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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly sunny. Partly sunny by late afternoon. Afternoon wind gusts to 35 mph.
Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy, with a stray shower possible. Breezy.
HIGH: 61 LOW: 35



Husky 4-H Junior Leaders are making a real difference

By GRACE MILLER
Husky 4-H's Club Reporter

On Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m., the Husky 4-H's had their third meeting of 2024 at Cicero Christian Church. There were about 40 kids at the meeting this month.

The meeting began with President Lauren Happel announcing that we will pack food for the International Disaster Emergency Service (IDES) for this month's service project, which is also our world service project this year. IDES exists to meet physical and spiritual needs of suffering people throughout the world in the



Photo provided

See Leaders . . . Page 3 These Junior Leaders are learning what it takes to step up and help their communities.

What the puck? Octopus-gate!

I'm doing my normal procrastinating from going to bed by mindlessly doom-scrolling on the 'Book, and I come upon a hockey video.

I see a ref skate over and scoop up AN OCTOPUS.

NO! Surely that wasn't real!

A replay shows an octopus being thrown onto the ice.

They throw REAL LIVE OCTOPI onto the ice during games!

I send the video to my husband, an avid hockey fan and former sports reporter and editor. Attached to the message is: "WHY!?!?" (He's two rooms over. It's 2024, it's what people do.)

After getting no reply and REALLY needing to figure out what I just witnessed, I actually get up and walk into his home office and say, "Did you see that video?" He hadn't yet. So, unable to wait, I ask, incredulously, "WHY would they throw an octopus on the hockey rink???"

"Was it Detroit?" he answered, with no confusion or incredulity.

WHAT, this is so common he knew about it immediately?

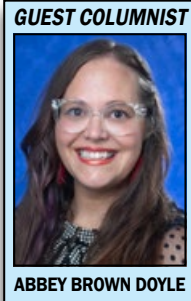
As I go on and on about how this can't POSSIBLY be a thing, he's looking up why it's a thing.

"WHY? Why would people throw real animals on the rink? Have people or players been hit by an octopus? Has a tentacle schmeared someone's ear as it's gone sailing through the air over the glass to go onto the ice?" I shout.

My mind is racing with questions and disgust. Octopi are incredibly smart, beautiful creatures. My tongue can't keep up with the questions.

From Wiki he reads: "Having eight arms, the octopus symbolized the number of playoff wins necessary for the Red Wings to win the Stanley Cup. The practice started on April 15, 1952, when Pete and Jerry Cusimano, brothers and storeowners in Detroit's Eastern Market, hurled an octopus into the rink of Olympia Stadium."

See Octopus-gate! . . . Page 2



ABBEY BROWN DOYLE

So much Americana in miniature



Reporter photo by Stu Clampitt

Mr. Muffin's on Main Street in Atlanta is taking a couple weeks off from his Saturday livestream on Facebook at one of the largest model train layouts in the U.S. He'll be back on Saturday, March 30. The Reporter recently visited Mr. Muffin himself, Steve Nelson, and is offering train fans some photos to help hold you over until the end of the month. See more on Page 5 and at [ReadTheReporter.com](https://www.readthereporter.com).

Noblesville Lions learn about Kirk Hardware Building



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club / Jake Doll

On Wednesday, March 13, the Noblesville Lions welcomed Katie Nurenberger as speaker and learned what's going on in the old Kirk Hardware building. Nurenberger and her husband purchased the building from Bill Prater, and they are remodeling the interior. The Boys Club used to operate in the upstairs many years ago. Nurenberger also mentioned she found a lot of historical Lions Club artifacts. She is hoping to have music events starting in June 2024. When remodeling is completed, they will offer event spaces. Final completion is targeted for January 2025.

The first will soon be the last for stoplights

Carmel may soon become the only U.S. city of 100,000 population without stop-and-go lights.

Well, almost. There will remain a signalized intersection at Main Street and Range Line Road and possibly a couple of others.

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FRED SWIFT
The County Line

placing almost all stoplights, and there is an ironic twist here.

Carmel had Indiana's first stoplight.

In 1924, Carmel's Leslie Haines, a master electrician with the U.S. Navy, returned

to his hometown and convinced town fathers that he had an electric stop-and-go signal that could control traffic at the busy intersection of Main and Range Line, which was U.S. 31 at the time.

Being the first in the state, and one of the first in the nation, the signal was unpopular with motorists who were not accustomed to stopping for a red light. The Hoosier

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Weather radios for hard of hearing



Photo provided

Hamilton County Emergency Management is giving away free weather radios to Hamilton County residents who are deaf and hard of hearing. Grant dollars allowed EMA to purchase hundreds of the radios that come equipped with a pillow shaker and strobe lights. Anyone who qualifies should contact Monica Peterson at Monica.Peterson@HamiltonCounty.in.gov to receive their radio.

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OCTOPUS-GATE!

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BUT WHY A REAL OCTOPUS? How is this a tradition that sticks around?

My journalist brain (one stuck on Curious and trained to Research) goes into over-drive.

In one game in 1995, 36 octopi were thrown on the ice; one weighed 38 pounds! How did someone smuggle a 38-pound octopus into a stadium? And then how did said person HEFT such a thing over the glass and onto the rink. And what was the slime fallout to all those under the

path of the creature.

My husband starts reading other things hockey fans have thrown onto the ice – plastic mice (which I quickly shout “BUT THEY AREN’T REAL!”), plastic snakes (again, not real), Nashville Predators fans throw catfish (these are real, also, GROSS, WHY, fans?), Oilers fans throw steaks, a fan threw a REAL SHARK with a REAL OCTOPUS in its mouth in 2010 in a Detroit/San Jose game.

During Stanley Cup finals in 2008, seafood wholesalers were requiring ID for all octopus sales and refused to sell to Michigan residents ... There was a black market for octopus!

This whole thing has taken up residence inside my head.

I’m at a fever pitch firing questions away to Michael.

“How do they get them in the stadium?”

Tap, tap, tap ... and then he starts to read.

I do WANT and NEED to know.

You wrap the slimy, squishy, deceased cephalopod around your body with plastic wrap.

I learned, boiling in white wine and lemon juice is the proper way to prepare for tossing (better for smell and projection).

And there’s a THROWING TECHNIQUE.

Here’s a quote from a *New York Times* piece about the tradition: “Inexperienced octopus throwers sometimes make the mistake of holding the tentacle tips, only to have the octopus head break off during the windup.”

The article described what happened to a hockey fan with the misfortune to sit behind someone unfamiliar with the proper technique: “She was rather dignified, and there was this octopus in

her lap. He had part of it in his hand and part of it was in her lap back there.”

Also, there used to be a shtick where the Zamboni driver at Detroit would swing an octopus over his head during the game, like a battle cry. The NHL banned it – prompting what became known as “Octopus-gate.” It was banned because “matter flew off the octopus and got on the ice” when it was swung above his head. BUT ... they loosened the ban soon after to allow for the octopus twirling to take place once a game.

Sanctioned octopus twirling.

It’s 12:45 a.m.; my brain is racing with Octopus-gate.

But, like I said, I do WANT and NEED to know. Anything to avoid sleep.

Abbey Brown Doyle is a mother of two and lives in Evansville, Ind. You can contact her at abbeydoyleevansville@gmail.com.

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Paul Poteet loves Hamilton County

thiiiiiiiiiiiiis much!

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COUNTY LINE

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Motor Club warned its members of the “signal trap.” But obviously the idea caught on and thousands of intersections became signalized around the state and nation.

Now, just 100 years later, Carmel is rapidly eliminating stoplights in favor of the once-controversial roundabouts made widely known by former Mayor Jim Brainard. Now, other cities here in Hamilton

County and elsewhere are building roundabouts.

The intersection where Haines placed his automatic signal will remain signalized. A plaque located there notes the historic first. And there are several stoplights on 146th Street, but it is a county highway.

Yet to be converted to roundabouts are 116th and River Road, 106th and Westfield Boulevard, and

96th and College Avenue. But plans are in the works.

So, Carmel can soon claim to be the first and the last for automatic signals. It’s an ironic quirk of local history.

Columnist Fred Swift has worked in newspapers for decades. He has been sharing his opinions in the pages of The Reporter since it began. Email him at swiftfred19@gmail.com.

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Community News

Westfield Washington Schools going virtual on Eclipse Day

All Westfield Washington Schools will have an eLearning Day on Monday, April 8.

- BAC will close at 1 p.m.
- Infants, ones and twos (all children of staff members) will close at noon.
- Childcare threes and fours will close at 1 p.m.
- Developmental preschool will not be in session.

[Click here](#) to view the full calendar for the school year.

Ivy Tech going virtual on Eclipse Day

All Ivy Tech campuses and satellite locations will operate virtually on Monday, April 8 as the total solar eclipse passes through much of Indiana.

All campus facilities and parking lots will be closed to the public. They will reopen on Tuesday, April 9.

The drug benefit that helps the few & hurts the many

Medicare beneficiaries across the nation felt deceived this January when they went to fill their first prescriptions of the new year. Prices were touted to go down. The media lavished praise on the Biden Administration's efforts to reign in drug costs. The Inflation Reduction Act promised relief from predatory drug pricing.

Yet, the prices went up. Many people called our office to complain that their drug premiums doubled. I had warned people for months, but they believed the media. Why are the prices going up this year, faster than the last few years? Precisely because of the Inflation Reduction Act.

Next year in 2025, no one on Medicare Part D will have to pay more than \$2,000 for their medications. Sounds wonderful! But who pays for this?

The rich pay for the poor. The healthy pay for the sick. This is how the Affordable Care Act (also known as Obamacare) works. This is how Medicare Part D works. The drug companies will not settle for lower profits. No

COLUMNIST



SYLVIA GORDON
Make Sense of Medicare

one is sure how this \$2,000 cap on drugs will play out, and it's an election year to boot. But the drug companies rallied to raise prices a lot this year to hedge against next year.

If you are sick and save thousands next year, you'll be happy. But those who are healthy, not taking any medications, and buying a drug plan just to avoid the penalty will see large increases.

The current media darlings are the 10 drugs that Medicare is allowed to "negotiate" price on. While 10 drugs is pitifully low, it is nonetheless a start! If you are taking these 10 drugs, your prices will be massively lower in 2026. Yes, 2026: Eliquis, Jardiance, Xarelto, Januvia, Farxiga, Entresto, Enbrel, Imbruvica, Stelara, and Fiasp.

The answer to every question is money. We have a for-profit healthcare system.

Sylvia Gordon is co-founder of The Medicare Family, headquartered in Noblesville, where she educates thousands on Medicare and Social Security in all 50 states. You can learn more at [TheMedicareFamily.com](#).

New at Sheridan Public Library

The REPORTER

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

Fiction

1. Beach House Hotel series (2-5) – Judith Keim
2. Bye Baby – Carol Lovering
3. Every Single Secret – Christian Dodd
4. Final Wish of Mr. Murray McBride – Joe Siple
5. Five Wishes of Mr.

- Murray McBride – Joe Siple
6. Lack of Luxury series (1-3) – Hope Callaghan
7. Made in Savannah series (1-3) – H. Callaghan

Children's

1. Bear Hugs – Eric Carle
2. I Love My Brother – Eric Carle
3. I Love My Sister – Eric Carle
4. Pepita Meets Bebits – Ruth Behar
5. Sleepy Sheepy & the

- Sheepover – L. Cummins

Inspirational Fiction

1. Amish Marriage Arrangement – Patricia Johns
2. Creed – Susan May Warren
3. Falling for the Family Next Door – J. Slattery
4. Frost Heaves – Alana Terry
5. Giants Fall – Liz Bradford
6. Haven for His Twins – April Arrington
7. Identity Theft – Alana

- Terry

8. Reluctant Rancher – Jolene Navarro
9. Shot at Redemption – Liz Bradford
10. Termination Dust – Alana Terry

Movies

1. Aquaman & the Lost Kingdom
2. Marvels
3. Migration
4. Trolls: Band Together
5. Wish (Disney)
6. Wonka

LEADERS

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(ABOVE LEFT) Grace Miller demonstrated how to make cake pops. (ABOVE RIGHT) Cash and Sophia Camperelli demonstrated how to play Frisbee.

name of Jesus Christ. There will be an opportunity for 4-H'ers and their families to come and help package food for IDES next weekend at Cicero Christian Church.

The guest speaker this month was Tim Paul, who is a veterinarian. Paul talked about all the animals he has helped in the past 20 years as a veterinarian.

There were two demonstrations by Husky 4-H members. Cash and Sophia Camperelli demonstrated how to play Frisbee and Grace Miller demonstrated how to make cake pops.

This month's trivia question was "What animal cannot jump?" Sylvia Knapp answered the question correctly by guessing an elephant!

The game was an obstacle course put together by Eliza Allen and Mathew Duprey.

This month, several 4-H

Junior Leaders were interviewed to learn more about their roles and what they enjoy about being a Junior Leader. Junior Leaders help with club meetings every month, help plan events, serve food, help with Mini 4-H and help at the 4-H Fair.

Isaac Leonard and Abby Martin said their favorite part about being Junior Leaders is making new friends, meeting new people, and helping with the club meetings. Stella Hartwick said her favorite part of being a Junior Leader is going

to the meetings, being a leader to others, and helping the community. Lauren Happel said her favorite part of being club president is meeting new people and members.

The 4-H Junior Leaders are truly dedicated to the club and the community.

Supporting the Arts

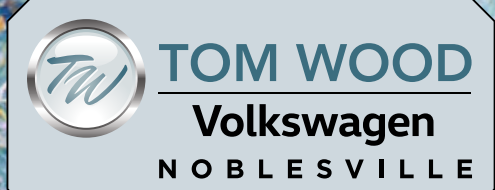
For one week each month this year, The Hamilton County Reporter is giving young artists at local schools the chance to design the banner at the top of the first three pages in Hamilton County's Hometown Newspaper.

This Week

Heights Elementary School winning art is on Pages 1, 2 & 3

Next month, winning artists from another Hamilton County school will be featured in the pages of The Hamilton County Reporter.

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Latest news from Sheridan Youth Assistance Program

The REPORTER Career Days continue to engage Sheridan students with local businesses

Sheridan Youth Assistance Program (SYAP) held its third career exploration day of the 2023-2024 school year on Tuesday, Feb. 20. Careers in agriculture, animals and energy were featured and students in grades 7 to 12 learned about what kind of local jobs are available in this career sector.

Thank you to the following businesses for attending the event:

- Waitt Grain Company, Inc.
- Agape Therapeutic Riding Resources
- Teter Retreat and Organic Farm
- H&N Outdoor Services, LLC
- Ivy Tech Community College - Kokomo Service Area
- Beck's Hybrids
- United Animal Health
- StarPlus Energy LLC
- Reynolds Farm Equipment

Holiday Assistance Partnerships serve 358 neighbors in Sheridan

SYAP coordinated community efforts so that 358 individuals could receive Thanksgiving and/or Christmas assistance in 2023. Thanksgiving food boxes were provided by Good Samaritan Network. Christmas gifts for families were sponsored by individuals or businesses in collaboration with MAMA's Cupboard. Christmas assistance for seniors was sponsored by Sheridan United Methodist Church. Food-only gift cards were funded by Meijer Westfield.

SYAP is proud to be a part of such a collaborative effort to make sure everyone has a wonderful holiday season in Sheridan.

2023 Annual Impact Report

Did you know ... in 2023, the Sheridan Youth Assistance Program:

Photos provided by SYAP

Numerous local businesses participated in Sheridan Youth Assistance Program's third career exploration day, which was held in February.

- Served 21 percent of the current enrollment of Sheridan Community Schools
- Had 76 referrals for case management
- Provided after school tutoring for 140 students
- Provided assistance for 41 middle and high school students to participate in choir, band, FFA, and every athletic program offered at SCS.
- Ensured 68 elementary students were able to participate in sports programs

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Westfield Speech & Debate's Mayah Lopez named finalist

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Westfield High School's Speech and Debate team competed in a tournament hosted by HSE. Congratulations to the following ribbon winners:
Quarterfinalists (top 24 in the state)
• Mayah Lopez in Broadcasting
• Asha Adhikari in Original Oratory
• Informative Speaking – Elizabeth Schuth, Mayah Lopez, Olivia Foor-Lecea, and Katie Bolduc
Semifinalists (top 12 in the state)
• Mayah Lopez and Elizabeth Schuth in Informative Speaking
• Asha Adhikari in Original Oratory
Finalist (top 6 in the state)
• Mayah Lopez, third place in Informative Speaking

Coach Reineking was also recognized for being the NFHS Speech and Debate Outstanding Educator.



Photos provided by Westfield Washington Schools



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(Above left) Jamyla Finch with State Rep. Goodrich and (above right) Gavin Glaister with State Rep. Todd Huston.

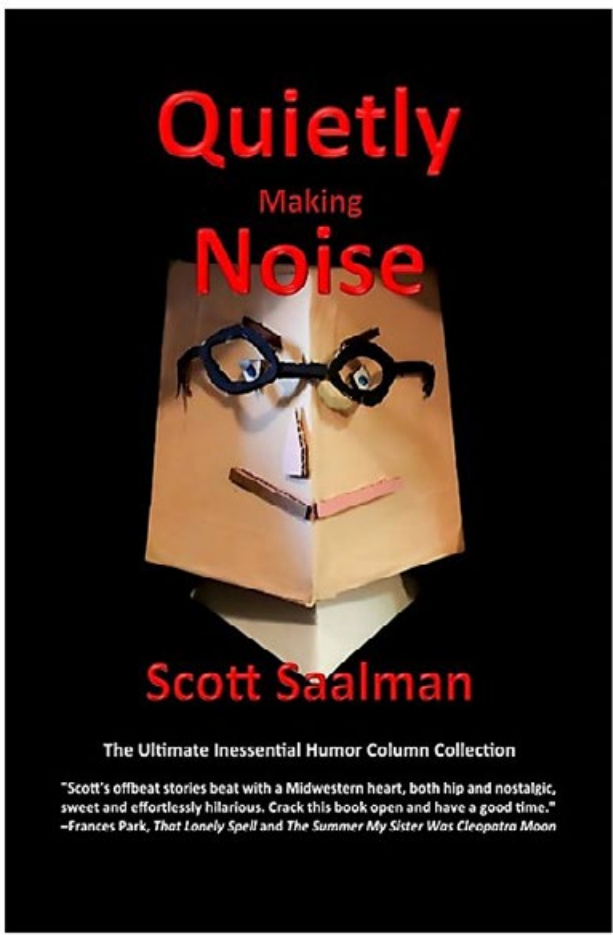
Reps. Huston & Goodrich welcome Noblesville student pages to the Statehouse

The REPORTER
House Speaker Todd Huston (R-Fishers) and State Rep. Chuck Goodrich (R-Noblesville) recently welcomed Noblesville students to the Statehouse where they participated in the Indiana House Page Program during the 2024 legislative session.
“Spending a day in the Statehouse introduces students to government and builds on the lessons they have learned in the classroom,” Huston said. “It’s an exciting opportunity to go behind the scenes and learn more about how the legislative process works.”
As pages, the students assisted lawmakers and staff with daily duties, toured offices of all branches of government in the Statehouse, and joined lawmakers on the House floor to witness and learn about the legislative process.
“Paging is an easy way for young Hoosiers to get involved in state government,” Goodrich said. “Experiencing the legislative session from the House Chamber is a unique experience, and I encourage students in our area to sign up for this exciting and educational program next year.”
Noblesville students serving as pages during the 2024 legislative session were Jamyla Finch, who attends Indiana Connections Academy, and Gavin Glaister, who attends Hamilton Southeastern High School.
Students aged 13 to 18 should consider participating during the 2025 legislative session. Contact Huston at h37@iga.in.gov or Goodrich at h29@iga.in.gov for more information on the Indiana House Page Program.

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Get ready to be mesmerized by a celestial masterpiece as the communities of Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville, Westfield and the Northern Towns become the perfect stage for the Total Solar Eclipse, when the moon gracefully dances in front of the sun and casts its shadow across the landscape.

Witness the magic of the cosmos with friends and family at official viewing locations like Carmel Civic Square, Conner Prairie, Cool Creek Park, Grand Park Sports Campus, Ruoff Home Mortgage Music Center and Strawtown Koteewi Park.

Grab your Eclipse glasses, set up your cameras and join Hamilton County in this celestial celebration—it's guaranteed to be an unforgettable experience!

THE SKY WILL BEGIN TO CHANGE AROUND 1:50 P.M. WITH TOTALITY AT 3:06 P.M.

Hamilton County is in the narrow path of totality for the Total Solar Eclipse. These communities will be some of the best places to experience prime views of the epic event.

Arcadia	3m 6s	Fishers	3m 39s
Atlanta	2m 56s	Noblesville	3m 27s
Carmel	3m 29s	Sheridan	2m 51s
Cicero	3m 15s	Westfield	3m 19s

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Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

Listed below are the Hamilton County American Legion and VFW Posts located in local neighborhoods. Every one of them needs your support to help them stay vibrant and alive to continue assisting and caring for Military, Veterans, their families, and the whole community.

Each Post offers not only a Service Officer to assist Veterans in filing claims or seeking financial help when needed,

but they are always searching for ways to reach into their local communities to assist and donate their time and money to events, special groups, non-profits.

To continue doing all they, they need your continued support by coming into their Posts and enjoying time there with friends and family. They are your local family-oriented Bar & Grill with food, drinks, games and plenty of space to host

personal parties, or you may rent space for meetings or events to support local activities.

Some Posts are open to the public every day while others are open on specific days for food, games, fun and they all look forward to serving you.

As of January 2024, the Posts that are completely smoke-free inside are the Carmel American Legion, Carmel VFW, and

Noblesville VFW.

The Fishers American Legion allows smoking in the enclosed bar area, the rest is non-smoking.

The Noblesville American Legion allows smoking in the small game room, which is a separate building out front, but the Post and meeting rooms are smoke-free.

The Sheridan and Cicero American Legions still allow smoking in the Posts.

Carmel American Legion Post 155

852 West Main St.
Commander Rick Curtis: (317) 846-0001

Post Hours: Mon-Tue 3-10; Wed-Thu 10-10; Fri-Sat 10-11; Sun 12-8

Public is welcome Tue, Thu & Fri, and for lunch 11-2 & dinner 5-8 Wed-Fri

Meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 7pm

Website & Calendar: post155.org

Facebook: facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094085413679

• Pay attention to their Facebook page for special gaming events like Texas Hold Em, Bingo, their jackpot totals and game day specials

• Euchre is every Tuesday night at 7pm and the 2nd Friday of each month at 7:30pm

• Treasure Hunt tickets may be purchased at the bar for their drawing every Friday 7pm

• They have a weekly draw on Wednesday at 7pm

• Pull Tabs are available every day at the bar

• Post Service Officer may be reached at postserviceofficer@post155.org if you need assistance

• Room Rentals call (317) 846-0001 for the Post Manager. They have 3 rooms large enough for 150 people plus outdoor space.



Carmel VFW Post 10003

12863 Old Meridian St.
Commander Darin Bibeau: (317) 846-0917

Hours: Sun-Thu 11-10pm, Fri & Sat 11-12am

Meetings the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30pm

Kitchen serves lunch specials 11-2pm with food service till 8pm. They have a great breakfast every other Saturday. Public is welcome in for food and anytime when signed in with a member.

Facebook page: facebook.com/CarmelVFW

• Check their Facebook page for their weekly updates, lunch specials, music and special events

• Poker is Tue, Fri & Sun 12pm-12am, dealers provided, food snacks & drinks available

• Thursdays 7pm is their Treasure Hunt – open to the public

• Post Service Officer Shawn Ransford may be reached at shawn.ransford@va.gov if you need assistance

• Contact carmelvfw10003@yahoo.com to rent space for your special events



Noblesville VFW Post 6246

654 S. 9th St.
Commander Rob Loy: (317) 773-9956

Hours: Mon-Thu 3-8pm, Fri 2-10pm, Sat 12-10pm, Sun 12-8pm

Meeting is the second Saturday of the month at 11am

Food service is available Mon & Fri 6-9pm & public is welcome

No website/calendar but they have a Facebook page: facebook.com/post6246

• Bingo every Friday at 7pm and the public is welcome

• Karaoke is every Saturday 7pm and the public is welcome

• Queen of Hearts is every Wednesday 7pm and the public is welcome

• Pay attention to their Facebook page for special events & food specials

• Post Service Officer Linda Behrens may be reached at (317) 773-9956 if you need assistance



Noblesville American Legion Post 45

273 S. 8th St.
Commander John Morris: (317) 773-9985

Hours: Mon-Thu 11-10pm, Fri 11-12, Sat 12-12pm, Sun 12-8pm

Meeting is the third Thursday of the month at 7pm

Food is served 4-9pm Tue-Sat

Public is welcome for food and games plus every Friday and the first three Saturdays of the month

Website: noblesvilleamericanlegionpost45.com

Facebook: facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063496781153

• They moved into the Historic Ron Wilson Home and are still restoring the history in the home to make it a wonderful environment for their community.

• Shuffleboard games are every Wednesday at 7pm – they have two tables

• Treasure Hunt drawings are every Friday 6:45pm – Public is welcome

• Pay attention to their Facebook page for updates and special events like Music Bingo on the first & third Saturdays at 7pm

• Rental space is available as well as the kitchen – Rental space address 610 Hannibal St. Contact huntzingerpost45@yahoo.com or call (317) 773-9985

• Post Service Officer may be reached on their website link above if you need assistance



Cicero American Legion 341

50 Washington Ave.
Commander Jeremy Delph: (317) 984-4441

Hours Mon-Thu 3-10pm, Fri-Sat 12-11pm, Sun 12-10pm

Meetings are the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 730pm

Kitchen hours are 4-8pm Tue, Wed, Fri & Sun – eat in or order food to go

Public is welcome Mon, Fri & Sat and for their Treasure Hunt at 7pm Tuesdays

Website and calendar: cicerolegion341.org/events

Facebook page: facebook.com/cicero-legion341

• Pay attention to their Facebook page for special events & Treasure Hunt results

• Weekly drawings are Sundays 6pm, Wednesdays 7pm, Fridays 8pm

• Euchre tournaments are Mondays at 7pm and Saturdays at 4pm

• Bingo is every Friday, 6pm for Early Bingo and 6:30 for Bingo

• Post Service Officer Mary Ringer may be reached by calling the Post at (317) 984-4441 if you need assistance

*** The Cicero VFW meets at the Cicero American Legion

Post on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. ***



Sheridan American Legion Post 67

406 E. 10th St.
Commander Mike Brunell: (317) 758-5007

Hours: Mon 3-9pm, Tue-Thu 11-9pm, Fri & Sat 11-10pm, Sun 1-6pm

Public is welcome for lunch and games

Meeting is the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm

Food service – lunch from 11am-2pm Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri, after lunch bar food (fries, burgers, etc) is available.

Facebook page – facebook.com/ALPost67

• Pay attention to their Facebook page for everything:

- Lunch specials posted weekly

- Treasure Hunt Friday night at 7pm – Public welcome

- Bingo 2nd & 4th Thursdays 6:30pm early bird, 7pm start

- Events for the community you can help with

- Post Service Officer may be reached after they find a qualified member to help Veterans



Fishers Armed Services Commission

The drive for this commission is to make a more vibrant community where Military Service is Honored and recognized as a key component to our community's future and wellbeing.

• Meetings are the second Tuesday of the month, 4-5:30pm, in the Pavilion

Conference Room at 10 Municipal Drive, Fishers.

• Website: fishers.in.us/1419/Fishers-Armed-Services-Commission where you will find this info and links to make comments, suggestions and see the members of the commission.



Fishers American Legion Post 470

9091 E. 126th St.
Commander Matt Rapp: (317) 842-5944

Hours: Mon 12-10, Sat 3-11, Tue, Wed, Thu, Sun 12-11, Fri 12-12 – Open to the public but only members & signed in guests may order alcohol

Meetings are the second Monday of the month at 7pm

Food is served 1-9pm Sun, Tue, Wed, Thu & Fri

Website and calendar: legion470fishers.org/index.php?id=1

Facebook page: facebook.com/FishersLegionPost470

• Bingo is Sunday at 1:30pm and Tuesday 6:30pm

• Texas Holdem is Every Friday at 7pm

• Treasure Hunt is on Fridays at 7pm

• Pool Tournaments are at 6pm, 8 ball 2nd Saturdays, 9 ball 4th Saturdays of the month and American Poolplayers Assoc 7pm Wed & Thu

• Pull Tabs are available at the bar every day

• Every month the Aux schedules a euchre tournament to raise funds for a local non-profit to help our community

• Pay attention to Facebook and their calendar for live music dates, times

• Room rental space is available – email Rhonda.Cree78@gmail.com

• Post Service Officer Greg Cyrus may be reached at (317) 698-3745 if you need assistance



Hamilton County CVSO Office

1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 179, Noblesville, IN
CVSO Office Phone: (317) 776-9610; Fax: (317) 776-8525

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Please call or come in as your Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers are caught up and ready to help Military, Veterans and families in the following:

• Obtaining your DD-214 military discharge

• Discharge Review

• Filing claims for service connected disability or nonservice connected pensions

• Education benefits

• Survivor Benefits

• VA Medical Care

• VA Home Loans

• G.I. Bill Benefits

• Vocational Rehabilitation

• Burial Benefits

• Property Tax Abatement

• Tuition and Fee Exemption for Children of Disabled Veterans

• Motor Vehicle License Plates

• Peddlers, Vendors License

• Resident Veteran Hunting & Fishing License

• Golden Hoosier Passport

Hamilton County Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities Coalition On the Prevention of Suicide for Service Members, Veterans, their Families & Caregivers

The Coalition has been working with many different resources in Hamilton County for the past 2.5 years and are now teaming up with the IDVA to be the first county in Indiana to launch the Governor's Challenge, a nationwide initiative for suicide prevention.

The structure of The Governor's Challenge helped us create our teams and projects to start implementing the Governor's Challenge through grant dollars from the IDVA. We use the three Pillars of the challenge to guide our work – Identification, Connection, and Lethal Means and Safety – and we are currently putting together our Community Plan.

We have been encouraged to think big with our ideas and include those organizations that currently serve veterans and bring in their ideas to reach into their local neighborhoods.

We are also applying for a Planning Grant to create a 12- to 24-month Strategic Plan for Hamilton County. The Strategic Plan will include our Coalition working with many community partners to reach our Military and Veterans who are not connected, help them feel connected to their communities and further train everyone on lethal means and safety.

More to come . . .

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Jersey Mike's Subs supporting Noblesville Schools Education Foundation for grand opening

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Jersey Mike's Subs, known for its fresh sliced and fresh grilled subs, will open at 11150 E. 146th St. in Noblesville on Wednesday, March 20.

Franchise owner Evgeni Kopelevich will hold a grand opening and fundraiser from Wednesday, March 20 to Sunday, March 24 to support Noblesville Schools Education Foundation (NSEF). Customers who receive a special fundraising coupon distributed through a grassroots effort prior to the opening can make a minimum \$3 contribution to NSEF in exchange for a regular sub. Customers must have a coupon to be eligible.

Guests can place orders in-store or for pickup at jerseymikes.com or through the [Jersey Mike's app](#). Additionally, delivery is available in most areas through



the Jersey Mike's app or through third-party delivery partners. Curbside pickup is available for orders placed in Jersey Mike's app.

Jersey Mike's is looking for individuals interested in career opportunities with extraordinary growth potential to join the team. Candidates who are passionate about customer service and connecting with their local community are invited to apply to jerseymikes.com/careers.

The restaurant's hours will be 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days a week. Call this location directly at (317) 565-4936.



Since 2010, Jersey Mike's locations throughout the country have raised more than \$110 million for local charities. In 2023, the company's 13th annual Jersey Mike's Month of Giving in March raised \$21 million for more than 200 local charities.

How does happy hour at Urban Vines sound?

The REPORTER

Join the Westfield Young Professionals from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4 at Urban Vines Winery & Brewery, 303 E. 161st St. for a happy hour event.

Urban Vines' beautiful tasting room offers hand-

crafted wines, beers, charcuterie, and artisan pizzas. Guests can savor the ambiance of the back patio, overlooking the vineyard, while enjoying live music every Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

[Click here](#) to register for the happy hour event.



BraunAbility announces new CEO & President of North American Manufacturing

Submitted

Carmel-based BraunAbility, the leading provider of mobility solutions globally, has announced significant changes to its executive leadership team, each effective April 1.

President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Staci Kroon has informed the BraunAbility Board of her decision to depart the company. Kroon, who has led the company for the past seven years, leaves behind a legacy of substantial growth and success. Under her leadership, BraunAbility has doubled in size, achieved record financial performance in 2023, and significantly enhanced its long-term profitable growth potential.

Scott Nelson, currently President of North American Manufacturing, will succeed Kroon as CEO and join the Board of Directors. He brings a wealth of experience and deep understanding of BraunAbility's strategy, team, and products.

He expressed gratitude for the opportunity, saying, "It is an honor to lead BraunAbility into the future. I am excited to work with our global team as we continue our mission to provide exceptional value



Nelson



Schrimsher

to our customers while making life a moving experience for all."

In conjunction with these changes, BraunAbility announces the promotion of Craig Schrimsher to President of North American Manufacturing. He previously served a Vice President of the GM Consumer business and has played a crucial role in enhancing BraunAbility's consumer segment since joining the company in 2013.

Nelson expressed confidence in Schrimsher's abilities, saying, "Craig has demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication throughout his tenure at BraunAbility. We congratulate him on this well-deserved promotion and look forward to his continued contributions to our success."

Keith McLoughlin, Chairman of the Board of BraunAbility, expressed gratitude for Kroon's contributions, saying, "Staci has been an exceptional leader, steering BraunAbil-

ity through challenges such as the Covid-19 pandemic while strategically expanding the company's capabilities. We congratulate her on her accomplishments and wish her all the best in her future endeavors."

About BraunAbility

BraunAbility is a leading manufacturer of mobility transportation solutions, including wheelchair accessible vehicles, wheelchair lifts, and wheelchair securement products.

Founded over 50 years ago by Ralph Braun, an entrepreneur who spent most of his life in a wheelchair, the company has grown into a well-known and trusted name in the mobility industry, bringing independence to millions of individuals with mobility challenges and their caregivers. BraunAbility is a wholly owned subsidiary of Patricia Industries, a division of Investor AB. Learn more at BraunAbility.com.

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Meeting Notices	
The Arcadia Town Council has canceled its meetings scheduled for Monday, April 1 and Monday, April 15.	The Cicero Redevelopment Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at Cicero Town Hall, 70 N. Byron St.
The Town Council will now meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at the Arcadia Town Hall, 208 W. Main St.	The Noblesville Police Merit Commission meeting scheduled for 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, has been canceled.
The Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet in an executive session at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, in the Department of Community Services Conference Room on the third floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.	The Carmel Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a Hearing Officer meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 25, 2024, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.
A regular meeting will convene at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall.	A regular meeting will follow at 6 p.m. in the same location.
Send Meeting Notices to: News@ReadTheReporter.com	

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Notice

On March 19, 2024 Cicero Town Council will hold an Executive Session at 5:45 PM at Cicero Town Hall, 70 N Byron Street, Cicero, IN according to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D) A real property transaction including: (i) a purchase; (ii) a lease as lessor; (iii) a lease as lessee; (iv) a transfer; (v) an exchange; or (vi) a sale; by the governing body up to the time a contract or option is executed by the parties. This clause does not affect a political subdivision's duty to comply with any other statute that governs the conduct of the real property transaction, including IC 36-1-10 or IC 36-1-11.

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Governor Holcomb proclaims March 19 as National Ag Day

The REPORTER
Governor Eric Holcomb has **proclaimed March 19** as National Ag Day in Indiana.

“Agriculture is the backbone of our rural communities, and this sector is a large employer of Hoosiers and contributes so much to our state, both economically and socially,” said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. “Today, we not only celebrate all Hoosiers involved in any capacity, but we thank them also!”

National Ag Day, March 19, 2024, highlights agriculture’s contributions to the state and local economies and allows producers, agricultural associations,

corporations, universities, government agencies and countless others across America to recognize and celebrate the abundance provided by American agriculture.

Indiana is the ninth-largest agricultural producing state in the country. The state has over 94,000 farmers, and agricultural production is valued at over \$18 billion. Hoosier farmers cultivate over 14.6 million acres and establish over 47,000 soil conservation practices each



Holcomb



Crouch

year which kept an estimated 1.8 million tons of soil in the farm fields.

Indiana’s top commodities are:

- No. 1 producer of popcorn, gourds and duck
- No. 2 producer of pumpkins
- No. 3 producer of spearmint, turkeys and total eggs
- No. 4 producer of peppermint and soybeans
- No. 5 producing state for corn and hogs
- No. 6 producer of watermelons
- No. 10 producing state for maple syrup and hemp for floral (CBD and other cannabinoid usage)

“Indiana’s agriculture breadth is deep and wide. We have traditional row crop farmers and animal producers, we have farmers who grow popcorn for movie theaters and corn for tortilla chips, we have food manufacturers who make snack cakes that are beloved worldwide, and we have organic farmers and farmers that sell directly to restaurants and consumers,” ISDA Director Don Lamb said. “My favorite part about agriculture in Indiana is that everyone has a seat at our table. Today, we honor them and extend our gratitude.”

Comptroller Nieshalla adds two key members to her Statehouse team

The REPORTER
Indiana Comptroller Elise Nieshalla has announced Staci Schneider and Fred Van Dorp joining her Statehouse team.

On Monday, March 11, Schneider became Deputy Comptroller and Chief of Staff. She brings over 22 years of state experience and leadership to the office serving as Deputy Auditor and Chief of Staff from 2017 to 2022. She previously served as the Chief Communications and Technology Officer with the National Association of Attorneys General in Washington, D.C.

Van Dorp will join the team on Monday, March 18 as the Director of Accounting & Reporting and Local Government. He previously served in the office from 2009 to 2017, and most recently served as the Budget Division Director at the In-

diana Department of Local Government Finance.

“I am thrilled with both Staci and Fred joining our team,” Nieshalla said. “Their passion to serve and institutional knowledge are immeasurable, and I look forward to the significant contributions they will make as leaders on our team.”

As State Comptroller, Nieshalla is responsible for upholding the highest standards of fiscal responsibility in accurate accounting and reporting of state funds, disbursement of tax revenues to local governments, payments to state employees and vendors, administering the state’s deferred compensation plan and managing the Indiana Transparency Portal.

For more information regarding Comptroller Nieshalla and her office, please visit [in.gov/comptroller](https://www.in.gov/comptroller).



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AG Todd Rokita warns Hoosiers of storm scams

The REPORTER
As communities across the state look to rebuild after severe weather, Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita warns Hoosiers to be cautious of storm scams.

“Our first priority is Hoosier safety and praying for those affected,” AG Rokita said. “To prevent additional loss, Indiana communities should be on the lookout for scammers who use weather-related disasters to scam innocent people out of their hard-earned money. If your home suffered damage, please read the tips our office has provided.”

With storms like Indiana experienced, scammers will be out in full force trying to con everyday Hoosiers out of their hard-earned money. Unfortunately, far too many dubious con artists appear on people’s doorsteps, promise to make needed repairs, and then disappear with their victims’ down payment in their pockets – never to return to do the work.

Attorney General Rokita is sharing the following tips to help Hoosiers avoid falling victim to storm-chasing scammers:

probably a scam.

- Check out contractors’ reputations before enlisting their services.
- Ask for IDs, licenses, and proof the contractor is both bonded and insured.
- Get more than one estimate for work.
- Don’t believe any promises that aren’t in writing.
- Never pay by wire transfer, gift card, cryptocurrency, or in cash.
- Don’t pay the full amount for the project up front.

Dealing with a disaster is never easy, but when scammers target people just trying to recover, the experience can become even more difficult.

“Storms in the Midwest can be unpredictable and dangerous, and the aftermath can create even more problems for you financially if you’re unprepared,” Attorney General Rokita said. “Before opening up your wallet, ask questions, demand a written contract, and do old-fashioned research before hiring anyone to repair your home. It can be tempting to accept help to fix damages to your home, but it’s crucial to take a step back and fully vet the contractor.”



Rokita

If you ever suspect a scam of any type, file a complaint at [indianaconsumer.com](https://www.in.gov/consumer) or call Attorney General Todd Rokita’s office at 1-800-382-5516.

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Ivy Tech Foundation annual Day of Giving set for April 23

On Ivy Tech Day, Hoosiers can support Ivy Tech Hamilton County students pursuing “Higher Education at the Speed of Life”

The REPORTER

For a student attending college, a day can mean everything. In fact, a day can change the life of someone building their future.

At 12:01 a.m. on April 23, the Ivy Tech Foundation will kick off **Ivy Tech Day**, the College’s second annual day of giving, to help Ivy Tech Community College’s more than 190,000 students – including those studying at Ivy Tech Hamilton County – prepare for graduation day and a better every day after.

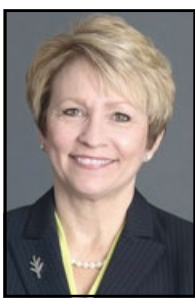
For 24 hours, alumni, faculty, staff, donors, community leaders and all who care about breaking down barriers to higher education can contribute to Ivy Tech’s mission of preparing Hoosiers for today’s – and tomorrow’s – workforce.

Ivy Tech Day aims to generate resources and create opportunities for communities while reuniting and reconnecting alumni and friends of Ivy Tech with the important work happening at Indiana’s largest postsecondary institution and engine of workforce

development.

“Ivy Tech has been woven into the fabric of Indiana for more than 60 years, and nearly a million Hoosiers have completed degrees, courses and credentials supporting successful careers and upward mobility while improving the prosperity of our state,” Ivy Tech Community College President Dr. Sue Ellspermann said. “If you’ve been treated at an Indiana hospital, driven a car assembled in Indiana, or have a young person who graduated high school with dual credit, you’ve likely benefitted from Ivy Tech. Ivy Tech Day is an opportunity for all Hoosiers to help us deliver ‘Higher Education at the Speed of Life’ and meet our students’ most pressing needs.”

Ivy Tech contributes nearly \$4 billion annually



Ellspermann



Kartz

to Indiana’s economy, including a net impact of \$3.6 billion from alumni working across the state. More than 40,000 degrees, certificates and certifications are awarded annually, and 93 percent of graduates stay in Indiana to pursue their careers. More than 40 percent of Ivy Tech students are the first in their families to attend college, and 25 percent are students of color.

Anyone interested in contributing to Ivy Tech Day can do so at ivytech.edu/giveday starting at 12:01 a.m. on April 23. Alumni and friends are invited to participate in a variety of other ways, including setting up a matching gift, becoming a social ambassador, and visiting local community partners on Ivy Tech Day. The inaugural Ivy Tech

Day in 2023 inspired 2,032 gifts equaling more than \$243,000 raised.

As a part of the Hamilton County campus team, Ivy Tech Day will go on the road with a county-wide tour. The mascot, Boris the Wild Boar, will make stops all over to engage with Ivy Tech’s amazing supporters and to attract those within the local community who believe in Ivy Tech’s mission of providing accessible, high-quality education to all.

“Our campus team and I are so grateful to everyone who participated in the inaugural Ivy Tech Day last year. We look forward to coming together again this year to have an even greater impact on our students and our community,” Ivy Tech Hamilton County Chancellor Dr. Rachel Kartz said. “Our campus is doing amazing work to advance Indiana’s fastest growing county through inclusive and student-centered education and training. Ivy Tech Day will help us continue making an impact in our community.”

Carmel provides updates on spring construction projects

The REPORTER

Carmel city officials have provided these updates on upcoming and ongoing construction projects taking place this spring. Projects include the Monon Boulevard expansion, continued work on North College Avenue and several smaller projects throughout the community.

As always, residents are reminded that all construction timelines are affected by weather and utilities; the dates and duration of projects are best estimates.

For any questions or additional support, please contact Engineering Administrator Joshua Kirsh in the Carmel’s Engineering Department at jkirsh@carmel.in.gov.

East 96th Street

Beginning on or after Monday, March 18, East 96th Street between Haverstick Road and Westfield Boulevard will be closed to thru traffic for three weeks for road reconstruction. Westfield Boulevard, East 106th Street, and Keystone Parkway will be used as the detour route for this closure. The intersections of East 96th Street with Maple Drive and Lincoln Boulevard will be restricted, and local property access will be provided from the north via East 99th Street as well as Maple Drive.

College Avenue reconstruction

Beginning on, or after April 1, North College Avenue reconstruction will begin with a closure of the southbound lane between the Interstate 465 overpass and East 104th Street to relocate the water main and construction of new storm water collection. This work will continue through July 2024. Meanwhile, private utilities

may be working in the easements and the right-of-way, relocating utility lines along both east and west sides of North College Avenue.

Reconstruction of the northbound lane will begin later this summer with continued work on infrastructure on the east side of the road. During this phase, access will only be open for southbound traffic and limited access to Pennsylvania Parkway will only be maintained for southbound traffic on North College Avenue during this phase of work. The reconstruction of the northbound lane is expected to be substantially complete and open to traffic Winter 2024.

March 2025 begins with the reconstruction of the west side of North College Avenue with a closure of the southbound lane of North College Avenue between East 106th Street and I-465. Expect deconstruction of the road, infrastructure work, as well as the west side of the roundabout at Pennsylvania Parkway, and reconstruction of the southbound lane. The northbound lane will remain open on the new road during this phase of construction and there will be no access to Pennsylvania Parkway from North College Avenue during this phase of work. Access to Pennsylvania Parkway will be maintained from the west during all phases of construction of North College Avenue.

In late summer 2025, the southbound lane reconstruction will begin. After the opening of both northbound and southbound North College Avenue lanes, North College Avenue will be closed (open to local traffic only for area businesses) at Parkwood Drive for the con-

struction of a roundabout intersection for approximately 60 days. Under the full closure of this intersection, the roundabout is expected to be completed in late 2025.

In early 2026, the reconstruction of the East 96th Street and North College Avenue intersection into a roundabout will begin. This will involve the closure of the intersection for approximately 60 days.

Alternative and detour routes for North College Avenue include U.S. 31, Keystone Parkway, East 106th Street and East 96th Street.

Monon Boulevard Expansion – Phase 3

Beginning on or after March 18, tree clearing will begin along the Monon Greenway between City Center Drive and West Walnut Street in preparation for Phase 3 of the Monon Boulevard expansion project in Midtown. Approximately 50 trees will be removed in this section of greenway with the work taking place along the west side of the trail. A temporary multi-use path will be established west of the existing trail once clearing is complete to allow pedestrians to maintain connectivity throughout the construction. The new plan will incorporate more than 6,000 new plantings (shrubs, perennials, grasses) and more than 100 new trees. Work on Phase 3 will be substantially complete in 2025.

Midtown Construction

Work will resume in the city’s central core on parallel stretches adjacent to Midtown this April. The project at 3rd Avenue SW will continue with storm water collection and water main work in the vicinity of Industrial Drive as well

as the rebuilding of 3rd Avenue SW to a new boulevard stretching from 2nd Street SW to Autumn Drive. Meanwhile, Veterans Way will continue to move north from City Center to West Walnut Street. Work expected to be substantially complete in Fall 2024.

Path Projects

Several path projects are in the works around the City of Carmel. Most of these are filling gaps in the existing network, some are crosswalks with rapid flashing beacons. In addition to these smaller projects, the city has much larger pedestrian connectivity projects in phases of design.

Water Main Work

The West Main Street water main work is expected to be complete in late April when motorists can expect West Main Street, east of Old Meridian, to reopen. Alternate routes include West Carmel Drive, Smoky Row, West 146th Street, and East 116th Street.

Who’s on my ballot for the May 7, 2024 Primary Election?

Note that * indicates the candidate is the incumbent for that office. To view precinct and district maps, please visit hamiltoncounty.in.gov/221/Precinct-and-District-Maps.

NOTE: Candidates for precinct committeement and state delegates will appear in upcoming editions of The Reporter.

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Bridge 187 closure: 106th Street over Mud Creek

Beginning on or after Tuesday, March 19, 106th Street between Cumberland Road and Hamilton Pass will be closed to all thru traffic for a bridge replacement project. The anticipated roadway reopening date is Friday, Oct. 18.

Local traffic will continue to have access to their homes, while thru traffic is asked to use the posted detour route of Cumberland Road, 96th Street, and Mollenkopf Road.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

JUDAH AND TAMAR

About three months later Judah was told, "Your daughter-in-law Tamar is guilty of prostitution, and as a result she is now pregnant."

Judah said, "Bring her out and have her burned to death!"

As she was being brought out, she sent a message to her father-in-law. "I am pregnant by the man who owns these," she said. And she added, "See if you recognize whose seal and cord and staff these are."

Judah recognized them and said, "She is more righteous than I, since I wouldn't give her to my son Shelah." And he did not sleep with her again.

When the time came for her to give birth, there were twin boys in her womb. As she was giving birth, one of them put out his hand; so the midwife took a scarlet thread and tied it on his wrist and said, "This one came out first." But when he drew back his hand, his brother came out, and she said, "So this is how you have broken out!" And he was named Perez. Then his brother, who had the scarlet thread on his wrist, came out. And he was named Zerah.

Genesis 38:24-30 (NIV)


The Reporter's policy on obituaries

The Hamilton County Reporter does not charge families for publishing obituary notices in our pages. Every obituary appearing in online editions Wednesday through Saturday also appears in our Monday print editions. In order to continue to offer this as a community service, we ask that obituaries not exceed 600 words. The limitations of space may not allow for longer ones to appear in print.

Families and funeral homes are asked to send obituaries to obits@ReadTheReporter.com.

Marlita Beth (Shoe) Waggoner

October 22, 1936 – March 15, 2024



Marlita Beth (Shoe) Waggoner, 87, Sheridan, passed away on Friday, March 15, 2024, at Bridgewater Healthcare Center in Carmel. She was born on October 22, 1936, to Jonathan Joel (Joe) and Ethel (Boyer) Shoe in rural Clinton County, Ind.

Marlita attended Sugar Creek Schools in Pickard, Ind., for 11 years, and then graduated in 1954 from Sheridan High School and received her nursing degree from Indiana University School of Nursing in Indianapolis. She worked as a school nurse at Sheridan Community Schools for 35 years. She was a member of Hills Baptist Church in Kirklin, Ind., and Phi Beta Psi Sorority and former member of Sheridan Kiwanis. Marlita was an avid IU fan and enjoyed Sheridan basketball. She volunteered at church in many areas: pianist, Sunday School teacher, clerk, handbell player, and Women's Circle.

She is survived by her husband of 65 years, Philip Waggoner; daughter, Beth (Brian) Stewart; and sons, Jeff Waggoner and Jay Waggoner.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sisters, Zonda (Shoe) Walker and Burdena Shoe.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at the funeral home, with Rev. VJ Stover officiating. Burial will be at Crown View Cemetery in Sheridan with Rev. Charles Cole officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Phi Beta Psi Sorority for Cancer Research, c/o Cathy Good, 36 Homestead Drive, Sheridan, IN 46069.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

DNR Recreation & Fishing guidebooks are online

The REPORTER

Your latest guides to exploring Indiana's great outdoors are now available at your fingertips and at a DNR property near you.

The 2024 Indiana Recreation Guide is available now at on.IN.gov/re-guide.

And your 2024-2025 guide to Indiana fishing, the Indiana Fishing Regulations Guide, is available at on.IN.gov/fishingguide.

The DNR's 2024 Indiana Recreation Guide is the source for information on state parks, state forests, lakes, fish & wildlife areas, nature preserves, state park inns, and other DNR properties. The guide includes a great facilities chart and information about accessibility and fees.

Annual entrance passes for state park properties can be purchased in person at the gatehouse or offices of state park properties during business hours, at shopIN-stateparks.com any time, or at the Boat, Sport and Travel Show.

Indiana resident passes cost \$50. For individuals 65 years old or older, the price is \$25. Annual passes for vehicles with out-of-state license plates are \$70. Normal daily gate fees for residents at most properties are \$7 per in-state vehicle. For more information on Indiana state park properties, visit stateparks.IN.gov.

Fishing and hunting licenses can be purchased and printed at INHuntFish.com. They can also be purchased at retailers, county clerk offices, and most DNR properties throughout the state, as well as at the Boat, Sport and Travel Show.

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Deadline nearing for Christine D. Brown 2024 Memorial Scholarship applications

The REPORTER

The Westfield Youth Assistance Program recently announce the application for the 2024 Christine D. Brown Memorial Scholarship, which is open and available at [this link](#).

The deadline for applications is Monday, April 1.

To qualify for this scholarship, you must fit all the following criteria:

Current or former students or graduates who have resided in or attended a Westfield Washington Township school (i.e. Westfield Public Schools, Guerin Catholic High School, Options High School, Homeschooling, etc.)

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Be a graduating senior or no older than age 25


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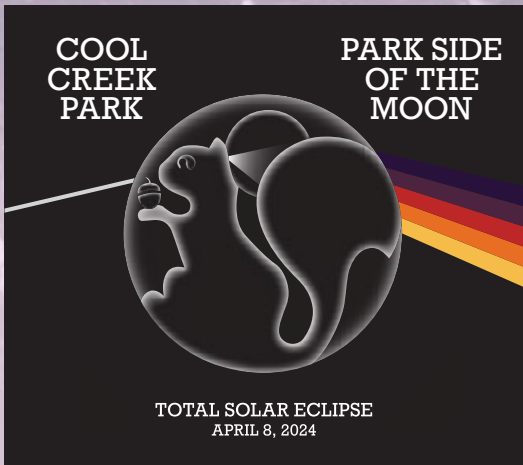
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A rare, total solar eclipse will occur in Hamilton County on Monday, April 8, 2024 and not be repeated in this area until 2153! Hamilton County Parks is staging two events that will entertain and educate, in celebration of this celestial spectacle!



Park Side of the Moon | April 8
10 AM - 5 PM | Cool Creek Park

\$10 (\$15 out of county)

Get your eclipse on with *Echoes of Pompeii A Tribute to Pink Floyd*. Broadcast personality Paul Poteet* will serve as host, joined by noted stargazers, Dr. Doug Balogh and Jeff Attebury. Enjoy fun activities, vendors, and for-purchase food and drink throughout the day.

Meet Paul Poteet!



Moon Market | April 8
12 - 5 PM | Strawtown Koteewi Park

\$5 (\$10 out of county)

Invited artisans will be selling crafts and wares while respected eclipse expert W. Keith Turner presents fascinating eclipse programming. Guitarist Robin Harrison will set the eclipse to music. Special activities and the Duke Energy Nature Education Trailer will be part of the celebration. For-purchase food and drink will also be available.

FREE eclipse viewing safety glasses will be issued to all attendees when entering the event grounds. Free parking for registered guests and the option to tailgate will be offered at both locations. Register online at MyHamiltonCountyParks.com or scan the QR code below. Hurry, attendance capacities have been set at both park locations!



The perfect way to remember this historic event!

Hamilton County Parks and Recreation is offering commemorative eclipse merchandise online. A select number of the online items (viewing glasses, t-shirts and stickers) will also be sold at Cool Creek Nature Center until sold out. *These items will not be available at either park on the day of the events.* A portion of the proceeds will benefit Hamilton County Parks and Recreation.



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Rocks ready to hit the field for another softball season

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

The Westfield softball team made history last year by winning the program’s first-ever sectional championship.

The Shamrocks have several players back for this year’s team, so of course, defending their championship is on their agenda. That includes five seniors, a solid junior pitcher and many other young players who already have varsity experience.

“It’s exciting to have so many returners,” said Westfield coach Brian Revercomb. The coach wants to make sure his team keeps its focus on this year – “how do we build off the success from last year, but how do we focus on this year,” said Revercomb.

“They like being defending sectional champions, but they’re definitely focused on, how do we stay competitive and how do we improve on that and how do we win that sectional again, because it’s going to be so difficult to do it, like it was last year,” said Revercomb.

The ‘Rocks have five seniors on the team, including three with significant experience. Cara Snedeker brings back a .305 average, including 19 runs batted in and three home runs. Grace Fanelli batted .282 with 19 RBIs and four homers.



The Westfield softball team celebrated after winning its first-ever sectional championship last season. The Shamrocks have several returning players who are ready for this season.

Revercomb said Snedeker will be playing mostly second base and Fanelli third base. Another senior returning is Grace Feltz, who was .279 last season with a pair of home runs.

The junior class is led by Chloe Tanner, who will be Westfield’s No. 1 pitcher. Tanner threw 154 strikeouts last season. She also hit the ball well, going .313 with 19 RBIs and four triples.

Two more juniors also have good numbers coming back. Ava Kainrath batted .337 and

led the ‘Rocks in RBIs with 34 and homers with 10. Avery Banas batted .266 and had 12 RBIs.

Three sophomores are also returning, including Sofia Easterhaus, who hit .355 as a freshman last season. Makayla Watson, who is playing mostly center field this year, returns a .312 average. Shea Vohs will be pitching; she got some varsity time last year. A freshman, Sydney Jordan, is also slated to pitch.

“I think we have good chemistry brewing,” said Revercomb. “Kids are focused and working hard. I think they’re excited because of our success last year and I think they’re excited about this year because there’s a lot of talent and a lot of good energy.”

Westfield is scheduled to begin its season Monday by hosting Decatur Central, weather permitting. The Shamrocks then travel to Carmel’s Cherry Tree Softball Complex Wednesday before hosting North Central on Friday.

What to do about Phoenix

Last weekend, NASCAR returned to Phoenix Raceway for its first of two races in the 2024 season. The Spring Phoenix race is important as the track plays host to NASCAR’s championship. Those manufacturers/teams/drivers who run well at Phoenix in the spring may have an advantage in the championship race.


The problem – which has become more and more apparent since 2020 – is that Phoenix Raceway is not a very good racetrack.

Former Daytona 500 Champion and NASCAR analyst Jamie McMurray stated that Phoenix Raceway has not produced a good race since 1989, the year NASCAR began frequenting the track. Such a perspective appears to be shared throughout the NASCAR garage. That perception is also shared among NASCAR fans. Three out of the last six Phoenix races scored below 45 percent on the Jeff Gluck “Good Race Poll.”

The biggest problem with Phoenix is its single-file racing. Passing is exceedingly difficult. This has been true for decades. Some of the problem is masked by the wild restarts with drivers driving down off the banking and cutting the “dog leg” before the entrance of turn one. The restarts are crazy and produce five-wide action. However, after two laps, the cars file into place and run single file virtually the entire time.

Further, Phoenix is notorious for long green flag runs, especially at the end of races. Long green flag runs mean minimal cautions. Minimal cautions mean less restarts. And if Phoenix does not have many restarts

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Boys Lacrosse



(ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville’s Gage Bass (left) and Noah Reynolds work on faceoffs before the Millers’ game with Fishers on Friday. (ABOVE RIGHT) Abraham Fritz gets prepared for the game.



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

Millers get come-from-behind win over Tigers

By **RICHIE HALL**
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FISHERS – The Noblesville boys lacrosse team is three games into its season, and the Millers won all three of those games in different ways.

Noblesville had to come from behind to get its third victory but prevailed 12-8 at Fishers on Friday night. Both teams were playing with intensity, and the Tig-

gers got the early advantage by scoring three goals during the first six minutes.

Sullivan Hintz scored the first goal, then Antonio Vega put the ball in the net a couple minutes later. Hintz struck again with a third goal, and Fishers had a 3-0 lead.

The Millers rebounded to score the next three goals. Zach McMichael got Noblesville on the board at the 6:20 mark, followed by

scores from Hayden McCaslin and Charlie Boe. As a result, the first quarter finished in a 3-3 tie.

“They came out and punched us in the mouth,” said Millers coach Mark Milam. “And so just like Mike Tyson said, ‘You can have a plan until someone punches you in the mouth.’ So, our boys had to regroup, figure some stuff out, and it looks like we did by the end of the game.”

The next two quarters were tight. Fishers managed to hold a 6-5 lead at halftime. The Tigers took the lead three different times in the period, although Noblesville scored after Fishers’ first two goals of the quarter – one from Vega and one from Hintz, who scored again with 3:59 left and that was enough to get the Tigers in front.

Hintz quickly got his fifth goal of the game in the

third quarter and Fishers led 7-5. The Millers came back to a 7-7 tie with scores from McMichael and McCaslin, but Liam Foley put in a goal with 3:41 left in the period to get Fishers up by one going into the fourth.

Noblesville’s defense took over in the final period, as the Millers outscored the Tigers 5-0. Boe tied the game two minutes into the quarter, then Logan White made two consecutive goals to get Noblesville in front to stay.

McMichael and White both finished with three goals. McCaslin and Boe each scored two, with Harrison Barnett and Gage Bass also scoring once for the Millers. Noblesville was sensational on ground balls: Monty Atkins collected 10, Charlie Zink had seven, McMichael picked up six and Brighton Kojetin

had five. Atkins had three caused turnovers. Thomas McAvoy made six saves.

After Mintz’s five goals, Vega scored two and Foley had one. Aiden Murnan and Travis Crane each picked up four ground balls, as did Foley. Alex May had 21 saves.


Despite the loss, Fishers coach Joe Medel called the game a “step in the right direction.


“Last year, these guys blew us out pretty good,” said Medel. “We had the lead the whole game until the end there.”

Medel said that it’s “good to see the growth within the program. Obviously, we have a lot of work that we need to keep doing.”

Noblesville’s next game is Wednesday at Park Tudor. The Tigers are 1-3 and host Zionsville on Tuesday.

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Volleyball

Westfield sweeps Lafayette Jeff, Fishers racks up perfect week, Southeastern sweeps Brownsburg

The REPORTER

The Westfield volleyball team swept Lafayette Jefferson in a Tuesday road match.

The Shamrocks won 25-20, 25-22, 25-15. Carlo Huidsen hit 13 kills, while Dominic Parisi put down seven kills. Nick Gerow made four blocks and Chase Graff led the defense with a passer rating of .267.

Westfield dropped a five-set match at Franklin Central on Wednesday, 25-22, 23-25, 11-25, 26-24, 17-15. The Shamrocks rebounded with a four-set win over Hamilton Southeastern on Thursday, 25-15, 25-18, 22-25, 25-18. Huisden put down 16 kills, followed by 11 for CJ Fox and eight for Parisi. Graham Weddige dished out 37 assists. Fletcher Farrar made four blocks and Graff had 21 digs.

Westfield hosts No. 1-ranked Brebeuf Jesuit on Tuesday.

Fishers has had a perfect

week so far, picking up three straight-set victories.

The Tigers began the week with a sweep of Franklin Central on Monday, beating the Flashes 25-16, 25-19, 30-28. On Tuesday, Fishers traveled to Guerin Catholic and picked up another sweep, winning 25-12, 25-20, 25-15. The Tigers returned home on Thursday to beat Perry Meridian 25-18, 25-17, 26-24.

Fishers hosts its 10th annual March Madness Tournament today, with matches beginning at 11 a.m.

Prior to its match with Westfield, Hamilton Southeastern traveled to Brownsburg on Monday and scored a sweep of the Bulldogs, 25-14, 25-21, 25-12.

The Royals followed that up Tuesday with a four-set home victory over Bishop Chatard. Southeastern won 25-15, 23-25, 25-13, 25-21. The Royals will also play in the Fishers March Madness Tournament today.



Reporter photo by Julie Brown
Hamilton Southeastern's Sean Carmona serves the ball during the Royals' Tuesday match with Brownsburg.

Total solar eclipse offers full day of fun, science at IMS

Submitted by IMS

Comprehensive details have been announced for one of Indiana's largest total solar eclipse watch events, with thousands from across the world expected to experience the April 8 Total Solar Eclipse Event at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway presented by Purdue University.

During this once-in-a-lifetime event, attendees are in store for an exciting day of programming and celebration as Indianapolis Motor Speedway and Purdue team up with NASA, which chose the iconic racing venue as one of a select few broadcast locations across the country for this incredible phenomenon.

Special Guests

Among the guests expected in attendance are members of Indiana's congressional delegation, Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb, NASA Deputy Administrator Pam Melroy and Mark and Rick Armstrong, the

sons of Purdue graduate and first man on the moon Neil Armstrong. Multiple astronauts and NTT INDYCAR SERIES drivers will also be in attendance:

Drivers attending include Ed Carpenter of Ed Carpenter Racing, Will Power of Team Penske and Alexander Rossi of Arrow McLaren, with Arrow McLaren Sporting Director Tony Kanaan also attending.

Members of Purdue's famed Cradle of Astronauts attending include Sirisha Bandla, Drew Feustel, Beth Moses, Mark Polansky and Audrey Powers, and NASA astronaut Megan McArthur also will be at IMS.

Drivers and astronauts will be featured throughout the day as subject matter experts, as well as participating in an autograph session to conclude the day's events.

Schedule

9 a.m.: Gates open; Gates 2 and 6

10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Educational programming



12:35 p.m.: Opening ceremonies and parade lap

1 p.m.: NASA broadcast begins/INDYCAR SERIES demo laps

1:50:34 p.m.: Solar eclipse begins with partial

3:06:04 p.m.: Totality begins

3:07:59 p.m.: Max totality

3:09:54 p.m.: Totality ends

3:23:13 p.m.: Partial ends

3:25 p.m.: Closing ceremonies

3:30 p.m.: Astronaut and driver autograph session

4 p.m.: Gates close

4:30 p.m.: NASA broadcast concludes

Find more information at indianapolismotorspeedway.com/events/eclipse.

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or passing opportunities, the product will not satisfy the drivers, the teams, or the fans.

After the 2023 season, NASCAR tested at Phoenix and tried to find a racing package that would produce more passing opportunities. Drivers had mixed reviews of the changes, though most agreed that the improvements were marginal.

Despite the growing frustration with Phoenix, I thought the race was pretty

good – at least by Phoenix standards. And here inlays the problem. Phoenix hosts the championship race. “Pretty good by Phoenix standards” is not acceptable for a championship race. Having a championship race at a track where drivers can’t pass is like watching the Jets play the Panthers in the Superbowl. There are so many great tracks that create exciting racing, particularly with the NextGen car.

NASCAR must make a

change.

I am hearing rumors that NASCAR could move the championship race back to Homestead Miami Speedway in 2025. Boy, I hope that turns out to be true. NASCAR's championship race needs to be indicative of the great racing that occurs throughout the season. The racing at Phoenix simply is not.

Zech Yoder is a local resident, an attorney at Adler Attorneys in Noblesville, and a lifelong race fan.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 16
BOYS BASKETBALL SEMI-STATES
At Elkhart
Fishers vs. Crown Point, 10 a.m.
Fort Wayne Wayne vs. Mishawaka, 11:45 a.m.
Championship, 7:30 p.m.
At Seymour
Guerin Catholic vs. Danville, 10 a.m.
Evansville Bosse vs. Scottsburg, noon
Championship, 8 p.m.
BOYS LACROSSE
Crown Point at Westfield, noon
Carmel at Louisville Trinity, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati St. Xavier at Hamilton Southeastern, 7 p.m.
Fishers at Bloomington South, 7:30 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at South Bend St. Joseph, TBA
GIRLS LACROSSE
Westfield at Evansville Memorial, 10 a.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Castle, 10:30 a.m.
Guerin Catholic at Kentucky Country Day School, 11:30 a.m.
Westfield vs. Evansville North, 12:30 p.m. at Evansville Bosse
Hamilton Southeastern at Evansville Memorial, 1:15 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Eastern (Ky.), 3 p.m.
Avon at Noblesville, TBA
TRACK AND FIELD
Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Heights, Noblesville boys, Westfield at Hamilton Southeastern Blue & White Relays, 1 p.m. at Anderson University
VOLLEYBALL
Noblesville Miller Classic, 8 a.m.
Carmel, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Westfield at Fishers Invitational, 11 a.m.

Monday, March 18
GIRLS LACROSSE
Lawrence North at Fishers, 6 p.m.
SOFTBALL
Decatur Central at Westfield, 6 p.m.
Sheridan at Lebanon, 6 p.m.
VOLLEYBALL
Monrovia at Guerin Catholic, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19
BOYS LACROSSE
Guerin Catholic at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.
GIRLS LACROSSE
Guerin Catholic at Noblesville, 7 p.m.
SOFTBALL
Carmel at Hamilton Southeastern, 5:30 p.m.
Noblesville at Western Boone, 5:30 p.m.
Fishers at Tri-West, 6 p.m.
TRACK AND FIELD
Western at Hamilton Heights, 5 p.m.
VOLLEYBALL
Brebeuf Jesuit at Westfield, 6:30 p.m.

Please email schedule changes or corrections to sports@readthereporter.com.



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Wed March 13 - Lacrosse
6:00 pm North Central vs **Noblesville** | J. Varsity | Boys Lacrosse | HCTV Sports
7:15 pm **Hamilton Southeastern** vs Bishop Chatard | Girls Lacrosse | SSN Sports
8:00pm North Central vs **Noblesville** | Varsity | Boys Lacrosse | HCTV Sports
Wed March 13 - E-Sports
8:00 pm YES! Gaming Presents: The Super Smash Open LIVE Weekly Bracket
Thurs March 14 - Lacrosse
6:50 pm **Carmel** vs **Guerin Catholic** | Girls Lacrosse | Indiana SRN
Fri March 15 - Lacrosse
6:50 pm St Xavier vs **Hamilton Southeastern** | Boys Lacrosse | Indiana SRN
Mon March 18 - Lacrosse
6:00 pm **Fishers** vs Lawrence North | Girls Lacrosse | Fishers Sports Network
Tues March 19 - Music
7:00 pm Patsy's Pub Open Mic Night | Westfield, IN | Hamilton County TV
Thurs March 21 - Volleyball
6:00 pm **Guerin Catholic** vs **Noblesville** | Boys Junior Varsity | HCTV Sports
6:45 pm **Hamilton Southeastern** vs **Carmel** | Boys Varsity | SSN
7:00 pm **Guerin Catholic** vs **Noblesville** | Boys Varsity | HCTV Sports



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