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TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Partly sunny.
 Tonight: Partly cloudy, with showers possible after midnight.



HIGH: 65 LOW: 49



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(ABOVE LEFT) Susie Jost shows off a brightly colored, knee-length dress provided by Linden Tree in Carmel. (ABOVE CENTER, from left) Prevail Executive Director Tami Wanninger, speaker Dr. Aletta Sanders, and Christi Crosser, Prevail board member and event chair, helped make this year's Prevail Spring Fashion Show an impactful event. (ABOVE RIGHT) Rhonda Kasper, 19-year customer of Tangerine Cards & Gifts in Carmel, models a stylish tiered dress with casual lifestyle sneakers.

Rethinking No Mow May

Have you dreamed of transforming your backyard into a vibrant haven for butterflies, bees, and beneficial pollinators? The idea of a lush wildflower meadow teeming with life is certainly captivating. The "No Mow May" movement has gained traction in recent years, encouraging homeowners to stop mowing their lawns for the entire month to promote wildflower growth and support pollinators.

COLUMNIST



CURTIS HONEYCUTT
Wild by Design

It's important to understand that most of our yards simply aren't meadows waiting to happen. In the U.K., where No Mow May was established, lawns are much more likely to harbor seeds of native wildflowers compared to U.S. lawns. These wildflowers may have been present in the soil for years, waiting for the right conditions to germinate. Leaving a typical U.K. lawn unmowed in May allows the potential for wildflowers to emerge and bloom.

However, typical U.S. lawns are monocultures, dominated by a single type of non-native grass. Beneath the surface lies a seed bank unlikely to yield any native wildflowers. Stopping mowing for an entire month can lead to negative consequences, including allowing invasive weeds to grow and thrive. In addition, your neighbors will likely consider your unkempt lawn an eyesore and a potential H.O.A. violation.

I'd like to suggest some realistic alternatives to No Mow May and the motivations behind each option.

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Spring fashion show celebrates the many ways survivors Prevail

The REPORTER

A record number of more than 400 guests attended the Prevail Spring Fashion Show on May 2. The annual event raises money for Prevail, Inc. and awareness about the need to help victims of abusive crimes, particularly domestic violence and sexual assault.

With a goal to disrupt the violence, Prevail began 38 years ago in Hamilton County and provides comprehensive victim advocacy support to survivors

throughout their journeys. Prevail's services are offered free of charge and are always completely confidential.

"Our goal is safety first always," Prevail Executive Director Tami Wanninger said.

According to statistics given at the fashion show, domestic violence represents 20 percent of all violent crimes, with one-third of women murdered having been in an abusive relationship and 45 percent of all women becoming victims at some point in their

lives. Of domestic violence victims, 19 percent are children under age 18, which represents one in four girls and one in six boys.

Wanninger said that Prevail helped around 3,100 local victims in the past year, including aiding 100 survivors in finding safety and stable housing to avoid homelessness. They provided safe housing for 102 families. In addition, every seventh through 12th grader in Hamilton County schools received information about how to handle re-

lationships responsibly.

Wanninger, who has been leading the organization for almost a year, shared that a new strategic plan is in the works through a matching grant from the Hamilton County Community Foundation and TCC Gives. Additionally, through a partnership with the Hamilton County Health Department they are expanding their Prevention Program in Hamilton County Schools.

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Hamilton East Public Library Board welcomes new director, Melissa Loiselle

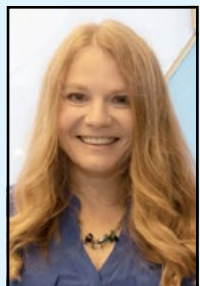
The REPORTER

The Hamilton East Public Library (HEPL) Board of Trustees appointed Melissa Loiselle as Library Director by a unanimous vote at the Thursday, May 8 meeting.

Starting in January of this year, the Board began evaluating and interviewing candidates, with the aim of choosing the next Library Director, along with executive recruitment and consulting firm Organizational Architecture. The Board held an executive session on Thursday evening, followed by a public meeting to provide updates to the search.

With an extensive background in libraries and education, Loiselle brings a wealth of expertise and leadership to the HEPL team.

In her role, she will oversee the executive administration of the library, working closely with the HEPL Board of Trustees and Leadership Team to drive innovation, discovery, equity, and access within the growing community. The Board says her strategic vision and proven track record in libraries make



Loiselle

her the ideal candidate to lead the library into the future.

"After the Board of Trustees' director search and selection process, I am confident that Melissa is the right person to lead HEPL into its next chapter," HEPL Board of Trustees President Craig Siebe said. "The Board of Trustees looks forward to working with Melissa to achieve HEPL's strategic priorities."

Loiselle holds a Master of Library Science from Indiana

University and has 14 years of experience in the library field. Previously, she was the Youth Services Manager of the Fishers Library before moving on to become the director of the Vernon Township Public Library. She rejoined HEPL as a Deputy Director in November 2023.

"As a longtime resident of Fishers, it is an honor to serve my community once again," Loiselle said. "I will work hard to ensure the Library exceeds the expectations of the people of Fishers and Noblesville."

Loiselle officially assumed the role on Thursday and will report directly to the Board.

Let yourself be the helpee

I need to take a break this week from my Bringing Joy to the Workplace series to talk about a topic that's been on my heart lately.

Some of my readers may have noticed I haven't had regular columns in a few weeks. My father-in-law, who was 88 and had been battling throat cancer, passed away in our home on Sunday, April 28. Ron had been under hospice care for a few months in his home in Manteno, Ill., before coming here April 20. He died peacefully with both of his sons and daughters-in-law beside him.

If you've never been in this situation, it's sad, scary, and overwhelming. It was an honor to take care of him alongside my husband, John. But for a couple of weeks, our world was turned upside down.

Family and friends began to reach out saying, "How can we help?" One couple, Matt and Cindy, offered to bring us lunch.

At first, I would say, "Oh, we're good, we've got things under control." This was BEFORE hospice dropped off the hospital bed and table and things began getting real. I thought being the good planner that I am that I would have everything figured out.

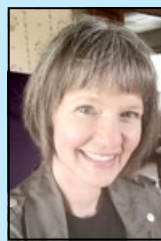
Some of you are probably laughing out loud at that statement.

After Ron arrived and I juggled working from home with caretaking responsibilities, I began to realize we had NOTHING under control. One of us had to be here with Ron all the time, which meant we had to cancel a lot of activities and check each other's schedules constantly.

One day, Cindy texted me again to see how they could help. Tears sprang to my eyes, and I texted back, "I know you offered lunch . . . could you make it dinner instead?" This was incredibly hard for me.

I'm used to being the helper. I love to make meals and deliver them to people when they're experiencing difficulty. I'm happy to run an errand for a friend or family

COLUMNIST



AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

Carmel High School students collaborating with international artist on public art project

The REPORTER

In a first-of-its-kind collaboration, Carmel High School (CHS) students are playing key roles in the design of the Carmel Redevelopment Commission's (CRC) latest art acquisition, which will be on bold display within steps of the school.

Announced in December, *Channels of Connection in Carmel*, an illuminated sculpture, will be positioned at the roundabout at Main Street and Lexington Boulevard. The dynamic piece features steel wires shaped into the head and neck of a student looking to the sky, hair blowing in the breeze. Designed by artist Casto Solano, who has work displayed in

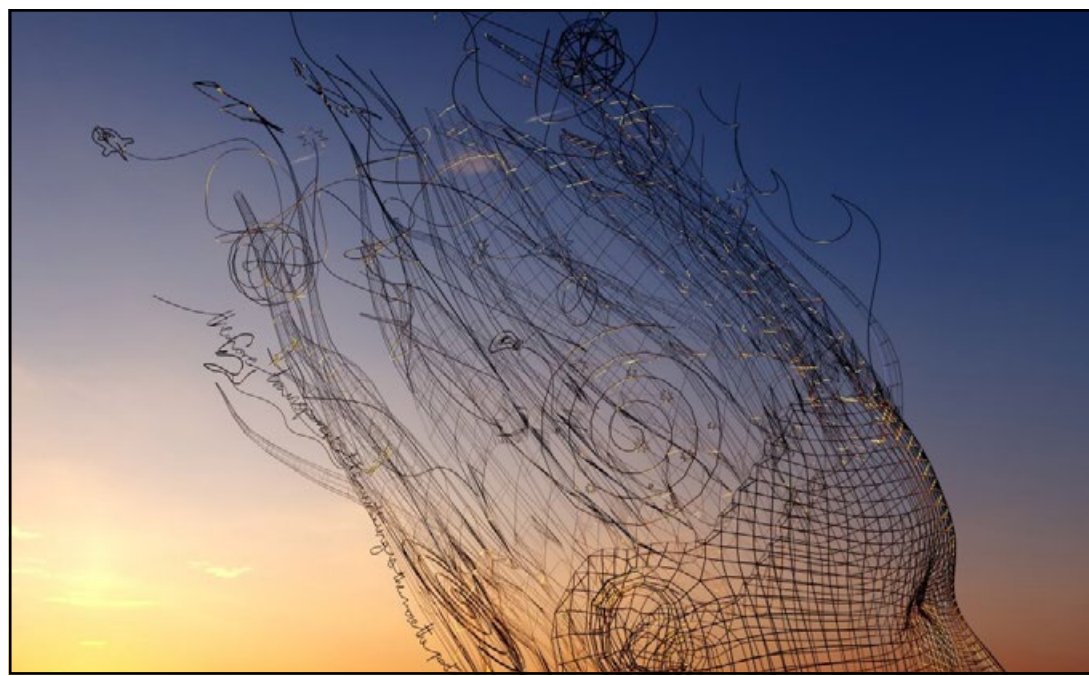


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See Art . . . Page 2 *Channels of Connection in Carmel* will be at Main Street and Lexington Boulevard.

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PREVAIL

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“Tami leads with strength, passion, and tireless energy,” said Esther Lakes, event emcee and Prevail board member.

Dr. Aletta Sanders served as the event speaker. She spoke to the audience about the different type of domestic abuse and their ongoing impact on survivors long after the abuse has ended.

Each year, Prevail leaders ask the chosen speaker to choose a word that best describes their work to heal from abuse. Sanders chose “strength,” which was the theme throughout her speech. Sanders told The Reporter she believes it takes strength to stay in a relationship, it takes strength to leave an abusive one, and it takes strength to heal.



Reporter photo by Amy Adams

(ABOVE) Guests Rona Ash, left, and Wallapa Guinn enjoy lunch prior to the fashion show. (RIGHT) Bracelets with the theme for the event, “Strength,” were available for purchase with all proceeds going to Prevail.



Reporter photo by Shana Sloma

ART

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multiple U.S. and European cities, the artistic structure is slated for installation in the summer of 2025.

In the meantime, CHS students are actively taking part in the look of the final piece, submitting concepts that will inspire the tips of the sculpture’s hair – various items or representations.

Jennifer Bubp, CHS art department chair, said students are brainstorming ideas through collaborative mural drawings and individual drawing activities, as well as through a recent video meeting with Solano. Their sketches, poetry, and short stories include sentiments about what they love about Carmel and Carmel

High School.

“What an incredible privilege this is for our students to collaborate with an internationally recognized artist,” Bubp said. “My students and I were awestruck in our initial conversation with the artist’s team.”

With the ideas from students being sent to Solano in the coming weeks, the CRC and CHS are planning virtual meetings with students and the artist to discuss the creative process, as well as key steps for the ultimate installation. Beyond the art students already taking part in the project, students studying engineering and technology will be engaged, as well.

Mayor Sue Finkam, who last month announced the formation of the Mayor’s Advisory Commission on Arts, is staying closely engaged in the partnership and is pleased with the early progress.

“Student involvement makes it more than a sculpture; it makes it a Carmel story about the power of art and its ability to inspire our community,” Finkam said.

CRC Executive Director Henry Mestetsky touted the enduring impact of the project and others like it.

“We know public art empowers economic development and public involvement builds our community,” Mestetsky said. “The sculpture does both,

as it welcomes visitors to our education campus and our Arts & Design District.”

Significantly, Bubp has seen her students’ appreciation for public art expand and is confident the initiative will have an impact beyond the dozens of students already involved.

“Ultimately, we hope that all our students will be inspired by the artistic process in this collaboration project,” she said. “Because this sculpture will grace the landscape of our school, students will be able to look at this sculpture for years to come, knowing that their voices were considered in the design.”



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Students hard at work on their contributions to the project.

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146th Street eastbound bridge demolition

Bridge demolition work is ongoing for the bridge carrying eastbound 146th Street over the White River.

River users are advised to avoid traveling under the bridge while demolition work is ongoing. If you must travel through the work zone, use extreme caution when traveling under this bridge due to the potential of falling debris during demolition work.

[Click here](#) for more information about this project.

No Mow

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“Mow Less” May

You can encourage better lawn health by embracing a “mow less” or “mow higher” philosophy. A simple adjustment like raising your mower deck by an inch can make a big difference. Taller grass shades the soil and helps to retain moisture. Instead of mowing your lawn weekly, stretch your timeline to every 10 days. This allows your grass to grow taller, promoting a healthier lawn.

“Night Mow” May

Did you know that mowing your lawn in the evening can make a surprising difference for air quality? Ground-level ozone, a pollutant linked to respiratory problems, forms when sunlight interacts with certain chemicals in the air. By mowing after 7 p.m., you avoid adding to these chemicals during peak ozone formation times. Evening also brings cooler temperatures and often winds that help disperse any remaining emissions.

“E-Mow” May

Gas-powered lawnmowers contribute significantly to air pollution. According to the E.P.A., gas mowers account for 5 percent of the air pollution in the U.S. Each hour of operation from a gas-powered mower can emit as much pollution as 11 cars running for the same amount of time.

Transitioning to an electric mower is a win-win for your lawn and the environment. Modern electric mowers feature advanced brushless motors that deliver performance comparable to gas-powered mowers. Lithium-ion battery technology has also come a long way, offering longer run times on a single charge. Plus, electronic lawn mowers are significantly quieter, allowing you to mow at your convenience without disturbing your neighbors.

“Cool It with the Chemicals” May

Every year, U.S. homeowners apply an estimated 80 million pounds of synthetic pesticides to their lawns. These chemicals spell doom for pollinators.

Instead, consider organic weed control methods like hand-pulling weeds.

These methods may require more effort but are better for your lawn, the environment, and the delicate balance of your backyard ecosystem. For natural fertilizer, I use products from Sunday Lawn Care. Its fertilizer feeds and strengthens lawns without harmful chemicals.

And while the allure of a mosquito-free backyard is understandable, traditional mosquito control methods do more harm than good. These sprays, even those marketed as “all-natural,” often contain chemicals derived from plants like chrysanthemums. These may sound harmless, but their extracted versions – pyrethroids – are insect neurotoxins. This means they kill not just mosquitos, but also a wide range of good insects like bees, butterflies, and ladybugs. It’s also highly toxic to birds when inhaled.

Enjoy a mosquito-free porch with a simple tip: use an electric fan. Mosquitos are weak fliers and struggle to land in a strong breeze. A fan can create a gentle wind current around your patio or seating area, making it difficult for mosquitos to land on you.

“Less Lawn” May

This is, in my opinion, the most impactful change you can make to benefit your home landscape this month. Maybe you have a section of your lawn that you don’t like to mow. Good news – you don’t have to do it anymore if it’s not there! Grab a shovel, dig up an area of grass, and replace it with some attractive native perennials and mulch. Native plants are perfectly adapted to our region’s climate and soil conditions, requiring less water and maintenance once established.

The “roots” of No Mow May are admirable but, in reality, we can make some adjustments to make an even bigger impact on the environment in our yards. Consider one of these changes for your lawn to make your patch of land a healthier, more vibrant place to live.

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HELPEE

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member. Helping people is, simply, one of my favorite things in the whole world.

In fact, when one of my grant professional friends emailed me to see how things were going, I replied, “They’re okay ... but I’m used to being the helper ... not the helpee.” I didn’t think that “helpee” was a word, but it became one to me.

Soon my dear friend and business partner Anne offered to bring us dinner from my favorite Thai place. Our nieces Tyffini and Jessica ordered not just lunch, but dinner for us all on the Sunday that Ron passed away. Our sons Jonathon and Jacob mowed our lawn right after we moved Ron down here so my husband wouldn’t have to worry about that chore.

So many acts of kindness lifted huge burdens from our shoulders. It was such a relief.

As I reflect on these, I’m reminding myself of how I’ve felt in the past when someone I love is hurting and there’s nothing I can

do to take away their pain. That’s when I go into helper mode. I may not be able to remove the pain, but I can ease it.

That’s what our friends and family were doing for us. It was my turn to be the helpee, and I had to wave the white flag and accept that role with humble gratitude.

Please, if you’re going through a painful situation in life, don’t turn away help from your family, friends, and others. They’re doing it with love that they’re eager to share. Let yourself be the helpee and be grateful. I certainly was.

To Matt, Cindy, Anne, Tyffini, Jessica, Jonathon, and Jacob, I offer tremendous thanks. I appreciate that you were the helpers to get us through this time in our lives.

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Don’t miss Cicero Fire’s pancake extravaganza this Saturday

They’re buttering you up to make a donation!



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Paul, Troy, and Dylan invite you to the annual Cicero Fire Department Community Organization breakfast from 7 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 11 at the Cicero Fire Department, 1359 Stringtown Pike. No charge; free will donation.



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Richie Hall gives WISH-TV viewers the lowdown on high school sports



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The Reporter's own Sports Editor Richie Hall appeared on Thursday evening's broadcast of *The Zone Extra* with Anthony Calhoun on WISH-TV, our newsgathering partner. Hall gave an overview of Hamilton County high school sports for the spring season. Our readers know Richie Hall and his team provide the best sports coverage in the area, and we're thrilled he was able to share his vast knowledge with WISH-TV's viewers. [Click here](#) to watch this week's episode of *The Zone Extra*, and be sure to read The Reporter every day for the finest in Hamilton County high school sports coverage.

IU Kokomo students earn honor society recognition

The REPORTER
More than 50 Indiana University Kokomo students were recognized for academic achievement in fields ranging from sociology to business, and from communication to psychology, with their selection for national honor societies.

A total of four local students were among the awardees.

Beta Gamma Sigma (Business)
• H. Parker Woods of Tipton

Undergraduates must be in the top 10 percent of their class to be inducted, while graduate students must be in the top 20 percent.

Phi of Indiana Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociology)

• Kinzie Liegh Whipple of Noblesville

Eligible students must be enrolled with a major or minor in a sociology pro-

gram or a program sociological in nature, be a junior, rank in the top 35 percent of their graduating class in general scholarship, have the equivalent of a 3.0 GPA in sociology classes, and have completed at least four courses in sociology.

Psi Chi (Psychology)
• Zoe Evans of Westfield

Those selected must be at least a second semester sophomore with a major or minor in psychology and have a 3.0 grade-point average or higher.

Sigma Theta Tau (Nursing)
• Angelia Montgomery of Arcadia

Students must meet rigorous standards for inclusion, such as a program GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, rank in the top 25 percent of the graduating class, and meet the expectation of academic integrity.

Noblesville First UMC invites you to May 19 Pipe Organ Dedication Recital

The REPORTER

The First United Methodist Church of Noblesville invites the community to attend the Pipe Organ Dedication Recital at 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 19 in the sanctuary of the church, located at 2051 Monument St.

The guest artist for the recital is Martin Ellis, who served as Organist and Associate Director of Music

at North United Methodist Church and at Second Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis before relocating to Portland, Ore.

Mr. Ellis will play a variety of musical selections that will demonstrate the many colors and voices of the new organ. In honor of this historic moment, he composed a new choral setting of the hymn "O for a Thousand

Tongues to Sing," and the church's Chancel Choir will perform this new work as part of the dedication recital.

The new pipe organ was designed and built by Reynolds Associates of Marion, Ind., and the church is pleased to share this glorious new instrument with the community.

A reception will follow the recital.



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Enjoy best of art, shopping & music Saturday at Meet Me on Main in Carmel

The REPORTER

Come to the Carmel Arts & Design District from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 11 for Allied Solutions' *Meet Me on Main*. Make your way to Main Street and Range Line Road for an evening of art, shopping, music, and more.

Meet Me on Main is the city's monthly "Second Saturday" event to highlight local galleries, restaurants, and design-related businesses in the Arts & Design District.

Live music

• Mark Armstrong at Main Street and Monon Greenway

• Ben Ealing in the breezeway by Sub Zero Nitrogen Ice Cream, 111 W. Main St.

• Sophia Stephens at Indiana Artisan Gifts & Gallery, 22 N. Range Line Road

Special Gallery Exhibits

Each month, local galleries and businesses will feature special events to enhance your experience.

• **Art on Main:** The May show at the gallery features works by Deb Slack and Barb Gregory. You won't want to miss this special annual Mother/Daugh-

ter show. (111 W. Main St., Suite 140)

• **CCA Gallery:** Featured artists this May are printmaker David O'Dell and fine woodwork artist, Kent Susott. (111 W. Main St., Suite 135)

• **Indiana Artisan Gifts & Gallery:** Sandra Baughman will demonstrate quilling, the art of making pictures using tiny curled twisted strips of paper. (22 N. Range Line Road)

• **The Art Studio of Carmel:** Stop by the gallery during *Meet Me on Main* to see featured artwork by 16 Art Studio adult and youth students. (30 N. Range Line Road)

Special offers

• **All Things Carmel:** All Things Carmel will be promoting the Art of Wine event, happening in the District on May 18, by sampling a variety of wines from some of the participating wineries. Celebrate May in Indiana and enter to win an Indy 500-themed gift basket. The winner will be announced on May 24. (110 W. Main St., Suite 104)

Midtown Block Party

It's a short walk north on the Monon Greenway to

Midtown Plaza to check out the Midtown Block Party from 2 to 6 p.m. This free, summer-themed event features activities for all ages including a photo booth, a movie showing of *Turbo* on the big screen, face painting, caricatures, balloon art and a live DJ. [Click here](#) for more information.

For a complete directory of galleries, restaurants and businesses in the District, visit [CarmelArtsAndDesign.com](#).

About the Carmel Arts & Design District

The Carmel Arts & Design District is the Midwest's premier arts and design destination. Home to more than 200 businesses, including art galleries, restaurants, antique dealers, design showrooms, boutiques and creative service providers, the Carmel Arts & Design District promises to stimulate the senses. The Indiana Design Center is housed in the Carmel Arts & Design District. In addition, hundreds have taken advantage of the wide variety of housing opportunities and call the Carmel Arts & Design District home.

Feeding Team Food Pantries

Here is a list of all the yellow Feeding Team food pantries across Hamilton County. For more information, go to [FeedingTeam.org](#).

ARCADIA

Arcadia Brethren Church, 8989 E. 266th St.
Hamilton Heights School Administration Building, 410 W. Main St.

ATLANTA

Wesleyan Church, 330 S. Walnut St.

CARMEL

Carmel Lions Club, 141 E. Main St.
St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 10655 Haverstick Road

CICERO

Cicero Christian Church, 1715 Stringtown Pike
Harbour Shores Church, 8011 E. 216th St.
Indiana Academy, 24815 State Road 19
Koteewi Park - Taylor Center, 12308 Strawtown Ave.
Laura Hayden's School of Dance, 7830 E. 236th St.
Roundabout at SR 37 & Strawtown Ave. (23297 Lafayette St.)
The Pizza House, 11 N. Main St.

FISHERS

Christ the Savior Lutheran Church, 10500 E. 126th St.
Christ's Community Church, 13097 Allisonville Road
G5 Auto Sales, 11544 Allisonville Road
Life Church Fishers, 9820 E. 141st St.

SHERIDAN

Issachar Church, 501 E. Main St.

WESTFIELD

CrossRoads Church, 19201 Grassy Branch Road
Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 4283 E. 191st St.
Radiant Life Church, 16162 Carey Road
Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn St.

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American Eagle/Miller Auto Body, 16100 Allisonville Road
Chapel Church, 675 Walnut St.
Christ Lutheran Church, 10055 E. 186th St.
Clarksville Christian Church, 16600 Lehr St.
Deer Path HOA Community Building, 12109 Wolf Run Road
Family Promise of Hamilton County, 1051 N. 10th St.
Feeding Team Headquarters, 485 Sheridan Road (State Road 38)
First Christian Church, 16377 Herriman Blvd.
First Presbyterian Church, 1194 Maple Ave.
Freedom Church, 1361 Christian Ave.
Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant St.
Hamilton County Fire Fighters Local 4416, 399 S. 14th St.
Hinkle Creek Friends Church, 21617 Hinkle Road
IDES (International Disaster Emergency Service), 20545 Riverwood Ave.
Ignite Transform, 698 N. 10th St.
Legacy Christian School, 470 Lakeview Drive
Life Church, 2200 Sheridan Road (State Road 38)
Moose Lodge, 950 Field Drive
Morse Beach FOP Lodge, 7201 E. 196th St.
Noblesville Schools Admin Building, 18025 River Road
Open Door Church, 20545 Riverwood Ave.
Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 9900 E. 191st St.
Promise Road Elementary School, 14975 Promise Road
Union United Methodist Church, 19090 Deshane Ave.
Victory Baptist Church, 2021 Cicero Road (State Road 19)
Wayne Township Volunteer Fire, 18441 E. Durbin Road
White Rock Fellowship Church, 21070 Schully Road

ANDERSON

Landmark Baptist Church, 1924 W. Cross St.

INDIANAPOLIS

Lawrence Church of God, 4230 N. Post Road
Meadowlark Apartments (2 pantries) 9350 E. 43rd St.
St. Pius X Parish, 7200 Sarto Drive

KOKOMO

204 E Lincoln St. (across from McDonald's)
Fuel Church, 2021 E. Markland Ave.

PENDLETON

Life Church, 6501 S. State Road 67





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Canned Fruits	Peanut Butter and Jelly - small jars preferred	Individual Packed Fruit and/or Applesauce Cups
Pancake Mix/Syrup/Oatmeal packs	Pasta Sauce - cans preferred/Pasta Boxes	Granola Bars or Microwave Popcorn

Click here to see a full list of food banks throughout Hamilton County

From the desk of Heights Supt. Dr. Derek Arrowood

Update No. 128

May 8 was School Nurse Day, a part of a weeklong celebration of Nurse Appreciation Week. We are extremely fortunate to have a team of compassionate, committed, and highly skilled nurses serving our students and staff. Our school nurses are on the front lines every day providing comfort and care for students and staff while promoting health and wellness through information, outreach, prevention, and education, to name a few of their many responsibilities. Thank you for your



tireless efforts, unwavering dedication, and compassionate service. *** This is also Teacher Appreciation Week. Our teachers are the cornerstone of our organization and the driving force behind our students' achievements. Our educators, principals, instructional assistants, and support staff at Hamilton Heights continually go above and beyond the call of duty, in shaping our students' futures. We are extremely fortunate to have a district full of innovative, caring, passionate, and effective individuals who impact the lives of our stu-

dents every day. I am in awe of their dedication, expertise, and the love of learning they inspire in our classrooms. Thank you! *** Speaking of teachers, **Emily Beecher**, HHMS Media Center Specialist, is a Top 10 finalist for the Classroom Quarterback Award and in the running for the Classroom Quarterback of the Year Award. Presented by the Indianapolis Colts and Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, the award recognizes teachers, administrators, nurses, and staff members who go above and beyond for their students, schools, and communities. Congratulations! ***

Hamilton Heights FFA was one of seven FFA chapters chosen to participate in Indiana's first ever Make48 contest for FFA chapters, sponsored by Corvea. Quentin Derrer, Marshall Frye, and Lauren Happel participated in the contest over the weekend at the Fishers Maker Playground. Make48 is a 48-hour competition where teams are presented with a challenge and tasked to build a physical prototype, create a sales sheet, produce a one-minute marketing video, and pitch their big idea to a panel of judges. Innovation and collaboration are key. No matter the outcome for the teams participating, it's a win in terms of an incredible

learning experience! *** I want to give a shout out to Nate Press of E&B Paving, who took advantage of a perfect storm of opportunity on a current construction project taking place between E&B Paving and Irving Materials, Inc. (IMI). He hosted a group of HHHS CTE students for an interactive day of hands-on learning complete with a behind-the-scenes look at these two companies in action. Thank you for your partnership and support of our schools! *** The end of the school year is exciting, but it

can also create stress for some students and families. During Mental Health Awareness Month, we want to remind everyone that there are resources in the community that are available to help those struggling with mental health challenges. They can be accessed [here](#). In addition, you can reach out to your child's school counselor for guidance and referrals. *** Thank you for your continued commitment to our students every day and especially on those days that may be challenging. #WeAreHuskies

Noblesville Lions honor George Kristo



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club / Jake Doll

On Thursday, the Noblesville Lions Club recognized George Kristo for his support of Lions Club. The club awarded him a W. T. Woods Fellowship through the Lions International Foundation. The name George Kristo should be well-recognized around Noblesville for his support of the many causes in the city and county area. The club deeply thanks George for his support. (From left) Lion Gene Beck, George Kristo, and Lion VP Jeff Kozicki.

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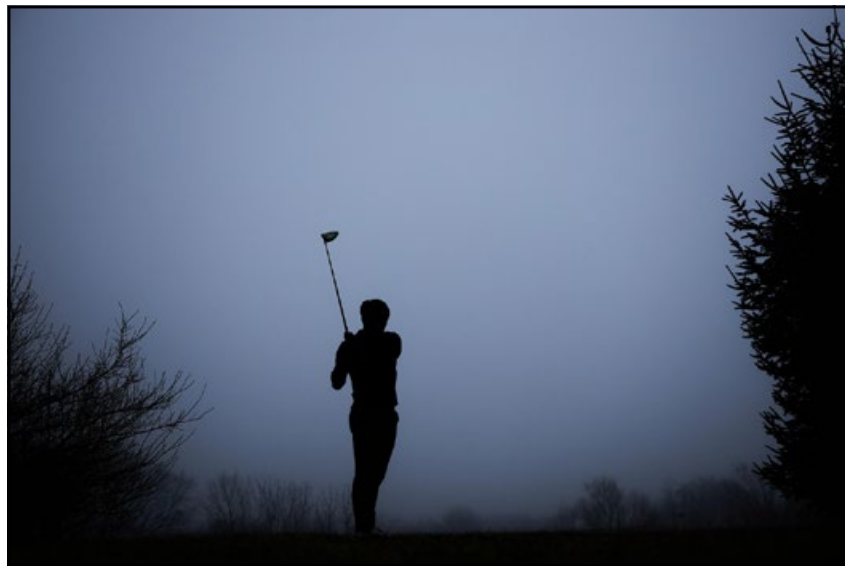
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Westfield growing artists this season at Rivet Coffee



Art provided by Westfield Washington Schools

Students from the Advanced Placement Studio art classes at Westfield High School have artwork on display at Rivet Coffee Bar, 337 Jersey St., Westfield, now through May 27. The selected work includes digital works, paintings, and 3D sculptures. Stop by, grab a coffee, and check out the amazing talent from Westfield High School.

Westfield Washington Public Library set to launch Summer Reading Program

Registration for "Adventure Begins at Your Library" now open

The REPORTER

Registration for the Westfield Washington Public Library (WWPL) Summer Reading Program is now open.

The eight-week program officially starts on Saturday, June 1 – the same day as the grand opening of the library's new building. All ages are encouraged to participate.

"We're inviting everyone to spend more time at our new library this summer," Summer Reading Program Coordinator Sara Perry said. "Come meet new friends, cool off while reading a book, or participate in one of our hands-on activities."

Summer programming will kick off on June 1 with Feller Express' three life-size dinosaurs and traditional Mexican dance by Fuego Nuevo USA Ballet Folklorica de Indiana. A host of animal programs and

science experiments are also planned for later dates as well as visits from musician Jim Gill, storyteller Professor Watermelon, and magician Daniel Lusk.

Back by popular demand, the library will host the ever-popular Whalemobile, a 43-foot-long model of a humpback whale as well as three Foam Parties. Space is limited for all programs and registration is required. Event registration can be found on the [library's event page](#).

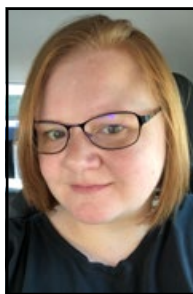
More than 3,000 Westfield residents – kids, teens, and adults – participated in last year's Summer Reading Program. They read a total of 2,875,881 minutes. This year's goal will be three million minutes.

"We hope to see everyone at the library this summer," WWPL Executive Director Sheryl Sollars said. "I think everyone will find a new favorite spot to sit and read in our new building. Plus, reading over the summer helps keep young minds sharp."

Registration for the Summer Reading Program can be found at [wwpl.beanstack.org](#). Anyone and Friends of the Westfield Library for their financial support.



Sollars



Perry

June 1 and July 31 will be entered into a drawing for the grand prize which includes an Adventures in Indiana gift basket with over \$350 in restaurant gift cards and family-friendly experiences. Prizes will also be distributed to participants throughout the program when they hit specific reading milestones.

Special thanks to the Westfield Library Foundation for their financial support.



Photo provided
The great Florence Henderson is featured in the [Great Indiana Songbook](#) virtual exhibit.

Speed, spectacle ... & the Songbook?

The music of the Indianapolis 500, the Greatest Spectacle in Racing

Submitted by The Great American Songbook Foundation

In the spirit of the greatest spectacle in racing, the Songbook Foundation invites you to celebrate the legacy of the iconic Indianapolis 500.

As we approach another exciting race weekend, we'd like to reflect on the unique role the music has played in this timeless tradition. The Indy 500, with its tradition of speed and spectacle, shares a unique soundtrack of nostalgia and American pride. Join us as we delve into the unforgettable music experiences awaiting race fans at the Speedway over Memorial Day Weekend.

Back Home Again in Indiana

The Indy 500 is no stranger to the music of the American Songbook. "Back Home Again in Indiana" has become a race day tradition and a staple of the world's largest single-day sporting event. "Indiana," as it was originally titled, was first recorded in 1917 by the Original Dixieland Jazz Band. Composed by James F. Hanley to honor his home state, it was later covered by legends including Dinah Shore, Mel Tormé, Vic Damone, Peter Marshall, and Johnny Desmond. Each of these performers is represented through a variety of collections in the Songbook Foundation Library & Archives. This jazz standard remains a cornerstone of Indy 500 festivities and a Hoosier favorite.

To learn more about Indiana's special connection to the American Songbook, visit our virtual exhibit, [Great Indiana Songbook](#). The exhibit features a tour of many of the state's important contributions to music, including artists like Cole Porter, Hoagy Carmichael, Florence Henderson, the Jackson Five, and more.

Florence Henderson
Among the many collections housed in the Song-

book Library & Archives is the Florence Henderson collection of musical arrangements. Though most know her as the beloved "Mrs. Brady," Florence Henderson holds a special place in Hoosier's hearts, especially around race day.

A native of Dale, Ind., Henderson became a staple at the Indy 500 and all the festivities before and after. She performed 23 times at the Speedway, singing either the national anthem, "God Bless America," or "America the Beautiful." At the 100th running of the race, her grand marshal duties included her delivering the line "drivers to your cars."

Accelerate your impact with a gift

To commemorate Florence Henderson's remarkable 23 appearances at the race between 1991 and 2015 and her impact on the Songbook, we invite you to join us in preserving her enduring legacy by becoming a monthly donor to the Songbook Foundation with a gift of \$23 a month.

Your ongoing support not only honors Florence's contribution to the Indy 500 but also plays a crucial role in advancing our mission to celebrate and preserve the rich heritage of the American Songbook. [Visit our website](#) for more unique, Indy 500-inspired gift levels in honor of these special Songbook connections.

Did you know there are many ways to support the Songbook Foundation outside of cash donations? Supporters can give from their donor-advised fund (DAF) by initiating a grant recommendation through your provider. DAFs are the fastest-growing charitable-giving vehicle in the United States and one of the most tax-advantageous.

Become a supporter

As we rev our engines for the month of May, we

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Pretty, pretty, pretty, pretty good playground



Kindergartners at Oak Trace Elementary School in Westfield just broke in their new playground. These little Acorns had a great time playing on the new equipment. Photos provided by Westfield Washington Schools

One dead, one injured after Carmel strip mall fire; two businesses damaged

By **ASHLEY FOWLER**
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Firefighters found one person dead and a second person injured after a fire at a strip mall in Carmel.

Carmel Police Department officers were called just before 3:30 a.m. Thursday to a welfare check in the 9800 block of Michigan Road, just north of Interstate 465.

Officers arrived and found a severely burned woman wrapped in a blanket in the middle of the street, yelling for help. She was later transported to Eskenazi Health.

Crews from the Carmel Fire Department arrived and found flames shooting from a strip mall on Michigan Road near where the woman was found.

Firefighters entered the building but had to leave after the ceiling collapsed, according to CFD Public Information Officer Tim Griffin. He says crews found a



One person is dead and another is severely burned after a restaurant fire early Thursday morning in Carmel. Photo by Daryl Black / WISH-TV

way back into the building, put the fire out, and found one person deceased.

A Carmel firefighter suffered a minor injury while battling the blaze but is expected to be okay.

Firefighters don't know

exactly when or where the fire began. The cause is under investigation.

The fire damaged a gourmet food business and a massage business. Michigan Road was closed for several hours for investigation and

cleanup but was back open by 8:30 a.m.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/local-news/1-dead-1-injured-after-carmel-restaurant-fire-firefighter-hurt.

SPECTACLE

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invite you to join us in the fast lane of support for the Songbook Foundation. In celebration of this iconic racing tradition, we're offering **unique race-weekend gift levels.**

Begin this year's celebration with a recurring, annual gift of \$108 to recognize the 108th Running of the Indianapolis 500. Or you may be inspired to make an annually recurring \$200 gift, marking the 200 laps each driver experiences each race day. A recurring monthly gift of \$33 would also leave a lasting impact on the Songbook Foundation mission, commemorating the 33 starting cars.

Visit our website for more options on how you can make a celebratory monthly or annual recurring gift at an Indy 500-inspired gift level. Set up automatic contributions for hassle-free giving that fits your budget and schedule today.

Honoring service

As we conclude this exploration of music's role within the traditions of the Indianapolis 500, we must reflect on its significance in honoring our service members. The Indianapolis 500 has long been intertwined with Memorial Day weekend, a tradition that traces back to the race's origins.

Over the years, Memorial Day festivities have become an integral part of race weekend, with music playing a central role in elevating these tributes.

The melodies echoing through the Speedway during pre-race ceremonies serve as poignant tributes to those who have sacrificed for our nation. From the haunting strains of "Taps" to the uplifting refrains of "America the Beautiful" and "God Bless America," these musical selections have underscored the solemnity and reverence of Memorial Day at the Speedway. Their timeless melodies amplify our appreciation for the enduring legacy of American music and its ability to unite us in shared values and experiences.

As the checkered flag falls and the crowds disperse, let us carry the echoes of these melodies with us, remembering the sacrifices that make events like the Indy 500 possible and honoring the enduring legacy of those who have served. Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to our veterans for their service and sacrifice, and thank you for joining us on this journey through the harmonies that underscore the greatest spectacle in racing.

New USDA School Meals Program recognizes importance of dairy products

Submitted by **Edge Dairy Farmer Cooperative**

New school meal standards announced in April by the U.S. Department of Agriculture include major steps to promote the health of America's children through school meals.

The new standards will be gradually updated to include less sugar and more flexibility in menu planning between Fall 2025 and Fall 2027, according to the USDA announcement.

Included in the updates was the continuation of allowing schools to offer flavored and unflavored milk to students. The new guidelines recognize the important role milk plays in providing the essential nutrients students need, such as calcium, vitamin D, and potassium. The update did include a new limit on the amount of added sugar allowed in the milk, a requirement school milk processors have committed to meeting.

"The USDA's recognition of the importance of allowing milk, including flavored milk, in the school meals program is a win for all dairy farmers," Edge Dairy Farmer Cooperative CEO Tim Trotter said. "We have fought hard through our legislative efforts to help ensure students have access to the milk they are wanting while at school."

The original proposed rule for the school meal program update allowed for only unflavored, fat-free and low-fat milk for grades K-8 and allowed flavored and unflavored, fat-free and low-fat milk for grades 9-12.

The approval to allow flavored and unflavored, fat-free and low-fat milk for all grades was the result of collective efforts throughout the dairy community. This change allows for more children to have access to the nutritional benefits of milk in their school meals.



Trotter

"While we are encouraged by this action, there is still more to do to ensure we are providing full access to all types of nutrient dense dairy products, including whole milk," Trotter said.

The new updates are scheduled to go into effect at the beginning of the 2025-26 school year. More information can be found at [this link](http://thislink).

About Edge

Edge Dairy Farmer Cooperative provides dairy farmers throughout the Midwest with a powerful voice – the voice of milk – in Congress, with customers, and within communities. Edge, based in Green Bay, Wis., is the third largest dairy cooperative in the country based on milk volume. Member farms are in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Learn more at voiceofmilk.com.

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Republican gubernatorial nominee Mike Braun selects Julie McGuire as his Lt. Gov.

Submitted

After receiving nearly 40 percent of the vote in a six-person primary and winning by over 18 points, Republican gubernatorial nominee Mike Braun has announced State Representative Julie McGuire (R-Indianapolis) as his pick for Lt. Governor.

McGuire is a lifelong conservative Hoosier who has spent over 15 years as the Parish Business Manager at St. Roch Catholic Church. In her campaign for State Representative, she has been endorsed by Indiana Right to Life, the NRA, NFIB, and the State Police Alliance PAC.

Braun and McGuire will make their case to Hoosier delegates to support McGuire at the state's nominating convention in June.

"Julie McGuire is a strong conservative who has lived the values of faith,

family, and community," Braun said. "Like me, Julie didn't come from the farm system of politics – her experience comes from the real world serving her neighbors, raising a family, and getting things done on issues like child services and health freedom. Julie shares my vision of making Indiana a national beacon of freedom and opportunity, and I'm proud to have her on the team."



Braun



McGuire

"I'm thrilled and humbled by this opportunity to join Mike's campaign to take our state to new heights," McGuire said. "I am ready to bring my perspective as a mom and the experience I've gained serving my community from my local church to the Statehouse to get real results on issues like health freedom, and lowering health care costs for Hoosiers. I look

forward to making my case to Hoosier delegates ahead of the Convention that I'm the right choice to win big with Mike in November and turn Indiana into a beacon of freedom and opportunity for America."

Chambers praises Braun & McGuire team

Former gubernatorial candidate Brad Chambers released the following statement on Thursday afternoon:

"To build an even better Indiana will take a talented team. Mike Braun's endorsement of Julie McGuire to serve as lieutenant governor demonstrates that he's committed to doing just that. Julie is a strong, conservative candidate whose experience in the private and public sectors will prove effective in creating more opportunities to lift Hoosiers up."



husband are members. She has spent countless hours volunteering in her community helping those in need.

She won victory in a primary battle in 2022 and represents Perry Township in Marion County. While representing her neighbors in the Statehouse, she has championed support for law enforcement, protecting kids, holding the line against overspending for Hoosier taxpayers, and working to drive down healthcare costs in Indiana.

McGuire says she shares Braun's vision to make Indiana a national beacon for freedom and opportunity, and Braun says she will be an important asset in administration to deliver results for Hoosiers.

Matt McNally secures Democratic nomination for House District 39

Submitted

Veteran Matt McNally has secured the Democratic nomination for state representative in House District 39.

McNally, who retired from the military after achieving the rank of lieutenant colonel, has a distinguished military career, including chief of operations for a command joint task force in Afghanistan and director of operations for an Air Force Attack squadron.

"My entire career has been about putting others ahead of myself," McNally said, "and the people of Carmel and Westfield deserve leadership at the statehouse who will put them first. Over the past few years, we've been subject to out-of-control property taxes, the fifth-highest gas tax in the country, and leadership that puts special interest groups ahead of Hoosiers. Hoosiers deserve better. I've led combat operations overseas, crossed party lines to improve airline safety, and worked every day to help

the veterans in our community. There is still more to be done, and I am ready to serve and work together for Indiana."



McNally

McNally is an airline pilot and involved community member and leader. He serves on the board of directors for the Westfield Kiwanis, as the Senior Vice Commander of VFW Post 10003 in Carmel, and as a member of the Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities coalition, an organization with the goal of reducing veteran suicide in Indiana. As an alumnus of Carmel Citizens Police Academy, he is also a member of the Carmel Citizens Police Alliance, and previously served as a volunteer for Exodus Refugee, where he taught English to Afghan refugees in Indiana.

He lives in Westfield with his wife, Brooke, and their children Aidan and Isabella.

McNally for Indiana can be found online at McNallyForIndiana.com and can be reached at hello@mcnallyforindiana.com.

Letter to the Editor

Massillamany congratulates Braun, calls for party unity in general election

Dear Hamilton County voters: I am writing to extend my sincere congratulations to Mike Braun on his victory in the Indiana Republican governor primary, and to commend all the candidates who participated in this important primary election.

On Tuesday night, Indiana Republican primary voters faced tough decisions as they considered the many qualified candidates vying for their support. The dedication

and commitment of each candidate and their supporters were evident throughout their respective campaigns, and I want to express my sincere appreciation for the tremendous work they put into these races.

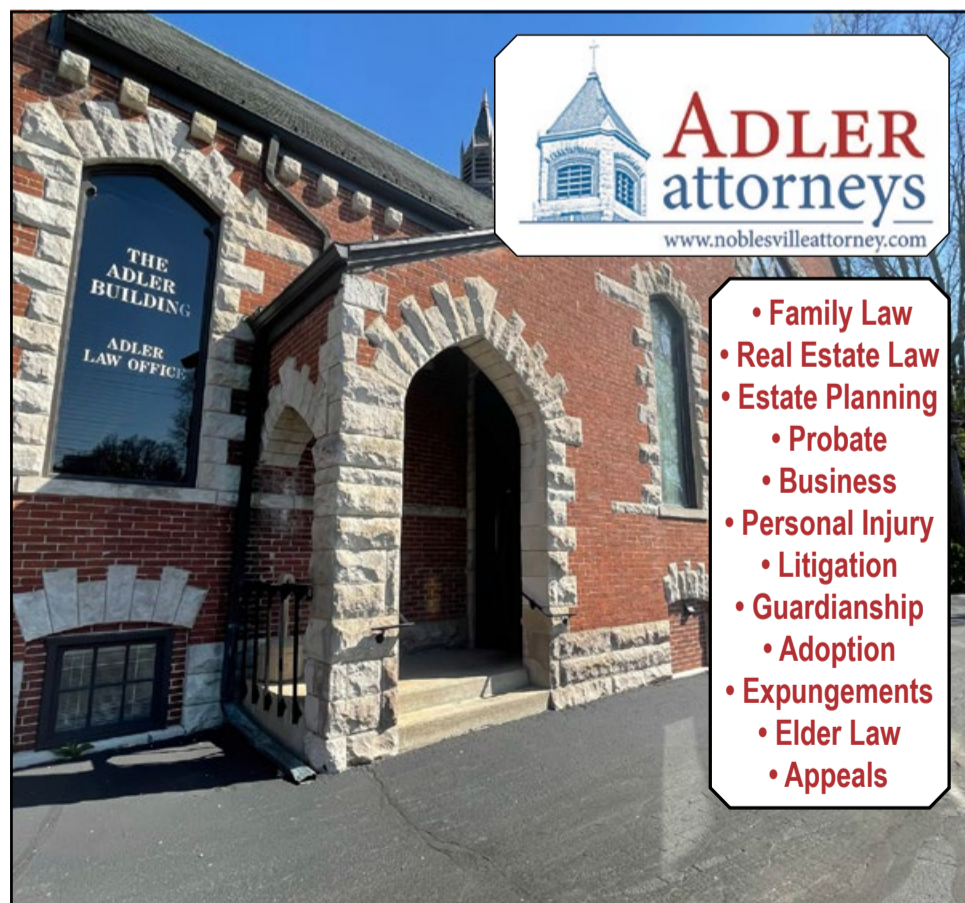
To Mike Braun and all the other candidates that won, your leadership, vision, and dedication to serving the people of Indiana have not gone unnoticed. Your willingness to step forward and offer your ideas and solutions for our state's future is


a testament to your commitment to public service.

As we move forward, it is imperative that we come together as a party to support our Republican candidates in the November elections. By uniting behind our shared principles and values, we can work towards a stronger, more prosperous future for Hamilton County and all of Indiana.

Mario Massillamany
Hamilton County Republican Party Chairman

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Meijer strengthens support of active-duty team members with enhanced military leave benefits

The REPORTER

Last week, Meijer announced enhancements to its military leave benefits for active-duty team members on military leave to make the transition from employment to deployment as smooth as possible.

The improvements prioritize team members' financial stability and well-being, reflecting the retailer's commitment to supporting those who serve.

Effective this month, Meijer is making two impactful changes:

• Increased Differential Pay: Meijer will now offer 100-percent income replacement for up to nine months for deployed military mem-

bers who have been with the company at least one year. Those with less than one year will receive the same percentage of assistance for up to three months. This benefit can be utilized multiple times throughout a team member's career with no maximum limit.

• Extended Health Care Coverage: Meijer will extend team members' health benefits for up to nine months after they leave for active duty to help alleviate the stress of deployment.

"We applaud the honor, courage, and sacrifice put forth by those who serve our country, as well as that of their families," said Michelle Hall, Senior

Vice President & Chief Human Resource Officer. "But we know supporting our military team members goes beyond recognizing their service. It's about being there for them with resources while they're on the job and lessening stress and barriers through enhanced benefits when they are called to serve."

The retailer's dedication to veterans and active military members extends beyond its benefits. Meijer actively supports veterans' groups and veteran-affiliated nonprofits across its Midwest footprint. In 2020, Meijer launched mVets, a Team Member Resource Group, to help attract, de-

velop, and retain members of the armed forces and their families as team members and customers.

"We continue to seek meaningful ways to show our deepest gratitude to service members," said Jim Keuvelaar, a Meijer supply chain project manager and member of the mVets Board. "Meijer recognizes the immense sacrifices made by these individuals and their families and knows improvements to our military leave benefits offer them the peace of mind they deserve."

For those interested in more information on Meijer benefits, please visit jobs.meijer.com.

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Meeting Notices

The Carmel Clay School Board of Trustees will meet in an executive session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024, at the Carmel Clay Schools Educational Services Center, 5201 E. Main St. A regular meeting will follow at 6 p.m. in the same location.

The Cicero Town Council meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. on June 4, 2024, has been moved from Cicero Town Hall to Red Bridge Community Building, 697 W. Jackson St.

The Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees will meet in an executive session at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center, 18025 River Road, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process.

The (newly established) Cicero Park Board will meet on the first Thursday of each month except for July, which will be held on July 11. Meetings will be held at 5 p.m. at Cicero Town Hall, 70 N. Byron St.

The Noblesville Schools Board of Trustees will meet for a work session at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 16, 2024, at the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center, 18025 River Road.

The Hamilton County Election Board will convene a public meeting at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 17, 2024, in the Clerk's Office at the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center in downtown Noblesville, pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1-5.5. The purpose of the meeting is to review Provisional Ballots. The Election Board will also certify Final Election Results for the May 7, 2024, Primary Election.

Send Meeting Notices to: News@ReadTheReporter.com

Obituaries

Jeffrey "Jeff" Brooks DeVault September 2, 1971 – May 3, 2024

Jeffrey "Jeff" Brooks DeVault, 52, Indianapolis, passed away on Friday, May 3, 2024, in Indianapolis.



Jeff was born in Indianapolis on September 2, 1971, to the late Jerry and Audrie (Brooks) DeVault.

Jeff grew up in the Cicero area and attended Hamilton Heights High School. Following graduation, Jeff started working in construction and decided that would be his career path. He worked for several construction companies throughout the greater Indianapolis area. In his spare time, Jeff enjoyed being outdoors, especially when he could go fishing and camping.

Jeff is survived by his brother, Matthew Robert DeVault of Alexandria; nephews, Benjamin & David DeVault; and nieces, Elizabeth & Rebekah DeVault, all of Alexandria.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents, Jerry & Audrie DeVault.

Jeff's wishes were to be cremated and buried in Cicero with his parents. The family has entrusted Jeff's care to Hartley Funeral Homes.

Online condolences can be given at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

Dennis E. Bryant March 18, 1941 – May 7, 2024

Dennis E. Bryant, 83, Atlanta, passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, surrounded by his family. He was born in Hamilton County on March 18, 1941, to Wayne & Vivian (Heffin) Bryant. On April 8, 1961, he married his high school sweetheart, Ruth Anne Havens. The couple enjoyed 63 years of marriage and raising a family together.

Dennis was a proud farmer and raised hogs until retiring in 2020. He graduated from Tipton High School in 1959. Dennis was a member and Elder of the Hobbs Christian Church. He also was a member of the Omega Tillers Club and the Galveston Archery Club, where he won many trophies for his excellent marksmanship. Dennis loved to go fishing in Wisconsin and at Silver Lake. Tipton County 4-H held a special place in his heart. He was a 10-year member, and his children carried on the 4-H family tradition of showing hogs and steers. Dennis also enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren at their sporting events.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Anne; children, Cheryl Bryant and partner Lisa Brown of Brownsburg, Ind., Christi Ozolins and husband Doug of Atlanta, Carolyn LaMarc and husband Tony of Lakewood Ranch, Fla., Mark Bryant and wife Heidi of Atlanta; a sister, Barbara Clouser of Tipton; grandchildren, Derek and Josh Ozolins, Morgan and AJ LaMarc, and Ava and Aiden Bryant; along with several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one grandson, Nick Ozolins.

Dennis' funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 13, at Young-Nichols Funeral Home with Rev. J.R. Moffatt presiding. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Tipton. Visitation will also be on Monday from 11 a.m. until service time.

Memorial donations may be made to the Parkinson Research Foundation, 710 W. 168th St., New York, NY 10032; or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 681405, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

Condolences: young-nichols.com

Brenda Kay Stevens August 12, 1962 – May 1, 2024

Brenda Kay (Moseley) Stevens was born in Louisville, Ky., on August 12, 1962. She passed away peacefully at Methodist hospital in Indianapolis on May 1, 2024. She was surrounded by her daughters and grandchildren by her side.



In her time spent with us here, she loved to go by the water and feed the ducks. She loved to drive to Morse beach and watch the sun come up over the water. She kept her life simple. She spent many years as a stay-at-home mom of her two daughters.

Brenda is preceded in death by her parents, Arthur William Moseley Sr. and Shirley Ann (Meador) Moseley. She is survived by her sister, Davida Jean (Moseley) Jones, her two brothers Larry Lynn Moseley and Arthur William Moseley Jr.; her two daughters, Susan Marie (Stevens) Hawkins (husband, Michael Hawkins II), and Jessica Stevens (fiancé Perry [Isaiah] Freeman.) Brenda is also survived by her five grandchildren, Wesley Stevens, Michael Hawkins III, Khloe Hawkins, Melanie Stevens, and Makiya Stevens.

Brenda had chosen to be cremated and wished to have no other services. Her daughters are honoring those wishes, so at this time no services will be held, however a Celebration of Life will be decided at a later time.

Indiana Memorial is honored to serve Brenda and her family. Condolences: indianamemorial.com

Terry L. Crowell April 17, 1952 – April 26, 2024

Terry L. Crowell, 72, Cicero, passed away after battling cancer on Friday, April 26, 2024, at Riverview Hospital. Terry was born in Columbia City on April 17, 1952, to the late Kenny and Betty (Wilcoxson) Crowell.



Terry attended Columbia City High School in Columbia City, Ind. After graduating Terry started his construction career by building and remodeling homes with his father. Many years later he moved to Indianapolis where he met the love of his life, Jody McClure, and became an entrepreneur continuing in the construction field. Jody and Terry relocated to Cicero where they shared over 30 years together. They enjoyed gardening, neighborhood block parties, watching movies, boating, and sharing a love for their many pets. In his free time, Terry enjoyed golf, keeping his yard in order, and looking after his neighbors. Terry loved building things and working with his hands, and he enjoyed watching the local professional sports teams, the Colts and Pacers.

Terry is survived by his sons, Joshua Crowell of Columbia City and Wesley Crowell of Columbia City; daughter, Meghan Crowell of Pennsylvania; life partner, Jo Ann "Jody" McClure of Cicero; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Terry was preceded in death by his parents, Kenny & Betty Crowell; daughter, Nichole Crowell; and sister, Linda Landis.

Terry's wishes were to be cremated and the family has chosen Hartley Funeral Homes with Terry's care.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hamilton County Humane Society.

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"You are also directed to tell them, 'Do this: Take some carts from Egypt for your children and your wives, and get your father and come. Never mind about your belongings, because the best of all Egypt will be yours.'"

So the sons of Israel did this. Joseph gave them carts, as Pharaoh had commanded, and he also gave them provisions for their journey. To each of them he gave new clothing, but to Benjamin he gave three hundred shekels of silver and five sets of clothes. And this is what he sent to his father: ten donkeys loaded with the best things of Egypt, and ten female donkeys loaded with grain and bread and other provisions for his journey. Then he sent his brothers away, and as they were leaving he said to them, "Don't quarrel on the way!"

So they went up out of Egypt and came to their father Jacob in the land of Canaan. They told him, "Joseph is still alive! In fact, he is ruler of all Egypt." Jacob was stunned; he did not believe them. But when they told him everything Joseph had said to them, and when he saw the carts Joseph had sent to carry him back, the spirit of their father Jacob revived. And Israel said, "I'm convinced! My son Joseph is still alive. I will go and see him before I die."

Genesis 45:19-28 (NIV)

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Ritchie Joe Gray
August 12, 1960 – May 8, 2024

Ritchie Joe Gray, a beloved resident of Spring Hill, Fla., passed away on May 8, 2024, at the age of 63. His life was marked by dedication, service, and a deep love for family, nature, and music.



Ritch was born on August 12, 1960, to Donald and Muriel Gray in Lebanon, Ind. He grew up surrounded by the love of his parents and siblings. Unfortunately, Ritch was predeceased by his father, Donald Gray, his mother, Muriel Gray, and his brother, Bruce Allen Gray and grandparents. However, he leaves behind cherished memories with his surviving family members: sons, Nathan Gray and Zachery Gray; daughter, Johna Gray; granddaughter, Ruth Lennon Gray; brother, Gary Gray; sisters, Cheryl Skaggs, Denise McDonald, and Jayne Gribble; brothers-in-law, Jim Skaggs, John McDonald, and John Gribble; sister-in-law, Christine Gray; along with several nieces and nephews.

Ritch's life was multifaceted, reflecting his diverse interests and passions. He served in various capacities, leaving a lasting impact on those around him. Ritch proudly served in the Drum and Bugle Corps of the United States Marine Corps. His commitment to duty and discipline exemplified the core values of the Marines. As a Montgomery County narcotics sheriff deputy, Ritch worked tirelessly to keep his community safe. His dedication to law enforcement was unwavering. Ritch's analytical mind led him to a successful career as a manufacturing engineer. His contributions to industry and innovation were significant. Beyond his professional life, Ritch found joy in several hobbies:

He loved spending time on the golf course, perfecting his swing and enjoying the outdoors.

Exploring the beauty of nature was a source of solace for Ritch. Whether through wooded trails or along the coastline, he found peace in the natural world.

Music resonated deeply with Ritch. Whether playing an instrument, attending concerts, or simply listening to his favorite tunes, he found comfort and inspiration in melodies.

Ritch's love extended to his loyal companion, Sara. Their bond was unbreakable, and Sara brought joy to his days.

Ritch Gray's legacy lives on through the memories he created, the lives he touched, and the love he shared. As we mourn his passing, let us celebrate the richness of his life and honor his memory.

"And when the night is cloudy, there is still a light that shines on me. Shine until tomorrow, let it be."
May Ritch rest in eternal peace.

Granville Lee Baber
August 11, 1937 – May 6, 2024

Granville Lee Baber, 86, Arcadia, passed away quietly at his home with family by his side on Monday, May 6, 2024.



Granville was born in Mancelona, Mich., on August 11, 1937, to the late Carl & Dorothy (Robbins) Baber.

As a child, Granville grew up in the Michigan lumber camps where his father worked. Later the family would move to Noblesville, where he attended Noblesville School and met the love of his life Carol Jean Baker, whom he married on June 7, 1957. Granville and Carol shared 67 years of marriage.

Granville worked at Noblesville Casting Foundry for 44 years, where he worked rebuilding furnaces. In his free time, he loved to fish and camp. Granville took many fishing and camping trips with family and friends over the years, including a three-week trip out west with Kenny & Liz Whisman and Nolan & Wanda Purkey. Granville's greatest joy was his family. He loved to spend time with his children and grandchildren and cherished those moments.

Granville is survived by his wife Carol; son, Greg (Mary) Baber of Atlanta; daughters, Cynthia (Dave) Campbell of Arcadia and Cheryl (Dave) Vredevel of Avon, Ind.; grandchildren, Dylan (Susan) Baber, Carissa (Brian) Greene both of Atlanta, Cory (Nicole) Campbell of Tipton, Ind., Samantha (John) Skibinski of Carmel, Shawn (Amy) Scott of Vancouver, Wash., and Alishia (Luke Knapp) Scott of Cicero; great-grandchildren, Adyson, Alayna, Aubrey, Braxtyn, Zacharya, Noah, Hayley, Jeff, James, Arlo, Eloise, Calvin, and Ashlyn; great-great-grandchildren, Hayden, Maylea, and Lynelle; sister, Dolly Hunter of Arcadia; and several nieces and nephews.

Granville was preceded in death by his parents, Carl & Dorothy Baber; and brothers, Stanley, Carl, and Roy Baber.

The Baber family would like to personally thank all the nurses at Heart & Soul Caring (Tipton), Paradigm Health (Kokomo), and Home Helpers Health Care (Carmel).

The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024, at Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero, with Mark Knapp officiating. Burial will follow in Oaklawn Cemetery, 9700 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis.

A time for visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024, at Hartley Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Paradigm Hospice.

Online condolences can be given at hartleyfuneral-homes.com.

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MEETING NOTICE

The Hamilton County Emergency Management Advisory Council will meet virtually in Executive Session on Monday, May 13 at 10:00 a.m. for Discussion of Personnel pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6)(A).

/s/ Robin Mills,
Hamilton County Auditor
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Boys Track & Field



Photo by Ann Stein

The Hamilton Southeastern boys track and field team won the Hamilton County meet Thursday at Guerin Catholic. The Royals scored 151.5 points and claimed five individual events on their way to the trophy.

Royals claim victory at county meet, five runners earn first-place event wins

By **RICHIE HALL**
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NOBLESVILLE — The Hamilton Southeastern boys track and field coach got some good answers at the Hamilton County meet, which took place Thursday at Guerin Catholic.

The Royals picked up a solid victory at the meet, winning the team championship by the score of 151.5 points. Southeastern picked up five event wins during the chilly meet.

"Honestly, we were coming in with winning being a secondary priority," said HSE coach Garrett Lawton. "We had some question marks in some of the distance events."

With the sectional tournament taking place next

week, Lawton said that the Royals "put some people in off events to see what they could do." Many of them did fairly well.

Freshman Mason Schmitz was one of those athletes, as he led a 1-2 finish for Southeastern in the 400 dash. Hunter Hoef placed second in that event. Mason Alexander was first in the 100 dash, and Ian Ross led the way in the 800 run. The Royals also got two field wins, with Josiah Bird placing first in the discus (and second in the shot put) and Blake Braden winning the long jump.

Fishers took second, totaling 110 points. The Tigers were led by their senior hurdler Tyler Tarter, who set a new record in the 110 hurdles. Tarter won that race

in 13.95 seconds. He also tied the meet record in the 300 hurdles, placing first in 37.02 seconds.

Tarter was part of Fishers' first-place 4x400 relay, joining Matthew Kim, Kortez Foster and Makell Wiggins. Kim had earlier claimed the 1600 run. Fishers totaled six event wins, with Joel Gates taking the shot put (and finished second in the discus). Joe Syrus, Carsen Eloms, JonAnthony Hall and Tristan Capps teamed up for a 4x100 relay victory.

Carmel placed third with 108 points. The Greyhounds got two event wins, starting with Gabriel LaBoyteaux winning the 200 dash. Anthony Provenzano followed that with a historic victory in the 3200 run: Provenzano's time of 9 minutes, 1.75 sec-

onds set a new meet record. The old record, 9:03.30 was set by Bill Shuey back in 1980.

Westfield finished fourth with 91.5 points; Robert Campbell claimed the high jump for the Shamrocks. Noblesville placed fifth by scoring 86.5 points; the Millers started the meet with Sam Rinker, Jack Shinneman, Jude Naville and Jack Strong winning the 4x800 relay.

Hamilton Heights scored 33.5 points. Peyton McQuinn won the pole vault. Ben Grissom led Guerin Catholic with a fourth-place finish in the 800 run, while Sheridan's Damon Winston tied for second place in the high jump.

See full meet results and more photos on Page 12.

Girls Golf

Westfield's Samantha Brown qualifies for U.S. Women's Open

The REPORTER

Westfield senior and Purdue commit Samantha Brown qualified for the U.S. Women's Open after her performance at a 36-hole qualifier in St. Louis on Thursday.

Brown, the 2023 IHSAA

girls state champion, scored 152 at Sunset Country Club to earn the sole spot from the qualifier and advance to the championship. The U.S. Women's Open takes place May 30 to June 2 at Lancaster Country Club in Lancaster, Pa.

Baseball

Southeastern, Noblesville, Fishers get conference wins

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern baseball team won a Hoosier Crossroads Conference and all-county game with Westfield 6-0 Thursday at Ken Seitz Field.

The Royals got on the board in the second inning with three runs. Michael Hoog scored on an error, then Luke Sivak got home after Colin Goley reached on error. Alex Billman singled in Nolan Colbert for the third run.

Southeastern added two runs in the fourth inning. Billman hit a one-out double, then Kian Kelly came in to run for him. Kelly scored after Kam Seitz got a center field hit, then Seitz was brought in by Hoog's right field hit.

Sivak singled in Kelly for a fifth inning run. Billman finished the game with two hits. Ethan Lund was dominant, throwing 15 strikeouts in six and two-thirds innings while giving up just three hits. Hoog pitched the final out, throwing a strikeout.

Alex Rudolph hit a double for the Shamrocks. Ty Anderson went four innings, tossing four strikeouts.

The Royals are 4-7 in HCC play and 11-12 overall, while Westfield is 5-6 in the conference and 12-10 overall. The two teams finish the HCC series tonight at the Shamrocks' field.

Noblesville rolled to another HCC victory on Thursday, beating Brownsburg 11-1 in five innings at Don Dunker Field.

Aiden Reynolds and Joe Glander both had two hits for the Millers. That included a two-run triple for Glander in the third inning and an RBI double for Reynolds in the fourth inning. Reynolds totaled three RBIs, while Glander and McCoy Fulk both drove in two runs. Those three players each scored two runs, as did Trevor Corbett.

Beckett Doane pitched all five innings, striking out six and allowing two hits.

Noblesville is 11-0 in conference play and 19-3

overall. The Millers travel to Brownsburg tonight to complete the HCC series.

Fishers also cruised to an HCC win on Thursday, beating Franklin Central 14-6 in a home game.

The game was tied 1-1 after two innings, but the Tigers took control with eight runs in the third inning. Ben Hammond went 2-for-4 at the plate, driving in four runs while scoring two. Huston Dunn was 3-for-4; he scored three runs and batted in two more. Jack Brown hit a solo home run to lead off the fourth inning, while Jase Ruggles cracked an RBI double in the sixth inning.

Ruggles had two hits and totaled two RBIs and two runs scored. Caulin Brown and Gavin Kuzniewski both batted in two runs also. Jack Brown was 2-for-2 at the plate and got the pitching win, with seven strikeouts over five and a third innings.

The Tigers are 8-3 in the conference and 18-7 overall. Fishers plays at Franklin Central tonight to complete the series.

Hamilton Heights dropped a 6-4 home game to McCutcheon on Thursday.

The Mavericks scored three runs in the top of the first inning. The Huskies got a run back in the bottom of the first; Phoenix Vondersaar got home on John Irion's sacrifice fly. But McCutcheon added two more runs in the second inning and was in control from there.

Kyle Michael batted in a third inning run with a right field single to score Nick Hulien. Heights added two runs in the fifth inning: Dillon Pitts singled in Hulien, then scored on Michael's left field double.

Hulien was 3-for-4 at the plate; both he and Logan Hickman also hit a double. Michael and Levi Chandler both had two hits.

The Huskies are 11-10 and host Lafayette Central Catholic at 7 p.m. tonight in the Hoosier Conference third-place game.

Girls Tennis

Coach Chris Pyle: "one of the best senior classes in Noblesville girls tennis history"

The REPORTER

The Noblesville High School girls tennis team held its Senior Night match against Fishers on May 1.

During the match, the Millers honored their seven seniors: Cami Crist, Maren Dean, Josie Flinchum, Lina Hamashuk, Becca Kreimer, Ava Shoemaker, and Allie Stamm. All seven girls have played tennis since middle school and were happy to share their favorite tennis memories including important wins, tournaments, and time with teammates. Their advice to others had a common theme; hard work, good attitude, supporting your fellow teammates, and remembering to have fun.

Noblesville Head Tennis Coach Chris Pyle said, "This is one of the best senior classes in Noblesville girls tennis history. They have a current four-year record of 37-20. They have been a joy to coach the last two years and I wish I got to experience all four. They play year-round, play in tournaments, and get stronger every year. They dedicated a lot of time to making this team the best it has ever been



Photo provided

The Noblesville girls tennis team honored its seniors during the Millers' Senior Night match with Fishers on May 1. Pictured: Josie Flinchum, Becca Kreimer, Allie Stamm, Ava Shoemaker, Lina Hamashuk, Cami Crist, Maren Dean.

since they were in middle school. I'm very grateful to have coached them all and am excited to see where they end up."

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Softball

HSE shuts out Westfield, Noblesville beats Carmel

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern softball team beat Westfield 3-0 in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference and all-county softball game Thursday at the Shamrocks' field.

The Royals got on the board in the first inning when Addy Justice got home on an error. Ava Kiemeyer hit a fourth-inning home run to put Southeastern up 2-0, then Sayla Stock singled in Chloe Smith for a sixth inning run.

Kiemeyer had two hits in total. Grace Swedarsky pitched a complete game, striking out 15 against two hits. Makayla Watson and Cara Snedeker each had one hit for the Shamrocks. Chloe Tanner also pitched a complete game, tossing 17 strikeouts.

Southeastern is 5-1 in HCC play and 17-4 overall. The Royals play games Saturday against Fort Wayne Carroll and South Bend St. Joseph. Westfield is 1-5 in the conference and 10-10 overall and plays Saturday morning at Mooresville.

aney Rundle for the first run, then was sent home by Reese Newsom's RBI fielder's choice.

The Greyhounds got a run back in the fourth inning. Jayden Kleiner led off with a double, then scored on Mia Fleming's RBI groundout. But Newsom struck again in the fifth inning with a two-run single to left field that scored Nevaeh Nash and Rundle.

Carmel scored two runs in the seventh inning: Katherine Smith doubled in Emily Smith, who was courtesy running for Fleming. Emily Smith then came back in to bat and hit a sacrifice fly to score Winni Owens. But Emme Yee got a strikeout to finish the game.

Rundle totaled two hits, while Addi Emmerson and Mack Harvey both hit a double. Lulu Van Beek went six and two-thirds innings for the win, striking out six. Yee relieved her to get the final strikeout. Kleiner hit two doubles for the Greyhounds, while Chelsea Bennett pitched a complete game and struck out six.

The Millers are 13-9 and play a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game tonight at Brownsburg. Carmel is 8-15 and plays tonight at Terre Haute North.

Boys Golf

Sheridan, Heights place third in two multi-team meets

The REPORTER

The Sheridan boys golf team competed in two meets this past week.

On Tuesday, the Blackhawks took on Eastern, with the Comets scoring a close 193-194 victory. Zach Phillips led Sheridan with a score of 46. Other Hawks scores were Nathan Hinshaw 49, Parker Williams 49, Rylan Garner 50, Tyler Garner 52, Eric Retz 54, Riley Stapleton 55, Antoine Rasson 55 and Ethan Kissling 67.

Sheridan competed in a six-team meet Wednesday at Frankfort Commons Golf Course. The Blackhawks finished in third place with a team score of 191.

Hinshaw led Sheridan with a 43, while Tyler Garner and Phillips each carded 48s. Williams scored 52, Retz scored 52 and Rylan Garner scored 54.

Hamilton Heights hosted its annual quad meet Thursday at Bear Slide Golf Club.

The Huskies finished third with a score of 174. Tipton won with 165 while Yorktown was second with 170. Eastern placed fourth with 195.

Kole Kirtley was Heights' low man with 40. Other Huskies scores were Ethan Millsaps 44, Caleb Sullivan 56, Simon Knott 45, Nathan Cox 46 and Drew Woodruff 47.

Results from Hamilton County Boys Track & Field Championship



Reporter photos by Richie Hall
(ABOVE) Carmel coach Ken Browner was honored with a plaque prior to the running events. Browner is retiring after coaching the Greyhounds for 14 years. He is pictured with Carmel assistant athletic director Jeff Hester. (TOP RIGHT) Fishers' Tyler Tarter set a new record in the 110 and tied the meet record in the 300 hurdles. He won the high point award, totaling 22.5 points for the Tigers. (RIGHT) Hamilton Heights' Peyton McQuinn won the high jump.



Team scores: Hamilton Southeastern 151.5, Fishers 110, Carmel 108, Westfield 91.5, Noblesville 86.5, Hamilton Heights 33.5, Guerin Catholic 27, Sheridan 7.

4x800 relay: 1. Noblesville (Sam Rinker, Jack Shinneman, Jude Naville, Jack Strong) 7:57.70, 2. Carmel (Kyle Grove, Anthony Provenzano, Max Meisner, Drew Grogan) 8:02.00, 3. Fishers (Declan Mohr, Bryson Slagle, Parker Melling, Mason Smith) 8:08.52, 4. Southeastern (Deagan Baker, Will Henning, Riley Schamp, Mason Schmitz) 8:14.52, 5. Westfield (Anthony Sulewski, Jack Loisel, Graham Hoffman, Charlie Naas) 8:15.45, 6. Guerin Catholic (Wesley Street, Luke Moster, Johnny King, Maxwell Fish) 8:16.78.

110 hurdles - Finals: 1. Tyler Tarter (F) 13.95, new meet record, 2. Adom Quist (C) 14.71, 3. Eli Adams (HSE) 15.74, 4. Harold Williams (HSE) 15.90, 5. Gavin Woodrum (N) 16.40, 6. Logan Tuck (W) 16.47, 7. Andenet Wolfgang (HH) 16.62, 8. Kortez Foster (F) 16.81. **Prelims:** 9. Leonel Cruz (W) 17.41, 10. Mac Murdza (C) 17.54, 11. Khamari Ramsey (N) 18.17, 12. Dacoda Yochum (HH) 20.38.

100 dash - Finals: 1. Mason Alexander (HSE) 10.74, 2. Dario Torres (N) 10.91, 3. Cameron Wilson (N) 11.27, 4. Tristan Capps (F) 11.29, 5. Joe Syrus (F) 11.31, T6. Cato June (W) 11.32, Jaylyn Pugh (HH) 11.32, 8. Myron Pack (C) 11.37, 9. Nathan Struve (C) 11.45. **Prelims:** 10. Kade Johnson (W) 11.46, 11. Jack Bickett (HH) 11.61, 12. Harrison Miller (GC) 11.65, 13. Alex Gibbs (GC) 11.83,

14. Eli Kolb (S) 12.20, 15. Hayden Alexander (S) 12.80.

1600 run: 1. Matthew Kim (F) 4:11.56, 2. Caden Click (N) 4:18.35, 3. Banner Barnes (N) 4:18.95, 4. Andrew Smith (HSE) 4:24.33, 5. Carter Buhr (C) 4:26.96, 6. Ian Porter (W) 4:29.73, 7. Dylan Wolf (F) 4:32.37, 8. Jack Capes (C) 4:33.35, 9. Caleb Haney (W) 4:33.92, 10. Rudy Bowman (HH) 4:34.08, 11. Nicolas Vega (HSE) 4:34.95, 12. Hudson Holt (HH) 4:59.02, 13. Brady Linn (GC) 5:00.02, 14. John Constantino (GC) 5:01.63.

4x100 relay: 1. Fishers (Syrus, Carsen Eloms, JonAnthony Hall, Capps) 43.53, 2. Westfield (Caleb Terril, Deacon King, Cade Parker, June) 43.80, 3. Carmel (Josh Ott, Struve, Christian Peterson, Pack) 44.36, 4. Heights (Pugh, Conor Baumann, Eric Baloom, Bickett) 44.52, 5. Guerin Catholic (James Moody, Hayden Cler, Nick Bauman, Chase Reed) 45.25, 6. Noblesville (Austin Donahoe, Angel Wilson, Xavion Bond, Wilson) 45.31.

400 dash: 1. Mason Schmitz (HSE) 49.23, 2. Hunter Hoefft (HSE) 49.66, 3. Cole Taylor (C) 50.01, 4. Andrew Moss (C) 50.88, 5. Torres (N) 52.02, 6. Will Snedeker (W) 52.35, 7. Nick Bauman (GC) 52.98, 8. Maxim Poirer (W) 53.29, 9. Bond (N) 54.93, 10. Tyrese Burrell (S) 55.02, 11. Gage Sturgill (F) 55.32, 12. Austin Day (HH) 56.56, 13. Noah Shlater (HH) 57.49, 14. Shane O'Hale (GC) 59.26.

300 hurdles: 1. Tarter (F) 37.02, ties meet record, 2. Quist (C) 41.10, 3. Jack Huisden (W) 41.60, 4. Sam Long (HSE) 42.01, 5. Cruz (W) 42.68, 6. Williams (HSE) 42.90, 7. Woodrum (N) 43.44, 8. Cameron Parker (GC) 43.96, T9. Ethan Feliciano (N) n/a; Tyler Overton (HH) n/a, 11. Foster (F) 44.74, 12. Murdza (C) 44.88, 13. Yochum (HH) 48.22,

14. Ethan Young (GC) 52.18.

800 run: 1. Ian Ross (HSE) 1:56.53, 2. Alec Moor (N) 1:57.59, 3. Luke Mumaw (N) 1:58.00, 4. Ben Grissom (GC) 1:59.39, 5. Baker (HSE) 2:00.93, 6. Cooper Szotek (C) 2:01.38, 7. Loisel (W) 2:01.75, 8. Kiefer Jay (C) 2:01.86, 9. Makell Wiggins (F) 2:03.17, 10. Drew Neely (W) 2:05.24, 11. Reece Torres (F) 2:13.83, 12. Matthias Hoffmann (GC) 2:18.26.

200 dash - Finals: 1. Gabriel LaBoyteaux (C) 22.93, 2. Connor Seagrave (W) 23.01, T3. Cameron Wilson (N) n/a; Jaxson Wanza (HSE) n/a, T5. Mason Dowell (F) n/a; Tyler Tholen (HSE) n/a; Deacon King (W) n/a, 8. Torres (N) 24.00. **Prelims:** 9. Struve (C) 23.55, 10. James Moody (GC) 23.66, 11. Emil Lincey (F) 23.79, 12. Cler (GC) 24.05, 13. Austyn Craih (HH) 25.01.

3200 run: 1. Provenzano (C) 9:01.75, new meet record, 2. Grove (C) 9:22.53, 3. Click (N) 9:36.43, 4. Liam Powers (HSE) 9:39.37, 5. John Libs (N) 9:43.58, 6. Isaac Smith (HSE) 9:48.79, 7. Moster (GC) 9:51.00, 8. Cooper Mohr (F) 9:53.77, 9. Nate Thomas (F) 9:53.84, 10. Carson Ackley (W) 10:03.85, 11. Luke Moulder (W) 10:11.94, 12. Cole Eckstein (GC) 10:31.82, 13. Isaiiah Heuer (HH) 10:58.23, 14. Max Bowman (HH) 11:31.04.

4x400 relay: 1. Fishers (Tarter, Kim, Foster, Wiggins) 3:24.20, 2. Southeastern (Michael Griffith, Wanza, Hoefft, Omar Elsayed) 3:24.99, 3. Carmel (Michael Delaney, Drew Grogan, Pack, Adi Naren) 3:28.88, 4. Guerin Catholic (Bauman, Grissom, Robert Sorensen, Street) 3:31.97, 5. Westfield (Terril, Sulewski, Huisden, Parker) 3:33.10, 6. Noblesville (Strong, Wilson, Bond, Woodrum) 3:47.72.

Discus: 1. Josiah Bird (HSE) 182-5, 2. Joel Gates (F) 177-1,

3. Theodore Miller (HSE) 164-2, 4. Theo Thurmond (C) 157-00, 5. Hayden Pentecost (W) 145-7, 6. Jev Hutton (F) 145-6, 7. Kamden Colter (HH) 131-6, 8. Luke Brehl (C) 129-5, 8. Luke Brehl (C) 129-5, 9. Jaden Dunbar (S) 124-3, 10. Mason Rose (N) 109-7, 11. Justin Hilton (HH) 97-1, 12. Owen Trietsch (S) 96-9, 13. Ryan Howard (GC) 71-4.

Shot put: 1. Gates (F) 53-2, 2. Bird (HSE) 52-10, 3. Miller (HSE) 50-5.5, 4. Will Duncan (HH) 48-1.5, 5. Thurmond (C) 48-0, 6. Jacob Carroll (F) 45-2, 7. Joaquin Pizana (W) 42-10.5, 8. Sam Setmeyer (N) 42-9, 9. Brehl (C) 42-9, 10. Hilton (HH) 41-6.5, 11. Trietsch (S) 40-3.5, T12. William Goodvine (W) 38-5, Liam Hebert (N) 38-5, 14. Howard (GC) 27-2.

Long jump: 1. Blake Braden (HSE) 20-5.5, 2. Robert Campbell (W) 19-11.5, 3. Braxton Gardner (F) 19-4.5, 4. Cayden Gearhart (W) 19-4, 5. Gabriel Davis (C) 19-3, 6. Liam Boyd (HSE) 19-2, 7. Tyler Runyan (HH) 19-1, 8. Donahoe (N) 19-0.5, T9. Griffin Luxtenberger (C) 18-7.75; Kaïden Gardner (F) 18-7.75, 11. Will Biondich (N) 17-9.75, 12. Braxton Schwardfeger (S) 17-2, 13. Caio Rodrigues (HH) 16-8.75, 14. O'Hale (GC) 16-0.25, 15. Ian Wolf (GC) 13-5.25.

High jump: 1. Campbell (W) 6-2, T2. Konrad Hayden (F) 6-0; Damon Winston (S) 6-0, 4. Daniel Ernst (GC) 6-0, 5. Malik Riley (HSE) 5-10, 6. Davis (C) 5-10, 7. Runyan (HH) 5-10, 8. Austin Geesaman (F) 5-8, 9. Deion Miles (HSE) 5-8, 10. Jackson Cantlon (HH) 5-6.

Pole vault: 1. Peyton McQuinn (HH) 15-0, 2. Connor Langsford (HSE) 14-6, 3. Alex Wilson (W) 13-0, 4. Lucas Bland (W) 12-0, 5. Dean Watson (C) 12-0, 6. Justin Overton (HH) 11-6, 7. Beau Snarr (C) 11-6, 8. Andrew Krohn (HSE) 11-6, T9. Feliciano (N) 10-0; Lux Foster (N) 10-0.

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Wed May 8 - IHSAA Softball Upcoming Broadcasts (subject to weather)
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Thur May 9 - IHSAA Baseball and College Baseball
 9:50 am #3 Rose-Human vs #6 Franklin | HCAC Baseball Conference | Indiana SRN
 1:05 pm #4 Mount St Joseph vs #5 Anderson | HCAC Baseball Conference |
 4:20 pm #1 Hanover vs TBD | HCAC Baseball Conference Play | Indiana SRN
 5:45 pm Westfield vs Hamilton Southeastern | IHSAA Baseball Southeastern Sports
 6:00 pm Franklin Central vs Fishers | IHSAA Baseball | Fishers Sports Network
 7:00 pm Brownsburg vs Noblesville | IHSAA Baseball | HCTV Sports

Fri May 10 - College Baseball and High School Boys Lacrosse
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 1:05 pm HCAC Baseball Conference Play | 2024 Baseball | Indiana SRN
 4:20 pm HCAC Baseball Conference Play | 2024 Baseball | Indiana SRN
 7:35 pm HCAC Baseball Conference Play | 2024 Baseball | Indiana SRN
 7:50 pm Zionsville vs Hamilton Southeastern | Boys Lacrosse | Indiana SRN

Sat May 11 - College Baseball and High School Girls Lacrosse
 9:30 am Guerin vs Fishers | Girls Lacrosse | Fishers Sports Network
 12:50 pm HCAC Baseball Conference Play | Baseball | Indiana SRN
 4:20 pm HCAC Baseball Conference Play | Baseball | Indiana SRN

Mon May 8 - IHSAA Softball and Baseball
 5:20 pm Beech Grove vs Chatard | IHSAA Softball | Indiana SRN
 6:30 pm Carmel vs Noblesville | IHSAA Baseball | HCTV Sports

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Girls Track & Field



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Hamilton Southeastern's 4x800 relay team of Elizabeth Butler, Maggie Powers, Anissa Lammie, and Elise Herman won that race in a new meet record time of 9 minutes, 6.85 seconds.

Six runners set new records

The REPORTER

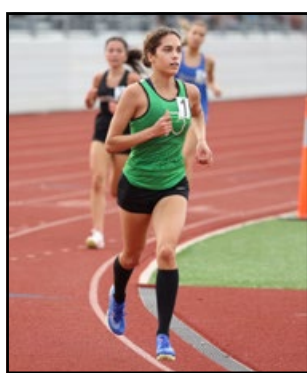
Six new records were set at Wednesday's Hamilton County girls track and field meet.

The first new mark came in the 4x800 relay, where the Hamilton Southeastern team of Maggie Powers, Elise Herman, Elizabeth Butler and Anissa Lammie finished that race in 9 minutes, 6.85 seconds. Lammie would later set a new record in the 800 run, clocking in at 2:12.25. Another Southeastern runner,

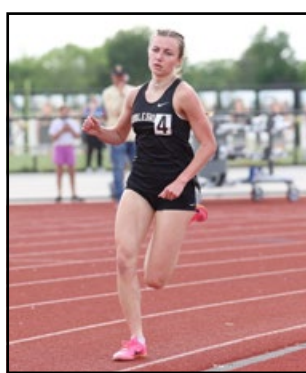
Ciara Kepner, set a new mark in the 400 dash with her time of 56.91 seconds.

Noblesville's Hannah Alexander established new records in both of the throwing events. Alexander won the shot put with a best throw of 47 feet, 1 inch, then set a new discus record with a distance of 163 feet, 10 inches.

Westfield's Lucy Hauser set a new mark in the 300 hurdles. She won that race in 44.23 seconds.



(LEFT) Westfield's Liz Smith won the 3200 run at Wednesday's Hamilton County girls track and field meet at Noblesville's Beaver Field. (RIGHT) Noblesville's Summer Rempe won the 1600 run.



Photos by Mike Kepner

Maeta to perform national anthem at Sonsio Grand Prix

Chart-topping Roc Nation artist, Indianapolis native comes home for emotional performance

Submitted by IMS

Maeta, a Roc Nation artist who recently peaked at No. 1 on the Billboard R&B chart and an Indianapolis native, will perform the national anthem before the start of the Sonsio Grand Prix on Saturday, May 11 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

"The singing of the national anthem before the start of a race is always an emotional and moving moment," IMS President J. Douglas Boles said. "Having an Indianapolis native, whose career is just taking off, ensures this performance will be memorable for all involved. Maeta's rendition is sure to set the stage for an epic race on the 14-turn, 2.439-mile road course."

Maeta has been described as a tour de force, and her EP "When I Hear Your Name" showcases collaborations with some of the greatest artists in the industry and illustrates her appeal as your favorite artist's favorite artist. KAYTRANADA, Kehlani, Demi Lovato, Ty Dolla \$ign and Lucky Daye are just a few of the artists featured on the EP.

Represented by powerhouse management agencies MBK Entertainment, Inc and JDH & Company, led by industry icons Jeff Robinson, Jeanine McLean and Jason Hobdy, Maeta has had an exciting year. She closed out 2023 touring across North America, the United Kingdom and Europe and



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released "When I Hear Your Name (Live)." She also stunned audiences with a captivating performance of "Through The Night" at the Soul Train Awards.

Most recently, Chris Brown announced that Maeta will join him on all tour dates of his 11:11 Tour, kicking off June 5 in Detroit. The tour also features special

guests Arya Starr and Muni Long.

NBC's live coverage of the Sonsio Grand Prix starts at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 11.

Visit [ims.com](https://www.ims.com) to purchase tickets for the Sonsio Grand Prix on Saturday, May 11 and for more information on the complete Month of May schedule at IMS.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, May 10

BASEBALL

Guerin Catholic at Zionsville, 5:30 p.m.
Carmel at Roncalli, 6 p.m.
Fishers at Franklin Central, 6 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Westfield, 6 p.m.
Noblesville at Brownsburg, 6:30 p.m.
Hoosier Conference third-place game: Lafayette Central Catholic at Hamilton Heights, 7 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Noblesville at Bishop Chatard, 6 p.m.
Cathedral at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.
Fishers at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.
Zionsville at Hamilton Southeastern, 8 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Hoosier Conference third-place game: Hamilton Heights at Rensselaer Central, 5:30 p.m.
Western Boone at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m.
Carmel at Terre Haute North, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

South Bend St. Joseph at Carmel, 5 p.m.
Westfield at Park Tudor, 5 p.m.

UNIFIED TRACK

Hamilton Southeastern at Jim Brown Invitational, 6 p.m. at Fishers

Saturday, May 11

BASEBALL

Guerin Catholic at Greenfield-Central doubleheader, 3 p.m.
Carmel vs. Evansville North, 12:30 p.m. at Bloomington North

BOYS LACROSSE

Carmel at South Bend St. Joseph, 1 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Culver Academies, 7 p.m.

GOLF

Carmel, Hamilton Southeastern at Brownsburg Invitational, 8 a.m. at Trophy Club
Hoosier Heartland Conference meet, 8 a.m.
Fishers, Noblesville at Mooresville Invitational, 8:30 a.m.
Hoosier Conference meet, 10 a.m. at Elk Grove
Guerin Catholic at Angola Invitational, 12:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Hamilton Heights at Cougar Classic Varsity Tournament, 9 a.m. at Greenfield-Central
Hamilton Southeastern at Fort Wayne Carroll, 10 a.m.
Carmel vs. Crown Point, 11 a.m. at New Palestine
Sheridan at Bethesda Christian, 11 a.m.
Westfield at Mooresville, 11 a.m.
Hamilton Southeastern vs. South Bend St. Joseph, noon at Fort Wayne Carroll
Carmel vs. Munster, 3 p.m. at New Palestine

TENNIS

Guerin Catholic at North Central Invitational, 9 a.m.
Brebeuf Jesuit at Fishers, 10 a.m.
Western at Hamilton Heights, 11 a.m.

Monday, May 13

BASEBALL

Carmel at Noblesville, 6 p.m.
Kokomo at Westfield, 6 p.m.
Fishers at Columbus North, 6:30 p.m.

GOLF

Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, 10 a.m. at Bear Slide
Westfield at Angola Invitational, 12:30 p.m. at Glendarin Hills
Westfield at Franklin Invitational, 12:30 p.m. at The Legends

SOFTBALL

Hoosier Heartland Conference tournament, 5 p.m. at Rossville
Guerin Catholic at North Central, 5:30 p.m.
Western at Westfield, 5:30 p.m.
Carmel at Harrison, 6 p.m.
Hamilton Heights open date, 6 p.m.
Noblesville at McCutcheon, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Tournament draw date
Hamilton Heights at Eastern, 5 p.m.
Westfield at North Central, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14

BASEBALL

Hamilton Heights at Kokomo, 5:30 p.m.
University vs. Pioneer Conference placement game, 5:30 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Center Grove, 6 p.m.

GOLF

Westfield at Carmel Invitational, 3:30 p.m. at Woodland Country Club
Noblesville and Westfield vs. Tipton, 4 p.m. at Fox Prairie
Hamilton Heights vs. Northwestern and Western, 4:30 p.m. at Bear Slide
Tri-Central at Sheridan, 4:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Alexandria at Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Lafayette Jefferson, 5:30 p.m.
Brownsburg at Fishers, 6 p.m.
Carmel at Shelbyville, 6 p.m.
Franklin Central at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m.
Zionsville at Noblesville, 6 p.m.
Westfield at Avon, 6 p.m.
Hoosier Heartland Conference tournament, 7:15 p.m. at Rossville

TRACK AND FIELD

Girls sectional, 5:30 p.m. at Hamilton Southeastern

UNIFIED TRACK

Zionsville at Hamilton Heights, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 15

BASEBALL

Fishers at Brownsburg, 6 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Lafayette Jefferson, 6 p.m.
Noblesville at Zionsville, 6:30 p.m.
Westfield at Avon, 6:30 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Noblesville at Cathedral, 7 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Brebeuf Jesuit, 7:30 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.
Zionsville at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Frankfort at Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m.

UNIFIED TRACK

Hamilton Heights, Western at Westfield, 5:30 p.m.

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Today at the Indy Motor Speedway

Information about Sonsio Grand Prix track activity Friday, May 10 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway:

SCHEDULE (All times local)

7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.: Public gates open
7:55-8:25 a.m.: USF2000 qualifying
8:40-9:10 a.m.: USF Pro 2000 qualifying
9:30-10:45 a.m.: NTT INDYCAR SERIES practice 1
11:05-11:55 a.m.: INDY NXT by Firestone practice 1
12:10-12:50 p.m.: USF2000 Race 1
1:10-2:10 p.m.: NTT INDYCAR SERIES practice 2
2:30-3 p.m.: INDY NXT by Firestone qualifying
3:15-4 p.m.: USF Pro 2000 race 1
4:20-5:50 p.m.: NTT INDYCAR SERIES qualifying/Firestone Fast Six
6:20-7:15 p.m.: INDY NXT by Firestone race (35 laps/55 minutes)

TICKETS: General admission tickets are \$20 for Sonsio Grand Prix practice and qualifications. Children 15 and under are admitted free with a paying adult.

PUBLIC GATES OPEN (7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.): Gate 1, Gate 2, Gate 4, Gate 6S, Gate 7, Gate 7S, Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A.

PARKING: Paid public parking is available in Lot 1A, Lot 2 and Main Gate parking lots for \$10 and Gate 1 parking for \$20. Paid ADA parking is available in Lot 3P and Lot 2 for \$10 and in Gate 1 parking for \$20. Free parking is available in Infield Turn 3 and Lot 7 (North 40). Free motorcycle parking is also available in the South Carousel Lot via Gate 2.

CASHLESS OPERATIONS: The Indianapolis Motor Speedway is a cashless facility. Please be prepared to complete your ticket, credentials, parking, concession and merchandise purchases with ease during your event via debit or credit card.

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