



# How to save a life

Westfield High School student becomes first EMS Capstone Intern

By AMY ADAMS  
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Westfield High School (WHS) student Chloe Sutake stepped into a medical facility during her second ever clinical ride-along to find a first responder performing CPR on an unresponsive patient.

While some students might hang back and observe, Sutake didn't hesitate to relieve the responder, stepping in to continue CPR. The hundreds of hours of emergency medical training she had received up to that point kicked into high gear, and she was ultimately able to revive the patient.

"It's called ROSC, Return of Spontaneous Circulation," said Michael Brooks, WHS career technical educational instructor. "Big kudos to her for taking that initiative. She saved the patient's life."

Now, after completing more than the required 24 hours of ride-alongs in an ambulance, including contact with at least 10 patients, Sutake has been named as the inaugural EMS Capstone intern.

The first of its kind in Indiana, the EMS Capstone Internship represents a partnership between WHS and Heartland Ambulance Service.

"We are thrilled to announce a pioneering step in education," Brooks said.

With more than 30 years of experience in education and 24 years working in emergency medical services, Brooks has

been developing this program for at least 10 years. He also credits Michelle Goudy, WHS internship coordinator, with helping to make the visionary program a reality. Goudy said her position was created in order to focus on providing more opportunities for WHS seniors.

The EMS Capstone Internship will bridge the gap for students, like Sutake, who have met all requirements to function as EMTs but are unable to do so under Indiana state regulations until they turn 18.

According to Kari Lanham, EMS education and training coordinator for the Indiana Department of Homeland Security EMS Division, Sutake and future EMS Capstone interns will operate as state certified Emergency Medical Responders.

EMS Section Chief for the Indiana Department of Homeland Security EMS Division, Robin Stump said that, like WHS, around a dozen high schools throughout the state offer the department's approved statewide curriculum.

The EMS Capstone Internship will now allow interns to move beyond the high school courses to work closely with EMTs and paramedics.

"I've always had an interest in the medical field," Sutake said. "I tried the EMR class, and I just fell in love with it."

With 14 dual credits at Ivy Tech Community College, Sutake is well on her way to a successful medical career. A senior, she plans to study nursing



Reporter photo by Amy Adams  
Westfield High School Senior Chloe Sutake has been named the first EMS Capstone intern.

in college while also working as an EMT.

"With Heartland Ambulance, we've got stations within 15 to 20 miles of most of the state universities," Brooks said. "The legacy of this program is to bring more professionals in, not just for dual credits, but for us to get EMTs on the streets to go on to become advanced EMTs and paramedics."

When Sutake turns 18 later this year, she will go from being an EMR intern to a paid EMT, according to Brooks.

"I feel like I'm starting something," Sutake said. "I think the best part is being able to help people, and I get a cool opportunity to pursue what I enjoy."

# The art of eavesdropping

My name is Janet ... and I'm an eavesdropper.

The one question I get most is, "Janet, where do you get all the topics you write about?"

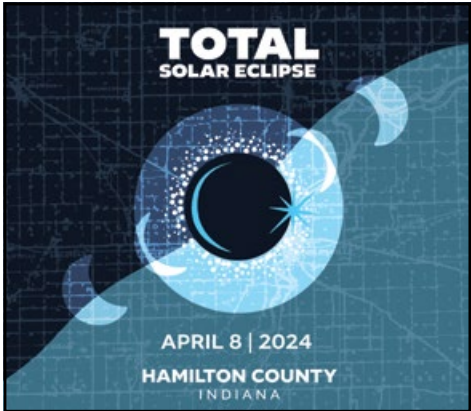
After 18 years and with only a few exceptions, 52 columns a year puts me at almost a thousand. Whew!

At 68, I have had quite a few experiences. I most definitely have opinions. I especially love to listen and sometimes eavesdrop.

This gig as a newspaper columnist has taken me on quite the magic carpet ride.



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# Thanks to Midwest GeoSciences, you can safely watch the eclipse anywhere

**The REPORTER**

Midwest GeoSciences Group, based in Carmel, has built a one-of-a-kind telescope for safely witnessing the anticipated Total Solar Eclipse on Monday, April 8, and in a partnership with the City of Carmel, the telescope will be brought to the city's official viewing event at City Hall.

People can witness the eclipse from anywhere around the world and without looking directly at the sun, thanks to a special viewing station that will be set up to capture the image of the sun and then transmit it on a live streaming platform that will be shared both on the ground and across the globe.

"Eclipse glasses seem to be available everywhere now, but if you're participating in the on-site festivities at City Hall, you'll be able to look at this unique equipment and watch the real-time solar eclipse on a large TV monitor," said Dan Kelleher, Geologist and President of Midwest GeoSciences.

The viewing station will use Smart Telescope Technology to capture the image of the sun and then electronically transmit it to a platform accessible online. That means that anyone can logon to the internet and witness the real-time eclipse progression from Carmel. The weblink will be provided at [carmel.in.gov](http://carmel.in.gov) on April 1.

Kelleher searched different telescope manufacturing companies for the latest imagery technology after he realized that a pin-point mirror reflection would fail to provide a practical eclipse image at the large image scale Dan envisioned. Astronomics Inc., from Norman, Okla., had the answer, pointing Kelleher to a new "first-generation" Smart Telescope Technology using an imaging system called Seestar S50. This apparatus calibrates itself to Earth Geometry Coordinates allowing

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# Keeping central Indiana safer: 23 new firefighters hit the streets

**The REPORTER**

The Noblesville Fire Department (NFC) recently played host to a joint fire academy graduation at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center. Recruit Class 08-23 included a total of 23 firefighters from the Noblesville, Lebanon, and Zionsville fire departments. The graduating class included:

- **Noblesville Fire Dept.** – Aaron Adams, Heather Baker, Ryan Barnett, Josh Bickell, Josh Clark, Antonio Cortes, Craig Costlow, Nicholas Golab, Andrew Haskell, Joseph Izbicki, Tayler Kerr, Levi Lyons, Grant Meyers, Jacob Mills, Jack Parker, Mathew Pirrone, Brantley Springmeyer, Jordan Vlaskamp and Shelby Whitaker
- **Lebanon Fire Dept.** – Rafe Crow, Kurt Keller and Chelsea Moore
- **Zionsville Fire Dept.** – Jonathan Rollins

NFD Chief Matt Mitchell gave the following charge to the graduates:

"For over 15 decades people of Noblesville have been able to call us in their time of need.



Photo provided by Noblesville Fire Department  
After 22 weeks of intense training, 23 firefighters with the Noblesville, Lebanon, and Zionsville fire departments are ready to go to work serving their respective communities.

Honor that tradition. You are automatically given trust based on the badges you have earned and now wear. But that doesn't end today. You have to earn that trust everyday children will look at you like you are a superhero and parents will treat you like trusted family because of your integrity. When NFD knocks, people open the doors to their homes. They do this with total confidence because they know the professionals are here to help."

The ceremony included the badge pinning by the graduates' family members and loved ones, prayers by NFD Pastor Fritz Good, remarks from Recruit Class 08-23 Representative Aaron Adams, and the oath of office given by Noblesville Public Safety Director Chad Knecht.

Hamilton County Firefighters Local 4416 President Jim Butts served as emcee of the ceremony to his fellow Noblesville firefighters. Division Chiefs Joe Scheumann and James Macky oversaw the recruitment class.

"Public safety is a top priority for the City of Noblesville and one of the four pillars of my administration," Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen said. "Continuing to grow our outstanding fire and police departments is

# Come, Behold the Lamb & learn the meaning of Easter

Submitted by Lisa Jennings  
President, Behold the Lamb Ministries, Inc.

It's an Indiana tradition since 1991 and a spectacular live theatrical experience.

The 34th annual Hamilton County Passion Play *Behold the Lamb* will be presented in five performances at the Noblesville High School Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 27 through Friday, March 29, and two Saturday Matinees on March 30 at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Produced by Behold the Lamb Ministries, Inc., an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit ministry, this stirring musical drama takes you through the Old Testament with the Children of Israel, to Passover Week, and ends with a spec-

tacular Heaven finale! This production annually draws thousands from across the state of Indiana and the Midwest.

Featuring over 200 costumed actors and musicians, the cast, choir, crews, and support staff come from all across central Indiana – Noblesville, Westfield, Sheridan, Cicero, Carmel, Danville, Lapel, Tipton, Kokomo, Arcadia, Atlanta, Frankton, Summitville, Elwood, Anderson, Fishers, Indianapolis, Speedway, Middletown, Muncie, Marion, Alexandria, and Zionsville.

*Behold the Lamb 2024* featured soloists include: Leslie Barker (Pendleton), Jim Burchette (Tipton), Curt Edmondson (Fishers), Emily Edmondson (Fishers), Parvin Gillim (Sheridan),



Photo provided  
Joseph of Arimathea (Tom Thomas of Noblesville) carrying Jesus (Blake Whiteley of Danville) to the tomb during the 2023 production of *Behold the Lamb*.

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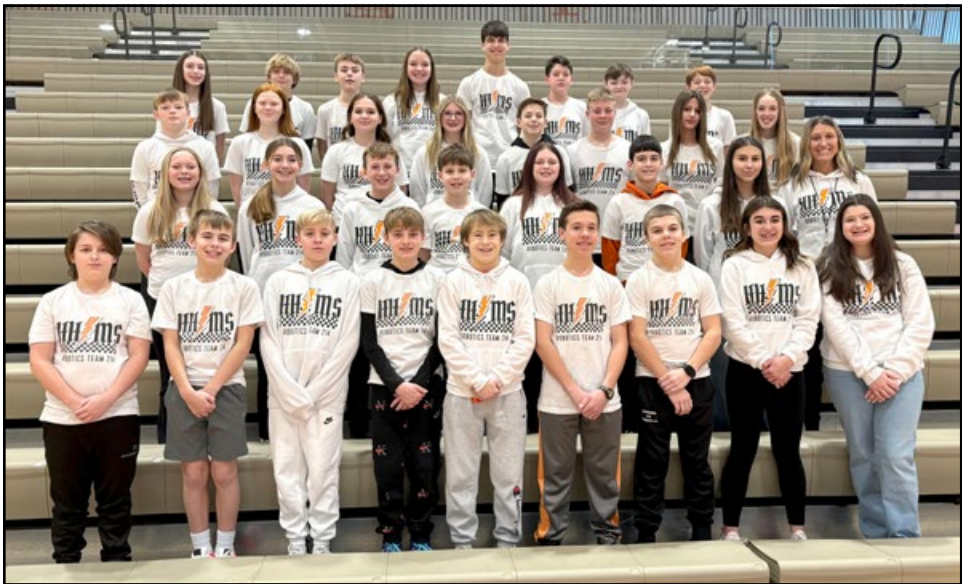
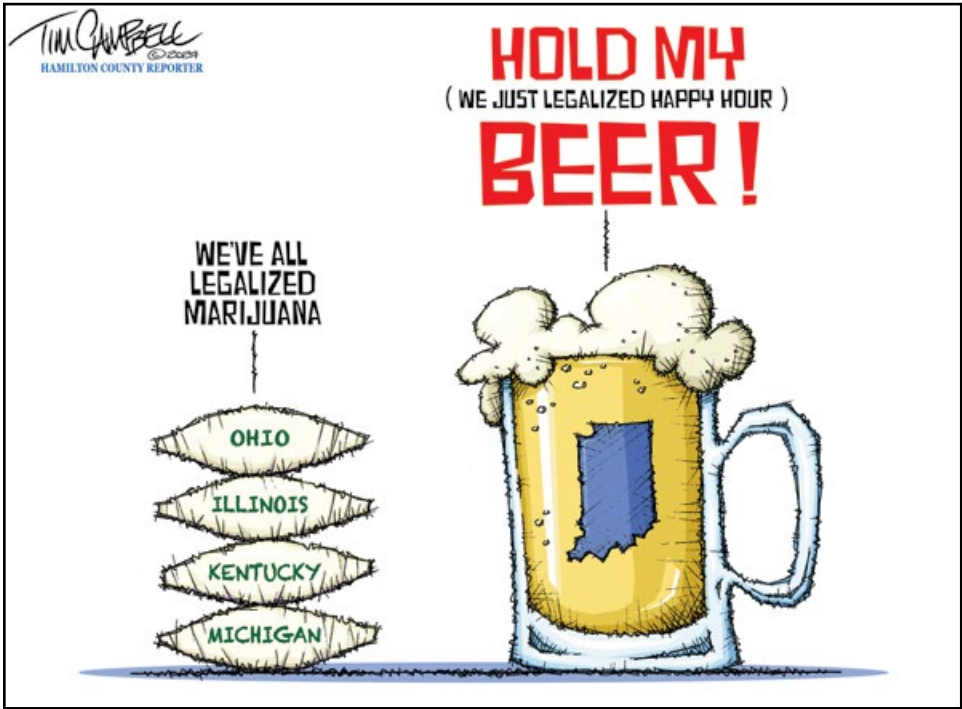


Photo provided  
The Hamilton Heights Middle School Robotics Team is 35 members strong with five teams advancing to the Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship on Saturday, March 23 at Lucas Oil Stadium.

# Five Heights robotics teams qualify for state championship

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Five robotics teams from Hamilton Heights Middle School (HHMS) will head to the 2024 Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship at Lucas Oil Stadium after successfully qualifying at various competitions held earlier this season.

This is the seventh year in a row that HHMS has sent multiple teams to the state-level competition. In fact, HHMS will have one of most teams represented in the state competition of all the school corporations that qualified.

The Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship is the largest state robotics competition in the nation,

with 350 robotics teams from elementary, middle, and high schools across the state competing. Teams are eligible to compete by winning a state-qualifying award at a local competition. HHMS teams qualified at the regular season tournaments earlier in the school year. They did so by winning Teamwork Challenges and Excellence Awards at area events.

“Our team members are some of the most dynamic students you’ll ever meet,” HHMS Robotics Teacher and Robotics Coach Lacy Bowyer said. “They put in the work every day and are highly skilled at what they do. They research what

works and are always making modifications to stay competitive. I couldn’t be more proud to be leading this group of engineers.”

The best of the state’s robotics competitors will be on display and Heights returns to showcase its teams’ talents at the event on the largest stage Indiana has to offer. The Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship takes place on Saturday, March 23 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis and is free and open to the public.

The public is encouraged to show support by helping cheer on the Hamilton Heights Middle School teams at the Indiana VEX Robotics State Championship.

# 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



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

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:

- 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

## BEHOLD

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Greg Hanson (Cicero), Mark Hanson (Anderson), Katie Martin (Speedway), Monica McMain (Kokomo), Deann Ousley (Noblesville), Brittney Scott (Tipton), Rosalie Smith (Noblesville), Sara Teter (Westfield), Debora Urban (Westfield), Betty VanAlstyne (Anderson), Brittany VanAlstyne (Noblesville), Mallory Williams (Westfield).

Principal characters are

Blake Whiteley (Danville) as Jesus, Steve Linerode (Tipton) as Simon of Cyrene, Noah Burke (Carmel) as Rufus, and Logan Ward (Arcadia) as Alexander.

Scenes include individuals from the Old Testament (Children of Israel, Moses, Jacob, Abraham, Isaac, Ruth, Boaz, Rahab, Solomon, King David, Bathsheba, Jeremiah, Isaiah, Elijah, etc.), and events from the New Testament (birth of Jesus, miracles, interactive marketplace, the Last Supper, Garden of Gethsemane, the crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ).

Admission is free but

tickets are required. Tickets are available online through [iTickets.com](https://www.itickets.com) or by phone at 1-800-965-9324 (iTickets processing fees applicable). Tickets are limited to eight per order.

School doors open one hour before the performances, and auditorium doors open 35 minutes before start time. Due to the length of the production, intensity of some scenes, and special effects, children ages birth through four are not permitted in the Performing Arts Center. Childcare is not available.

For additional information, please visit [beholdthelamb.com](https://www.beholdthelamb.com).

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## WHO IS JESUS...

The Devil rebelled and with his lies deceived Adam and Eve and the whole world was broken

People gather at Christmas because of Jesus' birth to bring Hope and Joy.

Jesus' birth would mean nothing if He did not complete His mission of Good Friday and Easter

Jesus taught us to Love God and Love your neighbor as yourself.

Greater love has no man than this: to lay down ones life for his friend. John 15:13.

Not only did Jesus die for us, He overcame death and Satan. He rose from the dead and still lives! To those who believe in his name, He gave the right to become children of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. For Jesus was sacrificed to set us free. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Holy Week

Mar. 24th Palm Sunday Service 9 a.m.  
Mar. 25th - 27th Mon. - Wed. Prayer Services offered at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
Mar. 28th Maundy Thursday Service offered at 7 p.m.  
Mar. 29th Good Friday Service offered at 7 p.m. with communion  
Mar. 30th Saturday Service of the great Vigil at 7 p.m.  
Mar. 31st Easter Sunday:  
Sunrise Service (Matins) at 7 a.m. Breakfast following...  
Easter Festival Service at 9 a.m.

## The 2024 Hamilton County Passion Play

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**BeholdTheLamb.com**



# Rotary Club of Carmel demonstrates commitment to “Service Above Self” with STEM kits for students

The REPORTER

The Rotary Club of Carmel reaffirmed its dedication to serving the community through its recent volunteer activity at The STEM Connection.

True to the Rotary’s motto of “Service Above Self,” members of the club came together to pack STEM kits for children, enriching their educational experiences and fostering a love for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

The STEM kits, meticulously assembled by Carmel Rotarians, are designed to inspire young minds and encourage exploration in the realms of science and

technology. These kits will be distributed to children in the community, ensuring access to valuable educational resources beyond the confines of the classroom.

Highlighting the Rotary Club of Carmel’s commitment to community service is the generous contribution of Julie Standish, a dedicated Carmel Rotarian and former owner of CompuChild, a national franchise company specializing in STEM education for children. Leveraging her expertise and passion for STEM education, Standish donated a portion of her former company’s inventory to The STEM Connection,



(ABOVE LEFT, from left) Carolyn Shaw, Stanley Lebron, Kay Brunson, Vera Vander Kooy, Beth Sexton, Julie Standish, Gregg Harris, Gary Sexton, and Yvette Schubert. (ABOVE RIGHT, from left) Vera Vander Kooy, Cathy Duda, Ruth Wolff, and Julie Standish.

furthering the Rotary Club’s mission to support educational initiatives in the community.

“We are immensely proud of the unwavering dedication of our members to the principle of service above self,” Rotary Club of Carmel President Arnold Elston said. “Through initiatives like the STEM kit packing event and the gen-

erous donation from Julie Standish, we continue to make a positive impact on the lives of children.”

The Rotary Club of Carmel remains steadfast in its commitment to serving the community, embodying the spirit of altruism and compassion that defines the organization worldwide. As advocates for positive change, Carmel Rotarians

are poised to continue their efforts in supporting educational initiatives and fostering a brighter future for all.

For more information about the Rotary Club of Carmel and its ongoing community service initia-

tives, please visit [carmel-rotary.com](http://carmel-rotary.com) or contact [rotaryarn@outlook.com](mailto:rotaryarn@outlook.com). To learn more about The STEM Connection and how to support their mission, visit [thestemconnection.org](http://thestemconnection.org).



## Noblesville Lions learn about Kirk Hardware Building



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club / Jake Doll

Last 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.

## Sheridan Lions roar forward into 2024

By CHUCK GODBY  
Sheridan Lions Club

Since 2024 began, the Sheridan Lions Club has been roaring forward. A myriad of guest speakers, planning and executing fundraisers and donating to the Sheridan Community has kept the local service organization on its toes.

Its first major fundraiser of the year took place last Saturday, March 16, when the Lions held their annual Mark Sims Memorial Pancake Breakfast. This year’s breakfast was held in the Sheridan High School cafeteria. Free-will offerings were accepted and appreciated.

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Plans are also underway for the Lions’ annual pork loin dinner, which will be held April 20. Tickets are now available from any Lions Club member. They are \$11 for adults, \$5 for children and children under age 3 eat free. The Lions will partner with Phi Beta Psi, and proceeds will help fight cancer.

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Recent guest speakers include District Governor Julia Kozicki of Noblesville, Brittany Lozier Moon, and Reed Fish.

Local club members praised Kozicki for her positive, upbeat presentation, while Lozier Moon, a teacher in Zionsville Community Schools, introduced members to EEA of Noblesville, Chapter 57. Its purpose is to get young people involved in aviation.



Photos provided (From the top) District Governor Julia Kozicki, Zionsville teacher Brittany Lozier Moon, and Lions International Director candidate Reed Fish have all recently spoken to the Sheridan Lions.

Fish, of the Speedway Lions Club, is a candidate for International Director.

The Sheridan Lions Club is always on the lookout for new members interested in serving the Sheridan Community.



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imperative to ensure our residents and businesses are as safe as possible. We are excited to have these new firefighters as part of our Noblesville community and wish them long and successful careers.”

The recruit academy lasts approximately 22 weeks. The first 15 weeks are devoted to gaining certification at Firefighter level I, II, hazardous materials and technical rescue – swift water, extrication, emergency vehicle operations, and prevention. The remaining seven weeks involved training as an emergency medical technician at the basic level.

Noblesville’s recruits have now completed all training and will be moving to their assigned shifts effective Monday, March 18. The

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new firefighters will complete a probationary year before being promoted to pipemen.

### About the Noblesville Fire Department

The Noblesville Fire Department has 140 career firefighters, including 10 full-time staff positions, operating out of seven fire stations. NFD covers a rapidly growing area of 58 square miles within its jurisdiction. In addition to fire suppression, NFD provides emergency medical services (EMS), consisting of Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS/Paramedics), and maintains a Hazardous Materials Team, Dive Team, and Tactical Rescue Team. For more information, visit [cityofnoblesville.org/fire](http://cityofnoblesville.org/fire).

## MIDWESTGEO

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**The internet-connected Seestar S50 telescope will be at Carmel City Hall on Monday, April 8. That means any person anywhere on Earth can safely see the total solar eclipse – even without special glasses.**

self-search and targeting of space objects.

At nighttime, the powerful Seestar S50 is a remarkable tool for easily finding and photographing deep-space objects. It comes with a solar filter that works perfectly for capturing images of the sun and its surface. Solar flares and sunspots are visible real time using the solar filter.

### Free lectures at Carmel Library

Midwest GeoSciences Group will hold a Pre-Eclipse Lecture at the Carmel Clay Public Library on Sunday, April 7 featuring two lectures by experts in their field.

- Eclipses & Celestial Bodies: Shining a Light on History and Science during this Magical Moment of Darkness, with Dr. Tom Sale, Emeritus Professor of Civil Engineering and Past Director of the Center for Hydrology in Civil and Environmental Engineering at

Colorado State University.

- SETI: The Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence – Perspectives of an Earth Scientist, with Dr. Donna Jurdy, Professor in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences at Northwestern University.

### About Midwest Geosciences Group

Midwest GeoSciences Group is based in Carmel and was founded in 1996 by Dan Kelleher and Tim Kemmis, professional geologists and recognized experts in their field. The organization offers high-level training to hydrogeologic, environmental, and engineering professionals mainly around the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Australia. “Midwest-Geo” also performs professional consulting services to help solve complex ground water problems. Find more information at [midwestgeo.com/solareclipse2024/index.php](http://midwestgeo.com/solareclipse2024/index.php).

# Husky 4-H Junior Leaders are making a real difference

By GRACE MILLER  
Husky 4-Hers Club Reporter

Last Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m., the Husky 4-H’ers 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 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



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**(TOP) These Junior Leaders are learning what it takes to step up and help their communities. (ABOVE LEFT) Grace Miller demonstrated how to make cake pops. (ABOVE RIGHT) Cash and Sophia Camperelli demonstrated how to play Frisbee.**

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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 Lead-

er 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.

## EAVESDROPPING

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I will teach two workshops and a roundtable at the Taylor University Writer’s Conference this summer. (The cost is \$139 for two days, including meals, and it is just a short trip to Upland, Ind.) Linda Chaffee Taylor brings in speakers and writers from all over the United States. It’s my favorite writer’s conference.

Back to the art of eavesdropping. Most writers would probably admit to doing so.

Combine my love of coffee and my love of listening, and voilà, I have a column! My downtown has the best places to drink coffee, ponder, and listen.

As I write this, I sit in one of my favorite cafes, sipping a latte and listening to a conversation at the nearby table. It’s fascinating. My concern is that they will carry the conversation with them when they leave, leaving me not knowing the rest of the story.

Speaking of the rest of the story, Paul Harvey was the ultimate storyteller. Many reading this are too young to know him and how he left you hanging for the rest of the story. YouTube!

I love stories. I love listening to them and telling them. A story, well told, engages the listener and the reader. When storytellers leave the audience wanting more, they have a gift. I can only hope to have that effect. I’ll keep trying.

My stories of traveling capture my readers’ attention so much that they never want to travel with me. I can’t say that I blame them. The time the pilot came over the intercom, telling of a problem with starting the second

engine and thus the delay in taking off, seemed to seal the decision not to travel with me. I can’t blame anyone for not wanting to be my travel buddy. I do have a brave husband.

I have a T-shirt that says, *Careful, or you’ll end up in my novel.*

Facts are indeed stranger than fiction. A fiction book is possibly in my future. I might leave you thinking, “Could that be true?” No way ... yes, WAY! But I’ll never tell you if a story in a fiction book is true. I need to leave you guessing.

This writing journey never ceases to amaze me. I love visiting book clubs, speaking at church events, speaking to retired teachers, and teaching workshops at writer conferences.

Even if you never plan to publish your writing, I suggest you write in a journal. It’s wonderful therapy. Writing your story can be the gift of a written legacy for your family.

Whether my writing has entertained you or given you something to ponder, I am humbled that you read my words. Even if you disagree with my opinions, it is okay. I only hope that my words matter for one reason or another.

I will continue to eavesdrop and write. I’ll never share your secrets, and you will not read about mine. You will read my thoughts, opinions, and adventures.

While I write about my faith, I will not write about religion. There is a difference. I will not write about politics. I will write about compromise and civility. I



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never want my opinions to harm anyone.

My knowledge is simply from life. At 68, I have been schooled well by both hard knocks and observations. I love to ask questions and ponder the answers.

I keep an open mind. I have seen the damage a closed mind can do.

Eavesdropping gives me ideas for topics. The conversations I hear are excellent catalysts for creating stories in my brain. The files are enormous, and the flipping tabs are loud ... especially at 3:48 a.m.

Once upon a time, a little girl sat in a creative writing class, dreaming of someday becoming a writer, never knowing she was already a writer. And she lived reasonably happily ever after.

She wrote to her community, which loved her well. And that, my friends, is the rest of this column.

Stay tuned – book No. 2 is a work in progress, as is that fiction book. Oh, the story Audrey Grace has to tell. Sunny Gap, Kentucky, holds a lot of secrets. Do I have you curious? I hope so.

Now, back to my coffee and the conversation I am eavesdropping on. My column might be called *As the Coffee Shop Turns or The Bold and the Caffeinated*. After all, we all live in a little bit of Peyton Place and 46060.

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# Don Farrell does it his way

By SHANA SLOMA  
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When Don Farrell, former Artistic Director and co-founder of Actors Theatre of Indiana (ATI), resigned from his position at ATI last August, it allowed him to “hit the reset button” on the administrative direction that his career had taken and refocus his energy on performing.

After spending 19 years serving in a variety of roles at ATI, Farrell’s departure last fall has given him the opportunity to return to the stage full-time. Currently, he is showcasing his formidable talent as Don Kirshner in the Beef and Boards Dinner Theatre production of *Beautiful – The Carole King Musical* running now through March 30.

While Farrell shared with The Reporter that he is enjoying his time playing “the man with the golden ear,” he also mentioned that the Indianapolis-based venue is not his only gig. Alongside his business partner, musical director Terry Woods, the duo are creating multiple cabaret-style shows for Feinstein’s in Hotel Carmichael, located at 1 Carmichael Square in Carmel.

Farrell is busy engaging audiences with classic songs and little-known details about each of the artists he highlights. Every

production is a carefully crafted montage of music and educational background designed to entertain and enlighten audiences about the artist.

When Derrick Pfeister, Director of Arts and Entertainment for Hotel Carmichael, first approached Farrell about performing cabaret, the singer was quick to clarify his performance style.

“I told Derrick, ‘I’m not an impersonator,’” Farrell said. “So, if you’re looking for an impersonation of Sinatra, that’s not me. I’m sure you can find those guys anywhere.”

Farrell shares that his enjoyment comes from sharing facts about the artist that the audience may not know.

“I love the backstory,” he said. “Having the context of something elevates the beautiful songs that we all know and love even more.”

Farrell’s recent productions include *Sweet Caroline – The Life and Music of Neil Diamond*, *Because of You: A Tribute to Tony Bennett*, and *One Voice – The Music of Barry Manilow*. Previously, his recurring production of *All the Way: A Frank Sinatra Tribute* played to sold-out

crowds in 2021 during the height of the pandemic.

When asked why he thinks people are so moved by his productions, Farrell suggests that people yearn for memories evoked by music.

“People want the nostalgia,” Farrell said. “They want to see things that bring a moment in time that was important in the songbook of their lives.”

Farrell will return to Feinstein’s stage from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, performing *Frank Sinatra: The Tribute*. The doors open for dinner and drinks at 5:30 p.m. The performance will feature songs like “Fly Me to the Moon,” “In the Wee Small Hours of the Morning,” and “Summer Wind,” as well as new sharing new anecdotal tales about the life of Ol’ Blue Eyes.

Although Farrell has moved on from his administrative role at ATI, his collaboration with Feinstein’s is just getting started. Farrell and Woods have been tasked with curating more content for a monthly show debuting next month.

“I am so grateful for our past successes!” Farrell said. “My company, Crossroads Entertainment, in collaboration and part-

nership with the great people at Feinstein’s at Hotel Carmichael, are thrilled to announce that beginning April 18, the third Thursday of each month will be a ‘Don Farrell Presents ...’ curated evening of top-notch entertainment ranging from uniquely created original shows, new docu-cabaret tribute shows, presented artists, bands, and more!”

The “Don Farrell Presents...” debut show will be *Summer Nights: The Music of Grease!* The performance will feature music and stories from the blockbuster hit and will engage the audience with festive sing-alongs.

Farrell explained to The Reporter that he enjoys using his talent to enrich the lives of the people he entertains.

“It’s so powerful what music can do to the human spirit,” he said. “Music transcends political ideology. It transcends cultural differences. It’s so powerful when we come together and celebrate.”

Farrell is also humble regarding the gifts he has been afforded.

“I believe that music is truly a gift from God,” he said. “We are surrounded by beautiful angels on Earth, people that are inspired by God, to write lyrics and melodies that just go right to your heart.”



## Fishers Century Club continues expanding its charitable efforts

Guys’ crowd-giving group to meet again March 26

### The REPORTER

The Fishers Century Club will hold its next meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26 at The Club / Knowledge Services building on Crosspoint Boulevard in the recreation room.

At the start of the meeting, the Youth Mentoring Initiative (YMI) will briefly speak about its use of the funds received from the December meeting.

YMI was selected as the winning charity for the December meeting, where Matt Kegley, Board Chair of YMI, spoke passionately about the organization's mission to engage Hamilton Southeastern School students through positive relationships with caring adult mentors.

“We are honored to have Youth Mentoring Initiative share their impactful work with us,” said Anthony Head from the Fishers Century Club. “The club is excited to hear about the impact of our donation on their program. We are also calling all guys in the community to attend and bring a charity of their choice to pitch!”

The Fishers Century Club raised \$3,300 at its December meeting and members hope to continue to grow and surpass that at the March 26 gathering.

The meeting will also include three randomly selected charitable organization pitches from club attendees. For more information and a list of previous winners, please visit [fisherscenturyclub.com](http://fisherscenturyclub.com). To participate in the crowd-giving group online, visit the Fishers Century Club’s Grapevine site at [tinyurl.com/FCCgrapevine](http://tinyurl.com/FCCgrapevine).

**About Fishers Century Club**

The Fishers Century Club is a group of individuals committed to making a positive impact on the local community. Through collective giving and active participation, the club aims to support and uplift deserving charities, ultimately contributing to the betterment of Fishers and the local community. For media inquiries, please contact the Fishers Century Club at [fisherscenturyclub@gmail.com](mailto:fisherscenturyclub@gmail.com).

# Hoosier Road Elementary students help break new ground on Fishers Community Center at Johnson Farm

### The REPORTER

The City of Fishers broke ground on the Fishers Community Center at Johnson Farm last Tuesday, March 12. The 105,000 square-foot recreation facility will be the first of its kind in Fishers and located on Hoosier Road near 121st Street.

The groundbreaking included remarks from Mayor Scott Fadness and project stakeholders. Special guests included Hoosier Road Elementary students who helped to break ground on the new facility, as well as Art Johnson, whose family farmed the land for generations.

The new community center was created based on resident input during a public outreach campaign beginning in 2021. Nearly 3,500 residents completed a survey to share the amenities they most desired in this facility. Top items like a dog



Photo provided by City of Fishers

**Students from Hoosier Road Elementary School took part in the ceremony.**

park, indoor playground, indoor walking/running track, and aquatics facility were included in the design.

The Center will offer both memberships and day passes with discounts for Fishers residents, while featuring free amenities accessible to both residents and non-residents, including a large indoor playground, indoor track for walking and running, and a café operated by Sahn’s Hospitality Group.

The Center will also be the new home of the Fishers Health Department, as well as Outside the Box’s adult day program to support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Learn more at [fishersIN.gov/CommunityCenter](http://fishersIN.gov/CommunityCenter).

## Gaylor Electric ranks nationally on ABC’s list of top-performing construction contractors

### The REPORTER

Gaylor Electric has been nationally recognized by the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) as a top performer in the construction industry.

This coveted list contains contractor members who are committed to executing the country’s most innovative, quality-driven, and safe projects across the country ranked by hours worked.

To be eligible, Top Performers must demonstrate world-class safety performance and construction process. One must achieve Gold status or higher in ABC’s Safety Training Evaluation Process (STEP) Management System, which ensures the contractor is six times safer than the national average. Gaylor Electric has continuously received the highest acknowledgment, Diamond level STEP Certification. Through STEP, the contractor must also be an



Accredited Quality Contractor (AQC) certified. The prestigious AQC publicly recognizes and honors those who have documented their commitment to quality, safety, talent management, craft and management education, and community relations.

“Our dedication to safety transcends industry norms, demonstrating our genuine care for people,” Gaylor Electric CEO Chuck Goodrich said. “We consistently prioritize delivering work with a focus on safety, profitability, and ethics, placing us at the forefront of the construction industry. This national recognition as an ABC Top Performer

is a testament to our commitment to the well-being of our teams and those we serve.”

Bryan Feller, Vice President of Safety, highlighted the importance of instilling a safety-focused culture among our professionals.

“Developing a culture of safety requires like-minded leadership,” Feller said. “Each one of us assumes a leadership role in promoting safety, embodying it in every action and aspect of our work. Safety culture necessitates the active participation of everyone at Gaylor Electric.”

See the full list of top performers at [abc.org/Membership/Top-Performers](http://abc.org/Membership/Top-Performers).

**About ABC**

Associated Builders and Contractors is a national construction industry trade association established in 1950 that represents more than 21,000 members. Founded on the merit shop philosophy, ABC and its 69 chapters help members develop people, win work and deliver that work safely, ethically and profitably for the betterment of the communities in which ABC and its members work. Learn more at [abc.org](http://abc.org).

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## Fishers Fire Chief Steven Orsua set to retire this year

By GREGG MONTGOMERY  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

The chief of the Fishers Fire Department will be “retiring this year,” Mayor Scott Fadness announced March 11.

In a post on the social platform called X, Fadness said Steve Orsua informed him of his decision to leave the job. Orsua will stay on until a transition is completed sometime before late fall, the mayor said.

Orsua has worked in law enforcement and fire service positions for 40 years. He joined the Fishers Fire Department in May 2011. He was instrumental adding emergency services and a paramedicine program to the fire department, and in creating the Fishers Health Department during the COVID-19 pandemic.



Orsua

Part of Fadness’ social media post said, “In the months to come, there will be a change in our Fire and Emergency Services Department. But we’ve always leaned into opportunities to change to make us better, more efficient, & serve the community. I look forward to supporting Chief Orsua’s transition to retirement.”

Prior to becoming Fishers fire chief, Orsua helped lead the operations planning for Super Bowl XLVI in 2012 in Indianapolis and served as incident commander for the Henryville, Ind., tornado that hit March 2, 2012.

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## Two Carmel attorneys earn “Super Lawyer” status

**The REPORTER**

Carmel-based law firm Altman, Poindexter & Wyatt LLC announced recently that two of its partners, Anne H. Poindexter and Scott P. Wyatt, have been named 2024 Indiana Super Lawyers.

Poindexter is a top-rated practicing attorney and a founding member of Altman, Poindexter & Wyatt LLC. She completed her undergraduate studies from Ball State University and graduated cum laude from Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. Her areas of practice include utilities, municipal law, as well as estate/trust planning and related litigation. She and her husband, the Honorable Brian Poindexter, live in Carmel and have a daughter in medical school.

Wyatt is a top-rated practicing attorney and a founding member of Altman, Poindexter & Wyatt LLC. He obtained his undergraduate degree from Truman State University and his law degree from

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. His areas of practice include family law, criminal defense, and general litigation. He is married with two children and was heavily involved in scouting.

Attorneys like Anne H. Poindexter and Scott P. Wyatt are recognized by their peers for their outstanding work and commitment to the spirit of the legal profession. Their knowledge of the law, professional work ethic, and advocacy on behalf of their clients allow them to stand out among other attorneys in the field.

Super Lawyers is a rating service of outstanding lawyers who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. Super Lawyers’ patented attorney selection process is peer-influenced and research-driven, selecting the top 5 percent of attorneys to the list each year.

Learn more about Altman, Poindexter & Wyatt LLC at [apwlawyer.com](http://apwlawyer.com).



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(ABOVE LEFT) Chief Drake Sterling with his wife Sarah and children. (ABOVE RIGHT) Mayor Sue Finkam presented retiring Chief Jim Barlow with the Range Line Pioneer Award.



Photos provided by City of Carmel

## Drake Sterling sworn in as Carmel Chief of Police

*Retiring Chief Barlow recognized with city’s highest honor*

**The REPORTER**

Drake Sterling was officially sworn in as Carmel Chief of Police last Tuesday evening.

The public ceremony, held at The Tarkington Theater, was led by Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam and open to all members of the Carmel community. In addition to the formal swearing-in ceremony, Mayor Finkam also recognized retiring police chief Jim Barlow for his dedication to the city by awarding him the Range Line Pioneer Award.

“As our city welcomes Chief Sterling, I want to express my deepest gratitude to Chief Barlow for his years of dedicated service and unwavering commitment to ensuring the safety

and well-being of our community,” Mayor Finkam said. “The transition represents a new chapter for our police department, and I am confident that Chief Sterling will build upon the foundation laid by his predecessor, bringing fresh perspectives and innovative approaches to further strengthen the bond between law enforcement and the community we serve.”

Chief Sterling joined the Carmel Police Department in February 2024 after serving in various roles with the Zionsville Police Department. During his career, Chief Sterling served in a SWAT capacity for more than 10 years as well as in Support Services, Investigations, and Uniformed

Services.

“As I step into the role of chief of police, I am humbled and honored to serve this community,” Chief Sterling said. “My commitment is to lead with transparency, accountability and a deep dedication to fostering positive relationships between our police force and the residents we protect. Together, we will work tirelessly to create a safer, more inclusive environment, where collaboration and communication are paramount.”

Retiring Chief Jim Barlow served the Carmel Police Department for more than 40 years. Barlow started with late-night shifts in the patrol division then moved from criminal investigations to special

investigations with the department’s drug task force. During his career, he saw promotions from sergeant to lieutenant to major. He served in leadership roles in the patrol division and the support division, ultimately appointed to chief of police in 2017.

“It has been an honor to work alongside dedicated officers and witness the strength of our community partnerships,” Barlow said. “Together, we have faced challenges, celebrated successes and continually strived to make our city a safer place. The journey has been rewarding, and I am confident that the department will continue to thrive in its mission to protect and serve.”



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Plan ahead and order your native plants and rain barrels now from Soil & Water Conservation District.

## Spring into conservation with native plants & rain barrels from SWCD

**The REPORTER**

Spring rains, sunshine, and blooms are on the horizon. Plan ahead for your property by ordering your native plants and rain barrels from the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District. SWCD has all the tools you need to conserve water and support pollinators like bees and butterflies with beautiful native plants.

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between grey, black, and terra cotta 55-gallon rain barrels. Accessories like diverters systems for easily installation, wooden stands, and linking hoses are also available.

Carmel residents are eligible for a \$50 to \$75 rebate from the City Stormwater Program after installing a rain barrel. Information on this program is available at [rainonmain.com/carmel-rain-barrel-subsidy.html](http://rainonmain.com/carmel-rain-barrel-subsidy.html).

Plant kit and rain barrel pre-orders can be placed online at [hamiltonswcd.org](http://hamiltonswcd.org). Orders for plants are due Thursday, March 28 and rain barrel pre-orders are due May 16. Rain barrels can be picked up on May 22 in Noblesville and plants the week of June 4. All proceeds support conservation projects and education in Hamilton County.

More information on native plants and rain barrels can be found at [hamiltonswcd.org](http://hamiltonswcd.org).

Questions regarding the sales or SWCD resources can be directed to at [soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:soil.water@hamiltoncounty.in.gov) or (317) 773-2181.



## Carmel Park Board votes to dismiss lawsuit against city

*Proposed ordinance change addresses concerns regarding impact fee credits*

**The REPORTER**

In its first meeting since the Carmel City Council passed a resolution outlining proposed changes for the approval of future impact fee credits, the Carmel/Clay Board of Parks and Recreation voted to dismiss the litigation filed against the City of Carmel regarding this matter.

Park Board members expressed appreciation for the commitment of Mayor Sue Finkam and the City Council to enhance transparency regarding the issuance of impact fee credits. While the proposed changes must first be reviewed by the Plan Commission before returning to City Council for final adoption, the Park Board’s action

demonstrates its confidence that these important changes will be implemented in a timely manner.

“I appreciate the resolution of this issue and would like to thank the Parks Board for taking this action,” Mayor Sue Finkam said. “With this lawsuit behind us, we can focus our valuable resources on providing world-class parks and recreation amenities to residents and visitors for decades to come.”

“Both the City of Car-



Finkam



Klitzing

mel and Clay Township have been important partners contributing to the success of Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation (CCPR) and this is an issue we are happy to move beyond,” Parks and Recreation Director Michael Klitzing said. “Together we can now focus our attention on the future and how best to serve the park and recreation needs of Carmel residents.”

CCPR is currently finalizing its new Compre-

hensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan, which will guide the management and development of the park system for the next five years. Later this year, the Park Board will host a joint meeting with the City Council and Clay Township Board to review recommended priorities and action plans developed based on extensive public input.

The master plan will also identify potential funding options necessary to sustain existing infrastructure and construct new amenities requested by the community.

An update on the master plan was provided at the Jan. 23, 2024, Park Board meeting, and can be viewed on YouTube at [tinyurl.com/2mx8st7h](https://tinyurl.com/2mx8st7h).

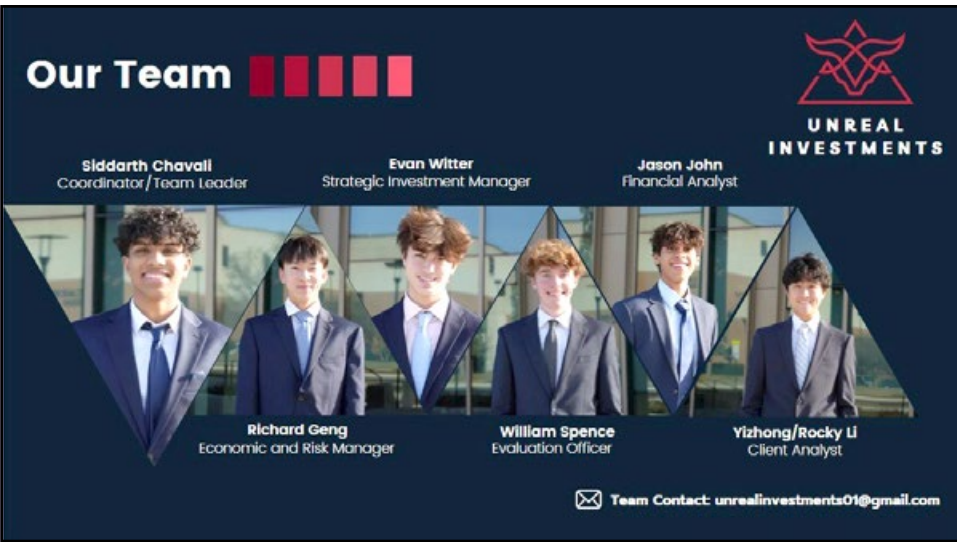
## Carmel students advance to semifinals in Global Youth Investment Competition

**The REPORTER**

Six Carmel High School students have distinguished themselves in the top 50 of Wharton Global Youth Investment Competition, organized by Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

Comprised of six CHS juniors – Siddarth Chavali, Yizhong Li, Jason John, Evan Witter, William Spence, and Richard Geng – their team represents only one of the 25 teams from the United States. The remaining of the teams selected are comprised of students from Canada, UAE, India, China, Singapore, and other countries.

The Wharton Global High School Investment Competition is a free, experiential investment challenge for high school students in ninth through 12th grades. Students work in teams of four to seven, guided by a teacher



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as their advisor, and have access to an online stock market simulator and learn about strategy-building, teamwork, communication, risk, diversification, company and industry analysis, and many other aspects of investing.

The Carmel student team

attributes its success to collaborative decision-making, strong problem-solving skills, and innovative investment strategies.

“We are grateful for the opportunity to showcase our talents on an international platform,” Coordinator/Team

Leader Siddarth Chavali said. “As our team progresses to the semifinals representing our high school, our local community, and our country, we are dedicated to advancing further in pursuit of our success. Our determination and our honor are unwavering.”

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# Hamilton County Tourism awarded for “Best Advocacy Initiative” in Indiana

## Brenda Myers receives Distinguished Service Award

The REPORTER

Indiana’s annual tourism conference was held March 11 to 13 in Evansville, Ind., and Hamilton County Tourism was awarded Best Advocacy Initiative in its category.

Additionally, Hamilton County Tourism President and CEO Brenda Myers was recognized as the recipient of the Indiana Tourism Association Distinguished Service Award. The award is for individuals who have seen the importance of developing, promoting, and protecting Indiana’s tourism industry. They have used their position and influence to ensure the success of Indiana tourism assets.

“Tourism has provided me a career that has enriched my life in ways I cannot begin to describe,” Myers said. “My tourism family is very special to me.”

The Indiana Tourism



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Hamilton County Tourism was given the award for Best Advocacy Initiative in its category. HCT President & CEO Brenda Myers (center) received the Indiana Tourism Association Distinguished Service Award.

Awards were presented on Tuesday. The awards honor tourism businesses who are creative, innovative and maximize the dollars invested.

Two hundred tourism leaders from around the state came to the Indiana Tourism Conference for networking and educational

sessions over three days.

The Indiana Tourism Association’s mission is advocating the value of tourism in Indiana and supporting the best practices of its members. Established in 1980, the association partners with the Indiana Destination Development

Corporation, Association of Indiana Restaurant and Lodging, and other statewide associations to support tourism investment and promotion as an economic contributor to the state.

For more information, visit [IndianaTourismAssociation.com](http://IndianaTourismAssociation.com).

# Real estate agent Aaron Starr recognized with highest honor by F.C. Tucker Company

The REPORTER

F.C. Tucker Company has awarded real estate agent and F.C. Tucker Noblesville Office co-manager Aaron Starr with its highest honor.

Starr has received the Tucker Senior Award, recognizing those who exemplify the high standards and time-honored traditions initiated by the F.C. Tucker Company’s founder, Fred C. Tucker Sr.

Starr is well-known within both the F.C. Tucker family and Noblesville community as someone who’s always offering a helping hand during tough times. Whether he’s assisting impoverished families, helping a single mom find a home for her family, or participating in groups that support and encourage members to become better men, he does it all with impec-

cable character and a servant’s heart.

Starr’s colleagues emphasize that he is always looking for opportunities to help others and that he positively impacts everyone he interacts with both in his personal life and in business.

“Aaron Starr lives his life with passion and has a big heart that is evident to everyone. He truly understands his purpose in life is helping others succeed both professionally and personally,” F.C. Tucker Company CEO Jim Litten said. “Aaron’s unique hands-on approach to mentoring, training and helping those in need truly represents what it means to be both a business and servant leader in our community.”

Learn more about F.C. Tucker Company at [talktotucker.com](http://talktotucker.com).



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# Noblesville Schools’ Sandy Burnette earns state recognition for nursing excellence



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Last Wednesday, March 13, Sandy Burnette (center), who serves as the Director of Nursing for Noblesville Schools, was recognized by the Indiana Association of School Nurses for her excellence. (Above) Burnette with her team of Noblesville Schools nurses. Congratulations, Nurse Burnette!

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# 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.

Roundabouts are replacing 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 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.



FRED SWIFT  
The County Line

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](mailto:swiftfred19@gmail.com).



AMY SHINNEMAN  
Disability in the City

Have you ever been in a situation where you were unable to move or speak because you were so terrified? It is a horrific feeling, and one that can bring up many unpleasant emotions, even years later.

Falling for me is one of my biggest fears. Mostly because when I fall, there is a good chance I am not going to be able to get up on my own. This has become especially true as my muscular dystrophy has progressed over the years.

Several years ago, my family was visiting some family members in Colorado. We were visiting a local restaurant that had just opened to the public. When we arrived, it was overwhelmingly crowded. We walked inside, and I instantly knew that it was too crowded for my young boys. My sister-in-law graciously offered to take the boys outside once we knew we wouldn't be there long, and my husband, his brother and I stayed inside to look around.

After a few short minutes, I knew I didn't want to

stay inside either. I told my husband that I was going to find my way outside, and I would meet him out there. He was concerned about me getting through the crowd, but I assured him I would be okay.

Crowds are my nemesis. A slight bump can send me to the ground. This was about 15 years ago, so physically I wasn't where I am now. At that time, I wasn't even using a cane to get around.

I carefully made my way to a side exit door. Feeling successful to have made it through the crowd, I opened the door to go outside. It swung in the opposite direction from what I was expecting. The next thing I knew, I was on the ground, half in and half out of the restaurant, my body propping the door open. I frantically dialed my husband's number, but it was so loud in there, he wasn't hearing his phone. I called over and over before accepting my reality that he wasn't going to rescue me.

I silently cried and tried to think of a way out of this situation. There was nothing

around for me to even attempt to hoist myself up on.

First, an older couple came over to me, and bless them, they tried to help me up, but it takes a very strong person. I am kind of a limp noodle in a situation like that. They felt so bad they couldn't help me. They set off to try and locate my husband with the description I gave them.

Shortly after they walked off, the angry restaurant manager came over and proceeded to yell at me that I was letting all the cold air out of the restaurant. He told me I needed to move out of the doorway immediately and stormed off. He assumed I had too much to drink and had fallen. I hadn't had a drop. Too stunned to argue back, I got on my hands and knees and crawled out of the doorway just inside the restaurant. The crowd watched as I did this, some pointing and laughing. That was such a humiliating moment that still haunts me to this day.

I honestly don't know how much time passed before I was rescued. It felt like an eternity. Many people just walked by me, stared, and kept walking. Suddenly, the crowd part-

ed. I looked up to see a man with the kindest eyes I have ever seen. He knelt beside me, and said "I'm here to help you, you are going to be okay." He told me he was a physical therapist, and he knew exactly how to help me off the ground.

He got me up, and I assured him I was physically okay. I hugged him and thanked him profusely, making a quick exit (this time correctly).

In my opinion, this man was heaven-sent. He didn't even seem real. His kindness touched me forever. I often think back on that moment because it was so awful, but so beautiful at the same time. His kind gesture far overshadowed the painful reality of that entire experience.

One thing we all as humans can offer is kindness. It's free to give. You never know the impact you will have on someone by even the smallest act of kindness.

Until next time ...  
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## Also true . . .

Here's another story my mom told me.

The mother was one of the most kind and gentle people I have ever met. The daughter was beautiful, a 4-H winner. When we took our small children to visit, I thought, "How kind, gentle. She should be a teacher of young children."

Later she spent four years in college. Two degrees came almost simultaneously. The BA and the MRS. They decided that it was important for him to get a Masters' Degree so she taught school and he studied. They walked in the clouds and dreamed of the day when they would have a dozen children. An even dozen. They hadn't heard quite as much about over-population as you have.

But the first of the 12 caused a bit more difficulty than they expected. She couldn't quite finish the first year of teaching. The budget groaned, but stretched enough to allow him to finish that all-important degree. And then an unexpected, unplanned event occurred: the first baby had to arrive by cesarean section. But one operation did double duty for it wasn't just one baby. There were twin boys. So they had made a flying start in producing their family of 12.

The grass being "greener on the other side," he took a job in Hawaii. A new family, a new job, travel. What more could one ask? When you're planning for 12, you shouldn't waste too much time. So before long the next edition was on the way. The twins were a lively handful, he had an important job with long hours, the lovely climate was fraught with fungi and things alien to the mainland. She scarcely knew how to cope with it all.

But the plans were rosy: when the new one gets here and the job eases up, we'll make friends, we'll get a sitter, we'll find time for everything. The gentle mother flew over for several weeks. What a relief to have the twins in capable hands! To have a loving grandmother care for the little girl! The hectic life smoothed a bit and life seemed easier.

But the third child was also by cesarean section. Surgery does drain one's vitality. The children's needs did not diminish. Then a promotion came and it was on to California. A new house, a lovely locale. But again the pressure of a new job. Long hours of



RAY ADLER  
Ask Adler

work. Too little time for wife and family. If we're having 12, it's time to get on with it, he said. But she didn't feel equal to another operation. Three lovely youngsters were enough to cope with now.

Sometimes grandparents came, but these visits – halfway across the continent – were of necessity rare. One time when they came things had gotten into such a sorry state that they took their lovely daughter to a psychiatric hospital. After several weeks she seemed much improved. The young husband went in, too, on an outpatient basis and again their marriage seemed to flourish. The children grew, became teenagers.

Sad news reached the aging parents. Daughter had walked out without leaving any address. A million worry-years later they found she was working in a motel for her room. The mother prayed – oh, how earnestly she prayed – that God would take care of this daughter who had become incapable of caring for herself.

So she was not surprised when she learned that the motel keeper had said to his wife, "It is not right to hire that girl for her room. We must pay a salary so she can buy food to eat." In this fashion the girl survived but the mind deteriorated. The husband secured a divorce. He sold the house they had loved then moved the three high schoolers to a different locale. The job became too much but now there are alimony payments. She secured a small apartment. Alimony and rent came out almost even. So the parents send checks and a once-favored aunt contributes some and a girl – she must be nearing 40 – survives.

When her parents make the long journey to see her, she locks the door and turns them away lest they take her back to the hospital. "Come home," they plead. The plea falls on deaf ears. Her children are there. The boys can drive a car now and sometimes – yes, very rare sometimes – they come to visit.

Her parents lived for her rare letters:

Dear Mom, Dad,  
Thank you for the check.  
I am very busy. Will write more later.

Love,  
Your daughter  
Always the same two lines. Always "busy." The "more" never comes.  
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# Are we really always “fine” at work?

As we continue to examine how to be more joyful at work, I want to pause for a moment and discuss something fellow columnist Amy Shinneman brought up recently. It's how we typically respond to the question, "How are you?"

Amy pointed out what so many of us know – that when someone asks us "how are you?", nine times out of 10, they're not expecting to REALLY hear how we are. So, we smile and say, "I'm fine," or "good" or "great," even when we're truly not. It's just a polite question and answer thing that so many of us do automatically.

Her column got my wheels turning. Yes, I'm writing a series about bringing joy to the workplace. But we're not always feeling joyful or happy, are we? Yet, so many times, we're expected



AMY SHANKLAND  
Perfectly Imperfect

to plaster on a smile and act that way in our professional lives.

As a business owner, I began to wonder ... what if we each took 60 seconds when our workday starts, or when we begin a meeting, to truly express how we're doing? To let our boss and coworkers know that maybe we don't have it all together, we're a little sad, or we're just "meh."

I think this could help us all bring more joy to our workplaces. Stay with me here.

I actually feel relief when someone tells me that their life isn't perfect, or that things are hard, or that something is bothering them. Why? Because it shows me that I'm not alone!

Two things can happen when you hear someone share that they're struggling with something. One, it gives

you the chance to listen, empathize, and lift them up in some way. And I see it as an opportunity to spread some joy to that person, whether you work with them or not.

I love to do this anonymously if possible. When you know someone you work with is down, leave their favorite candy on their desk the next day. Drop off an "I'm thinking of you" card later that week. Order some flowers to be delivered to them. And say some prayers for them if that's your thing.

If you can't spend any money, share a poem that made you think of them. Offer to do a project for them to lighten their workload. Or just ask "would you like a hug?" if this person is a friend of yours and it is appropriate.

Two, when you hear someone is struggling, maybe you can share what you did in a similar situation and how you overcame it. Just make certain it truly is

identical. For example, I've heard stories about people hearing that someone lost a relative and explaining how they "understand" because they've lost a pet. Not the same thing.

Amy's column has inspired me to ask my partner if we can open our team meetings with "How are you REALLY?" and take a minute to truly listen to our team members. I think just sharing what we may be struggling with can lift a bit of weight off our shoulders and help us be more productive.

Remember, employees are human beings, people who feel a range of emotions. When we can be "real" with one another in private situations, we can lift each other up and spread joy in the workplace!

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# Register now for Hamilton County InterFaith Summit set for March 26

## The REPORTER

Good Samaritan Network (GSN) will play host to an InterFaith Summit from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26 at the Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel, 11925 N. Meridian St., Carmel.

The InterFaith Summit is free and includes entry, complimentary continental breakfast, and plated lunch. Space is limited, and online registrations are required. The registration deadline is Friday, March 22.

Register online now at [tinyurl.com/Interfaith-Summit2024](http://tinyurl.com/Interfaith-Summit2024).

"Our objective for the day is to address significant challenges facing Hamilton County and its residents," GSN Executive Director Nancy Chance said. "We want to recognize our similarities and embrace our differences, identify and consider solutions, and work together to be prepared."

Conversations to develop a plan can be more important than the plan itself. The InterFaith Summit will engage in dialogue and possible plans to provide care methods for Hamilton County families in different areas, such as disaster and safety, seniors, homelessness, transportation, food, and work.

All Hamilton County churches and faith-based organizations are encouraged to be represented and engage in this extended discussion with guest speakers and expert panel members on challenging topics impacting the community.

"The ability to bring together Hamilton County residents and especially the inter-faith community to increase awareness and engagement with an eventual outcome of being prepared during a devastating disaster or emergency," Chance said, "is really a return to the grassroots of being a caring community."

Chance also said, "The event sponsors, Gaylor Electric – Chuck Goodrich, Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County, Inc., and Victoria Spartz, are crucial in making this free event possible for Hamilton County, and they deserve our support for taking on this unique event!"

The Keynote Speaker will be former Judge and



Chance



Nation



County Councilman Steven Nation. Judge Nation, a native of Beech Grove, Ind., graduated from Cathedral High School and earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Indiana University. Subsequently, he obtained a degree from the I.U. School of Law–Indianapolis and served as a Hamilton County Judge for 24 years and as a prosecutor for 16 years.

Throughout his career, Judge Nation has believed that serving the public is a great honor and privilege and has inspired many others. His unwavering commitment to positively changing the community has led him to collaborate with like-minded individuals to establish several impactful organizations. His extensive experience and dedication to

public service make him a true asset to the legal profession and the community.

## Hamilton County Challenges Breakout Sessions and Panel Discussions

The summit will include a Q&A, breakout sessions, presentation handouts, and panel discussion topics to build a prepared Hamilton County community. Panelists are assembled from a cross-section of varied local organizations to lead the discussions, including:

- **Disaster and Safety Preparation:** Shane Booker, Hamilton County Emergency Management; Nancy Chance, Hamilton County C.O.A.D.

- **Homelessness, Housing Instability, and Uncertainties:** Andrea Davis, H.A.N.D.; Nancy Ramsey, Family Promise

- **Mental Health Strategies and Mindful Resilience:** Monica Greer,

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# What the puck? Octopus-gate!

I'm doing my normal procrastinating from going to bed by mindlessly doomscrolling 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



GUEST COLUMNIST  
ABBEY BROWN DOYLE

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."

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 overdrive.

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 THROW-

ING 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.

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Thanks to COVID, Tim (above left) and Pat (above right) now get the At-Home Special for their hairdos.

# COVID cuts

March 2020. Just four short years ago. A time we'd all like to forget.

It was the month that kicked off all the madness. Just not the type of March Madness I typically enjoy. But, instead, a season of relentless kicks in the crotch that still have some people triple masked while alone in the car to this very day.

That's right, it was the kickoff of COVID shutdowns.

And to me, the most horrifying of all the shutdowns was the barber shops. My head just hasn't been the same since.

None of us knew at the time how long it all would last. As the days turned into weeks, I was looking more and more like a shorter, way less muscular, way way less famous and way way less dreamy Jason Momoa. I needed a haircut, and I needed it fast. The problem was my barber was still closed down.

That's when I heard those terrifying words from my wife, Megan, that still give me the night sweats: "I'll do it. How hard can it be?"

I knew there was no way out of this. I still was holding out hope that everything would be opening back up soon, so I just said, "Ok, but just a trim. Use the electric trimmers to do my neckline and around my ears." Surely, this was a simple task.

What I didn't realize was she apparently had never in her life used, picked up, touched, looked at or even breathed on electric clippers. She didn't realize there were different length settings or that the one she was holding, and moving swiftly toward my head, was on the lowest setting for the purpose of trimming around ears and necklines.

She thought she'd just go ahead and give it a quick test buzz around my temple



COLUMNIST  
TIM RATHZ  
Forty-something in Fishers

area, not realizing that the purpose of clippers is to cut hair. The next thing I heard was a deafening zzzrrrrpp and felt cold metal on a new bare spot on my head. I jumped out of the chair and vomited

out, "What just happened?"

No response. Not good.

I quickly decided this little experiment was done for the day and sprinted to the closest mirror. My fears were realized. I was now a shorter, less muscular, less famous, less dreamy Jason Momoa meets a taller, more muscular, still less famous, but hopefully more dreamy Elmer Fudd. It was a good thing I'm a hat guy.

As COVID continued on, I eventually had to relent to full haircuts from my beautiful bride. And since, apparently, free is way cheaper than not free, I've been getting "Wife Cuts" ever since.

Once my son, Pat, was old enough to start getting his haircut, we changed that title to "Mom Cuts", because I wasn't going to suffer alone. It was his turn. I've even joined in on the fun of cutting his hair. I kind of took over, so now his haircut is just called "Daddy's Revenge."

In all fairness to the love of my life, she has gotten a lot better at chopping the cowlick-infested mop on my head. And I'm proud of her for taking on the challenge. She did something that she excels at ... she took a difficult situation and found a way to make it better. And that's why Pat and I love her. My daughter, Mary, loves her for different reasons since Megan won't trust herself to cut her hair.

The moral of the story is ... Don't worry if your barber isn't experienced. She'll get better. Until then, just be a hat guy.

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# 20<sup>th</sup> Taste of Carmel raises over \$80,000 for student support

The REPORTER

Last Friday, the Carmel Education Foundation (CEF) celebrated the 20th annual **Taste of Carmel** at 502 East Event Centre in Carmel.

The theme of the event, Starry Nights, was the perfect backdrop to showcase over 40 local food and beverage establishments, a raffle featuring an Indy Facets necklace custom designed to commemorate the 2024 solar eclipse, two Pedego electric bikes, and a 2025 Taste of Carmel VIP Package.

Over 1,200 guests attended the event, representing CEF community partners, Carmel Clay Schools (CCS) educators and parents, and many other friends of CEF. A special thank you to all the Premier Sponsors. For the third year, Coasterstone provided custom car and table coasters and State Bank hosted the First Taste VIP Party. 185 Promotions and Apparel sponsored the Last Taste After Party for the second year in a row.

Other Premier partners were Fanning Howey, the City of Carmel, and Ed Martin Automotive, all of whom are engaged with CEF in multiple ways.

Guiding guests throughout the evening were emcees Jeff Worrell, Good Day Carmel and Carmel City Council member, and Jack Russell, President of OneZone Chamber of Commerce. This dynamic duo represented the collaboration between CEF and the community.

"CEF is an integral part of our community – we create partnerships with local businesses, organizations, and community members to provide resources to students, staff, and families of Carmel Clay Schools," CEF Executive Director Jennifer Penix said. "While we rely on the financial generosity of companies and individuals, we really focus on building relationships with people who care about our schools. Many volunteers

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## Free weather radios for hard of hearing



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](mailto:Monica.Peterson@HamiltonCounty.in.gov) to receive their radio.

## The King and I returns to Beef & Boards April 4

The REPORTER

This spring, Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre invites audiences to experience *The King and I* on its stage for the first time in over 20 years. Rodgers and Hammerstein's Tony Award-winner for Best Musical, based on the novel *Anna and the King of Siam* by Margaret Landon, opens April 4.

It is 1862 in Siam when British widow Anna Leonowens and her young son Louis travel to the Royal Palace in Bangkok, having been summoned by King Mongkut to tutor his many children and wives. The King is often viewed as a "barbarian" by those in the West, and he seeks Anna's assistance in changing his image, if not his ways, in a modern world. With both keeping a firm grip on their respective traditions and values, Anna and the King grow to understand and respect one another and their cultures in a truly unique love story.

*The King and I* is filled with powerful emotions, beautiful costumes, and unforgettable Rodgers and Hammerstein songs including "Getting To Know You," "Something Wonderful," "I Whistle A Happy Tune," and the iconic "Shall We Dance."

Brian Jose, director, is prioritizing authentic details in the Beef & Boards production – including acknowledging that the real Anna Leonowens was of Anglo-Indian descent.

"That slight shift makes all the difference," Jose pointed out. "Instead of a story that can easily be seen as a white savior/colonialism story, we get a more complex story about a woman who has had to suppress



Woo



Fernandes

her culture in order to advance in society to provide for her children as a single mother."

Jose added, "In a time when political wars have eliminated a middle ground and religious wars have fueled so much destruction and hatred, a show about exploring our differences and attempts to understand each other seems like just what we need."

Making their Beef & Boards debuts are Hannah Louise Fernandes as Anna and Jae Woo as the King of Siam. Also new to the Beef & Boards stage are Bryan Chan as Lun Tha, Alice Jihyun Kim as Tuptim, and Nathalie Cruz as Lady Thiang. Ian Cruz (*Footloose*) plays Kralahome, and Eddie Cur-

ry (*Grumpy Old Men: The Musical*, *Footloose*, *The Addams Family*), plays Sir Edward Ramsay.

*The King and I* is on stage for 50 performances through May 19 in the intimate space of Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Tickets range from \$55 to \$82 and include Chef Larry Stoops' dinner buffet and select beverages.

To see the complete performance schedule and to purchase tickets online, visit [BeefAndBoards.com](http://BeefAndBoards.com). Tickets are also available by calling the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre Box Office at (317) 872-9664. Discounts are available to groups of 20 or more. Call the Group Sales department at (317) 872-0503, or email [groups@beefandboards.com](mailto:groups@beefandboards.com) for details.

*Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre, Indiana's only year-round professional dinner theatre, has been serving up exceptional entertainment since 1973.*

## SUMMIT

Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs; Holly Homan, Unlimited Potential JRNY Counseling; Mark Heirbrandt, Hamilton County Commissioner; Ben Lugar, Mental Health Officer

Kincaid, Janus Developmental Services; Gary Wagner, Prime Life Enrichment

• **Redefining Solutions for Food Insecurities:** Nancy Chance, Good Samaritan Network; Anita Hagen, Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank; Mark Hall,

Feeding Team

• **Aging Hamilton County and Senior Care:** Lauren Guynn, Shepherd's Center; Gary Wagner, Prime Life Enrichment

• **Hamilton County Labor Force Demands:** Mike Thibideau, Invest Hamilton

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"Understanding our differences while recognizing our similarities and working together to be better prepared and more resilient as a community is critical – especially in a disaster or emergency," Chance said.



# Girl Scouts pepper Noblesville mayor with questions about city government

By POOJA THAKKAR  
For The Reporter

On Tuesday, March 12, I had the privilege of bringing over 30 Girl Scouts from various local troops under the Manuka service unit to Noblesville City Hall for a unique experience.

Our purpose was to earn their democracy badge, and what better way to do so than by leading a city council meeting with Pledge of Allegiance and meeting our esteemed local mayor, Chris Jensen?

The evening was truly wonderful as our young girls delved into the world of civic engagement, gaining insights into the responsibilities of different tiers of officers and accessing community resources. Mayor Jensen graciously fielded a myriad of questions from our diverse group of girls, patiently addressing each one and valuing their feedback and suggestions. It was heartwarming to see him promise to discuss their ideas among his leadership team.

In recognition of their participation, each Girl Scout received a City of Noblesville

pin, symbolizing their pride and belongingness to our Miller community. As a Girl Scout troop leader, Girl Scout of Central Indiana county Representative, proud mom, and Miller Ambassador Alumna, I was filled with joy witnessing these young leaders, eager to serve and look up to Mayor Jensen as their role model.

I have no doubt that they will be active members of the Mayor Youth Council and contribute to community action projects while pursuing their Girl Scout bronze, silver, and gold awards.



Photos provided by Pooja Thakkar  
The Girl Scouts opened the Noblesville Common Council meeting by leading the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance.



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## Deadline nearing to apply for 2024 Christine D. Brown Memorial Scholarship

The REPORTER

The Westfield Youth Assistance Program recently announced the application for the 2024 Christine D. Brown Memorial Scholarship, which is open for applications now.

The deadline 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, Guer-

in Catholic High School, Options High School, Homeschooling, etc.)

- All recipients must demonstrate their plans for continued education
- Be a graduating senior or no older than age 25

You may apply for this scholarship more than once, but you may be selected as the recipient only once.

Scholarships will be provided directly to the institution.

To learn more and apply, go to [youthassistance.org/wyapscholarships](https://youthassistance.org/wyapscholarships).

## Heights accepting nominations for Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2024

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights Athletic Hall of Fame Committee is seeking nominations from the public for the Class of 2024. Nominations are being accepted through March 31.

The Athletic Hall of Fame was created to recognize and honor Hamilton Heights High School athletes, coaches, teams, and athletic program contributors for their achievements and/or contributions to the Hamilton Heights High School athletic program.

Created in 2019, the Hall of Fame is an opportunity for the school district to recognize graduates and other individuals for their contributions to the district and achievements inside and outside the community. The committee selects inductees not only for their athletic achievements at Heights but because they demonstrate the values of good character and citizenship.



Photo provided  
The Hamilton Heights High School Athletic Hall of Fame was created to honor the memory and contributions of the many outstanding athletes, coaches, and supporters of athletic programs of not only Hamilton Heights but the schools that ultimately fed into Hamilton Heights: Atlanta, Jackson Central, Walnut Grove, Arcadia, and Cicero.

Categories and nomination criteria are included on the application and can found online on the high school athletics page of the corporation website, [hhschuskies.org](https://hhschuskies.org). Applications can be submitted electronically to Mitch Street, Hall of Fame Committee Chairman, at [mstreet@hhschuskies.org](mailto:mstreet@hhschuskies.org), or mailed to Hamilton Heights High School, P.O. Box 379, Arcadia, IN 46030.

## TASTE

serve on CEF committees or the board and are integral in connecting our mission to others. Jack and Jeff were the perfect representation of the connection between CEF, the business community, and our city as a whole.”

More than \$80,000 was raised to support CEF’s mission of supporting Carmel Clay students in academic achievement and lifelong learning. Funds will be used to support the ACHIEVE Initiative which provides equitable and accessible programs focused on workforce preparation to district-wide grade levels, the Great Idea Grant Program, and the state’s largest public education foundation scholarship program.

Penix attributes the success of this event to a dedicated group of volunteers who worked tirelessly in the planning along with the enthusiastic support of the CEF board of directors and assistance from Detail and Design.

Special guests of the evening were three students and their teachers, who received a student-led grant from CEF in 2023. Their grant, titled Color our Community with Culture, funded a collection of bilingual books that have been used to engage multilingual learners in peer reading, benefiting all students at Forest Dale Elementary.

Alison Wren, Forest Dale teacher, and one of the three teacher sponsors for this grant, shared that “the students who received this grant have gained incredible confidence and leadership skills by applying for this grant and seeing how successful it is with their peers.”

When the students took center stage to share their story, the smiles on the faces of guests were testament to what the foundation is all about: inspiring learning in future leaders.

A special thank you to all of additional sponsors: Current, Diamonds Direct, Carmel Magazine, Summers Plumbing, Heating & Cooling, Church Church Hittle & Antrim, Dentistry on 116, Needlers Fresh Market, Accolade Wealth Management, Skillman, Pyatt Builders, Good Day Carmel, Qtego Fundraising Services, OneZone, Party Time Rental, Ascension St. Vincent, Koorsen Fire & Security, Lovely Day Photo Booth Rentals, De-

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**About the Carmel Education Foundation**

One of the oldest foundations of its kind, the Carmel Education Foundation was created to help Carmel Clay students achieve their full potential. Since 1966, the Foundation has awarded over \$2,100,000 in college scholarships to Carmel High School seniors and over \$1,000,000 in education grants to inspire lifelong learning for Carmel Clay students. CEF is governed by a volunteer board of directors who give their time and energy to accelerate the Foundation’s mission by funding grants, awarding more than 80 scholarships annually and expanding resources for Carmel Clay Schools.

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.

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.

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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.

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James “Jim” Eldon Ottinger

February 13, 1947 – March 8, 2024



James “Jim” Eldon Ottinger, 77, Noblesville, passed away on Friday, March 8, 2024.

He was born in Indianapolis on February 13, 1947, to the late Gareld and Dreama (Pearson) Ottinger.

On July 27, 1968, Jim married Cassandra “Casey” Kunkle, and they shared 55 years of marriage.

Jim attended Fishers High School and was a part of the graduating class of 1965. After high school, Jim proudly served in the United States Army. Upon being discharged from service, Jim went to begin his career as a carpenter. He was employed by Butz Lumber Company for more than 30 years until his retirement in 2008.

Jim was a member of Wood Carvers Special Interest Chapter (CIWW) and the American Legion Post 777 Indianapolis. He enjoyed being outside, bird watching and bird feeding, playing guitar, and listening to music – especially John Denver, bluegrass, and gospel. He loved to stay busy with projects, hiking, and fishing. Jim also loved the time spent with Casey. They traveled to the state parks, went antiquing, and did their weekly shopping together. They loved to go eat breakfast before their weekly shopping and spend the morning together. One of Jim’s greatest joys was hanging out with his grandson, Orion. He is going to be missed by many.

James “Jim” is survived by his wife, Cassandra “Casey” Ottinger of Noblesville; son, Stefan Chris (Esta) Ottinger of Westfield; daughter, Emily Ottinger of Noblesville; grandson, Orion Ottinger of Westfield; brother, Joe (Patti) Ottinger of Fort Wayne, Ind.; and several nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Gareld & Dreama Ottinger.


Visitation and funeral services were held on Friday, March 15, 2024, at Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero, with Adam Colder officiating. Burial followed in the Crownland Cemetery, Noblesville.

Family and friends may donate to the Indiana State Parks or charity of choice.

Online condolences can be given at [hartleyfuneral-homes.com](http://hartleyfuneral-homes.com).

Frederick “Fred” Norman Miller

October 16, 1938 – March 10, 2024



Frederick “Fred” Norman Miller, 85, Atlanta, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, March 10, 2024. Fred was born in Tipton on October 16, 1938, to the late Howard and Ruth (Holsinger) Miller.

On February 14, 1960, he married the love of his life, Marilyn Sue Lane, and they shared 64 years of marriage.

Fred attended Jackson Central High School and was a member of the graduating class of 1957. Fred was a farmer by trade and loved his profession; he farmed for over 40 years. After retiring from farming, Fred was in charge of the grounds at Crownhill Cemetery in Arcadia and was a member of the board of directors until his health no longer allowed him to serve.

He loved to be outside whether it was to mow, work on tractors, raise the cattle or sheep, or just go for a drive to see what the local farmers were doing in the fields. Sometimes on those drives, he and Marilyn would venture over to Elwood to their favorite ice cream store, Taylor’s Dairy! They always laughed because the staff there knew Fred’s order by heart. Fred was also a history enthusiast and many of the trips the family took included going to historical sites around the United States.

When Fred was not outside, he enjoyed watching and talking about sports, especially Colts and Chiefs football. Fred was also a devout member of East Union Christian Church where he served as a Deacon, sang in the choir, and was the trustee for a period. His favorite thing in life was his family and their company, he especially enjoyed it when everyone would come over to celebrate his birthdays. Fred leaves a strong legacy through his family but is going to be missed dearly by many.

Fred is survived by his wife, Marilyn Sue Miller of Atlanta; daughters, Brenda Miller-Blank of Northbrook, Ill., Rebecca “Bekah” (David) Martinez of Carmel, and Beverly (Dana) Hotte of Noblesville; grandchildren, Andrew Blank of Northbrook, Ill., Austin (Sarah) Olvey of Indianapolis, and Megan Hotte of Noblesville; great-grandson, Noah; sister, Jeannie (Allen) Dunn of Tipton; and several nieces and nephews.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents, Howard Miller and Ruth & Lowell Brehm; brothers, James “Jim” Miller and Laurence Brehm; and sisters, Louise Webb and Carolyn Burket.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at East Union Christian Church, 1711 E. 296th St., Atlanta. The funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at East Union Christian Church, with Mark Knapp officiating. Burial will follow in the Crownhill Cemetery, Arcadia.

Memorial contributions may be made to East Union Christian Church.

Online condolences can be given at [hartleyfuneral-homes.com](http://hartleyfuneral-homes.com).

Margaret Stansbury McClelland

December 11, 1932 – March 10, 2024

Margaret Stansbury McClelland of Indianapolis passed away March 10, 2024. She was born on December 11, 1932, in Mount Pleasant, Mich., to the late Raymond and Mary (Harrell) Stansbury.

Her children, Barry (Pam), Sandra (John Batcha), Darryl (Anne Marie) and four grandchildren survive her. Preceding her in death besides her parents were her husband of 58 years, Paul; and two sisters, Myrtle and Nyla.


She graduated from George Washington High School and attended Purdue University. Margaret retired from the Lawrence Township Schools Administration Center in 1995 after 24 years.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Salvation Army, WFYI Channel 20 PBS, or a charity of donor’s choice. There will be no services. Arrangements entrusted to Aaron-Ruben-Nelson Mortuary.

Condolences: [armmortuary.com](http://armmortuary.com)

Brian Mark Harrington

August 14, 1959 – February 26, 2024



Brian Mark Harrington, 64, Noblesville, passed away on Monday, February 26, 2024, with his children by his side following a lengthy battle with health complications. He was born on August 14, 1959, to Brian and Claudette Harrington of Coventry, R.I.

Brian graduated from Coventry High School and received his undergraduate degree from Rhode Island College. Brian went on to receive a Juris Doctorate at Ohio Northern and a Master of Law from the University of Florida.

Brian worked as the Criminal Tax Deputy Area Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service Chief Counsel in Indianapolis for nearly 30 years. He was an active baseball coach for both Noblesville Youth and Babe Ruth baseball. Brian was also a co-founder of The Harrington Group, supporting the slogan of “keeping kids in sports and out of courts” with his best friend, Michael Chevalier, brother Bret, and friend Michael McDermott.

While growing up, Brian served as a bartender at the Maple Route Inn in Coventry, R.I., with Michael Chevalier and held many cherished memories of singing alongside him as one-half of the original “Booze Brothers.” Brian always enjoyed spending time with friends and family, sharing funny anecdotes and carrying a tune wherever he went. Brian was an avid collector and an everlasting Boston Red Sox and Bruins fan. Brian was a loving father, son, and brother.

Brian leaves behind his daughter, Amber (Tristain) Hall of Linden, Ind.; son, Addison (Darby Culp) Harrington of Arcadia; mother, Claudette Harrington of Coventry, R.I.; brother, Bret (Anne) Harrington of Wakefield, R.I.; and sister, Jill (Ed) Harrington-Silva of Richmond, R.I.

Brian was preceded in death by his father, Brian Harrington.

Please join the family for a gathering to celebrate Brian’s life from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 27, 2024, at Brian’s home at 19601 Wagon Trail Drive, Noblesville.


A private family burial will take place.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Jimmy Fund in Brian’s name at [jimmyfund.org](http://jimmyfund.org); or by mail: Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168.

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Ruth Kyle Lewis

June 19, 1926 – March 13, 2024



Ruth Kyle Lewis was born in Gary, Ind., on June 19, 1926, to Emily Schoenfelt Kyle and Joseph Blair Kyle. She passed away peacefully in her sleep on March 13, 2024, at 97. She was predeceased by her husband, John Lewis, and siblings John, Virginia, and Joe.

Aunt Ruthie, as she was known, grew up in Gary and graduated from Indiana University (Bloomington) in 1949. She loved her post-college life living in Ogden Dunes, Ind., playing bridge and enjoying Lake Michigan for over a decade. Ruth eventually decided she wanted to teach art and returned to Bloomington in the early ‘60s to get her master’s degree. Her second stint at IU was another favorite chapter in her life, primarily because she lived in the graduate dorm and got to know people from all over the world.

She met John Lewis while they were both teaching at North Central High School in Indianapolis. They married in 1967 and moved into a small cottage on White River south of Keystone at the Crossing. In the mid-seventies, John and Ruth built a new house next door to the cottage (two teachers building a house by themselves?! What could go wrong?) from a kit and with the help of a carpenter friend. It would become their home for the rest of their lives. They loved living on the river (except when it flooded!) where they kept a nice flower and vegetable garden and enjoyed watching birds and wildlife. Many trips were taken to the White River Yacht Club in their pontoon boat to enjoy music, dancing, and drinking.

Ruthie had an encyclopedic knowledge of Kyle Family history and regularly regaled anyone willing to listen with stories of summer trips to Duncansville, Pa., with her little brother John. We still have a three-hour recording of Ruth telling us our family history going back several generations. It will be nice to listen to her voice again.

Ruth truly was one-of-a-kind. She was wildly intelligent, charming, a bit eccentric, and more than just a little bit quirky. She was a self-described loner in her later years and lived her life the way she wanted. But she was always willing to gab on the phone. You didn’t call her unless you had at least an hour to spare! And we got such a chuckle when she would announce herself as “Aunt Ruthie on the White River in Indianapolis” ... How many Aunt Ruths did she think we had???


Her nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephews, will miss her so much.

Visitation and services were held at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville, on Saturday, March 16, 2024, followed by a short graveside service at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville, where Ruth was laid to rest next to her husband John.

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Eric A. Hart

September 2, 1960 – March 10, 2024



Eric A. Hart, 63, Fishers, passed away on Sunday, March 10, 2024, at his home after a 12-year battle with stage 4 kidney cancer. He was born on September 2, 1960, in South Bend, Ind.

Eric graduated with a bachelor’s degree in pharmacy from Butler University in 1983. For 40 years, he worked as a pharmacist, retiring in 2023. Eric was a very positive person who enjoyed spending time with his friends, playing euchre, collecting coins, and investing. He also loved traveling with his family and friends. Eric loved music, going to concerts, and playing his vinyl records. He enjoyed food and a good glass of bourbon.


He is survived by his wife, Stacey Hart; father, Robert Hart; mother, Betty Lou Nimtz; son, Brandon Hart; brother, Brian (Robin) Hart; uncle, Bob Childress; niece, Cassie Dreher; nephew, Kevin Hart; and his father-in-law, Fred Andreas. A celebration of Eric’s life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Schwarz Family and Friends Cancer Research Fund ([cancer.iu.edu/giving/focused/schwarz\\_family.html](http://cancer.iu.edu/giving/focused/schwarz_family.html)). To make a gift by check, please make payable to IU/Schwarz Fund and mail to: IU Simon Comprehensive Cancer Center, P.O. Box 7072, Indianapolis, IN 46207.

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Albert McDougall

October 15, 1950 – March 11, 2024



Albert McDougall, 73, Cicero, passed away on Monday, March 11, 2024, at his home. He was born on October 15, 1950, to Warren and Celia (Smith) McDougall in Indianapolis.

Albert was a 1968 graduate of Hamilton Southeastern Schools. He was a Son of the Cicero Legion and a member of the Noblesville VFW. Albert had many career opportunities throughout his lifetime including roofing, painter, bartender, maintenance, and customer service. He was a member of the United Family Wesleyan Church of Cicero. Albert enjoyed time with family and friends, fishing, playing cards, and, most of all, serving others.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn McDougall; brother, Carl McDougall; children, Wendi (Donnie) West, Julie Sobczak, Gary (Marlena) McDougall, Natasha (Chad) Grafing, and Jessica (David) Josephson; bonus children, Theresa (Mike) Leach, David (Micki) Massiccotte, and Jenifer (Chris) Hayes; 21 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Albert was preceded in death by his sister, Barbara Ann Moore.


Visitation and services were held on Saturday, March 16, 2024, at United Family Wesleyan Church, 210 Washington Ave., Cicero. Pastor Allen Gross officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675 ([support.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://support.woundedwarriorproject.org)); or Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 508, Greenwood, IN 46142 ([davmembers-portal.org/in/default.aspx](http://davmembers-portal.org/in/default.aspx)).

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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 took place 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.

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# Noblesville fire fighters recognized for their bravery & service

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On March 9, members of the Noblesville Fire Department, Mayor Chris Jensen, Deputy Mayor Matt Light, Public Safety Director Chad Knecht, members of the City Council, and other esteemed guests gathered for the 12th annual Noblesville Fire Fighters Awards and Recognition Banquet.

This event was a testament to the dedication and bravery of the city's firefighters, who were recognized for their exceptional service to the community and outstanding performance while on the job.

The success of the event was made possible through the invaluable contributions from several generous sponsors, including ProTeam Tactical Performance, Riverview Health, Noblesville Common Council, Hoosier Fire, Indiana Mad Ants, PointBlank Nutrition, Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, Indiana Restoration

and Cleaning Services, Harbour Manner, and PennCare. Noblesville District Vice-President Travis Lee welcomed guests and Erik Sablan of The Brick Room Comedy club provided entertainment. Local 4416 President Jim Butts emceed the awards presentation.

The following fire fighters were recognized for their acts:

• **Letters of Commendation** – Deputy Fire Marshall Brian Lott, Lt. Josh Small, FF Cort Christy

• **Unit Citations** – FF Joe Bertka, FF/Paramedic Ryan Haboush, Eng/Paramedic Chad Hatfield, EDO Nate Smith, Lt./Paramedic Eric Harris, Eng. Dave Holloway, FF Shawn McRae, FF/Paramedic Pat Perry, FF Lars Werner, Lt. Mike Durall, Eng./Paramedic Caleb Nicley, FF Zach Knutson, FF David Burkhalter, FF/Paramedic Ben Isaacs, FF Harrison Collins, Lt. Eric Giegerich, Eng./Paramed-



Six men were awarded with a Unit Citation for their bravery in an apartment fire. They are pictured here with Mayor Chris Jensen and Assistant Chief Uria Eddingfield. (From left) Mayor Jensen, FF/EMT David Burkhalter, FF/EMT Harrison Collins, FF/EMT Zach Knutson, Lieutenant Mike Durall, Engineer Caleb Nicley, FF/PM Ben Issacs, and Assistant Chief Eddingfield. See more photos at [ReadTheReporter.com](#).

ic Ben Asbury, Cpt. Tanner Howard, FF/Paramedic Brittany Bolden, FF Ryan Rector, Eng. Ray Bramble, FF Skyler Finnerty, and Cpt.

Brett Etherington  
• **Excellence in Training** – Lt. Eric Giegerich  
• **EMS Provider of the Year** – FF/Paramedic Alex

Casselmann  
• **Fire Fighter of the Year** – FF David Burkhalter  
• **Officer of the Year** – Division Chief Joe Scheu-

mann  
• **The Chief Kenneth L. Gilliam Leadership Award** – EMS Duty Officer Nate Smith

# Can't sleep? Hargrove & Moochie are on the case!



Noble Crossing Elementary's school resource officer (SRO) Sergeant Mike Hargrove has authored two books for the children at his school. The books feature his pet bearded dragon Moochie and focus on dealing with big emotions and getting a good night's sleep. Hargrove and Moochie visited with all classes in the school earlier this month to share the books. Noblesville Schools SROs are valued members of the school community, serving as educators and mentors in addition to physically protecting their buildings.

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# Tough Tigers taking a trip to state

**The REPORTER**

By playing Tiger tough, Fishers is in the state finals.

The Class 4A No. 1 Tigers triumphed in the Class 4A north boys basketball semi-state last Saturday, which took place at the Elkhart North Side Gymnasium. Fishers played two of northern Indiana's best, beating Crown Point 48-37 in the semifinals and defeating Fort Wayne Wayne 69-61 in the championship game.

This is the Tigers' first boys basketball appearance at state since the school was re-established in 2006. The original Fishers qualified for state in 1922.

"I'm just extremely happy for our players," said Tigers coach Garrett Winegar. "They've worked so hard. They've been such a joy to coach. I'm happy for so many great people that I get to work for and with at Fishers for them to experience it. I'm just really grateful to be along for the ride and experience this with the Fishers community."

**Strong start**

The Tigers got off to a strong start in their semifinal game. The Bulldogs scored the first four points of the game, but Fishers responded with a 27-8 spurt that lasted well into the second period. JonAnthony Hall made a 3-pointer to give the Tigers an 8-6 lead and they never trailed again. Taden Metzger had five points in the first quarter, which ended with Fishers up 15-7.

That lead continued to increase throughout the sec-

ond quarter. Freshmen Cooper Zachary and Jason Gardner Jr. both hit 3s during that period, then layins by Metzger and Hall gave the Tigers a 27-12 advantage. Crown Point cut into that lead to finish the period, but Fishers was ahead 27-19 at the break.

The game slowed down in the third quarter, but the Tigers stayed on top, leading 35-26 going into the fourth. Keenan Garner stepped up with six points in the period, including a dunk in the final minute.

The Bulldogs didn't go away, getting within 40-35 with three minutes left. But Metzger nailed a 3 late in the quarter – "a huge 3," said Winegar – and free throws from Metzger and Zachary finished things up.

Metzger led the way with 15 points.

**Perfect balance**

Fishers has had incredible scoring balance throughout the season, and that manifested itself again in the Tigers' championship game with Wayne. The Generals gave Fishers a tough battle in the first half before the Tigers pulled away in the second half.

Fishers led 16-15 after one quarter, with seven different players scoring. Garner became the eighth Tiger to score when he made a free throw to start the second quarter.

"Credit to our guys," said Winegar. "Different matchups call for different guys playing more."

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Photo provided

The Fishers boys basketball team won its first-ever semi-state championship last Saturday at Elkhart. The No. 1-ranked Tigers beat Crown Point 48-37 in the semifinals and Fort Wayne Wayne 69-61 in the championship to send Fishers to the state finals for the first time in over a century.

SEMIFINAL GAME FISHERS 48, CROWN POINT 37				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Taden Metzger	5	3-4	15	2
Millen McCartney	2	0-0	4	1
Cooper Zachary	1	2-2	5	0
JonAnthony Hall	3	0-0	7	3
Keenan Garner	4	0-0	8	3
Jason Gardner Jr.	2	2-4	7	3
Justin Kirby	1	0-0	2	0
Parker Perdue	0	0-2	0	0
Nathan Baker	0	0-0	0	0
Bryson Seymour	0	0-0	0	0
Logan Sigler	0	0-0	0	0
Torey Breland	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	18	7-12	48	12
Score by Quarters				
Crown Point	7	12	7	11 – 37
Fishers	15	12	8	13 – 48
Fishers 3-pointers (5) Metzger 2, Zachary, Gardner Jr., Hall.				

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME FISHERS 69, FORT WAYNE WAYNE 61				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Taden Metzger	2	0-0	6	1
Millen McCartney	2	0-0	6	1
Cooper Zachary	4	2-2	11	1
JonAnthony Hall	4	3-3	11	4
Keenan Garner	6	3-6	16	4
Jason Gardner Jr.	1	6-6	8	0
Justin Kirby	2	4-5	8	2
Parker Perdue	0	0-0	0	0
Nathan Baker	1	1-2	3	2
Totals	22	19-24	69	15
Score by Quarters				
FW Wayne	15	21	9	16 – 61
Fishers	16	20	15	18 – 69
Fishers 3-pointers (6) Metzger 2, McCartney 2, Zachary, Garner.				

Good luck at state, Fishers!

# Golden Eagles roll past Danville, fall to Scottsburg in Final Four

**The REPORTER**

Guerin Catholic made its way back to the final four in Class 3A Indiana high school boys basketball last Saturday, as the Golden Eagles played in the Seymour semi-state.

Sixth-ranked Guerin Catholic won a tough first game at Seymour, beating No. 3 Danville 57-52 to advance to the championship game. But the Golden Eagles were stopped in the final by a tall and hot-shooting Scottsburg team, who beat Guerin 70-54 to reach its first-ever state championship game and end the Golden Eagles' season.

**Second-half comeback**

Guerin Catholic trailed Danville at halftime before making a comeback in the second half. The Golden Eagles led 10-6 after the first quarter, with Robert Sorensen scoring five points. But the Warriors outscored GC 24-13 in the second period to take a 30-23 halftime lead. Danville's biggest advantage was 27-18 late in the quarter, but Sorensen

hit a 3 and Dylan Murans made a layin to keep Guerin Catholic within shouting distance.

Bryson Cardinal began the third quarter with a three-point play, the first of his 10 points in the period. The Golden Eagles erased a 31-26 Warriors lead with a triple from Cardinal, then Sorensen was good on an and-1 to put his team ahead 32-31.

Another Cardinal 3-pointer pushed Guerin ahead 40-36. Danville's Evan Lawrence finished the quarter with a jumper and Elijah Tricker tied the game on a layin that started the fourth quarter. The two teams went back and forth for most of the period, with the Warriors taking a 50-48 lead with 3:33 left.

But the Golden Eagles went on a 6-0 run and held the lead from there. Jack Cherry nailed a 3 to put Guerin Catholic in front for good, then a Murans layin and Cardinal free throw got the Golden Eagles ahead 54-50. Cherry went 3-of-4 from

the line in the final 22 seconds to clinch the win.

Sorensen finished the game with 20 points, hitting four 3s along the way, with Cherry adding 14 and Cardinal 13. Cherry and Cardinal each collected five rebounds.

**More Warriors**

Guerin Catholic had to play another Warriors team in No. 4 Scottsburg, the team the Golden Eagles beat in last year's semi-state to reach the state championship game. The game was tight in the first quarter with several lead changes; Murans made a layin to put Guerin Catholic up 12-11 late in the period.

Jack Miller hit a 3-pointer to finish the quarter and put the Warriors up 14-12. It was Scottsburg's fourth 3 of the period. In the second quarter, the Warriors' Dare Bowles matched that by himself, nailing four triples

to put Scottsburg in control of the game, as it led 34-23 at halftime.

The Warriors led 42-27 during the third, but the Golden Eagles went on a 16-6 run to get within 48-43 by the end of the quarter. Murans took over with seven points of that run, following a dunk with a 3-pointer to get GC within five.

A Cardinal layin kept Guerin within 50-45 early in the fourth, but Scottsburg began to pull away again. Kody Clancy, the Warriors' 6-foot-9 star, poured in 12 points during the fourth period. Scottsburg led 62-52 with 2:04 left and the Warriors used a 7-0 run, all from the free-throw line, to earn their spot at state.

Cardinal scored 18 points, while Murans totaled 17. Caron had six rebounds.

**See GC . . . Page B2**



Photo by Mike Navarro

Guerin Catholic's Bryson Cardinal totaled 31 points during the Golden Eagles' two semi-state games last Saturday at Seymour. Guerin Catholic finished its season at 22-8.

SEMIFINAL GAME GUERIN CATHOLIC 57, DANVILLE 52				
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Cherry	5-11	3-4	14	4
Robert Sorensen	7-12	2-3	20	0
Andy Caron	2-5	0-0	4	0
Dylan Murans	2-6	0-0	4	2
Bryson Cardinal	3-7	5-7	13	3
Malcolm Houze	1-3	0-0	2	1
Jake Grissom	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ben Grissom	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	20-44	10-14	57	10
Score by Quarters				
Guerin Catholic	10	13	17	17 – 57
Danville	6	24	8	14 – 52
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (7-16) Sorensen 4-8, Cardinal 2-4, Cherry 1-2, Caron 0-1, Houze 0-1.				
Guerin Catholic rebounds (23) Cherry 5, Cardinal 5, Sorensen 3, Houze 3, Caron 2, Murans 2, team 3.				

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# Three of Hamilton County’s best basketball players make Indiana Girls’ All-Stars team

The REPORTER

Three Hamilton County girls are among the 13 players that have been selected for the 2024 *IndyStar* Indiana Girls’ All-Stars, All-Stars game director Mike Broughton announced last Monday.

Those chosen to the team will play three games in June -- one exhibition game against the Indiana Junior All-Stars as well as home-and-home contests against the Kentucky All-Stars.

Talia Harris of Fishers, Camryn Runner of Hamilton Heights and Reagan Wilson of Noblesville were all selected to the team. They join, listed alphabetically, Audrey Annee of Center Grove, Emma Haan of Zionsville, Alli Harness of Carroll (Flora), Ellery Minch of Mt. Vernon (Fortville), Jordyn Poole of Fort Wayne Snider, Chloe Spreen of Bedford North Lawrence, Lauren Walsh of Penn, Faith Wiseman of Indian Creek, Rachel Wirts of Center Grove and Juliann Woodard of Jennings County.

The ‘24 girls’ All-Stars have two players who have been a part of state championship teams (Spreen, 2023

4A, and Wilson, 2022 4A), two players who were named IBCA first-team Academic All-State (Minch and Runner) and three players who were named IBCA honorable mention Academic All-State (Annee, Haan and Wilson).

Andy Maguire of Zionsville has been named head coach of the 2024 All-Stars. He will be assisted by Jason Simpson of Greensburg and Lauren Votaw of Fishers. Maguire is 330-240 in 26 seasons as a varsity coach, including 256-209 in 21 years at Zionsville. Simpson is 180-65 in 10 seasons at Greensburg. Votaw is 131-44 in seven seasons at Fishers.

The Junior-Senior exhibition game is set for June 5 at Kokomo. The first game against Kentucky will be June 7 at a site to be announced. The final game against Kentucky will be June 8 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

All three dates will be doubleheaders with the *IndyStar* Indiana Boys’ All-Stars, whose roster will be announced later. The roster for the Indiana girls’ Junior All-Stars were announced March 4. The roster for the



Photo by Joshua Herd



Photo by Julie Brown



Photo by Joshua Herd

(From left) Fishers’ Talia Harris, Hamilton Heights’ Camryn Runner and Noblesville’s Reagan Wilson have all been named as 2024 *IndyStar* Indiana Girls’ All-Stars.

Indiana boys’ Junior All-Stars will be announced later.

The Indiana Junior All-Stars will play two girl-boy doubleheaders this year -- June 2 against the Kentucky Junior All-Stars at Scottsburg and June 7 against the Indiana seniors at Kokomo.

The Indiana All-Stars program was founded in 1939 when the Indiana Boys All-Stars played the state champion Frankfort Hot Dogs. The series with Kentucky began in 1940, and the girls’ portion of the All-Stars was added in 1976. The Junior All-Stars, boys and girls, were added in 1996. The All-Star senior girls have played Kentucky every year since 1976, except 2020 because

of the COVID-19 pandemic. The All-Star senior boys have played Kentucky in all but three years since 1940 -- 1943 (World War II), 1944 (World War II) and 2020 (COVID-19 pandemic).

The Indiana Senior girls lead 53-41 in their series with Kentucky. The Indiana Senior girls lead 41-11 in games against the Indiana Junior girls. The Indiana Junior girls lead 11-1 in their series with Kentucky. The Indiana Senior boys lead 104-45 in their series with Kentucky. The Indiana Senior boys lead 41-11 in games against the Indiana Junior boys. The Indiana Junior boys lead 7-5 in their series with Kentucky.

The second *IndyStar*

Indiana All-Star “Futures Games” doubleheader will be June 3 at Hamilton Southeastern. The Futures Games will be a girls-boys doubleheader with Indiana-only squads of sophomores and freshmen in a North vs. South format. The Futures Games’ lineups will be announced later. In the inaugural Futures Games, the North girls prevailed 73-63 and the South boys won 100-96.

The Indiana portion of the All-Star Games is organized and produced by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association. The *Indianapolis Star*, with its *IndyStar* brand, is a title sponsor. Hoosier Shooting Academy is a presenting partner of All-Star

Week, and Energy Systems Group is a presented partner of the June 8 All-Star doubleheader at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.

The *IndyStar* Indiana All-Star Team is selected through a balloting process of coaches and media overseen by game organizers from the IBCA. The top vote getter will be named Miss Basketball, and the remainder of the team is finalized by Broughton after observing numerous games and events throughout the season, conferring with coaches, school officials and media across the state. Broughton also reviews votes submitted by coaches and media who each could recommend up to 10 players.



Reporter photo by Julie Brown

Hamilton Southeastern’s Sean Carmona serves the ball during the Royals’ match with Brownsburg last Tuesday.

## Westfield sweeps Lafayette Jefferson, Fishers racks up perfect week, HSE sweeps Brownsburg & Bishop Chatard

The REPORTER

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

The Shamrocks won 25-20, 25-22, 25-15. Carlo Huisden 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 last 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.

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Fishers had a perfect

week last week, picking up seven victories.

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

Fishers hosted its 10th annual March Madness Tournament last Saturday, going 4-0 with wins over Harrison, Lafayette (Ky.), Zionsville and Boone Grove.

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

The Royals followed that up last Tuesday with a four-set home victory over Bishop Chatard. Southeastern won 25-15, 23-25, 25-13, 25-21.



Photo provided by Julie Montgomery



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

(ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville’s Logan White scored three goals for the Millers during their win over Fishers last Friday. (ABOVE RIGHT) Abraham Fritz gets prepared for the game.

# Noblesville boys lacrosse team gets come-from-behind win over Fishers

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 last Friday night. Both teams were playing with intensity, and the Tigers 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 Mc-

Caslin 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.

## GC from Page B1

Cherry and Caron both dished out five assists and Murans handed out four. Guerin Catholic finished

its season 22-8, the first time the Golden Eagles reached 22 wins since their 2014-15 campaign.

## TOUGH from Page B1

Winegar said his team believes in each other, calling the players unselfish. “They really don’t care who gets the credit, they just want to win,” he said.

Wayne held the lead for the majority of the second quarter, going up by four on three different occasions. Fishers came back to tie the game at 36-36 by halftime, with Zachary scoring seven points, including a 3. Gardner Jr. followed that triple with a layin.

“The growth in those guys is what they were able to do on the defensive end,” said Winegar.

The Tigers opened the second half with a 10-0 run. Garner scored the first four

points, JonAnthony Hall was good on a three-point play and Millen McCartney hit a triple.

After that, Fishers kept its lead around 10 points for the remainder of the game. Garner took over, scoring 11 points in the half. Free throws also helped in the fourth quarter; the Tigers were 10-of-12 as a team, with Gardner Jr. making all four of his. The freshman was 6-of-6 for the game.

Garner finished with 16 points, while Zachary and Hall both scored 11.

Fishers is 28-1 and plays No. 8 Ben Davis for the Class 4A state championship Saturday, March 30 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME				
SCOTTSBURG 70, GUERIN CATHOLIC 54				
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Cherry	4-7	0-1	9	4
Robert Sorensen	1-9	0-0	2	5
Andy Caron	3-7	0-1	6	0
Dylan Murans	7-9	1-2	17	2
Bryson Cardinal	8-12	2-6	18	3
Malcolm Houze	0-2	0-0	0	1
Jake Grissom	1-1	0-0	2	2
Nik Balmuri	0-1	0-0	0	0
Ben Grissom	0-0	0-0	0	0
Hayden Rodgers	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ryne Paris	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	24-48	3-10	54	17
Score by Quarters				
Guerin Catholic	12	11	20	11 – 54
Scottsburg	14	20	14	22 – 70
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (3-14) Murans 2-2, Cherry 1-4, Sorensen 0-4, Houze 0-2, Balmuri 0-1, Cardinal 0-1. Guerion Catholic rebounds (22) Caron 6, Cardinal 5, Sorensen 4, Murans 3, Houze 2, Cherry 1, team 1.				



# Hamilton County fills out HCC girls basketball all-conference teams

## The REPORTER

The Hoosier Crossroads Conference announced its All-Conference teams for the 2023-24 girls basketball season.

Hamilton County's four HCC schools were well-represented, with eight on the First Team list and another six on the Second Team. In addition, Hamilton Southeastern coach Brian Satterfield was named the conference Coach of the Year after guiding the Royals to an undefeated HCC championship.

The complete list of All-Conference athletes now follows.

**FIRST TEAM**  
**Avon:** Aniah Smith.  
**Brownsburg:** Avery Gordon.  
**Fishers:** Talia Harris, Allison Scheu.  
**Franklin Central:** Lily Graves.

**Hamilton Southeastern:** Kennedy Holman, Kayla Stidham, Maya Makalusky.  
**Noblesville:** Reagan Wilson, Meredith Tippner.  
**Westfield:** Ellie Kelleher.  
**Zionsville:** Emma Haan, Al-lie Caldwell.  
**SECOND TEAM**  
**Fishers:** Nevaeh Dickman, Joirdyn Smith.  
**Franklin Central:** Payton DuVall.  
**Hamilton Southeastern:** Addison Van Hoesen.  
**Noblesville:** C.C. Quigley, Ava Shoemaker.  
**Westfield:** Reagan Lorenzen.  
**Zionsville:** Faith Leedy, Caroline Sampson.  
**Conference standings:** Hamilton Southeastern 7-0, Fishers 4-3, Zionsville 4-3, Noblesville 4-3, Franklin Central 3-4, Westfield 3-4, Brownsburg 2-5, Avon 1-6.



Westfield's Ellie Kelleher was named to the Hoosier Crossroads Conference girls basketball First Team.

# IFCA announces six local players for North/South Football All Star Classic game

## The REPORTER

The Indiana Football Coaches Association has announced the rosters for the 58th annual Murat Shrine North/South Football All Star Classic.

This year's All-Star game takes place Friday, July 12 at Decatur Central High School. Jake Gilbert, the longtime Westfield coach who recently took the associate head coach job at Wabash College, has been named the head coach for the South team. His son Jackson Gilbert is one of the quarterbacks for the South squad.

Other Hamilton County football players on the South

team are Guerin Catholic of-fensive lineman Josh Holba, Noblesville running back Logan Shoffner, Hamilton Southeastern defensive tackle Jack Seyferth and Fishers linebacker Carter Imes. Jordan Clark will be one of the South's managers.

Hamilton Heights will be represented on the North team. Safety Jaylyn Pugh is one of the players, Huskies coach Jon Kirschner will be one of the coaches and Mad-dy Heffelmire is one of the North's managers.

More information about the North/South All Star game can be found at [ifca.net/north-south-all-star-game](https://ifca.net/north-south-all-star-game).

# Westfield football coach Jake Gilbert bids farewell, Josh Miracle steps up

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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The word used to describe the coaching changes at Westfield High School this week is "bittersweet."

The Sham-rocks are saying goodbye to a veteran coach who transformed their football program into a state power-house. Jake Gilbert has stepped down as Westfield's head coach, as he received the opportunity to coach for his alma mater, Wabash College.

Gilbert will join the Little Giants staff as the associate head coach and defensive coordinator for the 2024 season, then transition into the program's head coach beginning with the 2025 season. Gilbert, a 1998 graduate of Wabash, will take over for the retiring Don Morel, who has been the Little Giants' head coach since 2016.

Gilbert said he is "excited about the opportunity," but called the situation "really bittersweet." He began coaching Westfield in 2010, noting that for many players, he's been "the only coach they've known. It's hard to leave them."

The legacy Gilbert leaves behind is an amazing one. In 13 years as head coach of the 'Rocks, Gilbert guided the program to 103 wins, eight sectional titles, six regional championships and three Hoosier Crossroads Conference championships. Westfield also won four semi-state titles, sending the Shamrocks into the state finals. The 'Rocks won the Class 5A state championship in 2016 and were the 2013 5A runners-up. Westfield also had back-to-back state runner-up finishes in 2020 and 2021.

"Jake has built one of the top high school programs in the state," said WHS athletic director Andy Tebbe. "What he has accomplished on the field has only been out done by what he has accomplished in our building and in the community. He helped build a culture that permeates throughout all of our students and staff, as well as the city of Westfield. Jake will always be a Rock and we are excited to see him excel in his new role at Wabash College."

This will be Gilbert's second time as a coach for the Little Giants. He was an assistant coach from 2006 to 2010, supervising the offensive line for the first two seasons, then taking over defensive coordinator duties for the next three years.

"To be a player, assistant coach and a head coach there, there's not many people who

can say something like that," said Gilbert.

## Miracle takes over

As for the Westfield football team, its head coach will be someone well-known (and well-loved) by Sham-rocks fans.

Josh Miracle, an assistant coach for Westfield for the past 13 years, is now the head coach. Miracle graduated from Wabash College in 2011, so he played there during Gilbert's first coaching stint.

Miracle echoed the bittersweet sentiment, calling Gilbert a friend and mentor, but he also said he was "super excited for Wabash. They're getting the best."

Miracle graduated from Hobart High School in 2007 before heading to Wabash College. He has been Westfield football's associate head coach and defensive coordinator for the past 10 years. This past season, Miracle was named the top assistant coach in Indiana, receiving the nationally acclaimed Frank Broyles Award.

Miracle has also been the boys track and field head coach for the past 12 seasons. Miracle said he would continue to coach track this season.

"Everybody's been extremely supportive, and it's been a pretty good transition so far," said Miracle.

"Hiring a new football coach is probably one of the more daunting tasks an athletic director has to take on. But in this case, recommending to hire Josh Miracle to lead the Rocks was a very easy decision," said Tebbe. "His pedigree of playing at Wabash College and helping build our football program as an assistant coach has prepared him well to be our varsity football coach. Josh is a great leader and excels both as a teacher and a coach. We have known for several years that we had the next head coach of Westfield Football in our stable if that time presented itself. That time is now and we are excited to see Josh continue the excellence of Westfield Football."

"It's been an honor to coach alongside Josh Miracle for the past 13 years," said Gilbert. "We have done it together! Josh is a huge part of the success we've had. He's beyond ready to be the Head Coach of our program. Josh is a natural leader. He was named the top assistant coach in Indiana last season. He has called the defense in three State Championship games. Josh's time is now and he'll do an amazing job."

"Jake Gilbert has built a legacy here at WHS with our

football program," said WHS principal Alicia Denniston. "Not only have our teams achieved excellence on the field and been extremely successful, but Coach Gilbert has fostered a family atmosphere and one that exemplifies leadership, character, and service. He will be missed,

but we are thrilled to see Coach Miracle step into this role. Josh Miracle has been an instrumental leader in our football program and is ready to continue this legacy of excellence. We fully support him and know the players and the program are in very capable hands."

## — COURT NOTICES —

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF  
**Little Eagle Creek Drain  
Added Parcels**  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Little Eagle Creek Added Parcels on March 25 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, and which construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh  
R4059 3/18/24

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF  
**Bellewood Drain  
Added Parcels**  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Bellewood Drain Added Parcels on March 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, and which construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh  
R4060 3/18/24

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF  
**Lion Creek Drain  
Added Parcels**  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Lion Creek Drain Added Parcels on March 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, and which construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh  
R4061 3/18/24

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF  
**Oliver Armstrong Drain**  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Oliver Armstrong Drain on March 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of the hearing is for the Board to increase the amount of the maximum unencumbered amount of the maintenance fund for the Oliver Armstrong Drain to be increased from four (4) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance of the drain to eight (8) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance. The Board will not consider an increase in annual maintenance assessments at the meeting. The previously established Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been previously approved and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh  
R4062 3/18/24

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF  
**Bramblewood Drain**  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Bramblewood Drain on March 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of the hearing is for the Board to increase the amount of the maximum unencumbered amount of the maintenance fund for the Bramblewood Drain to be increased from four (4) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance of the drain to eight (8) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance. The Board will not consider an increase in annual maintenance assessments at the meeting. The previously established Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been previously approved and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh  
R4063 3/18/24

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF  
**Laurel Lake Drain**  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Laurel Lake Drain on March 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. The purpose of the hearing is for the Board to increase the amount of the maximum unencumbered amount of the maintenance fund for the Laurel Lake Drain to be increased from four (4) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance of the drain to eight (8) times the estimated annual cost of periodic maintenance. The Board will not consider an increase in annual maintenance assessments at the meeting. The previously established Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been previously approved and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh  
R4064 3/18/24

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD  
IN THE MATTER OF  
**Elwood Wilson Drain, E.M. Hare Arm Reconstruction  
Home Depot Water Line**  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board concerning the reconstruction of the Elwood Wilson Drain, E.M. Hare Reconstruction, Home Depot Water Line on March 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments proposed by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board  
Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh  
R4065 3/18/24

## — COURT NOTICES —

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) SS:  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF ) CAUSE NO.: 29D01-2403-AD-000362  
MYA MECHELL TINCHER, MINOR )

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION**  
The grandparents of Mya Mechell Tinchler, born on May 22, 2009, are notified that a petition for adoption of the child was filed in the office of the clerk of Hamilton Superior Court 1, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. This notice complies with Indiana Code 31-19-2.5(a)(3) and Indiana Code 31-19-4.5-1.5 but does not exhaustively set forth a person's legal obligations under the Indiana adoption statutes. The grandparents of the child are being served with this notice because their rights to visitation may be impacted by the adoption. This notice is limited to the issue of grandparent visitation and may not be used to contest the adoption. If a grandparent desires to file for visitation, such action must be filed in the above-named court within fifteen (15) days. If a grandparent fails to timely file for visitation, the above-named court will hear and determine the Petition for Adoption and the grandparent will be precluded from subsequently pursuing a grandparent visitation case for the child. A person being served with this notice should consult the Indiana adoption and grandparent visitation statutes.

Kathy Kregg Williams,  
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**29D01-2403-EU-000101**  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT 1 OF  
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF GEORGE R. SHELburne,  
Deceased

Notice is hereby given that Nadine J. Anderson was, on March 5, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of George R. Shelburne, deceased, who died on February 12, 2024.

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

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on March 5, 2024.

Kathy Kregg Williams  
CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR  
COURT 1 FOR HAMILTON  
COUNTY, INDIANA

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R4032 3/18/24, 3/25/24

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
In re the Estate of Mark D. McKeeman  
**Case No. 29D01-2402-ES-000096**  
ADLER ATTORNEYS  
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zech@noblesvilleattorney.com  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
**In the Hamilton Superior Court 1 of Hamilton County, Indiana**

Notice is hereby given that Sarah Fugate on March 12, 2024 was appointed Personal Representative of the Supervised Estate of the above-named Decedent, who died on August 29, 2023.

All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months of Decedent's death whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, March 12, 2024.

Kathy Kregg Williams  
Clerk of the Hamilton County  
Superior Court #1  
for Hamilton County, Indiana  
R4051 3/18/24, 3/25/24

**29D01-2403-EU-000117**

Isaac C. Peterson, #38311-49  
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Two North Ninth Street  
Noblesville, IN 46060  
(317)773-2190; FAX (317) 773-5320  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
In the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1.

Notice is hereby given that Mekenzie B. Canada was, on March 14, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of JOSEPH C. CANADA, deceased, who died February 22, 2024.

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

Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on March 14, 2024.

Kathy Kregg Williams  
Clerk of the Superior Court of  
Hamilton County, Indiana  
R4056 3/18/24, 3/25/24

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**29D02-2309-ES-000425**  
**Hamilton Superior Court 2**  
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**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

In re the Estate of Christi Leigh Ott  
Cause No. 29D02- 2403-E  
U-000100

In the Superior Court of Hamilton County

Notice is hereby given that Kirstin Hampton, on the 6th day of March, 2024 was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Christi Leigh Ott, deceased, who died on the 19th day of January, 2024.

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

Dated this 6th day of March, 2024.

Kathy Kregg Williams  
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court #2  
for Hamilton County, Indiana  
R4035 3/11/24, 3/18/24

**29D01-2402-EU-000092**

STATE OF INDIANA  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON

IN THE HAMILTON  
SUPERIOR COURT I

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
( )  
UNSUPERVISED  
( )  
ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
( )  
ESTATE OF  
( )  
JANE I. SMITH, DECEASED.  
( )  
Parr Richey Frandsen Patterson Kruse  
LLP, Attorneys

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
IN HAMILTON SUPERIOR  
COURT 1, HAMILTON COUNTY,  
INDIANA IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF JANE I. SMITH,  
DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that Daniel Smith was on February 27, 2024, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Jane I. Smith, who died on July 10, 2022.

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

DATED at Noblesville, Indiana, on February 27, 2024.

Kathy Kregg Williams  
Clerk, Hamilton County, Indiana

Anthony W. Patterson, 17497-53

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R4036 3/11/24, 3/18/24

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )

IN THE HAMILTON CO.  
SUPERIOR COURT NO. 3

CAUSE NO 29D03-2306-DN-5197

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:

LONNIE ANDERSON, )  
Petitioner, )  
v. )  
LIDIA ANDERSON, )

Respondent )

**ORDER OF FEBRUARY 28, 2024**

Petitioner appears by video.

Respondent fails to appear. Record

reflects no service on Respondent.

Petitioner will be using publication

for service. This matter to be reset

within 60 days.

Cause reset for April 17, 2024 at

10:00 a.m. t 30 minutes allotted, in

person.

SO ORDERED this 28th day of

February, 2024.

Hopey Gardner, Pro Tem

HAMILTON COUNTY

SUPERIOR COURT NO. 3

R4044 3/11/24, 3/18/24, 3/25/24



— COURT NOTICES —

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY )  
CIRCUIT COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2402-MI-1950 )  
IN RE THE MATTER OF: )  
ADRIANA CAVINA )  
Petitioner )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
ADRIANA CAVINA, whose )  
mailing address is: 13019 Lombard )  
Court Fishers, Indiana 46038, and if )  
different, whose residential address )  
is 14682 Dorset Lane Noblesville, )  
Indiana 46062 in Hamilton County, )  
Indiana, hereby gives notice that )  
ADRIANA CAVINA has filed a )  
petition in the Hamilton Circuit Court, )  
requesting that name be changed to )  
ADRIANA PAGNOTTI. )  
Notice is further given that the )  
hearing will be held on said Petition )  
on: July 12, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. )  
*ADRIANA CAVINA* )  
Petitioner )  
Date: February 23, 2024 )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
County Clerk )  
*R3950 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY )  
CIRCUIT COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2401-MI-765 )  
IN RE THE MATTER OF: )  
JACQUELYN S. ROBINSON )  
Petitioner )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Notice is hereby given that )  
Petitioner, JACQUELYN S. )  
ROBINSON, pro se, filed a Verified )  
Petition for Change of Name to )  
change her name from JACQUELYN )  
S. ROBINSON to JACQUELYN SUE )  
FRATELLIO. )  
The petition is scheduled for hearing )  
in the Hamilton Circuit Court on June )  
7, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., which is more )  
than thirty (30) days after the third )  
notice of publication. Any person )  
has the right to appear at the hearing )  
and to file written objections on or )  
before the hearing date. The parties )  
shall report to One Hamilton County )  
Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN )  
46060. )  
Date: February 22, 2024 )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
County Clerk )  
*R3964 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

**29D01-2402-EU-000068**  
GORDON D. BYERS  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
298 South 10th Street, Suite 300  
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA 46060  
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION** )  
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR )  
COURT NO. 1 )  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE )  
OF: )  
PATTY LORENE REECE, )  
DECEASED, )  
ESTATE DOCKET )  
29D01-2402-EU-000068 )  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN )  
that Diana Lynn Peyton and Karen )  
Sue Johnson were on the 12th day of )  
February 2024, appointed Co-Personal )  
Representatives of the ESTATE OF )  
PATTY LORENE REECE, deceased, )  
and is authorized to administer said )  
estate without court supervision. )  
All persons who have claims against )  
this estate, whether or not now due, )  
must file the claim in the office of )  
the Clerk of this Court within three )  
(3) months from the date of the first )  
publication of this notice, or the )  
claims will be forever barred. )  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this )  
12th day of February, 2024. )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court )  
*R4022 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

**29D02-2402-EU-000097**  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY  
SUPERIOR COURT,  
In the Matter of the Unsupervised  
Estate of VICKY D. MCMILLAN .  
Deceased  
Notice is hereby given that  
BRENDA SULLIVAN was on  
February 29, 2024 (date), appointed  
personal representative of the estate of  
VICKY D. MCMILLAN, deceased,  
who died on the August 1, 2023.  
All persons having claims against  
said estate, whether or not now due,  
must file the claim in the Office of  
the Clerk of this Court within three  
(3) months from the date of the first  
publication of this Notice, or within  
nine (9) months after the decedent's  
death, whichever is earlier, or the  
claims will be forever barred.  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on  
February 29, 2024.  
*Kathy Kreag Williams*  
Clerk of the Hamilton County  
Superior Court  
Kimberly A. Jewell  
Attorney at Law (#13042-49)  
Jewell Law Office, LLC  
710 Executive Park Drive, Suite 11  
Greenwood, IN 46143  
Phone: 317-705-8805  
Fax: 317-360-9044  
kim@jewelldelaw.com  
*R4024 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON )  
CIRCUIT COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2311-MI-10890 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
MINOR: )  
SAYLOR JANE DRISCOLL )  
**NOTICE OF HEARING** )  
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner )  
EMILY JANE DRISCOLL, pro se, )  
filed a Verified Petition for Change of )  
Name of Minor to change her name )  
from SAYLOR JANE DRISCOLL to )  
SAYLOR JANE SOFIA DRISCOLL. )  
The petition is scheduled for hearing )  
in the Hamilton Circuit Court on July )  
12, 2024 at 10:00 am, which is more )  
than thirty (30) days after the third )  
notice of publication. Any person )  
has the right to appear at the hearing )  
and to file written objections on or )  
before the hearing date. The parties )  
shall report to One Hamilton County )  
Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN )  
46060. )  
Date: March 6, 2024 )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk of Hamilton County )  
*R4030 3/11/24, 3/18/24, 3/25/24*

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON )  
CIRCUIT COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2403-MI-2541 )  
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF )  
MINOR: )  
MaLell Minton )  
Minor )  
Ta Nia Slater )  
Petitioner )  
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR )  
CHANGE OF NAME** )  
Notice is hereby given that )  
Petitioner, Ta Nia Slater, pro se, filed a )  
Verified Petition for Change of Name )  
of Minor to change the name of minor )  
child from MaLell Dion Minton to )  
Mylon Dion Minton. )  
The petition is scheduled for hearing )  
in the Hamilton Circuit Court on July )  
12, 2024 at 10:00 am, which is more )  
than thirty (30) days after the third )  
notice of publication. Any person has )  
the right to appear at the hearing and )  
to file written objections on or before )  
the hearing date. )  
Date: March 12, 2024 )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk )  
*R4057 3/18/24, 3/25/24, 4/1/24*

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY )  
SUPERIOR COURT #1 )  
CAUSE NO. 29D02-2401-DN-188 )  
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: )  
NICOLAS HUTCHINS, )  
Petitioner )  
and )  
MEGHAN HUTCHINS (Coleman) )  
Respondent )  
**NOTICE OF SUIT-SUMMONS )  
SERVICE BY PUBLICATION** )  
The State of Indiana to the )  
Respondent above named, and any )  
other person who may be concerned. )  
You are notified that you have been )  
sued in the Court above named above. )  
The nature of the suit against you is: )  
Dissolution of Marriage. A hearing )  
is currently set for April 25 and 11 )  
a.m. )  
This summons by publication is )  
specifically directed to the following )  
named Respondent(s) whose )  
addresses are: )  
None )  
And to the following Respondent(s) )  
whose whereabouts are unknown: )  
Meghan Hutchins (Coleman) )  
If you take no action in this case )  
after receipt of this summons, the )  
Court can make a determination )  
regarding any of the following: )  
divorce, custody, parenting time, child )  
support, division of property/debts )  
on or before the day of April 17 (the )  
same being within thirty (30) days )  
after the third notice of suit) )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk of the Hamilton County Court )  
*R3961 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY )  
CIRCUIT COURT )  
Cause No. 29C01-2401-MI-760 )  
IN RE: NAME CHANGE OF: )  
HARRISON SUMNER LOGAN )  
**NOTICE OF HEARING** )  
Notice is hereby given that )  
Petitioner, HARRISON SUMNER )  
LOGAN, pro se, filed a Verified )  
Petition for Change of Name to )  
change his name from HARRISON )  
SUMNER LOGAN to LILAC )  
SUMNER LOGAN. )  
The petition is scheduled for hearing )  
in the Hamilton Circuit Court on May )  
10, 2024 at 10:00 am, which is more )  
than thirty (30) days after the third )  
notice of publication. Any person )  
has the right to appear at the hearing )  
and to file written objections on or )  
before the hearing date. The parties )  
shall report to One Hamilton County )  
Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN )  
46060. )  
Date: January 29, 2024 )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court )  
*R4014 3/11/24, 3/18/24, 3/25/24*

**80C01-2403-EU-000023**  
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION** )  
Notice is hereby given that Thomas )  
G. Fennell, Tanya Runyan, and )  
Trina Fennell were on the 5th day of )  
March, 2024, appointed Tri-Personal )  
Representatives of the Estate of )  
William T. Fennell, deceased, who )  
died on the 7th day of February, 2024, )  
and said Tri-Personal Representatives )  
were authorized to administer said )  
Estate without Court supervision. )  
All persons who have claims against )  
this Estate, whether or not now due, )  
must file the claim in the Office of )  
the Clerk of this Court within three )  
(3) months from the date of the first )  
publication of this notice, or within )  
nine (9) months after the decedent's )  
death, whichever is earlier, or the )  
claims will be forever barred. )  
Dated at Tipton, Indiana, this 5th )  
day of March, 2024. )  
*Christy Crawford* )  
Clerk of the Tipton Circuit Court )  
of Tipton County, Indiana )  
This Instrument Was Prepared By: )  
Matthew B. Quigley, Attorney at Law )  
QUIGLEY LAW OFFICE )  
117N. Main Street )  
Tipton, Indiana 46072 )  
Tele: 765-675-6949 )  
Attorney No. 23099-49 )  
*R4023 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

STATE OF INDIANA IN )  
THE HAMILTON COUNTY )  
SUPERIOR COURT )  
CAUSE NO. 29D01-2402-EU-000088 )  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE )  
OF VIBART JOHN HICKS, )  
Deceased )  
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION** )  
Notice is hereby given that Caitlin )  
Elisabeth Williams was, on the 6 day )  
of March, 2024 appointed personal )  
representative of the estate of Vibart )  
John Hicks, deceased, who died on )  
January 20, 2024, and was authorized )  
to administer said estate without court )  
supervision. )  
All persons who have claims against )  
this estate, whether or not now due, )  
must file the claim in the office of )  
the clerk of this court within three )  
(3) months from the date of the first )  
publication of this notice, or within )  
nine (9) months after the decedent's )  
death, whichever is earlier, or the )  
claims will be forever barred. )  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 6 )  
day of March, 2024. )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk of the Hamilton )  
Superior Court )  
Martin Barnes )  
Attorney No. 18527-29 )  
Barnes Cadwell Law PA )  
10475 Crosspoint Blvd )  
Suite 250, Room 202 )  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46256 )  
317 804-5058 )  
Attorney for Estate )  
*R4027 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

**29D03-2402-EU-000049**  
STATE OF INDIANA )  
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY )  
CAUSE NO.: 29D03-2402-EU-000049 )  
IN THE MATTER OF )  
THE ESTATE OF )  
RICKI B. FREIMAN, )  
Deceased )  
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED )  
ADMINISTRATION** )  
Notice is hereby given that Christine )  
Freiman was, on February 9, 2024, )  
appointed personal representative of )  
the estate of Ricki B. Freiman, )  
deceased, who died on December )  
17, 2023, and was authorized to )  
administer said estate without court )  
supervision. )  
All persons who have claims against )  
this estate, whether or not now due, )  
must file the claim in the office of )  
the clerk of this court within three )  
(3) months from the date of the first )  
publication of this notice, or within )  
nine (9) months after the decedent's )  
death, whichever is earlier, or the )  
claims will be forever barred. )  
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this )  
February 9, 2024. )  
*Kathy Kreag Williams* )  
Clerk of Hamilton County )  
Matthew D. Allen )  
Attorney No. 26766-49 )  
Law Office of Matthew Allen LLC )  
688 East 63rd Street )  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46220 )  
(317) 202-1293 )  
Attorney for the Estate )  
*R4031 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

**Full County )  
Coverage )  
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— SHERIFF SALES —

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2202-MF-001415, wherein U.S. Bank National Association was Plaintiff, and Craig A. Riker, Melissa L. Riker, Citibank NA and Crown Asset Management, LLC, were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **18th day of April, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana: **PARCEL 1: A PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, LOCATED IN JACKSON TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST, QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING SOUTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS WEST (ASSUMED BEARING) 1749.35 FEET FROM A FOUND STONE MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING ALSO BEING NORTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST FROM A FOUND STONE WITH CROSS MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS WEST 134.30 FEET ON AND ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 35 SECONDS WEST 324.35 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST, 134.3 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 35 SECONDS EAST 324.35 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 1.00 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. PARCEL 2: A PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST LOCATED IN JACKSON TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST, QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING SOUTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS WEST (ASSUMED BEARING) 1615.05 FEET FROM A FOUND STONE MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING ALSO BEING NORTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST FROM A FOUND STONE WITH CROSS MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS WEST 134.30 FEET ON AND ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 35 SECONDS WEST 324.35 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST, 134.3 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 35 SECONDS EAST 324.35 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 1.00 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.**  
**29-02-32-000-005.001-008; 29-02-32-000-005.002-008**  
**and commonly known as: 24330 Cal Carson Rd, Cicero, IN 46034.**  
Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # **29D01-2202-MF-001415** in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien.  
Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Hamilton County Sheriff  
DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C.  
41 E Washington St., Suite 400  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
**Jackson )  
Township )  
24330 Cal Carson Rd, Cicero, IN 46034 )  
Street Address )  
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address )  
published herein. )  
**DOYLE & FOUTTY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR** )  
*R3946 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24***

**HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES  
**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
**Date of Sale: January 4, 2024**  
Sale Location: 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060  
Publisher's Name/County: The Hamilton County Reporter - Hamilton County  
**Judgment to be Satisfied: \$141,891.30**  
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D03-1807-MF-006663**  
**Plaintiff: Ditech Financial LLC**  
**Defendant: David Fahrenholz, David E. Fahrenholz, Melinda Fahrenholz and Melinda S. Fahrenholz, et al.**  
Required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, at the hour of 10:00 AM of said day as listed above, at, Fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:  
**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**  
**A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF FISHERS, COUNTY OF HAMILTON, STATE OF INDIANA, AND KNOWN AS: BEING LOT NUMBER 105 IN SUNBLEST FARMS ADDITION, SECTION 17-B AS SHOWN IN THE RECORDED PLAT/MAP THEREOF IN BOOK 16 PAGE 120-123 OF HAMILTON COUNTY RECORDS**  
**Parcel No. 29-10-36-202-044.000-006**  
**Commonly Known as: 12552 POINTER PLACE, FISHERS, IN 46038**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. This Notice shall also represent service of Notice of Sale of the above-described real estate upon the owners, pursuant to requirements of IC 32-29-7-3.  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff of Hamilton County

Matthew C. Gladwell (30493-49)  
Christopher J. Arlinghaus (31680-15)  
Aaron Rodgers (28418-84)  
Attorney  
Reisenfeld & Associates, LPA LLC  
Attorneys' Law Firm  
(513) 322-7000  
Contact Telephone Number  
**Delaware )  
Township )  
12552 Pointer Place, Fishers, IN 46038 )  
Street Address )  
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address )  
published herein. )  
*R3947 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24***

— CICERO —

**NOTICE**  
sale date 04/05/2024 9am  
Bullseye Towing llc 22271 U.S. 31 N suite 100 cicero in 46034  
1GCCS195228218375 2002 s10 \$2750  
3GNFK12307GC299455 2007 avalanche \$2750  
KNAFU4A23A5059020 2010 forte \$2750  
1G1ZC5E09CF295355 2012 malibu \$2750  
1C4NJRFB3CD512753 2012 patriot \$2750  
1HGCR2F37HA059604 2017 accord \$2750  
1C4RJKA0G08163279 2021 grand cherokee \$2750  
*R3896 3/18/24*

**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.  
*R4048 3/16/24, 3/18/24*

— COUNTY —

**NOTICE**  
The Hamilton County Coroner's Office is attempting to locate next-of-kin / family of Victor Zalecki, white male, 71 years of age, who died on 01/28/2024 at his residence located in Fishers, Indiana.  
Anyone with information regarding Victor Zalecki is asked to contact the Hamilton County Coroner's Office at 317-770-4415  
*R3937 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24*

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**  
**CONTRACT OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT**  
**WATER AND WASTEWATER FACILITIES**  
**HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY DISTRICT**  
**HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA**  
Written offers to a Request for Qualifications for the purpose of providing contract operations, maintenance and management of the Hamilton County Regional Utility District Water and Wastewater Facilities will be received by the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners (the "County"), One Hamilton Square, Suite 157, Noblesville, IN 46060 **until 9:00 AM Eastern time on April 22, 2024.** Submittals must be delivered to Mr. Lee Buckingham, Director of Administration, One Hamilton Square Suite 157, Noblesville, IN 46060 no later than 9:00 AM Eastern time. Submittals time-stamped at 9:01 AM or after will be returned unopened to the Bidder.  
Packets containing the detailed Request for Qualifications and related requirements, terms and conditions can be obtained by download at the Wessler Engineering Planroom, www.wesslerengineering.com/planroom.  
The information requested is to be organized in accordance with the format outlined in the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) document and is to be bound into one (1) volume. The outside envelope shall be sealed and labeled "Statement of Qualifications for the Operation and Management of the Water and Wastewater Facilities". A submittal may be rejected by the County if the submittal is not completed in its entirety and/or is not organized as outlined in the RFQ document.  
Questions pertaining to this Request for Qualifications must be submitted in writing by email to lee.buckingham@hamiltoncounty.in.gov **no later than 4:00 pm on April 12, 2024.**  
The County reserves the right to modify or cancel the Project at any time before a Contract Operator enters into a formal agreement with the County, including at any point during the scoping period. The County reserves the right to reject any and all Qualifications at its sole discretion. The County may enter into discussions with any individual Contract Operator to clarify and assure a full understanding and responsiveness to the solicitation requirements.  
*R4047 3/18/24*

— SHERIFF SALES —

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29C01-2310-MF-010341 wherein U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee for VRMTG Asset Trust was Plaintiff, and The Unknown Heirs and Devises of Martin J. Rohrman, Deceased and LVNV Funding LLC were Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **18th day of April, 2024,** at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.  
**Lot Number 46 in Sun-Blest Farms Unit 3-A an addition to the Town of Fishers in Hamilton County, Indiana as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 5 pages 128-129 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.**  
**More commonly known as 11540 Timberlake Ln, Fishers, IN 46038-1975**  
**Parcel No. 15-14-01-01-01-013.000**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff  
*/s/ BRYAN K. REDMOND*  
BRYAN K. REDMOND, Plaintiff Attorney  
Attorney # 25352-64  
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.  
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400  
Indianapolis, IN 46250  
(317) 237-2727  
**Delaware )  
Township )  
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the )  
accuracy of the street addressed published herein. )  
**NOTICE** )  
**FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.** )  
*R3942 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24***

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2309-MF-008458 wherein Servion, Inc. was Plaintiff, and Sweet Briar Property Owners Association, Inc., P. Michael Voelz, Suzanne Voelz, Service Experts Heating & Air Conditioning LLC and State of Indiana were Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **18th day of April, 2024,** at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.  
**LOT NUMBERED 218 IN SWEET BRIAR, SECTION 5, A SUBDIVISION IN THE TOWN OF FISHERS, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED DECEMBER 7,1998 AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 9870095 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.**  
**More commonly known as 13081 Rawlings Ct, Fishers, IN 46038-8241**  
**Parcel No. 29-11-29-014-022.000-020**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff  
*/s/ BARRY T. BARNES*  
BARRY T. BARNES, Plaintiff Attorney  
Attorney # 19657-49  
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C.  
8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400  
Indianapolis, IN 46250  
(317) 237-2727  
**Fall Creek )  
Township )  
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the )  
accuracy of the street addressed published herein. )  
**NOTICE** )  
**FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR.** )  
*R3943 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24***

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**  
**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D02-2310-PL-009678, wherein The Maples of Carmel Condominium Owners' Association, Inc. was Plaintiff, and Barbara A. Whitten and Robert N. Whitten, Jr. were the Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose a public sale to the highest bidder, on the **18th day of April, 2024** between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana: **Unit 11 in Phase XLIV in "Maples of Carmel" Horizontal Property Regime, as per plat thereof, recorded December 10, 1984, in Plat Book 11, Pages 127-128 as Instrument Number 8416703, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana, together with an undivided interest in the common areas and facilities and limited common areas and facilities, as created in the Declaration of Horizontal Property Ownership, recorded November 28, 1983 in Miscellaneous Record 176, Page 625, et seq. as Instrument Number 83-15019, together with any and all amendments and/or supplements thereto.**  
**Parcel No. 16-10-31-04-05-077.000**  
**State Parcel No. 29-10-31-405-077.000-018**  
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisalment laws.  
*Gregory A. Chandler, Attorney #27057-49*  
EADS MURRAY & PUGH P.C.  
**Date: February 7, 2024**  
*Dennis J. Quakenbush II*  
Sheriff of Hamilton County  
**CLAY )  
Township )  
Street Address: 11623 Buttonwood Drive )  
Carmel, IN 46033 )  
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the )  
accuracy of the street addressed herein. )  
**This is a communication from a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a )  
debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.** )  
*R3944 3/4/24, 3/11/24, 3/18/24***

**TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**  
STATE OF INDIANA )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF )  
HAMILTON COUNTY )  
COUNTY OF HAMILTON )  
SS: )  
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA )  
CAUSE NO. 29C01-2310-MF-010046 )  
**BEAL BANK, F/K/A BEAL BANK, S.S.B. )  
PLAINTIFF )  
vs )  
JUDITH A. KNIFFIN A/K/A JUDY A. KNIFFIN )  
A/K/A JUDY KNIFFIN, DECEASED; UNKNOWN )  
HEIRS AND/OR DEVICES OF JUDITH A. KNIFFIN )  
A/K/A JUDY A. KNIFFIN A/K/A JUDY KNIFFIN, )  
DECEASED; ESTATE OF JUDITH A. KNIFFIN )  
A/K/A JUDY A. KNIFFIN A/K/A JUDY KNIFFIN, )  
DECEASED; TIMBER CREEK HOMEOWNERS )  
ASSOCIATION OF CARMEL, INC. )  
DEFENDANTS )  
**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**  
By virtue of an Order of Sale, directed to me from the Clerk of the Hamilton Circuit Court and pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered on **02/01/2024**, I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the office of the Sheriff of Hamilton County, in Hamilton County, Indiana, located at 18100 Cumberland Rd., Noblesville, IN 46060 on **April 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Local Time, the fee simple title together with the rents, profits, issues and income or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, interest, costs and accruing costs of the following described real estate located in Hamilton County, Indiana, to-wit:  
**Building 3, Unit 1042-2, in Timber Creek Horizontal Property Regime created by Declaration recorded as Instrument No. 8910838 under date of May 31, 1989, and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded June 28, 1989 as Instrument No. 8913432 and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded July 26, 1989 as Instrument No. 8915673, and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded November 21, 1990 as Instrument No. 9028716; further supplemented by supplemental declaration of Timber Creek Horizontal Property Regime dated October 15, 1991 recorded October 21, 1991 as Instrument No. 9128059, and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded February 21, 1992 as Instrument No. 9205620 and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded May 7, 1992 as Instrument No. 9217410 in the office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana; together with a .641 undivided interest appertaining to such Unit in the common areas and Limited Areas in Timber Creek Horizontal Property Regime, unit such times as Supplemental Declaration are recorded annexing additional real estate to Timber Creek, pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 21 of the Declaration. Upon the filing and recording of Supplement Declaration annexing additional real estate of Timber Creek Horizontal Property Regime, the Grantee's undivided percentage interest in the common areas and Limited Areas shall be reduced and changed in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 8 and 21 of the Declaration.**  
**And together with the exclusive right to use Parking Space No. 134 and Garage No. G-76, which right shall pass with title to Building 3, and Unit 1042-2 except and reserving all that certain property acquired by The City of Carmel from Judith A. Kniffin a 1/192 interest as tenants in common by deed recorded April 30, 2001 in Deed Record 2001-00023352.**  
**Commonly known****



— SHERIDAN —

DES. # 1601982 & 2000816

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Proposed Improvement SR 47 Road Reconstruction, SR 47/SR 38 in Hamilton County

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will host a public hearing on April 9, 2024 5:30-7:30pm, at the Sheridan Community Center, 300 E 6th St., Sheridan, the hearing will begin at 6:00pm. The purpose of the public hearing is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to comment on current preliminary design plans to SR 47 and the SR 47/SR 38 intersection in Sheridan in Hamilton County. The purpose of the project is to extend the service life of the SR 47 roadway, improve drainage, increase load carrying capacity of the pavement, improve connectivity for bicycle and pedestrian movements which meet local community goals, and improve overall traffic flow and turning movements throughout the project area.

As proposed, the project involves the SR 47 Road Reconstruction and Mule Barn Road Realignment (INDOT Des. No. 1601982) and the SR 47/SR 38 Roundabout (INDOT Des. No. 2000816).

The Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan for the project involves phased construction with detour routes. The work along SR 47 will be split into three phases: Phase 1 will begin at the western terminus of the project and extend to the west side of the Sheridan Mall, approximately 0.51 miles, Phase 2 will be from the west side of the Sheridan Mall to a point just west of Mule Barn Road, approximately 0.46 miles, and Phase 3 will start from just west of Mule Barn Road to the west side of the GetGo gas station, approximately 0.60 miles and will include the realignment of Mule Barn Road. Each phase will be constructed under a full closure with durations between 2 and 3 months. Pedestrian MOT will utilize a temporary surface to maintain existing sidewalk facilities during construction. Following the completion of SR 47, the SR 47/SR 38 roundabout will be constructed in two phases, north/south traffic being first moved to the east, then to the west building half of the intersection at a time. East/west traffic will not be continuous through the intersection, with a 3-phase signal maintaining only one side of the intersection based on the phase of construction. East/west traffic will be detoured using US 31, SR 32, and US 421. MOT details will be presented during the public hearing. Access to all properties will be maintained during construction. INDOT will coordinate with emergency services, local school corporation officials and project stakeholders to ensure potential disruptions and impacts are minimized as much as possible. The project will require approximately 4.82 acre of permanent new right-of-way, in addition to some temporary right-of-way needed during construction.

Federal and state funds are proposed to be used for construction of this project. INDOT and the Federal Highway Administration have agreed that this project poses minimal impact to natural environment. A Categorical Exclusion (CE) environmental document has been prepared for the project. The environmental documentation and preliminary design information is available to view at the following locations:

- Sheridan Public Library – 103 W 1st St., Sheridan, IN 46069
- Sheridan Community Center – 300 E 6th St., Sheridan, IN 46069
- INDOT Greenfield District Office – 32 South Broadway, Greenfield, IN 46140; INDOT4U Toll Free Telephone Number: 855-463-6848
- A project webpage has been created to ensure project information is available on-line via the INDOT Greenfield District page, SR 47 Improvements within the Town of Sheridan: <https://www.in.gov/indot/about-indot/central-office/welcome-to-the-greenfield-district/sr-47-improvements-within-the-town-of-sheridan/>

During emergency situations, public viewing locations may be limited or prohibited as part of the Notice of Planned Improvement. Project documents may only be available on-line during emergency situations. INDOT will mail project documents upon request.

Public statements for the record will be taken as part of the public hearing procedure. All verbal statements recorded during the public hearing and all written comments submitted prior to, during and for a period of two (2) weeks following the hearing date, will be evaluated, considered and addressed in subsequent environmental documentation. Written comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing and within the comment period to the INDOT Project Manager Jennifer Beck, INDOT Greenfield District, phone: 765-745-8276, email: [jbeck@indot.in.gov](mailto:jbeck@indot.in.gov). **INDOT respectfully requests comments be submitted by April 26, 2024.**

With advance notice, INDOT will provide accommodations for persons with disabilities with regards to participation and access to project information as part of the hearings process including arranging auxiliary aids, interpretation services for the hearing impaired, services for the sight impaired and other services as needed. In addition, INDOT will provide accommodations for persons of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) requiring auxiliary aids including language interpretation services and document conversion. Should accommodation be required please contact the INDOT Project Manager Jennifer Beck, INDOT Greenfield District, phone: 765-745-8276, email: [jbeck@indot.in.gov](mailto:jbeck@indot.in.gov).

**In the event of inclement weather resulting in hazardous driving conditions, please call the Indiana Department of Transportation's Project Manager Jennifer Beck, INDOT Greenfield District, phone: 765-745-8276, email: [jbeck@indot.in.gov](mailto:jbeck@indot.in.gov) to learn of any postponement of the public hearing. If the public hearing is postponed due to inclement weather, it will be rescheduled and the public comment period will be extended.**

This notice is published in compliance with Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR 771.111(h)(1) states: "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program." 23 CFR 450.212(a)(7) states: "Public involvement procedures shall provide for periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all and revision of the process as necessary." approved by the Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation on July 7, 2021.

R40533/18/24

— WESTFIELD —

Notice of Adoption of Ordinance

Annexing Certain Real Estate to the City of Westfield, Indiana

Ordinance 24-10, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Real Estate to the City of Westfield, Hamilton County, Indiana, was adopted by the Westfield Common Council on March 11, 2024. The annexation area consists of approximately 4.32 acres +/-, generally located on the north side of 186th Street, south side of 191st Street, east of Grand Park Blvd., and west of Tomlinson Road. The ordinance shall be effective in accordance with Indiana Law upon its passage by the Council, its publication in accordance with law, and upon the passage of any applicable waiting period, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana. Ordinance 24-10 in its entirety is available for inspection during regular business hours at the Westfield Clerk-Treasurer's Office located at 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana. Dated this 12th day of March, 2024.

R40493/18/24

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m., Monday, April 1, 2024 at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN>, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions:

- 2404-PUD-09; Ackerson Farm PUD Amendment; Generally located northwest of the intersection at 166th St. and Ditch Rd.; CDC Ackerson LLC c/o Estridge Homes by 11th Street Development requests an amendment to modify the maximum garage door width and the minimum house floor line elevation for residential areas 1 and 2, comprising 80 acres +/-, of the Ackerson Farm Planned Unit Development (PUD) District.

Specific details regarding the requests may be obtained from the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3170.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the requests may be filed with the Secretary of the Commission at the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 at or before the hearing will be considered. Oral comments concerning the proposals will be heard at the aforementioned public hearing. In the case of a virtual meeting, written comments concerning the proposals can be provided before and during the aforementioned public hearing by emailing [planners@westfield.in.gov](mailto:planners@westfield.in.gov). Such hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission  
Westfield Community Development Department  
2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074  
[www.westfield.in.gov](http://www.westfield.in.gov)

R40533/18/24

— ARCADIA —

NOTICE OF EXECUTION OF LEASE

Pursuant to action previously taken by the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of Hamilton Heights School Corporation (the "School Corporation"), a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") between the School Corporation and Hamilton Heights School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation") was executed and entered into on March 13, 2024. The Lease covers the site of the proposed construction and renovation of a portion of the Hamilton Heights High School facility in Arcadia, Indiana. A copy of the Lease is on file in the Administration Building of the School Corporation, 410 West Main Street, Arcadia, Indiana, and is available for inspection during normal business hours.

Dated this 18th day of March, 2024.

*/s/ Secretary, Board of School Trustees*  
Hamilton Heights School Corporation

R40523/18/24

— COUNTY —

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/QUALIFICATIONS

HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING FACILITY PROJECT  
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

Written proposals and statements of qualifications responsive to this Request for Proposals/Qualifications will be received by the Hamilton County Redevelopment Commission (the "RDC"), One Hamilton Square, Suite 157, Noblesville, IN 46060, for purposes of procuring a Public-Private Agreement (as defined in IC 5-23-2) related to the financing, development, operation, and/or construction of a new public safety training facility (the "Project") in the County pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Indiana Code, including, but not limited to, IC 5-23. Submittals must be delivered to the Hamilton County Auditor's office in the historic courthouse, 33 N. 9th St., #L21, Noblesville, IN 46060 prior to Kim Rauch no later than 10:00 A.M. Eastern time. Submittals time-stamped at 10:01 A.M. or after will be returned unopened to the Bidder.

Packets containing the detailed Request for Proposals/Qualifications and related requirements, terms and conditions can be obtained by contacting the RDC's authorized representative, Lee Buckingham, by electronic mail at [lee.buckingham@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:lee.buckingham@hamiltoncounty.in.gov), or by phone at (317) 776-9719, or may be picked up in person between the hours of 9:30 am and 4:00 pm at 1 Hamilton County Square Suite 157, Noblesville, IN 46060.

The RDC will consider various factors in evaluating the offers, including, without limitation: (i) offeror's experience with developing similar projects; (ii) offeror's demonstrated ability and capacity to perform the work, including offeror's reputation as indicated by the references for performing this type of work; (iii) offeror's approach to develop the Project; (iv) offeror's proposed plan to self-perform and/or sub-contract the work included in this Project; (v) offeror's proposed fees during the scoping period; (vi) offeror's proposed financing solution; and (vii) other factors deemed appropriate by the RDC in the context of the services and products to be provided by the offeror.

The RDC reserves the right to modify or cancel the Project at any time before a developer enters into a formal agreement with the RDC, including at any point during the scoping period. The RDC reserves the right to reject any and all Qualifications at its sole discretion. The RDC may enter into discussions with any individual developer to clarify and assure a full understanding and responsiveness to the solicitation requirements.

Qualifications due  
04/03/2024/ 10:00 A.M.

R40583/18/24, 3/25/24

— NOBLESVILLE —

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/QUALIFICATIONS  
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA  
SLUDGE PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT  
INDIANA CODE 5-23 PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

RFPO Release Date: March 12, 2024  
RFPO Publication  
Dates: March 18, 2024, March 20, 2024, March 25, 2024 and March 27, 2024  
RFPO Due Date: April 9, 2024  
RFPO Contact: Matt Light, Deputy Mayor  
P. 317-776-6324  
[mlight@noblesville.in.us](mailto:mlight@noblesville.in.us)

**I. INTRODUCTION TO PROJECT**  
In accordance with Indiana Code 5-23-5, as amended (the "Act"), the City of Noblesville, Indiana (the "City") invites any and all qualified parties (each an "offeror") to submit Proposals and Statements of Qualifications to design, build, operate and/or maintain the construction, acquisition, renovation and equipping of the City's wastewater treatment plant, the City's North Sludge Building, the City's Sludge Storage Barn and the City's Headworks, all located at 197 Washington Street in the City, including: (i) replacement of the existing belt press with two screw presses, (ii) installation of a crane and hoist in the screw press room, (iii) removal of the existing sludge conveyor belt to the Sludge Storage Bar, (iv) installation of two progressive cavity pumps, manifold piping and three actuated valves, (v) miscellaneous upgrades to the North Sludge Building and piping to meet NFPA 820 explosion-proof standards, (vi) installation of three polymer pumps and two polymer containment systems, (vii) miscellaneous North Sludge Building improvements including replacing windows with garage doors, installation of a new building envelope door and floor drain, replacement of all man doors, repair of the ground water leak tunnel connecting the North Sludge and South Sludge buildings, (viii) replacement of two existing grit clarifier/washers, (ix) Sludge Barn lighting, skin and concrete upgrades, (x) LED lighting installation in affected buildings, (xi) replacement of the existing gravity belt press with a rotary drum thickener, (xii) installation of a stairway on the outside of the existing anaerobic digester #3, (xiii) stucco repair on Digester 1 & 2, (xiv) installation of H2S and Siloxane removal system, and (xv) installation of a sludge strainer at the headworks (items (i) through (xv) collectively, the "Project"). The purpose of this RFPO is to identify a team that is capable of scoping and developing the Project. The City welcomes further input for the Project. The Team should include a developer and an operator for the Project as well as any other team members the offeror deems appropriate. At a certain point in time, the City may assume ownership of the Project. The City will provide for the financing of the Project although offerors are expected to provide suggested financing structure models for the City to review with a preference towards a traditional City utility financing. A full copy of the RFPO may be obtained upon request from the RFPO Contact, Matt Light, as described above. This notice includes a summary of certain portions of the RFPO however any qualified party interested in submitting a response should obtain a full copy of the RFPO from the RFPO Contact.

**II. SUBMISSION OF PSQOS**  
Sealed proposals in response to the RFPO ("PSQOs") shall be received by the City at the City of Noblesville, Indiana Mayor's office located at City Hall 16 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana 46060 Attention Matt Light, until 9:00 a.m., local time, on April 9, 2024. Any PSQO received after the designated time will be returned unopened. The proposals will be opened by an evaluation committee on or after April 15, 2024. The evaluation committee will be made up of the members set forth in the full copy of the RFPO which is available upon request from the RFPO Contact, Matt Light.

Each member of the selection committee shall have one vote, but the selection committee's recommendation shall be a non-binding recommendation made to the Noblesville Board of Public Works and/or the Noblesville Common Council who shall award any contracts recommended as part of the partnership as provided by law.

The selection committee may conduct interviews with any offeror and may also negotiate with any and all offerors. The PSQO should be clearly marked "RFPO Sludge Process Improvements Project" on the outside of the envelope. Please provide five (5) hard copies of your proposal and three (3) copies on portable USB drives. Any confidential information included in the PSQO shall be labeled "CONFIDENTIAL" and shall be submitted on a separate drive, also labeled "CONFIDENTIAL". The PSQO should also include estimates of any infrastructure investment needs including roads, streets, and utilities (if any) which will need to be improved as well as the price to provide such investments to meet the offeror's proposal.

**III. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT**  
The City currently contemplates that the Project will include the development, design, construction and procurement of fixtures and equipment necessary for completion of the Project as referenced above and should additionally include the following:

- The City wastewater utility must be continuously operational throughout construction
- Offerors should also submit proposals for the operation and management of the Project, under guidance from the City. Operation and management proposals should assume that the Project will be operated as a part of the City's wastewater utility which serves the City.
- The existing conveyor is prone to frequent failure. The Offeror should be prepared to install a temporary replacement at the beginning of the Project and prioritize the installation of the permanent replacement.
- Site development for the Project shall include any and all site development required for the development of the Project, including but not limited to on-site and off-site utilities necessary to service the Project and related surrounding infrastructure, reconfiguration of existing utilities, hardscape/landscape, road and traffic control improvements, and utility improvements to and from the property boundary to support the Project.

This is an initial RFPO and the City reserves the right to amend, alter, or expand the scope of the RFPO with the issuance of addenda at any time. Such addenda shall be made available to all offerors at the time of revision.

All professional services and consultants required to design, build, operate and maintain the Project, including, but not limited to civil, structural, and MEPT engineering, procurement, etc., shall be selected and engaged by the Offeror, with the consent of the City.

**IV. PROJECT BUDGET**  
Offerors shall submit their proposals for funding the Project. The Project will be funded directly by the City through bonds and, if necessary, existing funds on hand. The Project budget is estimated to be at an amount not to exceed Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000). Project budget adjustments may be considered if return on investment, revenue generation, economic impact, flexible use, related analysis, and alignment with partner priorities indicate that a budget adjustment would be warranted and in the long-term interests of the community. Such budget adjustments will be considered during the evaluation and scoping processes set forth in the full copy of the RFPO. Offerors should include proposed financing structures and operating cost estimates with their offers and are encouraged to recommend financing structures.

**V. PROJECT GOALS**  
The goals for the Project include but are not limited to:

- Design and install the referenced upgrades and improvements to the City's wastewater utility;
- Ensure the Project is designed, built and constructed in an expedited manner with a targeted goal of completion and availability for occupancy by the end of 2025;
- Ensure first-class operation of the Project, with demonstration of the ability to ensure full continuous use of the wastewater utility throughout Project construction;
- Achieve facility operational savings and promote placemaking and sustainability goals through selection and commissioning of efficient building systems, innovative design elements, and forward-thinking facility utilization strategies;
- Achieve operational efficiency through efficient planning of space to accommodate various processes and activities;
- Achieve best value in the construction, furnishing, operation, and maintenance of the facility, taking into account the long-term cost impacts of design, construction, and equipment; and
- Sustainable design is a key attribute that must be considered and incorporated into the Project. This preference may include: (i) energy efficient design; (ii) consideration of renewable energy systems; (iii) reduction of storm water runoff, water usage and sanitary reduction while demonstrating the ability to deliver lowest first cost approaches; and (iv) any other energy/environmental efficiency mechanism available that could be used to obtain funding from any source of federal funding or federal program.

**VI. PSQO CONTENTS**  
Each offeror shall submit its PSQ which shall include at a minimum, and as more particularly described in the RFPO, the following:

- Cover Letter
- Project Approach to Estimated Pricing including break down of costs and proposed pricing structures (a final BOT Agreement will include Guaranteed Maximum Price Structure).
- Project Schedule that includes detail for design and entitlement timeframes, and critical path for construction and milestones (include punch and close out).
- Schedule narrative that speaks to the vision of executing the scope and meeting the schedule (i.e. 5 day vs. 6 day work week, overtime for critical trades, weather float
- Narrative that addresses the solution for procurement lead times (i.e. Steel, electrical gear, plumbing fixtures, etc.)
- Description of offerors understanding of the local labor and materials market and how that may impact the project
- Project Experience with Public Private Agreement and Guaranteed Maximum Price AIA modified agreements
- Qualifications, Assumptions, Exclusions
- Development budget - Offerors shall include a development budget reflecting in as much detail as possible hard and soft costs to successfully execute and deliver the project.
- Proposed project team leads with bios and responsibility matrix
- Narrative of services to be performed and execution plan.
- Proposed development fee range
- Proposed operation fee structure or schedule.

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— COUNTY —

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY

Pursuant to IC 5-3-1-2(b) Notice is hereby given that the Hamilton County Council of Hamilton County, Indiana will hold their Regular meeting on Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom at their regular meeting place of One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. Purpose of the meeting is for consideration of transfer of funds, 144 Amendments, Reduction of funds and to consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year. The Council will hold a public hearing concerning the additional appropriations. Any person having concerns or questions concerning said appropriations shall be heard at the public hearing.

1000 General Fund	2000 Supplies	13,669
3000 Other Services & Charges		576,502
4000 Capital Outlays		48,476
1148 (9502) Drug Free Community	2000 Supplies	3,000
3000 Other Services & Charges		14,400
Fund 1152 (9510) LEPC	4000 Capital Outlays	45,000
Fund 1171 (0792) Major Bridge	3000 Other Services & Charges	50,000
4000 Capital Outlays		41,987
Fund 1237 Opioid Settlement Restricted	3000 Other Services & Charges	500,000

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— NOBLESVILLE —

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:  
By / At: City of Noblesville, Indiana  
Office of the Clerk  
16 S. 10th Street  
Noblesville, Indiana 46060

Project: City Camera and Door Access Project  
Until: 9:00 A.M. local time, Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Receipt of Bids: Bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened. Bids are to be submitted on the Bid Form as provided in the Project Manual and on Indiana State Board of Accounts Form No. 96 (revised 2013) as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. Bidders shall submit financial data, statement of experience, proposed plan for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work, along with a properly signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion as required by Form No. 96. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with the name and address of the Bidder, and clearly identified:

SEALED BID: City Camera and Door Access Project

**Bid Opening:** Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City of Noblesville at the Council Chambers, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, at 9:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, March 26, 2024.

**Pre-Bid Meeting:** A mandatory Pre-Bid meeting for interested parties will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2024, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., local time in Room A214 at 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. For special accommodations for individuals planning to attend the Pre-Bid meeting or public bid opening, please call or notify the City of Noblesville at (317) 776-6368 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto.

**Qualification of Bidders:** Bidder, or Sub-Contractor performing work, must show they are qualified to complete the work ad bid and have any and all necessary credentials to perform the work.

**The Work:** The Work shall be completed by certified / qualified Contractor(s) and Subcontractor(s) for the Project all as required by the Bidding Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and consists of:

- All work set forth in the City Camera and Door Access Project General Scope of Work, which is a bid document as set for below.

**Contract Award:** Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its Bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana Code 36-1-12-1 et seq. The Owner, however, reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Owner, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.

**Bid Documents:** Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after March 6, 2024. Interested Bidders may obtain electronic Bidding Documents by sending an email to [ahedden@noblesville.in.us](mailto:ahedden@noblesville.in.us) requesting instructions to download project documents.

Submit all bid questions in writing to City of Noblesville – Information Technology Department prior to 4:30 P.M. local time on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Questions will only be accepted from firms on the official Plan Holders list. A written response will be emailed to the address on the official Plan Holder's list that is required to be completed at the time the plans are purchased. No questions will be answered by telephone. The contact persons for questions are:

Adam Hedden, IT Director  
Email: [ahedden@noblesville.in.us](mailto:ahedden@noblesville.in.us)  
Phone: 317-770-2073

Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of Bidding Documents and the Project Manual and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of Bidding Documents or Project Manual. Bids must be submitted on the forms contained in the Project Manual and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein.

**Bid Security:**  
Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.

**Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond:**  
A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.

The Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond with a good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on Form provided in the Project Manual, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.

All out-of-state bidder corporations must have a Certificate of Authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE  
Evelyn Lees, Clerk

R40293/11/24, 3/18/24

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF TAX RATE FOR  
FIRE CUMULATIVE CAPITAL FUND

To the Taxpayers of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, State of Indiana: You are hereby notified that on March 12, 2024, the Common Council of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana, held a public hearing after publication of notice pursuant to law, concerning Ordinance No. 03-02-24, ("the Ordinance"). The Ordinance was approved and reestablished a Fire Cumulative Capital Fund, ("the Fund") and a tax rate to generate money for the Fund, all pursuant to Indiana Code 6-1.1-41.

The Ordinance provides that the money in the Fund may be used for all purposes for which property taxes may be imposed by the City under Indiana Code 36-8-14.

The Fund will be funded by a property tax rate not to exceed \$0.0333 on each \$100 of taxable real and personal property within the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana, beginning in 2024, payable in 2025, and each year thereafter, until reduced or rescinded. This property tax rate is subject to the maximum property tax levy control, pursuant to Indiana Code 6-1.1-.18.5, and thus does not increase the total property tax rate the City may impose. Furthermore, this action leaves the maximum allowable property tax rate for the Fund unchanged from its current amount.

Ten (10) or more taxpayers in the taxing district who will be affected by the tax rate and corresponding levy may file a petition with the Hamilton County Auditor, not later than noon thirty (30) days after the publication of this Notice of Adoption, setting forth their objections to the proposed rate and levy. Upon the filing of the petition, the County Auditor shall immediately certify the same to the Department of Local Government Finance, at which point the department will fix a date for and conduct a public hearing on the proposed rate and levy before issuing its approval or disapproval thereof.

Dated this 13th day of March, 2024.

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE  
*/s/ Evelyn Lees*  
Clerk, City of Noblesville

R40383/18/24

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

March 12, 2024  
Hamilton County Commissioners 1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 157  
Noblesville, Indiana 46060 (317)776-8493

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Hamilton County Commissioners.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about April 9, 2024, the Hamilton County Commissioners, on behalf of the City of Noblesville, Indiana, will submit a request to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as the Southwest Quad Sidewalk Improvement Project for the purpose of replacing deteriorated sidewalks and installing new sidewalks and ADA ramps, in Noblesville, Indiana, to improve pedestrian mobility throughout the neighborhood.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Hamilton County Commissioners have determined the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Noblesville Housing Authority office, located at 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, Indiana, and may be examined or copied weekdays, 9:00A.M to 4:00P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Noblesville Housing Authority, 320 Kings Lane, Noblesville, Indiana, or via email to [michelle@gonha.org](mailto:michelle@gonha.org). All comments received by April 8, 2024, will be considered by the Hamilton County Commissioners prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Hamilton County Commissioners certify to HUD that Mark Heirbrandt, in his capacity as President for the Commissioners of Hamilton County, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Noblesville to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Hamilton County Commissioner's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Hamilton County Commissioners; (b) the Commissioners have omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD-Community Planning and Development at 575 N. Pennsylvania Street, Suite 655, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. Potential objectors should contact HUD/ State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Mark Heirbrandt, President, Hamilton County Commissioners

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# High hopes for thousands of young archers as they aim for victory at state tournament

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**INDIANAPOLIS**—The Blue Pavilion at the Indiana State Fairgrounds was filled with arrows flying through the air on March 9.

It was part of the 2024 Indiana NASP State Tournament, which took place over the weekend at the pavilion. A total of 2,100 students in grades 4 through 12 representing 125 different schools participated in the event.

NASP stands for National Archery in School Program and is administered through the DNR Law Enforcement Division in Indiana. Tim Beck, an Indiana Conservation Officer, is the state coordinator of the tournament and spoke to the Reporter during the tournament.

"It's really been amazing," said Beck. "The impact that this program has had on the students. It's a very unique program that engages just about all the kids in any shape or fashion. The impact and the growth of this program has been nothing short of phenomenal."

Beck emphasized that archery is a sport truly for everyone. He said there

have been students competing who have physical disabilities, as well as some who may have emotional issues.

"We have actually had some students that may have some behavioral problems where archery has been instrumental in helping them deal with some of their social and emotional issues," said Beck. "It's really unique how archery has made a difference in their lives."

Beck said the NASP motto is that the organization is "changing lives one arrow at a time," he said. "So, the impact on our students is phenomenal."

Beck was talking while young archers were competing in the Bullseye part of the tournament. Each competitor shot 30 arrows — shooting 15 from a 10-meter line, then moving back and shooting 15 more arrows from a 15-meter line.

"Each arrow has a point value of 10 points," said Beck. A perfect hit on the bullseye is worth the full 10 points, with the point values decreasing the further away an arrow lands. A perfect score is 300 points.

There were three divisions at the tournament: elementary, middle and high



The Blue Pavilion at the Indiana State Fairgrounds was filled with young archers during the 2024 Indiana NASP State Tournament, which took place on March 9. A total of 2,100 students representing 125 schools participated in the tournament.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

school. Batesville swept the team standings in all three divisions.

In the individual standings, Caleb Gedney of Christian Academy of Indiana won the boys high school division, while Lydia Haskamp of Batesville was the girls high school winner. Both scored 293 points.

Batesville's Varshath Rajesh won the boys middle school division by scoring 288 points. North Harrison's Hazel Robertson was the

girls winner, totaling 285 points. Another North Harrison archer, Eli First, won the boys elementary competition with 279 points. Blake Humm from St. Benedict Cathedral School in Evansville won the girls elementary division with 276 points.

In addition to the Bullseye competition, there was also a 3-D competition. Beck said the 3-D is "based off of outdoor hunting scenarios," also saying it has been "very, very popular."

Evansville Reitz Memorial won the high school 3-D competition, with North Harrison winning the middle school division and Triton Central the elementary school division.

In the individual standings, the high school boys winner was Jason Tillison of Scottsburg with a score of 293 points. Isabella Hughes of Whitko won the high school girls division, scoring 289 points.

St. Benedict Cathedral School had both middle school 3-D winners: Karagan Day scored 282 points to finish first in the girls competition, while the boys winner was Townes Wootton, who totaled 279 points.

In the elementary division, First of North Harrison scored 279 points for top honors among the boys. Courtney Miller of Churubusco Elementary totaled 274 points to win the girls event.

competition.

"They got an invitation to be here by shooting a qualifier earlier in the year," said Beck. "Every one of these students got invited to attend. And at the end of the day, when they're done, they're going to get a medallion that will always be with them, that they competed and they qualified for this tournament."

The NASP is education-based. Beck said any schools that participate must have archery as part of their school curriculum.

"It's in their normal school day. It just can't be an afterschool club," said Beck. "Most of the schools do have a very good afterschool club, because that's where they get their practice and everything for the tournament, but they do have to have the in-school component."

For more information on the NASP, visit [nasp-schools.org](http://nasp-schools.org). Tournament results are available at [nasp-tournaments.org](http://nasp-tournaments.org).

**SOUR GRAPES**

by Tim Jones

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