend.

Bottom line: You may think you know the story of *Frankenstein*, but this is a refreshing take with a fantastic cast, which offers two stories for the price of one! This thoughtful drama, touching the important question of what is one's responsibility to one's creation, is not to be missed. Highly recommended.

Frankenstein runs through Oct. 14 – perfect fare for spooky season. Ticket information is available at irtlive.com or by calling (317) 635-5252.

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



Photo provided by Wes Hauser
This photo was taken on Sept. 2 in Westfield while looking high in the northwestern sky. The view was perfect, and the satellites could be seen for a few minutes as they raced southeast into higher orbit.

Starlink satellites may be visible over Hamilton County tonight

The REPORTER

Be sure to look to the sky tonight. Starlink will launch more satellites and starting at approximately 8:42 p.m. you'll be able to see them if the skies are clear. Look for a string of lights moving across the sky from west to southeast.

It's worth noting that all times are approximate. This is because the orbit of the satellites can change which disrupts the exact timing. Visit FindStarlink.com for times they will be visible at your location.

Cloud coverage across

central Indiana will be more prevalent this evening, but you never know. Wednesday night's pass of Starlink will achieve a maximum height of 63 degrees. If somehow some breaks in the clouds work in, then this would be the most visible pass.

Starlink is operated by SpaceX. It is a constellation of low Earth satellites used to bring internet to consumers around the globe. Starlink satellites can only be seen on their way up into orbit after they launch.

The full launch schedule can be viewed here.

Community First Bank offering new resources to navigate student loan debt

The REPORTER

Community First Bank of Indiana has partnered with INvestEd, a nonprofit that serving Hoosiers for over 40 years. INvestEd offers private student loan products with competitive rates and various repayment options.

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Michael Feinstein and Amy Grant perform a duet during the Center Celebration 2023, which took place last Saturday at the Palladium to benefit the Center for the Performing Arts.

Center Celebration 2023 raises more than \$585,000

Annual gala features performances by Amy Grant & Michael Feinstein

The REPORTER

Highlighted by a headlining set from singer-songwriter Amy Grant, last Saturday's annual Center Celebration 2023 presented by Ice Miller generated more than \$585,000 to support the mission of the Center for the Performing Arts.

The Palladium concert hall was transformed into an elegant ballroom for the occasion, which drew guests including Gov. Eric Holcomb and First Lady Janet Holcomb. After the First Merchants Bank Red Carpet Arrival and Cocktail Reception, attendees were seated for dinner and welcomed with a brief performance by Michael Feinstein, the Center's artistic director. The post-dinner live auction featured five packages including luxury getaways and NFL experiences.

All told, including proceeds from table reservations, partnerships, direct donations and a raffle, the event raised \$585,199 in support of the Center's arts and educational programming, which includes mainstage performances by national and international artists, children's concerts and camps, vocal and instrumental music classes, visiting speakers, and reading clubs.

"We receive such wonderful ongoing support from our patrons, donors and corporate partners, but it's especially gratifying to bring them all together once a year to celebrate and advance our mission," Center President/CEO Jeffrey C. McDermott said. "The Center is truly an institution sustained by and for the community."

After an intermission, Grant and her seven-piece band took to the stage for an hourlong headlining set that drew a standing ovation, after which Grant and Feinstein returned for a duet of the George and Ira Gershwin standard "They Can't Take That Away from Me." The three after-parties featured live music by local acts Soul Street, Touch of Grass, and pianist Eric Baker.

In addition to Ice Miller and First Merchants Bank, partners supporting the event included Current Publishing, Meridian Plastic Surgeons, Bentley Indianapolis, Shiel Sexton, Studio M Architecture and Planning, NFP, Caroline and Michael Garvey, Anheuser-Busch, E&J Gallo Winery, St. Elmo Cocktails, Importin' Joe's Ethiopian Coffee, 1933 Lounge, Moyer Fine Jewelers, Oberer's Flowers, and Upland Brewing.

This year's Gala Committee was co-chaired by Carmel residents Jeff and Shari Worrell and Adam Arceneaux. Co-chairs for next year's event will be Arceneaux and Caroline and Michael Garvey of Carmel.

About the Center for the Performing Arts

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

The Center presents and hosts hundreds of events each year, including the Center Presents performance series, featuring the best in classical, jazz, pop, rock, country, comedy and other genres. Educational and experiential programming for all ages includes children's concerts and camps, book clubs, lectures, and music classes. The Center is home to the affiliated Great American Songbook Foundation and provides space and support services for six resident arts companies.

More information is available at **TheCenterPresents.org**.

Bank of America opens new financial center in Carmel

The REPORTER

Bank of America announced on Tuesday the opening of a new financial center in Carmel. The opening of this center, located at 11530 Illinois St., further represents Bank of America's mission to bring retail banking, lending, and small business services to local clients, along with investing and personalized financial guidance from Merrill.

This opening is part of the **company's plans** to open more than 55 new financial centers across 34 markets in 2023.

Bank of America opened the first financial center in Indianapolis in November 2017, and has since expanded to a total of 19 centers with plans to open three more by 2025.

"Investing in digital capabilities and financial centers to reach more clients helps meet their evolving needs," said Andy Crask, President, Bank of America Indianapolis. "By expanding our presence in Indianapolis, we are able to better serve clients, and help drive local community growth and development."

Clients in Indianapolis



Photo provided

The new Bank of America location is at 11530 Illinois St., Carmel.

also have access to Bank of America's industry-leading digital capabilities. The bank's digital leadership were recognized with more than 120 digital-related accolades in 2022.

The company's new financial center in Carmel showcases the latest technology and private offices to assist clients one-on-one and on-site financial specialists who work as one team to understand a client's unique

priorities and goals and provide personalized guidance.

Bank of America plans to open three additional financial centers in the Indianapolis market including a center at Washington Street and Mitthoeffer Road on the city's east side, the bank's first financial center in Avon, Ind., and a second financial center in Carmel. Bank of America currently serves clients through 19 financial centers and 72

ATMs in Indianapolis and has more than 280 local employees.

Since 2018, Bank of America has invested nearly \$6.6 million in Indianapolis through grants to local nonprofits, employee matching gifts, sponsorships, and other investments. Employees have volunteered 18,000 hours over the last five years.

Learn more at [Bank-OfAmerica.com](https://www.bankofamerica.com).

Brainard's final Carmel State of the City address set for Dec. 4

The REPORTER

OneZone Chamber has announced that tickets are now available for Mayor Jim Brainard's final State of the City on Monday, Dec. 4.

This evening event will be held at The Palladium at 5 p.m. Tickets start at \$40. All tickets must be purchased through The Center for the Performing Arts. If

you are interested in reserving a box, those are available by email jack@onezonecommerce.com.

"We are excited to have the community join us in thanking Mayor Brainard for his years of service to the City of Carmel," One-



Brainard

Zone President & CEO Jack Russell said. "There are countless stories and memories that we are excited to have those in attendance hear. Many of which have made an impact from our city to places across the world." This event will be look-

ing back at Mayor Brainard's time in office. Enjoy stories about how Carmel became one of the greatest cities across the country and the mayor who led its incredible transformation. Special thank you to the City of Carmel, The Center for the Performing Arts, and Christkindlmarkt for their contributions to this event.



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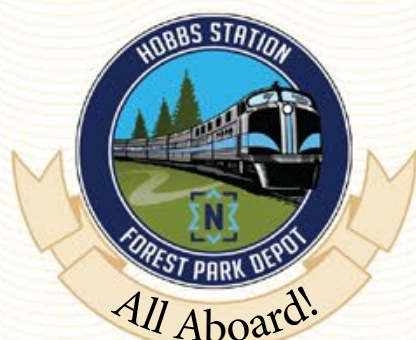
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John Steven “Steve” Cottom
December 12, 1954 – September 25, 2023

John Steven “Steve” Cottom, 68, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, September 25, 2023, at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. He was born on December 12, 1954, to Eddie and Virginia (Jewell) Cottom in Terre Haute, Ind.

Steve owned File Control Systems and, after retirement, he enjoyed working in sales for IKEA. He loved to cook and feed people. Steve’s special dishes included recipes from his mom growing up. He made the best lasagna, ribs, chili, and vegetables, and always included Oksana’s favorite green bean casserole. Steve’s banana bread was delicious, and his fudge was so smooth. He loved working outside on his home and took so much pride in his yard, being sure that his grass was greener than any of his neighbors’. Steve enjoyed spending time in his garden and loved decorating for Christmas. He loved traveling with his wife and going on cruises. Most of all, Steve greatly loved his family.

He is survived by his wife of 15 years, Oksana Cottom; son, John Steven Cottom II; daughters, Alexandra Jennifer Cottom and Anastasia Moore; five grandchildren, Annalyssa, Audrina, Ella Grace, Brayli, and Kaseun; sisters, Julie Kesterson and Mary Krammes; and his nieces and nephews, Amanda, Emily, Kara, Joey, Chelsea, Evan, Sophie, and Gracie.

In addition to his parents, Steve was preceded in death by his son, Sasha Cottom, in 2013.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, September 29, 2023, at the funeral home, with Rev. Stanley R. Sutton officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent Foundation, 8402 Harcourt Road, Suite 210, Indianapolis, IN 46260; or St. Vincent Hospice, 8450 N. Payne Road, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46268 (give.stvincent.org).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Meeting Notices	
The Adams Township Board will meet to discuss bids for community meeting, snow removal bids, and reorganization at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, at the Adams Township Trustee’s Office, 201 S. Main St., Sheridan.	Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5(a) The Hamilton County Safety Committee will meet to discuss occupational safety topics at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, at the Hamilton County Highway Department, 1700 S. 10th St., Noblesville.
TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly joint Budget and Finance Committee and Board of Trustees meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.	TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly Joint Capital and Construction and Board of Trustees meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 2, 2023, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.

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TODAY’S BIBLE READING

ABRAHAM AND ABIMELEK

Now Abraham moved on from there into the region of the Negev and lived between Kadesh and Shur. For a while he stayed in Gerar, and there Abraham said of his wife Sarah, “She is my sister.” Then Abimelek king of Gerar sent for Sarah and took her.

But God came to Abimelek in a dream one night and said to him, “You are as good as dead because of the woman you have taken; she is a married woman.”

Now Abimelek had not gone near her, so he said, “Lord, will you destroy an innocent nation? Did he not say to me, ‘She is my sister,’ and didn’t she also say, ‘He is my brother’? I have done this with a clear conscience and clean hands.”

Then God said to him in the dream, “Yes, I know you did this with a clear conscience, and so I have kept you from sinning against me. That is why I did not let you touch her. Now return the man’s wife, for he is a prophet, and he will pray for you and you will live. But if you do not return her, you may be sure that you and all who belong to you will die.”

Genesis 20:1-7 (NIV)

William S. Rich

October 7, 1941 – September 25, 2023

William S. Rich, 81, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, September 25, 2023, at his home. He was born on October 7, 1941, to Arthur and Modeena (Honnald) Rich in Westfield.

William worked in the warehouse for McMahon Foods/Kraft. He loved woodworking, especially clock making. William enjoyed watching the Colts and Pacers, and hunting for bargains at Strawtown.

He is survived by his daughter, Becky Rowland; companion, Brenda Owens; sister, Linda (Odis) Thompson; granddaughter, Erin (Tanner) Davis; several nieces and nephews; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to his parents, William was preceded in death by his wife, Joan G. Rich; sister, Julia Kinkead; brothers, Jim Rich and Larry Rich; and his great-grandson, Nolan James Davis.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services at 1 p.m., on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Rev. Stanley R. Sutton will officiate. Burial will be at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis.

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New items this week at
Sheridan Public Library

The REPORTER

Here are some of the new items that can be found at the Sheridan Public Library.

Fiction

1. 12 Months to Live – James Patterson
2. All I Need – Rachel Hanna
3. Armor of Light – Ken Follett
4. Blessings of the Lost Girls – J.A. Jance
5. Book Club Hotel – Sarah Morgan
6. Bright Lights Big Christmas – Mary Kay Andrews
7. Co-Worker – Freida McFadden
8. Halloween Party Murder – Leighann Dobbs
9. Malibu Burning – Lee Goldberg
10. Mother Daughter Murder Night – Nina Simon
11. Santa & Company – Fern Michaels
12. Traitors Gate – Jeffrey Archer

Non-fiction

1. Astor: The Rise and Fall of an American Fortune – Anderson Cooper
2. Cook It Up – Alex Guarnaschelli
3. Elon Musk – Walter Isaacson
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5. Habits of the Household – Justin Whitmel Earley
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7. Home Edit Stay Organized – Clea Shearer
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3. It’s Fall – Rene Kurrilla
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5. Leaves – Robert Munsch
6. Meowl O Ween – Diane Muldrow
7. Otto the Ornament – Troy Cummins
8. Pete the Cat & the Space Chase – Kimberly Dean
9. Pie That Molly Grew – Sue Heavenrich
10. Pup & Dragon How to Catch an Elf – Alice Walstead
11. Tales From a Not-So-Posh Paris Adventure – Rachel Rossell
12. Time of the Turtle King – Mary Pope Osborne
13. We Disagree About This Tree – Ross Collins

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IHSAA announces soccer sectional pairings

Several Hamilton County teams will host sectional matches

The REPORTER

The pairings for the IH-SAA soccer sectional were announced last Sunday, with several Hamilton County teams ready to renew old sectional rivalries.

Boys tournament

Noblesville will host Class 3A Sectional 8 at the Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex. In first-round action, Anderson will play Pendleton Heights, with Muncie Central taking on the No. 1-ranked Millers. The first-round winners will play each other in the first semifinal, with No. 6 Fishers and No. 19 Hamilton Southeastern facing off in the other semifinal.

Zionsville is the site of 3A Sectional 10, a seven-team event. No. 2 Carmel plays Westfield in the first round, with the winner playing the No. 4-ranked Eagles in the first semifinal. The other first-round games will see Shortridge taking on North Central, then Crispus Attucks plays Herron, with the winners playing in the second semifinal.

Guerin Catholic will host 2A Sectional 26. The No. 13 Golden Eagles play No. 2 Brebeuf Jesuit in the first round, followed by another first-round game between No. 11 Hamilton Heights and No. 8 Heritage Christian. The winners will face off in the first semifinal, with Cardinal Ritter and Tri-West playing the other semifinal.

In Class 1A, Sheridan will host Sectional 39. First-round games will feature Anderson Prep Academy playing Tri-Central, followed by a game between No. 15 Muncie Burris and Taylor. Those winners will play in the first semifinal, with the Blackhawks taking on Liberty Christian in the second semifinal.

University plays in Sectional 40 at Park Tudor. The first-round games will be Seccina vs. International, followed by Tindley taking on



Richie Hall / File photo

The Noblesville boys soccer team, two-time defending Class 3A state champions, will host Sectional 8 this season. The Millers play Muncie Central in the first round. Pictured is Millers senior Max Reason.

Lapel. The winners play in the first semifinal, followed by a semifinal between the No. 17 Trailblazers and the host, No. 8 Panthers.

Girls tournament

Hamilton Southeastern is the host of Class 3A Sectional 8 this year. The No. 2-ranked Royals play Anderson in the first round, followed by a game between No. 3 Noblesville and Muncie Central. The winners move to the first semifinal, followed by the second semifinal between Fishers and Pendleton Heights.

Carmel will host 3A Sectional 10. The No. 1 Greyhounds will play Crispus Attucks, followed by a first-round game between No. 6 Westfield and North Central.

Those winners play in the first semifinal, with Arsenal Tech and Zionsville playing in the other semifinal.

In Class 2A, Hamilton Heights will travel to Yorktown to play in Sectional 24. The Huskies play Jay County in the second first-round match, following the opener between Centerville and Delta. The winners play in the first semifinal, followed by the second semifinal between Yorktown and New Castle.

Guerin Catholic plays in Sectional 26 at Speedway, a five-team site. The No. 3 Golden Eagles will play the winner of a first-round match between No. 1 Brebeuf Jesuit and No. 17 Speedway in the second semifinal. The first semifinal

features No. 2 Bishop Chatard and Lebanon.

Sheridan will host Class 1A Sectional 37, which has seven teams. The Blackhawks play Taylor in a first-round match with the winner to play Tipton in the semifinals. The other first-round matches are Tri-Central vs. Elwood and Eastern vs. Rossville, with the winners playing off in the second semi.

University travels to Cardinal Ritter for Sectional 42, a four-team site. Ritter plays Covenant Christian in the first semifinal, with the Trailblazers taking on Bethesda Christian in the second semifinal. The winners will play for the championship.

Indiana H.S. soccer polls	
BOYS CLASS 3A	GIRLS CLASS 3A
1. Noblesville	1. Carmel
2. Carmel	2. Hamilton Southeastern
3. Pike	3. Noblesville
4. Zionsville	4. Castle
5. Center Grove	5. Carroll
6. Fishers	6. Westfield
7. Northridge	7. Cathedral
8. Bloomington South	8. Crown Point
9. Columbus North	9. East Central
10. Lake Central	10. Evansville Reitz
11. Castle	11. Bloomington South
12. Cathedral	12. Penn
13. Munster	13. Chesterton
14. Fort Wayne Carroll	14. Brownsburg
15. Harrison	15. Homestead
16. Goshen	16. Northridge
17. Warsaw	17. Evansville North
18. Brownsburg	18. Warsaw
19. Hamilton Southeastern	19. Mount Vernon
20. Northrop	20. Goshen
BOYS CLASS 2A	GIRLS CLASS 2A
1. Mishawaka Marian	1. Brebeuf Jesuit
2. Brebeuf Jesuit	2. Bishop Chatard
3. Evansville Memorial	3. Guerin Catholic
4. Speedway	4. Bellmont
5. Illiana Christian	5. Leo
6. Providence	6. West Lafayette
7. West Lafayette	7. Bishop Dwenger
8. Heritage Christian	8. Evansville Memorial
9. Cascade	9. Monrovia
10. Bishop Dwenger	10. Lawrenceburg
11. Hamilton Heights	11. Gibson Southern
12. Culver Academies	12. Mishawaka Marian
13. Guerin Catholic	13. Hanover Central
14. Heritage Hills	14. Batesville
15. Bishop Noll	15. Northwood
16. Greencastle	16. Northwestern
17. West Noble	17. Speedway
18. NorthWood	18. Silver Creek
19. South Bend St. Joseph	19. Tri West
20. Boone Grove	T20. Danville
BOYS CLASS 1A	GIRLS CLASS 1A
1. Westview	1. Providence
2. Faith Christian	2. Evansville Christian
3. Covenant Christian	3. Heritage Christian
4. Oldenburg Academy	4. Park Tudor
5. Bethany Christian	5. Evansville Mater Dei
6. Greenwood Christian	6. Faith Christian
7. Wheeler	7. Canterbury
8. Park Tudor	8. Westview
9. Covington	9. Trinity
10. Carroll	10. Greencastle
11. Blackhawk Christian	11. Andean
12. Southwestern Shelby	12. Wheeler
13. North Putnam	13. Forest Park
14. Northeast Dubois	14. Bethany Christian (Goshen)
15. Muncie Burris	15. Cascade
16. Forest Park	16. Muncie Burris
17. University	17. Bremen
18. Rock Creek	18. Culver Community
19. Switzerland County	19. Argos
20. Lutheran	20. Oldenburg

Heights girls cross country has no trouble winning New Haven Invite

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights girls cross country team breezed to victory at the New Haven Invitational last Saturday.

The Huskies scored 57 points to win the team title, well ahead of runner-up Norwell's 102 points. Heights had all of its top seven runners finish in the top 25, including two in the

top 10: Anna Monnin finished eighth, clocking in at 20 minutes, 44.0 seconds, while Allie Bushey placed 10th in 20:57.4.

Juliana Springman (12th, 21:15.9), Ayla Madara (13th, 21:17.2) and Kendall Moe (14th, 21:17.8) quickly closed the scoring for the Huskies. Mary Ella Bichey was 16th in 21:32.2, with

Amira Leer placing 22nd in 22:03.4. Other runners were Hattie Graham (35th, 23:10.2), Mary Bowman (41st, 23:21.2), Madison Shively (62nd, 24:19.0), Veronica Pruitt (64th, 24:21.5) and Ahli Buzan (107th, 27:11.2).

In the boys meet, Heights placed eighth with 210 points. Rudy Bowman finished 15th with a time of

17:27.8, with Isaiah Heuer placing 22nd in 17:40.4.

Also running for the Huskies: Aiden Clarke (51st, 18:45.4), Hudson Holt (53rd, 18:45.5), Charles Wedmore (69th, 19:11.9), Max Bowman (89th, 19:58.2), Jackson Cantlon (98th, 20:19.4), Winston McDonald (101st, 20:23.8) and Jack Powell (129th, 21:37.1).

Tennis sectional tournament pairings announced by IHSAA

The REPORTER

The IHSAA announced pairings for this week's tennis sectional tournament Monday night.

There will be three sectional sites in Hamilton County. Fishers will host Sectional 31, which will be a three-team event. The No. 14-ranked Tigers will take on No. 21 Hamilton Southeastern at 5 p.m. this afternoon, with the winner playing Anderson Thursday for the sectional championship.

Carmel will host Sectional 35 at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center. The

No. 1-ranked Greyhounds play No. 10 Guerin Catholic in one of today's semifinals, which begin at 5:15 p.m. University and No. 4 Zionsville will compete in the other semifinal. Today's winners play Thursday for the sectional title.

Noblesville is the host of Sectional 56, which also begins today. The No. 24-ranked Millers take on Lapel in one semifinal, with No. 17 Westfield playing Hamilton Heights in the other semi. The winners advance to Thursday's sectional championship.

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Soccer

Carmel girls stay undefeated for regular season, Heights, Noblesville & Guerin Catholic wrap up regular season tonight

The REPORTER

The Carmel girls soccer team completed an undefeated regular season with two victories over the past few days.

Last Saturday, the Class 3A No. 1 Greyhounds beat Zionsville 1-0. The win marked Carmel coach Frank Dixon's 600th career victory. Ashlyn Anderson scored the goal.

The 'Hounds followed that up on Monday with a win over 3A No. 6 Westfield 1-0. Camryn Love scored the goal for Carmel, which is 13-0-3 for the season and hosts Sectional 10 next week.

Prior to Monday's game, the Shamrocks beat Bishop Chatard 2-1 in their home finale. Kate Malin scored one goal and would later assist Reese Sargent, who put

in Westfield's second goal.

The Shamrocks are 8-2-5 and play at Avon Wednesday to finish the Hoosier Crossroads Conference and regular season. The game begins at 5:45 p.m. and will be the first part of a girls-boys doubleheader.

Hamilton Heights picked up a 4-2 win over Ben Davis on Monday.

Ella Hickok scored two goals for the Huskies, with Addyson Ferguson and Natalie Marcum both adding one goal. Sarah Toll made one assist and Audrey Lang had 13 saves.

Last week, Heights participated in the Hoosier Conference tournament. The Huskies won their first game over Lafayette Central Catholic in penalty kicks. The score was tied at

1-1 after regulation (Lizzy Smith scored off a Marcum assist), then Heights won the shootout 3-1.

The Huskies fell to Class 2A No. 16 Northwestern 4-1 in the semifinals; Ferguson scored off a Hickok assist. Heights rebounded to beat Tipton 1-0 in the third-place game, with Ferguson also scoring that goal.

The Huskies are 9-4-2 and host Pendleton Heights tonight for their regular-season finale.

Noblesville cruised to a 3-0 win over Penn last Saturday in the Pink Out game.

Pittman scored a goal for the 3A No. 3 Millers with less than two minutes left in the first half, with Sydney Elliott making the assist. Meredith Tippner

added a goal early in the second half, with Fleck getting the assist. Fleck then scored right before the final horn.

Noblesville is 9-1-3 and finishes its regular and Hoosier Crossroads Conference seasons tonight at Franklin Central.

Guerin Catholic beat South Bend St. Joseph 2-0 last Saturday in a home game.

Alex Soucie and Anabel Wright both scored a goal for the 2A No. 3 Golden Eagles, with Taylor Beard and Madigan Canavan each making one assist. Olivia Eaton had three goalkeeper saves and Beard had two.

Guerin Catholic is 9-4-1 and completes regular-season play tonight at Fishers.

Carmel boys bring back big win over Harrison

The REPORTER

The Carmel boys soccer team traveled to Harrison Tuesday and returned home with a 3-0 victory.

Johnny Gourley scored the Class 3A No. 2 Greyhounds' first goal, then Hayden Warneke added a second goal to give Carmel a 2-0 halftime lead. Warneke scored again in the second half, off an assist by

Christian Nielsen.

The 'Hounds are 13-1-1 and finish the regular season Thursday at Hamilton Southeastern.

Sheridan dropped a 9-0 game at Faith Christian on Monday.

The Blackhawks are 3-7-2 and host MTI School of Knowledge Wednesday for their Senior Night game.

Parkin breaks Blackhawk record for aces served



Photo by Dwight Casler

The Sheridan volleyball team dropped a tough Hoosier Heartland Conference match at Rossville Tuesday, 23-25, 24-26, 25-13, 25-8, 16-14. The Blackhawks did make some history, as junior Trinity Parkin broke the school record for most serving aces in a season. More information about the match will appear in Thursday's Reporter. Sheridan is 4-3 in HHC play and 13-11 overall.

Volleyball

Southeastern come out on top at Crown Point Invitational, Heights & Carmel sweep opponents

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern volleyball team picked up four match wins at the Crown Point Invitational last Saturday.

The Royals swept past Elkhart 25-11, 25-18, Bishop Noll 25-13, 25-13, Homestead 25-12, 25-12 and Zionsville 25-17, 25-23, running their record to 23-0 for the season. During the Homestead match, Southeastern senior Lauren Harden hit seven kills, and in the process broke the all-time kill record, surpassing 1,125 kills. Lindsey Mangelson

also hit seven kills during the match.

In other match statistics: Ava Hunter served five aces and handed out 10 assists, with Macy Hinshaw dishing out seven assists. Sophie Ledbetter collected seven digs and Kaylyn Christy made six digs.

The Royals play a Hoosier Crossroads Conference match Thursday at Noblesville.

Hamilton Heights swept Secцина Monday, 25-18, 27-25, 25-10.

Lauren Lewis led the

way with several kills and good serving, while Kennedy Cherry played solid defense.

The Huskies are 15-5 and host Delta tonight.

Westfield dropped a four-set match to North Central on Monday.

Carsyn Comer had 10 kills and four blocks, while Chloe Sutate hit nine kills. Izzy Jackson had 14 digs, with Stella Neale getting 13 digs. Lilly Stanton dished out 18 assists, followed by 14 for Jackson.

The Shamrocks are 14-

14 and host Avon Thursday for an HCC match.

Carmel swept Pike on Monday, 25-14, 25-14, 25-16.

Lauren Evans hit six kills and five aces for the Greyhounds. Sammy Adams was strong at the net with five blocks, with London Evans and Noema Philistin-Lynch both making three blocks. Amanda Ailes handed out 11 assists, while Lexi Kedvesh collected nine digs.

Carmel is 9-13 and plays at Cathedral tonight.

Longtime Indianapolis Indians broadcaster getting called up to the big leagues this week

By ANDREW CHERNOFF
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The Indianapolis Indians' longtime play-by-play announcer will be calling a Major League Baseball game later this month.

Howard Kellman, who is getting close to wrapping up his 47th season as the Voice of the Indians, will be doing play-by-play on the Yankees Radio Network (WFAN 101.9 FM & Sports Radio 66 AM) on Friday, Sept. 29, when the New York Yankees play at the Kansas City Royals.

This will be the fourth time that Kellman has called a big-league game.

The Brooklyn, N.Y. native and Brooklyn College graduate previously called games for the Chicago White Sox (1984), New

York Mets (2014) and Yankees (2022).

In fact, "after fulfilling pinch-hit duties for the Yankees-Rays game on Sept. 2, 2022, at Tropicana Field, he became the only voice in baseball history to handle radio play-by-play duties for both New York-based ballclubs," according to an Indianapolis Indians news release.

"I am thankful to both the Yankees and WFAN for giving me another opportunity to broadcast a big-league game," Kellman said in the news release. "I greatly enjoyed my experience calling

a Yankees-Rays game last season and am thrilled to have the chance to be behind the mic once again for one of Major League Baseball's most prestigious franchises, the 27-time World Series champion New York Yankees."

Kellman will call next week's game with Yankees color commentator Suzyn Waldman.

When this year's Indians' season concludes, "Kellman will have called 6,764 games in his tenure with the Indians, a run that includes 13 division titles,

seven postseason championships, and nine no-hitters thrown by Indy."

He joined the Indians in 1974. The only two seasons he has not been the team's lead play-by-play announcer were the 1975 and 1980 seasons.

Kellman has received numerous accolades over the course of his career. He was honored as Indiana's Sportscaster of the Year in 2002 and was inducted into the Indiana Sportswriters & Sportscasters Association Hall of Fame in 2009 among his many accomplishments.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Sept. 27
BOYS SOCCER
MTI School of Knowledge at Sheridan, 5:30 p.m.
Westfield at Avon, 7:30 p.m.
GIRLS SOCCER
University at Triton Central, 5 p.m.
Sheridan at Tipton, 5:30 p.m.
Westfield at Avon, 5:45 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Fishers, 7 p.m.
Pendleton Heights at Hamilton Heights, 7 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Mount Vernon, 7:15 p.m.
Noblesville at Franklin Central, 7:30 p.m.
TENNIS SECTIONALS
At Noblesville, 4:30 p.m.
Hamilton Heights vs. Westfield
Lapel vs. Noblesville
At Fishers, 5 p.m.
Fishers vs. Hamilton Southeastern
At Carmel, 5:15 p.m.
Guerin Catholic vs. Carmel
University vs. Zionsville
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