



Seven students up for Hamilton County Youth Service Award

Overall winner will receive \$1,000 scholarship

The REPORTER
The 31st annual Hamilton County Youth Service Awards ceremony will take place at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28 at the Government & Judicial Center in Noblesville. The ceremony is sponsored by the Hamilton County Commissioners and the Hamilton County Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs (HCCOAO) as part of its

ongoing effort to recognize outstanding service by youth in our community. HCCOAO Executive Director Monica Greer expressed profound pride in the dedication of the applicants. "We are deeply inspired by the commitment of these young individuals to lead drug-free lives while actively shaping positive change in our community," she said.

This year's nominees showcase a stellar lineup of young achievers. Among the outstanding nominees are Sydney Schultz representing Carmel High School, Drew Wheeler from Fishers High School, Andrew Morrison from Hamilton Heights High School, Gloria Lane from Hamilton Southeastern High School, Maya Narsinghani from Noblesville High

School, Gage West from Sheridan High School, and Keegan Connor from Westfield High School. The selection process is overseen by a dedicated committee of employees. While one exceptional individual will be honored with the prestigious \$1,000 scholarship, every finalist will receive a \$300 scholarship in recognition of their exemplary service.

Finally, I'm a rule-breaker

I've always been a rule follower. Last Friday, I was challenged to obey a pretty ludicrous rule.

I dropped my phone, and the bottom right corner of the screen shattered. It seemed to have caused a concussion in my phone's brain. Bright strobe-like lights flashed at the bottom of my screen. I headed to the big store where I purchased it. I knew I had included the Technology Protection Package in my purchase. Ugh ... they only repair iPhones, not Androids.

I was directed to another store, 11 miles away, that involved navigating two road closures and way too much traffic.

After waiting 15 minutes, I was greeted by a young man working the repair desk alone. The very polite man looked at my phone with a broken brain and gave me my choice of installing a new screen or getting a new/reconditioned phone. The cost for either choice was \$99. It's the deductible for having the protection plan. (Of course, there is a deductible.)

I hate getting a new phone. I paid the \$99, and then he began to work on his computer to see if they had the screen. Good news ... they did. Bad news ... they didn't have the repair kit to install the screen.



JANET HART LEONARD
From the Hart

No, Westfield, You Can't Take It With You

By STU CLAMPITT
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Nicole Amsler is a playwright, an occasional actress, and in recent years also a director. Most of her work directing has been with Hyperion Players, but this week she's bringing her experience and enthusiasm to Westfield for a classic play set in 1938.

Main Street Productions (MSP) is staging *You Can't Take It With You* from May 30 through June 9 at Basile Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St.

"It's about the young couple falling in love and dealing with their families," Amsler said. "The Vanderhoff family is very eccentric. Grandpa has shunned any kind of traditional work and they all just kind of do what they want."

According to Amsler, the story hinges around Alice, a secretary who has fallen in love with her boss. She brings him home to her quirky family and is planning to have her future in-laws, the Kirby family, come over for dinner.

"She was trying to make them look very normal and sedate and remove the printing presses and the xylophones and the snakes and all this kind of stuff," Amsler said. "Then the Kirbys show up on the wrong night and everything goes wrong."

Amsler said she chose this play because she loves the quirkiness of the Vanderhoff family and she was looking forward to directing a large cast on a stage as big as the one at Basile Westfield Playhouse.

"Nobody wants to see me on stage," Amsler told The Reporter. "I'm much better backstage bossing people around. I liked this show – unwisely – for how big it was, because there's such



Nicole Amsler gives direction to the cast during a rehearsal of *You Can't Take It With You*, which hits the stage on Thursday, May 30 at Basile Westfield Playhouse.

a big stage for Westfield and I could accommodate a cast of 19. I'm used to four or six, so I did like that. I'm now kind of regretting that. That's a lot of people to get on the stage. And when I had to climb the 18-foot ladder to wallpaper my stage, I really regretted making an 18-foot-tall set. But Westfield is a fantastic place for that."

For all that, Amsler told The Reporter she has a great cast that has come together not only for the show itself, but also to pitch in for the tall and busy-looking set. Actors have, at Amsler's request, been bringing in pieces to add to the Vanderhoffs' eccentric home.

"The set is fantastic," Amsler said. "It's huge – 18 feet tall – but because they're so chaotic, every single wall is covered with something. I think we have 400 props and art pieces on the wall. Because I have a cast of 19, I told them all to bring me something fascinating and interesting to put on the wall. We have swords. We have flags. We have school pictures of a cast member's grandmother graduating from high school. We have a jackalope. We have peacock fans. We have music. We have an original 1938 poster with Burns and Allen. So

Get Your Tickets
When: May 30 to June 9. Thursday, Friday and Saturday shows at 7:30 p.m. Sunday shows at 2:30 p.m.
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Cost: \$17 for adults 18 and older, \$15 for seniors 62 and older and for students with ID, free for active military and veterans with ID
First Thursday special: Buy tickets to the performance on May 30 for only \$10 each
Where to buy: Go to BasileWestfieldPlayhouse.org/showstickets or call (317) 402-3341 for tickets.

Cast of "You Can't Take It With You"

Role	Name	City of Residence
Alice	Hannah Partridge	Fishers
Donald	Austin Uebelhor	Indianapolis
Ed	Noah Shephard	Kokomo
Essie	Cara Olson	Fishers
Gay Wellington	Susan Hill	Noblesville
Grandpa	John Welch	Indianapolis
Henderson	Tom Smith	Westfield
Kolenkhov	Louis Cavallaci	Indianapolis
Mr Kirby	David Dessauer	Indianapolis
Mr. DePinna	Eric Bowman	Noblesville
Mrs. Kirby	Renee Lopez	Noblesville
Olga	Miki Mathioudakis	Indianapolis
Paul	James Darnell	Indianapolis
Penny	Carrie Reiberg	Indianapolis
Rheba	Sophie Liese	Indianapolis
Tony	Aaron Budde	Noblesville

it's a massive set and has a very, very fun look."

You Can't Take It With You is on stage from May 30 through June 9 at Basile Westfield Playhouse, 220 N. Union St. Go to BasileWestfieldPlayhouse.org/showstickets or call (317) 402-3341 for tickets.

Keep an eye out for seemingly subversive chocolates in the lobby at intermission. By that point, audiences will understand the joke.

Robinson's road is paved in black & gold

By STU CLAMPITT
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Noblesville High School Jazz Band Director Bethany Robinson is moving on, but she'll still wear black and gold.

Robinson has been appointed to lead the jazz program at Purdue University where she will hold the title of Clinical Assistant Professor of Bands, beginning her appointment on July 1, 2024.



Robinson

Robinson told The Reporter she applied for the position at Purdue as a way to find out what the procedure would be like when she was ready to move on in another decade, not really believing she'd be selected.

"I absolutely love what I'm doing and where I'm doing it," Robinson said. "Everything at Noblesville has been so wonderful. I knew that the director from Purdue was retiring. I had seen some advertisements about that and heard from some mutual friends. When Mo Trout did retire, there was a press release that went out to the jazz organization that I'm the past president of, the Indiana Jazz Educators Association."

There was also an email from the vice president of communications that went out to every jazz director in Indiana, which Robinson said she thought

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Hamilton County steps up to help one of its own

The REPORTER

Once again, the fine people of Hamilton County have proven why this is a great place to live.

Thanks to the hard work of Dustin Dixon with Noblesville Youth Assistance and Lisa Samuels of Sheridan Youth Assistance, one Sheridan High School student is well on her way in life.

According to Dixon, this soon-to-be graduate, who will remain nameless in this publication, has been dealt numerous unfortunate circumstances in her life, including the death of her custodial grandmother. Thankfully, some neighbors fostered her through high school.

She was active throughout her high school career and worked part-time. Now, she's graduating early, has been accepted to college, and will continue to work part-time.

The vehicle shown here has been donated for her personal use while in college and working. Dixon is ensuring its inspection by a mechanic and that it gets a new set of tires.



Photo provided

This late model Buick SUV has been donated to a deserving young Sheridan graduate.

This young lady has certainly done her part – now it's time for the community to step up. If you can donate, please do so through the Sheridan Youth Assistance Program by going to

tinyurl.com/SYAPdonate.

Any additional funds raised beyond what's needed for the vehicle will go towards college supplies and living expenses.



Carmel Deputy Mayor Holden shares good news from city's community survey



Photo provided by City of Carmel
Thank you to Holden, the City of Carmel's latest fifth-grade deputy mayor, for his outstanding presentation to the City Council last Thursday. He shared a significant finding from the community survey: 97 percent of respondents affirmed Carmel offers an excellent quality of life.

Noblesville Schools encourages community to take part in quick survey

The REPORTER Noblesville Schools has invited to take the approximately five-minute survey launched a short survey to gather input about academics, finances, student care and more. All Noblesville residents, including those without children in Noblesville Schools, are invited to take the survey at nobsurvey.com by Friday, May 31.



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools
The Class of 2024 includes Emily Ayres, Nicole Caldwell-Gross, Megan Cooper, Craig Crosser, Jeff DeMasie, Alejandro Garcia-Perez, Brandi Gibson, Colleen Groves, Andy Hahn, Scott Hazel, Dave Hyatt, Brian Laskey, Stephanie Lay, Michele Leach, Kurt Meyer, Joe Musgrove, Lindsey Phipps, Emily Preston, Misti Ray, Anita Rogers, Alaina Shonkwiler, Reggie Stewart, Julie Thacker, Lauren Veach, and Ian Zelgowski. They are shown here with Noblesville Schools Superintendent Dr. Dan Hile.

Newest Miller Ambassadors ready to lead their community

The REPORTER Noblesville Schools recently graduated the seventh class of Miller Ambassadors, and there are now over 160 community leaders who have been through the program. Miller Ambassadors is an engaging, year-long learning experience for select Noblesville community leaders and school district parents to enjoy a deeper understanding of Noblesville Schools. Program participants are exposed to all facets of running a district, including business management, academics, student services, operations, and more. Noblesville Schools will open applications for the Class of 2025 this summer at noblesvilleschools.org.

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Over the railroad & through the woods, with the Nickel Plate Express we go

By ANNA MITCHELL
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Last Friday, Nickel Plate Express (NPX) introduced railbikes.

The railbikes hold up to four passengers, but solo riders can hit the rails as well. Shipped from Pennsylvania, the bikes are American made and weigh a total of 260 pounds, but passengers can peddle down the tracks with ease.

NPX Executive Director Emily Reynolds, said the railbikes complement the Nickel Plate Express train program.

"We can get people outdoors and physically active and do something totally different and unique," Reynolds said. "Nobody in Indiana is currently offering one."

The bikes have both baskets for purses and cup-holders for water bottles, making them user-friendly. They are equipped with multiple safety features including seatbelts, brakes, and bumpers. The seats slide back and forth to accommodate for a rider's height, and staff can even turn the seats around when the bike needs to go the opposite direction on the tracks.

NPX offers two railbike rides: the "Forest Park Rail



Reporter photo by Anna Mitchell

No matter how many ways you have crossed the White River, we're certain you've never done it like this. Book now at NickelPlateExpress.com/railbike-rides.

Adventure," which is an eight-mile ride that takes around two hours to complete, and the "White River Family Cruise," which is a shorter ride and takes about an hour and a half. Both provide beautiful scenery throughout Hamilton County and its sights.

Reynolds said the "White River Family Cruise" is perfect for families with small children because it starts off downhill, only takes 15 to 20 minutes to ride, and includes a 45-minute break in between.

"We'll let passengers get off, enjoy downtown Noblesville, grab an ice cream cone or a beer from Syd's, or whatever it is that makes your heart happy," Reynolds said. "And then we'll pedal back 45 minutes later."

Reynolds and her staff tested the bikes last fall and received training for them on the weekend of May 18. They have made sure that the road crossings in the "Forest Park Rail Adventure" are safely conducted, and that all other safety

features on the bikes are functioning.

Tickets are available online at nickelplateexpress.com/railbike-rides. Although NPX can take walk-ins, they recommend buying tickets online to guarantee a spot on the ride at the desired time. Rides are being offered all summer long.

What is a railbike?

Like a train, a railbike is a vehicle lined up on train tracks. Like a bicycle, it has pedals. Four people can take their seats and pedal together along the tracks.

HSE FFA member Allison Giganti receives Built Ford Tough Scholarship from Don Hinds Ford

The REPORTER As part of Ford Motor Company's ongoing commitment to the National FFA Foundation, 323 scholarships were awarded this year across the United States.

The Built Ford Tough Scholarship is a one-time \$1,000 scholarship. The scholarship is equally funded by Ford Motor Company and local Ford dealers. Since 1997, over \$14 million in scholarships have been awarded to National FFA members. Scholarships are

awarded based on FFA activities, leadership experience, community service and academic performance.

This year, Don Hinds Ford awarded a scholarship to support Allison Giganti, an FFA student at Hamilton Southeastern High School. Congratulations!

National FFA is grateful for Ford Motor Company and Don Hinds Ford's continued investment in local FFA members' future educational plans.



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Don Hinds Ford General Manager John Colglazier (left) presents the scholarship to Allison Giganti.

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RULEBREAKER

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Here's how our conversation went ...

Young man: *Getting the parts will take four to five days.*

Me: *Okay, will you call me when the kit comes in? If my phone doesn't work, will you call my husband's phone?*

Young Man: *We have a new rule. You have to leave your phone here at the store.*

I'm thinking about the reason for this rule.

Me: *Seriously? Do you not think that the new rule is a bit absurd? (I was trying to remain calm and allow my words to process through my niceness filter about what I would say next.)*

Young Man: *Yes.*

Me: *May I speak to a manager?*

Young Man: *He hasn't been here for three weeks. The young man was avoiding making eye contact with me.*

Me: *So, what you are saying is that I cannot take with me my phone, which I own, and that I've paid you to repair it, and you cannot repair it because you do not have the repair kit. At times, my phone works, including whenever I use it in my car with my Sync system. You are leaving me without a way to contact anyone in an emergency.*

Young man: *It's a new rule. I am just the messenger.*

Me: *Well, the rule is ludicrous. What if I walk out*



Photo provided
It's the cell phone of the rule-breaker herself!

those doors and get in my car with my phone, and you call me or my husband when the parts come in?

Young man: *He whispers ... take your phone.*

It's been eight days, and I have heard nothing from the store about the repair kit being in. Of course, there is no direct number to call to check the status or find out when I can bring my phone in to be repaired.

It should not be this complicated, nor should this ludicrous rule be in effect.

The definition of ludicrous is "amusing or laughable through obvious absurdity." The thing is that ... I'm not laughing.

I have now become a rule-breaker!

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HHMS students reach new 'Heights' at Beck's Hybrids

The REPORTER

Earlier this month, over 200 seventh-grade and 15 eighth-grade ag students from Hamilton Heights Middle School (HHMS) enjoyed an immersive experience at Beck's Hybrids in Atlanta.

Beck's corporate headquarters, located in Atlanta about two miles from the middle school, offered students a behind-the-scenes look at the family-owned and operated company. The primary focus of this trip was for students to learn about the vast array of career possibilities that exist at Beck's Hybrids.

Students learned about the company's history, its deep roots in the community, and toured its Atlanta operations. Students were able to see some of the special farm equipment used to plant test crops and venture through the greenhouses to learn about cross pollination. In addition, students spent time in the quality assurance seed lab where testing of germination for corn, soybeans, and wheat under various conditions takes place. The lab allows for hands-on interaction with products to understand better what farmers experience in the field.

"This was not a one-off field trip," explained Connor James, Business and Preparing for Colleges and Careers Teacher. "This is the start of a long term (three-plus years) agreement with Beck's Hybrids as part of our 'Reaching New Heights' initiative designed to provide inclusive learning experiences for ALL students. We truly believe exposure to real-world industry and careers will foster student interest and increase engagement."

"The visit proved to be a powerful learning experience for the vast majority of our students," added James. "It was truly a special day."

James continued, "On behalf of HHMS and all the students who attended this immersive experience, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Jason Beck for helping to lead this effort within the organization and who helped coordinate the visit. Special thanks to Sony Beck and Scott Beck for their interest and generosity in opening their doors to our students. We also appreciate the time provided by the best tour guides in all the land, Paul Compton, Scott McCorkle, Bryan Will, and Toby Ripberger. They did



Photo provided
Three HHMS seventh graders observe a robotic arm placing bags of soybeans onto pallets through the glass floor observation area in Beck's processing plant.

a tremendous job guiding our students around the grounds. We also want to thank the entire Beck's Hybrids team for the incredible experience they provided these students."

"Lastly," James said,

"these trips would not be possible without our teachers, support staff, and bus drivers. Thank you to ALL who made this day possible. I'm convinced it will have an impact beyond what we are able to imagine."

ROBINSON

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was interesting because that organization is mostly made up of high school band directors.

"I know there's a history also at Purdue of really great high school band directors going to work at Purdue," Robinson said. "Jay Gephart, the department chair, used to be at North Central. I actually thought, 'Well, I don't know anything about higher ed. So I'm very curious to even just explore if this is something I would want to do maybe in 10 years or something.' I was a little bit curious just about what life would look like at higher ed versus K through 12."

Robinson told The Reporter she felt fulfilled at Noblesville but went on with the application as her fact-finding mission.

"I went ahead and threw a resume in and then the process just kept going," Robinson said. "And then, before you knew it, I was a finalist, and I was actually pretty nervous about that because I didn't even know if I wanted the position until I went and found out a lot more about it."

As part of the interview process, Robinson rehearsed one of their top jazz bands. She said it was very similar to what she already does in her current position.

"It's sort of what I do all the time where I go to schools or I don't know any of the students and I'm hired to go in and do a master class or a clinic and just have this great experience with one rehearsal with students," Robinson said. "This was a very fast and furious version of that. I just felt really at home. Once I did that, I thought, 'Yeah, this is the job. This is what I do every day at Noblesville.'"

That is when she realized she was getting the opportunity to do the things she loves about working at Noblesville, just on a larger scale.

"This could be a really cool thing to continue to build off of what Mo Trout has left in his legacy," Robinson said.

Robinson said her whole adult life has been in Noblesville since graduating from college.

"I've been in that K through 12 music, band, and even choir space: orchestra, guitar, percussion, marching bands, concert band, jazz band, history, theory," Robinson said. "Every class from 6 to 12 - I think I've had a hand in teaching that over the years. When I started, it was just Stacey White and I. We're the only two band directors for the entire district of Noblesville. And now there are seven full time band directors at three schools. I've seen this district develop in such massive ways."

Robinson said her growth as an educator took place as the district also grew in professionalism and systems.

"I'm just I've always been so proud of the work and the consistency of our district," Robinson said. "Every time I hear of a friend at a different district who's not quite as organized or not quite as on a professional level, I've just always been so thankful for the ways that Noblesville has grown and developed. This district has also been a huge part of my own development. I am who I am because of this district. I really am eternally grateful for all the things I have learned and the ways I have grown and been able to serve other boards and other music institutions that are on a state

or national level. That's been so wonderful."

From as far away as Scotland, Robinson has had people come just to see what's happening in her classroom. She's been to Australia and will do a three-week residency there this summer because of the things that music teachers do in Noblesville.

About Bethany Robinson

The REPORTER

Originally from Kokomo, Ind., Robinson graduated with degrees in music education and string bass from Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Ill. In 2011, she received her first Lilly Teacher Creativity Grant and traveled to New Orleans and New York City exploring the current trends of jazz.

In 2014, Robinson was named "Indiana Jazz Educator of the Year" by the Indianapolis Jazz Foundation. In 2015, she was named "Teacher of the Year" for Noblesville Schools. In 2016, she was a semi-finalist for Indiana Teacher of the Year. She was named one of the 2022 Jazz Heroes by the Jazz Journalists Association. She was also named the 2023 "High School Music Educator of the Year" by the Indiana Music Educator Association.

Robinson serves as Chair of the National Association for Music Education Jazz Council, Jazz Education Network Liaison Board Member, and is Past President of the Indiana Jazz Educators Association. In 2018, she was a part of the inaugural Indiana Jazz Girls Day,

traveling around the state playing bass at concerts and workshops with New York City Musicians Leni Stern, Jamie Baum, and Monika Herzig.

Upon receiving her second Lilly Teacher Creativity Grant, she spent the summer of 2019 exploring the Brazilian cities of Salvador and Rio de Janeiro, taking in the sounds of choro, Bossa nova, and samba while exploring her mother's childhood home, creating music for her students, and collaborating with local Brazilian musicians.

Robinson has been a featured presenter for music education students at Ball State University, Butler University, Vanderbilt University, for community members at the Center for Performing Arts/Palladium, and has adjudicated several jazz events, including the Benny Golson Jazz Festival at Butler University, the Clark Terry Jazz Festival at Southeast Missouri State University, and the Western Australian Schools' Jazz Festival.

This December, Robinson will be the Guest Conductor for the 2024 New York All State Jazz Ensemble.

"It's opened up literally the entire world to me," Robinson said.

Though she is leaving Noblesville Schools and moving on to take a position in higher education at Purdue beginning this summer, the Noblesville Miller and Purdue Pete look quite similar - and Robinson will still wear black and gold.

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Celebrating the retirement of three valued members of Sheridan Community Schools

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Sheridan Community Schools (SCS) is saying goodbye to three respected members of the school community as they move into retirement. Violet Chesney, Molly Heil, and Debbie Merriman have each made significant contributions to the district through their dedication and hard work.

**Violet Chesney
Dedicated elementary teacher**

Violet Chesney has been an elementary teacher at Sheridan Elementary for 16 years, after beginning her career in Frankfort, Ind. Over her career, she has taught kindergarten, first, second, and fifth grades.

Sheridan Elementary Principal Valerie Roberts praised Chesney.

“Violet is a dynamic

teacher who has always been passionate about making a difference with her students,” Roberts said. “Her strong leadership in the second-grade team will be missed! We wish her all the best as she enjoys family time, traveling, and wherever life takes her next!”

Chesney expressed her love for teaching in her hometown and the close-knit community.

“I will miss my students’ smiles, hugs, and love for learning,” she said. “After retirement, I plan to love on my grandson, enjoy my family, and travel.”

**Molly Heil
Longtime middle school special educator**

Molly Heil has spent 19 years teaching special education at Sheridan Middle School. Her career began



Chesney



Heil



Merriman

in Palo Alto, Calif., at The Children’s Health Council school, now known as Esther B. Clark Schools.

Heil says she values the connections she formed with her colleagues and students.

“I will miss my teaching friendships the most,” she said. “I’ve always been so lucky to have amazing coworkers that are there for you in all aspects of life.”

Heil’s future plans include possibly moving closer

to family in south Florida or western New York.

“Over her 19 years of dedicated service at SMS, Molly Heil has made a profound impact on both her students and colleagues,” SMS Principal Kent Davis said. “We deeply appreciate her unwavering commitment and caring contributions to her students. She will be missed immensely, but we wish her the very best in her well-deserved retirement.”

Reflecting on her time in Sheridan, Heil noted, “When I was called and asked to interview at Sheridan, I honestly didn’t know where Sheridan was. Sheridan turned out to be exactly that one thing I didn’t know I needed at the time.”

**Debbie Merriman
Dedicated bus driver**

Debbie Merriman has been a bus driver for Sheridan since 1990. One of her favorite memories is driving the Girls Varsity Basketball team to Regionals this year.

Transportation Director Eric Gifford spoke highly of Merriman.

“Debbie is always willing to help out however needed,” Gifford said. “I will miss having her around on a daily basis to joke around with and give a hard

time. She has seen lots of changes in the bus driving industry over the years, and I’m glad she is finally able to retire and spend time with her family.”

Merriman said she will miss the kids and her coworkers the most but looks forward to having more free time in her retirement.

Superintendent Dave Mundy expressed his gratitude for the contributions of Chesney, Heil, and Merriman.

“Their dedication has helped create the supportive environment that Sheridan Community Schools is known for,” Mundy said. “Their commitment and passion have greatly influenced our school community. We wish them all the best in their well-deserved retirements.”



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Students, teachers, and mentors celebrated during the T1L1 graduation at Hamilton Heights Middle School.

Teach One to Lead One graduates 148 students at Hamilton Heights

The REPORTER

Last Thursday, Teach One to Lead One (T1L1), honored 148 high school and middle school students from Hamilton Heights who recently completed the T1L1 Leadership Curriculum.

T1L1 is a community mentoring program. Caring adult mentors meet weekly with students throughout the school year. The mentors lead the stu-

dents in a discussion of 10 Universal Principles that are essential for student leaders to possess if they are to find their purpose and reach their potential. The 10 Universal Principles are respect, integrity, self-control, compassion, courage, teamwork, excellence, humility, enthusiasm, and honor. Students are encouraged to find ways to put these principles into action.

In addition to the graduating students, six students were recognized with the Positive Influence Award. They were, from the high school: Esther Martin, Liam Shaffer, and Alyse Turner; and from the middle school: Gabby Blanton, Bentley Michael, and Dasha Thomas. Six other students were recognized with the Second Mile Award. Those students were, from the

high school: Hattie Graham, Conner Smith, and Nicholas Sweeney; and from the middle school: Sydney Forrester, Luke Nichols, and Jason Teboe.

The T1L1 program has been at Hamilton Heights for five years. Hamilton Heights was the first school district in Indiana to host a T1L1 community mentoring group.

Learn more at T1L1.org.

Hamilton County Express will update fleet this fall, IndyGo grant to provide six new minivans

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Express (HCE), a vital lifeline for individuals with disabilities, seniors, and the economically disadvantaged, will add six new minivans to its fleet this fall. IndyGo, the largest public transportation provider in the state of Indiana, has awarded Hamilton County with a grant worth \$453,000.

“This grant marks a significant milestone in enhancing public transportation accessibility in Hamilton County,” says Roscoe Brown, Director of Transportation at Janus Developmental Services, which operates Hamilton County Express. “It’s a significant step to-

ward independence for people with limitations, ensuring they can access their community effectively, even without owning a car.”

The grant award will facilitate the acquisition of six low floor minivans that will be accessible for individuals with disabilities (including wheelchair users). The smaller vehicles will also provide easier navigation through city streets and parking lots than the larger buses operated by HCE.

The IndyGo grant award is funded by the Federal Transit Administration and comes with favorable terms, including an increased federal match per-

centage from 80 to 85 percent for the vehicles, due to the level of federal funding. Additional equipment funded includes interior vehicle security camera systems that will require a 20 percent local match.

Delivery of the new vehicles is expected in early fall.

The Hamilton County commissioners and councilors, the City of Fishers, Fishers’ Disability Advisory Council, and Invest Hamilton County, along with the county’s grant administrator, have been working closely with Hamilton County Express in recent months to enhance public transportation services in the county.

“Public transportation creates economic development, improved infrastructure, and gives mobility to people who don’t have it,” Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt said. “As our community continues to grow, the need for accessible public transportation becomes increasingly apparent.”

Hamilton County Express operates Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. A one-way ticket is \$3. For more information or to make a trip request, residents can call (317) 773-2688 or visit janus-inc.org/hamilton-county-express.

Ducks ahoy!

The REPORTER

While the Darlington Bed Race has been canceled this year due to road construction and parking woes, Noblesville Main Street’s (NMS) rubber duck race is still taking place this weekend.

Thankfully, there is no such thing as Hamilton County river construction!

Four local businesses are paying it forward with flocks of 100 racing rubber ducks each.

The following companies bought 100 rubber duck race tickets and announced a local nonprofit to get the money if any of their ducks win:

If Johnston & Company CPA wins, the money will go to Nickel Plate Express.

If Sease Gerig & Associates wins, the money will go to Serve Noblesville.

If Church Church Hittle + Antrim wins, the money will go to Noblesville Schools Education Foundation.

If the Lacy Arts Building wins, the money will go to The Lions Club.

Because each picked a nonprofit organization, and because NMS is itself a nonprofit, that makes these four businesses donation double-dippers.

If you want to jump on the duckwagon, email NMS Executive Director Kate Baker at kate@noblesvillemainstreet.org.

Pence Media Group wins three 2024 MUSE Creative Awards

The REPORTER

Pence Media Group (PMG) has been awarded three prestigious 2024 MUSE Creative Awards for its outstanding work done to promote their clients and elevate their stories.

For the second year in a row, PMG won a Gold Award for Best Small Agency of The Year. PMG also won two awards for their efforts at the 96th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis.

“We are thrilled and honored to stand among the best once again,” said Nicole Pence Becker, owner and operator of Pence Media Group. “Being awarded the Best Small Agency for the second year in a row is a testament to our team’s unwavering commitment to excellence. Here’s to another year of creativity, innovation, and exceeding expectations – consider it done!”

To learn more about PMG and its services, visit PenceMediaGroup.com.



Pence Becker



How would you like to drive a school bus?

**Submitted by
HSE Schools**

Have you ever considered driving a school bus? Hamilton Southeastern Schools invites you to get behind the wheel of one during the Ride and Drive Hiring Event from 4 to 6 p.m. on Friday, May 30.

Becoming a bus driver for HSE has many perks. If you need a second income, flexible hours, or you’re looking to fill your time during retirement, consider joining the HSE Transportation team.

Full-time drivers typically work 4.5 hours a day at a dai-

ly rate of \$111. You also qualify for employee benefits, including health, dental, and retirement.

HSE Schools encourages anyone curious about this exciting role to test drive a school bus on Friday, May 30 at the HSE Transportation Building, 13485 Cumberland Road, Fishers. You

can also fill out a job application and interview on the spot.

For questions about the Ride and Drive Hiring Event and employment, please call HSE Transportation at (317) 594-4117.

Note that participants must be 21 or older and hold a valid Indiana driver’s license.

Hamilton East Public Library celebrates Crossroads Discovery Center grand opening

The REPORTER

Hamilton East Public Library (HEPL) recently announced its renovated Crossroads Discovery Center (CRDC), a second-floor space at the Noblesville Library, formerly known as the Indiana Room.

A grand opening celebration will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 8, where attendees will have the opportunity to experience new interac-

tive exhibits on local history and beginning genealogy research, preview new equipment to digitize and preserve photos and memories, and learn about the complete print and digital collection to research family members wherever they may roam.

The CRDC offers new equipment for preserving family histories for future generations. Take advantage of available scanners which include overhead, flatbed,

and book cradle. Learn to convert old media to digital formats including VHS, cassette, Super 8, 8mm, photo negatives, slides, DVD/CD, floppy disk. Utilize a recording booth to focus on creating oral histories with microphones, pop filters, headphones, USB audio box, and recording software. Finalize a project with the new book binding machine, and more.

In 2023, renovations began.

Through this, the Indiana Room was revamped into the Crossroads Discovery Center is ready for visitors and will bring storytelling and genealogy together. With new equipment made available, the CRDC is making it easier than ever to connect the people of Hamilton County to their community and their personal histories.

For more information, please visit hamiltoneastpl.org.

Bethel Lutheran Church preparing for annual rummage sale

The REPORTER

Bethel Lutheran Church, 20650 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, will once again hold its annual Rummage Sale. The sale will take place from 3 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 13; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, June 14; and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 15.

The sale encompasses 14 rooms in the church and will be filled with good quality items at very reasonable prices. There will also be items outdoors as well as a food court.

For more information, go to BethelLutheranChurch.com or call (317) 773-4315.

Noblesville Lions support Indiana Honor Flight



Photo provided by Noblesville Lions Club / Jake Doll
Last Wednesday evening, the Noblesville Lions Club welcomed Trina Winegardner as speaker. She represents Indiana Honor Flight (IHF) which flies veterans to our nation's capital to see the many memorials. To be chosen for this trip, a veteran must apply to the IHF organization. The current waiting list is around 1,000 vets in Indiana. Once a vet has made the trip, he or she is invited to many follow-up events the IHF has sponsored. (ABOVE) Lion VP Jeff Kozicki thanks Trina Winegardner.



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Kiwanis Sunrisers 500 Members Circle Awardees and club members. (From left) Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen, Jennifer Templeton, Greg Ayers, Jeff DeMasie, Derek Daly, Roger Brown, Tom Gang, Rick Holmes, and Connie Chesney. (Not pictured: Josh Icenogle and Dr. Michael Augustino.)

Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers welcome famed racer Derek Daly, induct first 500 Members Circle

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers were thrilled to welcome renowned Formula One and IndyCar driver Derek Daly to their recent meeting.

Daly, a proud Noblesville resident, captivated attendees with stories from his illustrious racing career and offered an insider's perspective on the challenges and excitement facing drivers in the upcoming 2024 Indy 500.

Daly's engaging talk provided a unique glimpse into the world of professional racing, highlighting the dedication, skill, and passion required to compete at the highest levels. In addition to his presentation, the meet-

ing marked the introduction of the inaugural Kiwanis Sunrisers 500 Members Circle. This new initiative recognizes members who have demonstrated exceptional support and service to the Noblesville community. The Sunrisers 500 Members Circle aims to honor those whose financial contributions have significantly advanced the mission of the Kiwanis Sunrisers in fostering community spirit and service.

Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers President Jeff DeMasie expressed his grati-

tude to Daly for his inspiring address and congratulated the inaugural members of the Sunrisers 500 Members Circle for their unwavering dedication.

"Our community thrives because of the passionate involvement of our members," DeMasie said. "Recognizing their efforts through the Sunrisers 500 Members Circle is just one way we can show our appreciation and encourage continued engagement and service."

The Inaugural Sunrisers 500 Members Circle

recognized the following awardees:

- Roger Brown
- Jennifer Templeton
- Jeff DeMasie
- Greg Ayers
- Tom Gang
- Rick Holmes
- Connie Chesney
- Josh Icenogle
- Dr. Michael Agostino

The Noblesville Kiwanis Sunrisers continue to be a cornerstone of community service and engagement in Noblesville, fostering initiatives that benefit residents and beyond.



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Come laugh with eight of the country's top clean comedians this Friday.

Start your summer off right with Popcorn & Punchlines at CrossRoads Church at Westfield

The REPORTER

Popcorn and Punchlines Comedy Showcase is returning to Westfield on Friday, May 31. It will feature eight comedians from six different states and will be held at the IMMI Conference Center, 18880 N. East St.

The comedy show will begin promptly at 7 p.m. The event is free and family-friendly. No pre-registration is needed. More event information can be found at tinyurl.com/PopcornPunchlines2024.

 Appearing at four previous comedy events in Westfield and so much enjoying the people in this community, comedian **Rhonda Corey** has invited seven of her funny friends to join her for this free night of entertainment.

Corey, from Rhode Island, truly embodies the New England spirit. It's no wonder that her authenticity with a twist of lovable sass has resonated with audienc-

es from Rhode Island to California and back to Indiana.

Leslie Rob is a teacher and award-winning standup comedian. Her mission is to bring clean, comedic entertainment and encouragement to teachers on stages and newsfeeds worldwide. She is from Virginia.

Not many comics make the cover of *The Wall Street Journal*, have released eight 100-percent clean comedy videos, warm up audiences for Hollywood's top sitcoms, can perform the entire Bible in under 30 minutes, or have written and directed a feature motion picture. Meet **Robert G. Lee**.

June Colson is a comedian, writer, and podcaster born in Indiana and raised in the Bluegrass State. She holds the prestigious title as 2020's Nashville Clean Comedy Champion.

Hailing from Texas, **Dorie McLemore** is a storyteller and joy-bringer who believes that caffeine is keeping

her alive, popcorn should be its own food group, and that true joy comes from knowing that we are worthy of God's love in the middle of our imperfections.

From Arizona, **Mike James'** brand of humor fueled by his general confusion of being a husband, father, and just a human being keeps his audiences laughing.

Also from Arizona, **Brian Kohatsu** spent 20 years as an award-winning director before stepping away from the camera for a career in comedy. He quickly found success in radio and gained national recognition when he was featured on Sirius/XM radio.

Comedian **Christy Conder** has been pursuing clean comedy and bringing laughter to all ages. She has performed at Zanies in Nashville, Guttie's in Indianapolis, various churches and special events, as well as being the warm-up comedian for *The Huckabee Show*.

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Guests mingling in the atrium – the centerpiece of the new building.

VIP Party raises \$53K for new Westfield public library

The REPORTER

The Westfield Library Foundation (WLF) raised an impressive \$53,000 for the Westfield Washington Public Library at its VIP Preview Party on Saturday, May 18. The event drew more than 250 guests who enjoyed an Indy 500-themed soiree, becoming the first to tour the state-of-the-art library building.

“We are thrilled with the incredible support from our community,” WLF Executive Director Erin Downey said. “It was a truly memorable night, and the funds raised will significantly enhance our makerspace, expand our collections, and support free programming for all our patrons.”

The evening, titled “Race to Check-Out the New WWPL,” was filled with engaging activities, including a scavenger hunt throughout the new library, a silent auction, a wine pull, and live music. Guests were also treated to a variety of food and drink options while they explored the impressive new facility.



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(ABOVE LEFT) Sheryl Sollars, Westfield Washington Public Library Executive Director, and Danielle Carey Tolan, Westfield Mayor’s Chief of Staff and former Westfield Township Trustee. (ABOVE RIGHT) Erin Downey, Executive Director of the Westfield Library Foundation, husband Patrick Downey, member of the Library Board, and daughter Kate.

The evening’s presenting sponsors were Westfield Ambulatory Surgery Center and The Grand Millennium Project developed by 31/32 Investors LLC.

“The success of this event is a testament to the dedication and generosity of our community,” Downey added. “We are on the brink of something truly extraordinary, and the support we

received propels us forward in our mission to serve and enrich the lives of our patrons.”

The Westfield Washington Public Library will hold a Grand Opening celebration for the public at noon on Saturday, June 1.

For more information on the Westfield Library Foundation visit WestfieldLibraryFoundation.com.

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Tales from the crib

Lonely in a crowd

Lately, I have been nostalgic for babies, thanks to my son, Austin, turning 30 last week. Thirty isn't old (try telling that



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SCOTT SAALMAN
Scaramouch

to my son) – but him turning 30 does make *me* old (if you must ask . . . add 30 more years to the equation). Yes, our kids age us.

When I was only a few months from turning 30, back in 1994, I was anticipating first-time fatherhood, doing all those things first-time parents do.

Here are details about one of those things. 1994.

The baby isn't born yet, but there are things that must be done beforehand to turn young men into fathers.

There is courage to be mustered, and time must be set aside to contemplate the perseverance of the human spirit, but above all, young men must condition themselves to maintain a constant state of both physical and mental grace under fire.

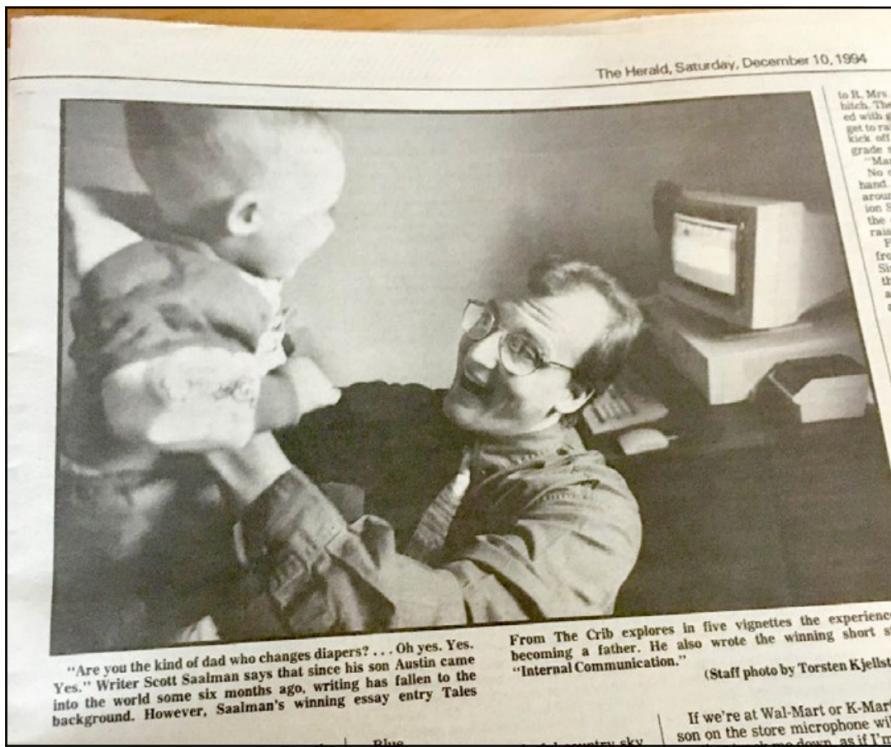
I tell you this because, if you haven't guessed, I had to assemble a single drop rocker hardware crib.

Pressure mounted even before step one: WARNING: FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE WARNINGS AND ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

I shuddered. It all seemed so . . . well . . . responsible. A life could be at risk based on something I do of a mechanical nature. I am the self-appointed poster child for the assembly-impaired. I hyperventilate at the simplest threats of home improvement. For me, even refilling the ice tray becomes a trial of life.

STEP ONE: Tool requirements: Phillips screwdriver and hammer.

I couldn't believe the instructions were so technical right off the bat. They couldn't just say screwdriver; they had to use that Phillips word. I wish I had taken



A 30-year-younger Scott Saalman with his now 30-year-old son Austin. This photo appeared in *The Dubois County Herald* on Saturday, Dec. 10, 1994.

shop class where, perhaps, the Phillips thing had been defined. Plus, I've never had good experiences with hammers. The thought of using a hammer haunted me through the whole crib construction process. (Why don't hammers come with instructions?)

STEP TWO: Attach stationary side. What followed was a hellish configuration of connecting nuts, hangar bolts and a lot of wretched little parenthetic secondary instructions that looked something like this:

(See (Figure A) Figure (Figure D) B) Or (G) (O) (O) (D) (L) (U) (C) (K) (S) (U) (C) (K) (E) (R)

Step three consisted of an array of rocker locks, tapping screws, bolts, teething rails and drop side rails. I stared at these parts in disbelief. My God, I thought, UPS obviously got our order mixed up with something from Cape Canaveral. I envisioned a NASA engineer at that very moment wondering how to fit a solid rocket booster onto our wayward baby crib.

At that point, I pondered

merely putting a pillow in the crib's cardboard box so that could be the crib.

The only consolation about step three: it didn't require a hammer.

STEP FOUR: Attach side rail to crib.

(See Figure D). Holding side rail with teething rail up, insert drop side rod thru hole in the drop side rail; then thru hole in spring rest bracket; then place bumper spring (B) on rod before inserting rod thru bottom of hole side rail . . . left foot red . . . right foot green.

I twisted and cursed and frantically battled the maple Bassett beast until the shape of an actual baby crib miraculously began to form. Through it all, I worried about all those terrible sounding hex head machine screw things (see Figure G) – it sounded like something from the mad mind of Stephen King. What puzzled me even more was the crib was almost built, but nowhere had I been instructed to use the dreaded hammer.

By the end of step four – still

no mention of the hammer – the crib's four walls were attached, and it was basically completed. All that was left was the final step of installing the bed springs and mattress.

I must admit I was really feeling good about my crib-building experience. I shook the crib to test its sturdiness – the whole contraption held – and was actually feeling fatherly for the first time, truly believing that Baby X would be safe in something I constructed.

But the triumphant feeling didn't last long when I started to reach over for the spring and mattress. I realized then that I had built myself within the crib. A trap maker caught in his own trap, so to speak.

I shook the bars and spindles, hoping to find a simple way out of the crib without undoing everything I had done. The sides were too high to step over and too low to slip under.

It dawned on me then: now I know what the hammer is for.

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COLUMNIST
AMY SHINNEMAN
Disability in the City

It's unbelievable how heavy carrying the weight of loneliness can be. It feels crushing at times when you are living through it. The weight of an elephant, a thousand pounds or however you may want to describe it. It's heavy. It's sad. It's . . . lonely.

There are all kinds of reasons why people feel lonely in this world. None are easy. The loneliness I feel and have felt in my life that I can speak about is from being disabled. Feeling so incredibly different at times, I wanted to come out of my own skin. Disappear because the loneliness felt so painful. In a crowd of 100 people, it can feel like everyone around you is talking around you, over you, not understanding. It's not intentional usually, it's just what happens. Things are said that isolate you.

I know from talking to my other friends who live with a disability that they too feel this kind of loneliness. It's just that missing piece, someone else like you.

I will set the scene . . . I'm invited to an event where maybe I will know one person. I know it's an event where many other people will be, and everything in me is telling me not to go. Social anxiety is real! But I also want to go and see my friend, and at least try to be social, so I accept the invitation. My friend and I agree to meet at the event because it's just what logistically works best. I arrive, hopefully find an accessible parking spot, which if I do is a huge win and it takes a huge load off my mind.

Maybe get a couple of mean glances, as is the norm when you are youngish/healthy looking from a seated position and parked in an accessible parking space. I think to myself, "Today I am not going to let that bother me, I am here to have fun after all." So, I shake it off and climb out of the car hoping the mean onlookers will catch a glance of my awkward gait as I walk inside with my trusty cane at my side. I enter the crowded room and the first person I look up to make eye contact with is looking at me like I have the plague and scurrying away. "Ok, I've still got this," I tell myself, while nervously looking for my friend, feeling like this may have been a mistake. I get a half smile or two as I continue to look for my friend, and a couple more people staring and quickly turning away.

Then it hits. That lonely in a crowd feeling. I am the only person in the room with a visible disability. People struggle with approaching me or starting a conversation. They don't want to say the wrong thing. They don't know how to talk to me. It's a terrible feeling to feel out of place. After several minutes I connect with my friend, and all feels right again. In the end, despite the challenges, I'm usually glad I went.

Once I'm able to talk with and connect with others there, they realize I'm not so scary after all. This is a scenario that has played out over and over in my lifetime.

See Lonely . . . Page A9

Surprise!

The girl (my mother) was going to be 14. For weeks she had planned her birthday party. When one is in the eighth grade, parties are very special. This was to be the highlight of her year. One day shortly before the important day came, her brother's leg was severely injured. It required almost constant wet dressings. Noise seemed to make it hurt worse.

The party was canceled, regretfully. The birthday came and another brother and sister-in-law came to call. "Come home with us for the night," they urged. Even a mild diversion is welcome when one's big plans are upset. Gratefully she gathered her nighttime gear.

"Do you mind if we go past Grandma's house for a few minutes?" Brother asked.

She really did mind but was too polite to say so. Grandmother lived only two blocks away. She loved her dearly and never missed a day of stopping in for a short visit. But today she had already had her little visit. Oh, well, Grandma goes to bed early; they won't stay long, she thought and summoned up the good grace to smile when they went in.

The night was cold. It felt good to stand by the old potbellied stove and soak up its soothing warmth. She had scarcely warmed herself when the parlor door flew open and cries of, "Surprise! Surprise!" filled the room. Surprised. That was putting it mildly. She was flabbergasted! All her friends were there but not one had given her the slightest hint.

Grandmother and family had seemed concerned only with the injured leg. How sweet it was to be the center of attention, to feel the love and care of family and friends; to know that birthdays really matter.

Packed agenda included \$17M bond details

This month's Noblesville Schools board meeting was jam-packed with recognitions, including the teachers of the year, high school journalist of the year, robotics team, best community for music education, and others. The meeting then moved to action items and committee reports, which are the subject of this column.



COLUMNIST
MELBA KISER

This month I will discuss the \$17.3 million bond and the strategic planning survey since these are time sensitive.

First, the strategic planning survey. According to the Superintendent's Update, the administration is seeking input from students in grades 6 through 12, parents, employees, and residents of Noblesville township.

As per Dr. Hile, postcards were mailed out last week to the Noblesville Township community asking for input on the survey for the strategic planning of the schools. There is a QR link and website link on the postcards for the survey. Dr. Hile stated that the information for the survey is also available on Parent Square as well as social media. In case you have not received information on the survey, the website link is nobsurvey.com. **Deadline for submission to the survey is Friday, May 31.**

It is my opinion that the strategic planning for Noblesville Schools is critical and we should give enough time to allow more members of the community to respond. Given

the time it takes to receive mail and realizing we have a national holiday on Monday, the deadline for responding to the survey should be extended by a week or two.

Next topic is the proposed \$17.3 million bond for repairs and replacement of school property. A large portion of the budget will go to the replacement of HVAC units in the high school that are about 30 years old. The remainder of the money will be divided among various projects including:

1. Renovation of a facility in the high school softball field to make it into a locker room facility for the softball team.
2. The update or rebuild of a building on Noblesville East Middle School used for ticket concessions and restrooms.
3. School paving at Hazel Dell Elementary and Stony

Creek Elementary.

4. iPads for grades 9 through 12.

These projects have not been bid out according to the CFO. Final bond request could be higher or lower. Two public meetings have been scheduled, as required by Indiana Code, for Thursday, June 13, 2024, at 10 a.m. and Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6 p.m. The Noblesville community is invited to come and comment.

The next school board meeting will be on June 18 at 6 p.m. at which time the final bond resolution will be voted on.

Melba Kiser is an outspoken advocate for financial responsibility and transparency in government at all levels. Her column appears at least once each month in The Hamilton County Reporter Newspaper.

Former Humane Society building to undergo massive renovation, will then house three county departments

The REPORTER

Hamilton County has begun demolishing the interior of the former Humane Society building with the hopes of repurposing the space for three local government offices.

This initiative comes as part of a broader revitalization effort in Noblesville, with the city tearing down the Household and Hazardous Waste building to make way for the Reimagine Pleasant Street project.

The project, overseen by the Buildings and Grounds Department, also marks a significant step towards modernizing infrastructure to better serve the community's needs.

"This project is long overdue," County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt said. "The buildings on this campus were all built in the 1940s as part of the original Hamilton County



Photo provided

The 12,000 square-foot building will eventually house the county's Hazardous Waste Department, Soil and Water District, and Weights and Measures offices.

Airport. They are all well past their prime. Repurposing the old Humane Society building, demolishing the old buildings, and placing these departments under one roof will help them function more efficiently."

The revamped facility will retain the original footprint of the Humane Society building, spanning 12,000 square feet,

and will be built to accommodate the Household and Hazardous Waste Department, Soil and Water District, and Weights and Measures offices.

Envoy, a Fishers-based construction company, has been tasked with the build-out. The interior of the building has been gutted. Renovation can begin once the necessary permits have been

acquired. The project is expected to take one year to complete.

The Hamilton County Humane Society relocated to its new facility at 106th Street and Hague Road in Fishers in April 2021. The building has remained vacant since then.

At press time, the cost of this project was not disclosed to The Reporter.

Honoring those we lost, on & off the battlefield

My military career was bookended by the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq which began in response to the attacks on September 11. Many of us who served in that time lost friends on the battlefield or in support of combat operations.

Sadly, many of us also lost friends to suicide.

I remember learning of the suicide of my shipmate almost 18 years ago. I was still a fairly young Navy Lieutenant, having only read about the impacts of suicide in the military, and attending briefings on it at safety stand downs and annual training. But this was different. This was my shipmate,



MATT McNALLY

a fellow aircrewman, someone I deployed with, joked around with, worked with. He was, in simple terms, a great man and a great sailor. Over the next 10 years,

I would personally know four more veterans and service members who would make the decision to take their own life. Sadly, that number is lower than many other veterans I know.

Hoosiers are veteran-friendly and pro-military, and we have higher numbers of veterans in our state than most – 9 percent of Indiana residents are veterans compared to 7 percent of the total U.S. population. Not only do we have more vet-

erans per capita than about 30 states, we also have more monuments to veterans than any other state, with only Washington, D.C., having more. Sadly, we also have a per capita veteran suicide rate that is higher than many other states. The numbers are especially alarming for Hoosier Veterans aged 18 to 44, almost triple that of the civilian population in Indiana.

In 2019, then-President Trump signed the “governor’s challenge” to end the epidemic of veteran suicide. Indiana did not begin implementing the program until 2023, despite having a veteran suicide rate that is higher than the national average, and the highest in the Midwest, and a recent study showing that Indiana

ranks near the bottom of the country for quality of life for veterans.

Honoring our veterans is more than statues; it means being committed to providing the infrastructure we need to thrive in society, from mental healthcare, to outreach, to education and job opportunities. This Memorial Day, while we honor those who lost their lives in service to this country, let us also commit to doing more for those who are still with us. We owe it to those we lost – on and off the battlefield.

Matt McNally is the Senior Vice Commander of Carmel VFW Post 10003, a retired military pilot, Afghanistan veteran, and advocate for the prevention of veteran suicide.

COVID is here to stay, folks

There’s an expression, “You may be done with COVID, but COVID isn’t done with you.”

It’s true. COVID-19 is still very much with us even though we would like to put it totally behind us and resume our normal lives.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports nearly 1.2 million cumulative COVID U.S. deaths. And it’s not over folks. We need to continue to protect ourselves, our families, our friends, and our communities.

The situation has greatly improved with the societal immunity gained through natural infection and vaccination, and COVID antiviral medications. The federal public health emergency designation has elapsed. There are no longer the huge numbers of severe cases, hospitalizations, deaths, and widespread disruptions to our lives.

Unless something unforeseen develops like a new terribly virulent infectious strain, we are not returning to those dark days when the pandemic raged with lockdowns, business and school closures, required masking, social distancing, and other mitigation measures. The apprehension of leaving our homes or attending gatherings is largely over.

Also, virulent viruses aren’t dumb. There is no advantage in killing their hosts. COVID-19 progressively evolved to be less virulent while becoming more infectious to boost spread, replication, and mutation to evade the immune system.

Ending the emergency designation doesn’t mean that the COVID threat is gone and that our situation is benign without consequences. Serious disease continues and people are still dying of COVID. The CDC reports that for most of 2024, between 1,000 and 2,500 people died weekly. Surges will undoubtedly continue with the seasons and with new variants that emerge.

Also remember that COVID is an unusual virus which causes “long COVID” especially in the unvaccinated or in those with repeated infections. The long-term debilitating symptoms include cardiopulmonary complications, fatigue, migraines, and cognitive deficits. The CDC reported in March 2024 that

17.6 percent of Americans have ever experienced long COVID; 6.8 percent currently.

So, how should you proceed?

Use mitigation strategies prudently. Consider masking in crowded indoor places, public transportation and airplanes, and large gatherings, especially when COVID cases have escalated.

Keep current on COVID vaccinations. The new 2023-2024 booster formulation introduced last fall is CDC-recommended now if you never received COVID vaccinations or this booster. If you are 65 and older or immunocompromised, even if boosted last fall, receive an additional booster now. A new booster formulation recommended for most people is anticipated for the fall.

Vaccination greatly reduces the risk of severe disease and long COVID. The politicalization of COVID compounded with vaccine disinformation, vaccine hesitancy, complacency, and resistance are unfortunate. The Kaiser Family Foundation reports that only 20 percent of adults have received the 2023-2024 booster. Societal immunity can wane, giving the virus the opportunity to thrive.

If you are sick, at least follow the newest CDC recommendations and stay home until afebrile for 24 hours and symptoms improving. Then, mask for at least five days and limit close contact with others. The CDC dropped specific isolation periods and testing recommendations in an attempt to treat COVID like other viral respiratory viruses as a group uniformly.

I believe the new recommendations, although easier to follow and more understandable, are flawed. People will go out while still infectious, including those infected but never displaying symptoms. COVID is much more dangerous than other respiratory viruses, lacks seasonality, is still evolving, and can produce disabling persistent long COVID symptoms.

COVID is here to stay for the foreseeable future. Be reasonably cautious.

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You can help eliminate Veteran suicide in Hamilton County

Submitted by Hamilton County Veterans Service Office

The ‘Stronger Veterans, Stronger Communities’ Coalition on the Prevention of Suicide in Service Members, Veterans, and their Families and Caregivers has been a collaborative effort since late 2021 to reduce the number of veteran suicides in Hamilton County.

Under the umbrella and leadership of A Healthier Hamilton County: Systems of Care, anyone is welcome to join the Coalition who is interested in preventing suicide. Members include veteran-serving organizations, non-profits, local government, and other entities throughout the county including volunteers and veterans and service members themselves.

The coalition has teamed up with the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs (IDVA) and will be launching the Governor’s Challenge to fight suicide among Veterans here in Hamilton County. We are working collaboratively to leverage all resources for our service members, veterans, and their families to bring meaning and value to their lives.

We plan to do this through three the Pillars of the Governor’s Challenge:

1. Identifying the service members, veterans, and their families and caregivers

2. Connecting them to resources no matter the level of need.

3. Promoting safety for those in a suicidal crisis

How will we do all this? We need everyone’s help!

The Ask The Question Initiative is part of the Governor’s Challenge and has become part of our Plan in Hamilton County. Five local entities have partially launched our Pilot Group and we plan to close that gap soon. We will then promote the initiative to the community, asking that any person-serving organization go through the Ask The Question Initiative process.

The key to Ask The Question is changing how we identify Service Members, Veterans, and their Families and Caregivers in our county. We encourage and will help organizations change their current identification question to the more inclusive “Have you or a family member ever served in the U.S. Military?” If the answer to that broader question is yes, the person will be provided with a QR code that will start the process of linking them to resources.

There are a myriad of resources available for those who are serving, have served, or are related to or caring for someone who was/is in the U.S. Military. The Ask The Question Initiative will help those folks link to helpful resources from the multi-

ple Dimensions of Wellness and Social Determinants of Health. As we know, mental health is impacted by other aspects, and stressors, of our lives. As we identify those in or adjacent to the military and connect them to resources, the community, and one another, potential suicidal crises decrease.

We have built a team and grown alongside the Governor’s Challenge with the IDVA, who we recently requested funding to further our projects in here Hamilton County. We were encouraged to think BIG with our ideas and include those organizations that currently serve our Military Veteran community to incorporate their ideas in our 12- to 24-month strategic plan. This plan will include our Coalition working hand in hand with many community partners to reach our Military and Veterans who are not connected. We will introduce them to those who will get them their benefits and resources they have earned, helping them be more connected thus building stronger Veterans through stronger communities.

The more we all know about where to get the benefits and resources we need to address our issues/needs the stronger more connected we all will be!

Speaking of resources, our partner, the Hamilton County Veterans Corp

(HCVC) is hosting a Hamilton County Community Resource Fair on July 20 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Noblesville Schools Community Center, 1775 Field Drive at the north end of the stadium at Noblesville High School.

This resource fair is not just for our Military Veteran Community (MVC), it’s for all our Hamilton County neighbors! Sure, maybe 30 resources are specific for our MVC, but there will be over 85 resources setup inside and outside the community center to help us all live a more fulfilled life right here in Hamilton County. Bring a Veteran, bring a neighbor!

If you are interested in learning more about how you can work with the ‘Stronger Veterans, Stronger Communities’ Coalition to prevent suicide in Hamilton County’s service members and veterans, email kludeker-seibert@hamiltoncountypohc.org.

If you are a Veteran or Active Military and wish to become a member of the Hamilton County Veterans Corp, please send an email to secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com so you, too, may help us help our MVC. Our dues is only \$25 per month and we meet the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Fishers American Legion, 9091 E. 126th St., in the big American Room.

See you there!

Unique ways to bring joy to your workplace

We’ve done quite a bit of talking about food, which is probably making you just as hungry as it is me. Sometimes people’s diets are so challenging that food isn’t even an option. Or maybe you want to add some more fun to those yummy celebrations.

Can you sing? This is probably one of the more “out there” ideas in this series, but sometimes I’ll make up a song for someone. Most of the time it’s to the tune of a popular song.

For example, I went all “Weird Al” on my coworker Jayme and turned the popular Aerosmith song “Janie’s Got a Gun” into “Jayme’s Got a Bun.” She often styled her long blonde hair into a striking, professional looking bun. Jayme loved it!

You can sing to someone individually, or if you’re brave and/or crazy like me, you can sing to them when everyone is gathered. I’m talking about going beyond the typical “Happy Birthday to You” song, people. This is where you can be bold!

Just make certain the person won’t be embarrassed by



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all the attention. And don’t worry if your singing isn’t perfect. Come on, look at the popularity of all those karaoke places!

I also like to sing a special song to someone on their voicemail. This is particularly great when they are away on a business trip and not around for their actual birthday. Or when I’m not in the office for some reason. Or when I just want to sing to someone and not have everyone in the world hear it.

The advantage to a voicemail song is they can keep it if they like and play it back when they need to be cheered up in the future.

Remember my silly email poems? You could also recite a fun poem to someone during a gathering over food, one on one, or on voicemail. The weirder the better. And don’t fret about perfection here. Your sixth-grade English teacher isn’t going to come around and slap you for rhymes that don’t quite work or the incorrect iambic pentameter.

You don’t even have to

make up a poem. Just hop online. The Poetry Foundation has over 40,000 poems you can choose from. PoemHunter.com has poetry from all over the world. And NetPoets.com enables you to search for poems by keyword. Their poetry map helps you find different types of poems, and the Poetry Buffet category has humorous, holiday, and special occasion poems.

Maybe singing and poetry are well beyond your comfort zone. How about decorating someone’s workspace for a special occasion? This can take as little as five minutes or as long as 45. For this category, I rely once again on the dollar store. You can get streamers, balloons, and other fun doodads at a reasonable cost. I like to stock up once a year, so I always have decorations on hand.

This is another area where you must proceed with caution. Most people will love coming in to work to see their special day recognized with decorations. If you know the person well and are certain they’ll love all kinds of crazy decorations, go for it. If not, it’s best to be on the safe side and go with some simple balloons and streamers.

No matter what, make certain your decorations don’t hamper their work efforts. You don’t want the birthday person spending a half hour undoing your efforts just so they could get to their desk when they’re approaching a big deadline.

Sometimes you don’t have to spend a dime to perfectly decorate someone’s office, cubicle, or locker. I put small rocks from rock wall from home on a different boss’s desk. Ginger was a self-proclaimed “rock hound” – an amateur geologist.

When I realized I would be out of the office on Boss’s Day due to a vacation, I stayed a few minutes late one Friday. Since Boss’s Day was the following Monday, I placed various rocks around her desk along with a table tent sign that simply said, “You ROCK as our boss!” I smiled when I got her voicemail of appreciation on my cell phone while strolling through Epcot with my family that Monday!

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LONELY

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Being disabled can feel very isolating. Making those connections with others who understand is important to bringing about a balance in my life. That rings true for anyone feeling any kind of loneliness. When you can connect with those who understand, it fills your cup and reignites your confidence.

Yesterday, I was at a grocery store and loading up my car. A woman approached me and asked if she could take my cart for me. I thanked her and told her how helpful that is to me. Our conversation eventually revealed that she also has family members living with Muscular Dystrophy. I

was feeling alone and isolated when she approached me. There had been a woman in the store who wasn’t kind to me. I’m so grateful she took the time to offer kindness. It really turned things around for me.

I am just in awe of how the human connection works to relieve loneliness and hurt. It’s incredibly powerful and healing.

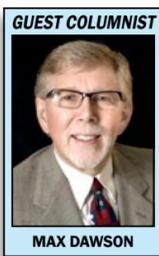
Until next time ...
Amy Shinneman is a former National Ambassador for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, disability blogger, wife, and mom of two boys. You can find her blog at humblycourageous.com and reach her on Instagram @ashinneman.

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— Good news from Stony Creek Church of Christ —

Why do bad things happen to good people?

Editor's note: This month's column from Stony Creek Church is by Max Dawson, who currently lives in Beaumont, Texas. He lived and preached in Noblesville for many years in the late '60s and early '70s.



MAX DAWSON

bad things come upon them. By contrast, Solomon observes that there are wicked men who receive what ought to go to good men. He recognized that life is often unjust and unfair.

So, the problem of bad things happening to good people is not a new problem. It is as old as the Bible and something that nearly every Bible writer wrestled with at one time or another.

Is it right for us to ask questions about injustice?

Indeed, it is right! Many Bible writers asked the same questions that we may have.

Job couldn't understand why so many bad things befell him (Job 30:26-27).

As the author of Ecclesiastes, King Solomon seemed to be constantly troubled by the injustice that he saw (Ecclesiastes 3:16).

Abraham believed it was an injustice if God destroyed the good along with the bad at Sodom. God did not condemn him for asking this. This text is more than Abraham merely asking questions. The last line of that quotation is an expression of Abraham's confidence in God that He would do right. God is not the author of injustice.

Even the great King David wondered about injustice in our present world. In Psalm 10, David was distraught and disturbed. It appeared to him that God was just letting bad people get away with sin. He even wondered if God was hiding Himself while these evil men went about doing their dastardly deeds! The

psalm, however, concludes with David expressing confidence in God, that He will indeed do justice and vindicate the oppressed (Psalm 10:14-18).

The solution to the problem of injustice

We need to trust God and think long-term.

Let us think again about the case of Asaph in Psalm 73. By looking to God's answer, Asaph learned that the injustice was only temporary; it will not prevail long-term. And what about King David? He seemed to blame God for the injustice done to him, or at least thought that God was doing nothing to help him (Psalm 10:1-18). David was wrong in his assessment. God did hear his prayer and David eventually admitted that. The real problem was one of time. David (like us) wanted relief immediately. Think-long term!

Job's case bears out the value of seeing the big picture. Job suffered greatly but look at the end of the matter. In Job 42:12-13, we learn that "the LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; for he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, one thousand yoke of oxen, and one thousand female donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters." In His time, God took care of Job and brought him great blessing. That, of course, was the earthly outcome. But we look for more.

In eternity, all outcomes will be good for the righteous. In Revelation 6:9-10, the righteous had suffered terribly under the hand of wicked oppressors. They are pictured as "under the altar," indicating that their lives had been sacrificed for the

cause of Christ. They wondered "how long" it would be until God brought justice to them and to their cause? But Revelation 20:4 portrays those same souls as victorious. Their cause has been vindicated. Truly, the words of Revelation 14:13 have application to all those who suffer for the cause of Jesus, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them." We look for that time of blessing.

Viewpoint is important. We often don't see a thing in its true nature until we have seen it from all sides. Don't take a short-sighted view of the bad things that happen in life. See all that happens to us in view of eternity.

We can't answer all the questions that can be raised about bad things happening to good people. But we can answer with assurance that it is right to be a person of faith and righteousness. No matter what life brings, God ultimately takes care of His own. He will take care of you if you belong to Him.

A final text: "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths" (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Visitors are welcome and valued. We meet at 15530 Herriman Blvd., Noblesville. Our phone number is (317) 219-5852. We meet for Sunday morning Bible Study at 10 a.m. and have classes for all ages. Worship begins at 11 a.m. and we have a Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 p.m. A warm welcome awaits!

Tao of flexibility

"The stiffest tree is most easily cracked, while bamboo or willow survives by bending with the wind."
— Bruce Lee

Although Bruce Lee succumbed at the early age of 32 (widely speculated that it was due to a reaction to prescription medication, although the coroner stated result was due to brain edema) he was internationally acclaimed as the premier martial arts professional of his time, and still today.

Lee was adamant about the necessity of muscular strength, muscular endurance, cardiovascular endurance, and flexibility – with "flexibility" being my topic today. For many people the increased use of technology has caused us to remain stationary making increased flexibility even more important in our quest for optimal mobility.

I firmly believe in the fundamental discipline of stretching for a healthy body. Stretching is critical to any sort of fitness regimen, and essential to a body's well-being. Many people are eager to get going on a fitness routine and would rather skip the important step of stretching, thinking it to be unnecessary.

Additionally, there is often confusion on which kind of stretching is best – static, dynamic, passive, active – all important elements of a good stretching routine. Stretching is not for "sissies" – a good, basic routine will provide an important component to a well-rounded workout program which also incorporates aerobic and strengthening activities. I like to think of stretching as something I have in common with Olympic athletes; because they ALL have stretching routines!

The practice of Yoga asanas, or poses, is very good for integrating the body parts most essential to stretching

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on a regular basis. Some people do not wish to participate in a Yoga class due to its Hindu roots and philosophy. However a good stretching class can accommodate those poses in a more generic way. I teach a "FlexAbility" class which incorporates my knowledge and experience in Yoga in a more physical way for those who wish to approach stretching in that manner.

From athletes to grandparents, all need to stay as flexible as possible to avoid injury and maintain mobility. Stretching reduces the tension in your muscles, increases your strength, lubricates your joints, refreshes your body, relaxes your mind, improves posture, and helps your digestive system.

For those who spend much of their time at a desk or in front of a computer, stretching is essential to their well-being and in carrying out daily activities. Extreme stretching and incorporating bouncing as you stretch is unnecessary and can lead to injury. A common-sense approach will yield the results you are looking for, keeping you limber, energetic, and strong. Check out local classes at a fitness facility, library, or community center soon, as well as availability of books and DVDs (again check with your local library) to get you started and can give you valuable information on anatomy which also may be helpful to you.

As with any change in your physical routine it is always good to begin with a check-up and "all clear" from your physician. Stay flexible!

Sharon McMahon, CNWC
The opinions expressed in this article are not intended to replace advice of your personal physician or licensed health professional. Please consult your physician for any issues you may have related to nutrition or fitness activity.

The Picture Has Changed

For some time, each ad has included a picture of the building where we meet. However, that is not the church -the people are. With that in mind our ad will now include a picture of "the church" – the people. We invite you to come visit with the church at Stony Creek. You will be warmly greeted, treated with respect, and highly valued. We can benefit from you, and you can benefit from us. Let's search the Scriptures together and come to understand God's Word more completely.

We meet at 15530 Herriman Blvd. in Noblesville. Our building is behind the doctor's office and at the stop sign.

At the **Stony Creek Church of Christ**, we assemble on Sundays and Wednesdays to seek a better understanding of Jesus and His ways. You are encouraged and invited to join us for those studies or call for a private study.



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Steven J. Pflug

January 8, 1966 – May 18, 2024

Steven J. Pflug, 58, Noblesville, died on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville. He was born on January 8, 1966, to Milburn James and Carol Ann (Stricker) Pflug.

Steven graduated from Hamilton Heights High School in 1984. He was an industrious worker having several jobs over many years, but most recently working in the restaurant field. He proudly served his country as a military reservist for several years. He participated in few activities as he did what he needed to in order to get along and make ends meet.

He is survived by his brother, Mike Pflug of Atlanta, and nephew Alex Raquet and niece Michelle Raquet. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Rebecca Raquet.

The family has chosen a time to gather and remember Steven from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29 at Young-Nichols Funeral Home in Tipton, with a memorial service to begin at 7 p.m.

Young-Nichols Funeral Home is honored to serve the Pflug family. Words of encouragement and condolences may be left online at young-nichols.com on Steven's obituary page.

Laurie Ann Lacey

February 5, 1972 – May 21, 2024

Laurie Ann Lacey, 52, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at her home. She was born on February 5, 1972, in Noblesville.

Laurie loved shopping at Goodwill. She enjoyed collecting things, like stickers and coloring pages.

She is survived by her mother, Juliann Lacey; sister, Jennifer Lacey; nieces, Amber and Savannah Scalf; nephew, Neelix Scalf; and uncle, Bill (Pat) Spurling.

She was preceded in death by her father, Clifford Leon Lacey.

The Lacey Family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Homes with Laurie's care.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Kathleen A. Voss

July 3, 1951 – May 23, 2024

Kathleen A. Voss, 72, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at Reid Health in Richmond, Ind. She was born on July 3, 1951, to Mike and Kathleen (Frost) Heinzmann in Westfield.

Kathy was a faithful Christian, who loved her family. She was a kind and caring person and will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her sons, Shawn Voss, Chris Voss, and David (Ann) Voss; and former husband, Charles "Mike" Voss.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Visitation took place on Saturday, May 25, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Burial was at Summit Lawn Cemetery in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to Radiant Christian Life, 16162 Carey Road, Westfield, IN 46074.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Donald L. McKinsey

September 10, 1933 – May 18, 2024

Donald L. McKinsey, 90, Wilkinson, Ind., passed away on May 18, 2024, at Hancock Regional. He enjoyed a rewarding life, secured by his devoted family's love and gratitude. He was born in Hamilton County on September 10, 1933, to the late Cheever G. McKinsey and Ruth (Reed) Gascho.

Don was raised on his family's farm near Cicero. His parents divorced when he was just three years old. In spite of this and other adversities as a child, Don graduated early from high school and grew remarkably as a young adult through self-discipline. He discovered how fruitful life could be if he worked in earnest.

Don moved to Anderson as an adult, at first sharing tenancy with best friend, Raymond Coy. Ultimately Raymond (with wife Lena) introduced Don to his future bride, Miss Bonnie Kerry, formerly of Butler County, Pa. Don and Bonnie married in 1957, sharing 62 years mainly in the Wilkinson area until 2019, when Bonnie passed away.

Donald worked at Guide Lamp in Anderson for over 42 years, retiring in 1996. Thereafter he became very active in OEM auto parts specializing in rare spark plugs of every variety. This pastime bestowed on him a top-ranked reputation across the U.S. for two decades by collectors.

Donald is survived by son, Barry (Kristina) McKinsey of Greenfield; two daughters, Tawnya Ashley (Carlo Moore) and Denise (Daniel) Stone, both of Anderson; four grandchildren, Sharla (Jordan) Matthews, Benjamin (Joanna) Ashley, Kenda (Nitin) Bhatia, and Jeremiah "Jace" Ashley; five great-grandchildren; sister, Linda Jones of Indianapolis; sister-in-law, Brenda Gascho of Noblesville; nephew, Scott (Keri) Gascho; niece, Melody (Jonathon) Harvey; and his beloved dog, Dutchess.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Bonnie; son, Cory Ross McKinsey; brother, Herbert Gascho, Jr.; and nephew, John M. Gibbs.

Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2024, at Condo & St. Pierre Funeral Home, 130 S. Main St., Wilkinson, Ind. Services will begin at noon on Saturday, June 1, 2024, at the funeral home with burial thereafter at McCray Cemetery. Pastor Gary Cable will officiate.

In lieu of flowers please consider a memorial contribution to the Hancock County Humane Society.

Condolences: stpierrefamilyfuneral.com

Gloria G. Bayer

January 9, 1936 – May 21, 2024

Gloria G. Bayer, 88, Westfield, passed away on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at Five Star Residences of Noblesville. She was born on January 9, 1936, to "Red" Starling and Montene (Miller) Gower in Judsonia, Ark.

Gloria was an accountant for the U.S. Customs Department. She enjoyed playing piano, knitting/crocheting, and making cards. Most of all, Gloria loved spending time with her grandson.

She is survived by her daughters, Felecia Bayer and Candace Korklewski; and grandson, Jayden Korklewski.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Phillip Bayer; and brother, JW Gower.

Visitation took place Friday, May 24, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with an Eastern Star Service following. Burial was at Summit Lawn Cemetery in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to ALS Association of Indiana, P.O. Box 56023, Indianapolis, IN 46256 (webin.alsa.org).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Douglas Gene King

September 16, 1957 – May 17, 2024

Douglas Gene King, 66, passed away on Friday, May 17, 2024. He was born on September 16, 1957, to Donald and Marilyn King at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville.

Doug worked in hydraulic machinery repair in Indianapolis. His employment included ProPack in Indianapolis, K Specialties, and his own company of King Machinery.

Doug received transplants of a kidney and a pancreas on March 11, 2004, at IU Hospital in Indianapolis. The transplants were very successful in sustaining his body for another 20 years.

Doug is survived by mother, Marilyn (Miller) King; daughter, Catherine (Ben) Schroeder; grandson, Maxwell Schroeder; sister, Nannette (Conan) McDonald; brother, Greg (Angela) King; nieces and nephew, Kelsey (Daniel) Racke, Alicia King (Gage) Lewis, and Kyle (Rachel) McDonald; and great-nieces and great-nephews, Ransom McDonald, Bonnie Lewis, and Gus Lewis.

Visitation and services were held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Interment followed at Crownland Cemetery, Noblesville.

Heartfelt thanks to Sunrise Senior Living of Carmel and Harbour Manor of Noblesville for Doug's care through the years.

Also, heartfelt thanks to Care Hospice of Carmel, specifically Jessica and Josie, who served Doug faithfully for four years.

Donations are appreciated to Indiana Donor Network Foundation/Angel Fund (indianadonornetwork.org).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Louella Sampson

May 7, 1927 – May 21, 2024

Louella Sampson, 97, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at Five Star Residences of Noblesville. She was born on May 7, 1927, to Irvin and Hazel (Fisher) Alexander in Clinton County, Ind.

Louella worked for 17 years for Corner Drug Store in Noblesville and had many other jobs throughout her life. She was baptized at First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville. Louella worked with the Girl Scouts and in cosmetics and was always taking care of others.

She is survived by her grandsons, Greg (Lisa) Stice and Chris Stice; sister, Virginia (Herschel) Lewis; brother, Larry (June) Alexander; and several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Louella was preceded in death by her spouse, Sib S. Sampson; daughter, Judy Stice; and several brothers and sisters.

Private family burial will be held at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville, IN 46060; by calling (317) 770-4400; or online myhamiltoncountyparks.com.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Ronald B. Shankland Sr.

January 19, 1936 – April 28, 2024

Ronald Shankland Sr., Manteno, Ill., gently passed away on Sunday, 28 April 2024, at his son's home in the presence of loved ones.

Ron Sr. was a loving father, father-in-law, grandfather (Bopah), great-grandfather, and dear friend to so many in his community.

Born in Newton, Iowa, on January 19, 1936, during a terrible blizzard, Ron was one of four children born to Vern and Gyneth (Wisely) Shankland. His parents and sisters, Jacquelyn Williams and Jo Dee Caliendo, preceded him in death. Sadly, Ron was also preceded in death by his middle son, Ralph Shankland.

Surviving are his sons, Ron Jr. (Michelle) Shankland of Bellevue, Neb., and John (Amy) Shankland of Noblesville, Ind. He leaves six granddaughters, Tyffini (Chad) Dalton of Lincoln, Neb.; Ashley (Josh) George and Amanda Shankland Harper of Parson, Kan.; Jessica (Chris) Mioton of Nashville, Tenn.; Joyce (Daniel) Golden of Fort Scott, Kan.; and Maggie Shankland of Kankakee, Ill. He leaves two grandsons, Jonathon Shankland and Jacob Shankland, both of Noblesville, Ind.

Ron has 18 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his younger brother, John Shankland, of Paw Paw, Ill.

Ron graduated from Batavia High School, Class of 1953, in Batavia, Ill. He was especially proud of his time of honorable services in the United States Marine Corps from February 18, 1954, until February 17, 1957. He was a Field Artillery Fire Control Marine in the 3rd Armored Amphibian Company, 3rd Amtrac Battalion, 1st Marine Division (Reinforcement), Fleet Marine Force, Pacific. Ron was deployed to Korea as the Korean War ended and spent his time there on post where the Imjin River joins the Han River downstream of Seoul, South Korea. Semper Fi, Marine!

A Celebration of Life will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Central Time on June 22 at the Chatterbox Café in Bourbonnais, Ill.

Jane Teresa Story

May 16, 1950 – May 17, 2024

Jane Teresa Story, 74, Noblesville, passed away on Friday, May 17, 2024, in Noblesville. She was born on May 16, 1950, in Lee County, Va., the beloved daughter of Virgil and Estelle Stevens and cherished sister of Karen Humphrey and Janice Stevens.

Jane devoted her life to her family, pouring her love and energy into raising her two daughters, Carrie Elaine Story and Jennifer Brooke Story. The true joys of her life were her grandchildren – Aiden, Ava, and Austin – whom she lovingly cared for throughout their childhoods. The bond she shared with them was extraordinarily special and unforgettable.

She leaves behind her devoted husband of 54 years, Robert Glen Story. Although Jane and Glen were quiet and private individuals, their marriage was a testament to enduring love and partnership. They shared a beautiful life together, marked by mutual respect and unwavering support, and their home in Noblesville was a place of warmth and happiness.

Jane was an exceptional mother, an immaculate homemaker, and a role model to all who knew her. Her integrity, kindness, and dedication made her irreplaceable. Jane's legacy is one of love, strength, and steadfast devotion to her family.

She will be deeply missed by all who were fortunate enough to know her.

Private family services will be held with burial at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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Sheridan Elementary Carnival: a fun-filled community tradition

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

The Sheridan Elementary School (SES) Carnival, an annual event sponsored by the school's supportive PTO, was a resounding success this year, drawing record attendance.

Blessed with beautiful weather, the event provided a perfect backdrop for families and students to come together and celebrate the end of the school year.

Principal Valerie Roberts highlighted the importance of the event.

"The Annual SES Carnival, sponsored by our outstanding PTO, is our year-end thank you for our students and families," she said. "Students were free!"

The carnival featured a variety of food trucks offering delicious options to attendees, and special thanks go to the Lions Club for serving up hamburgers and drinks. The Sheridan Fire Department added excitement by filling the dunk tank, which became a popular attraction.



Photos provided by Sheridan Community Schools
(ABOVE LEFT) Fifth graders Kyla Rose and Keeley Carrico smile for the camera as they take a quick break from playing games. **(ABOVE RIGHT)** Fifth grader Simone Baker won the art supply basket.

Attendees enjoyed a range of activities, including numerous games, face painting, a cake walk, and a photo booth. The event was further enhanced by the efforts of wonderful youth and parent volunteers who helped make the day run smoothly.

A highlight of the car-

nival was the fantastic Silent Auction, which drew significant interest and participation. All the money raised from the event will go right back to Sheridan Elementary School to support events for the 2024-2025 school year.

The SES Carnival not

only provides a fun-filled day for students and their families but also strengthens the sense of community within the school. It stands as a testament to the dedication and hard work of the PTO and the generous support from volunteers and local organizations.



Photo provided
(From left) Megan Wiles, Melinda Nash, Desi Payne, Mary Jane Polsgrove, and Polly Craig.

Nearly \$65K awarded at Riverview Health Foundation's Women of Vision luncheon

The REPORTER

The Riverview Health Foundation held its 20th annual Women of Vision Luncheon on April 25 with over 340 attendees hearing from speaker Desi Payne on the "Incredible Power of Laughter," as well as the impact of the Women of Vision Giving Club and its grants for 2024. The 2024 Women of Vision Luncheon Diamond sponsor was CarDon & Associates.

Megan Wiles, Vice President of Foundation and Community Affairs for Riverview Health, shared with the attendees that total grants awarded to Riverview Health departments

servicing women and children throughout the Women of Vision Giving Club program has provided more than \$700,000. Thirteen grants were awarded to seven departments at Riverview Health in 2024, totaling \$64,600 to support programs for new moms and babies, women going through breast cancer and other cancer-related illness and much more.

For more information about the recipients, go to tinyurl.com/2024WOVgrants. To learn more about the WOV Giving Club, visit riverview.org/women-of-vision-giving-club.

More remains identified in ongoing Fox Hollow Farm investigation

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Coroner Jeff Jellison has announced the identification of more human remains originally recovered in 1996 from Fox Hollow Farm in Westfield, the former home of Herb Baumeister.

Through an extensive forensic genetic genealogy investigation conduct-

ed by the FBI and the Hamilton County Coroner's Office, the remains were identified as Jeffrey A. Jones.

Jones was reported missing August 1993.

His last known address



Jellison

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Jones is the third person to be identified from Coroner Jellison's renewed investigation into the more than 10,000 remains recovered at Fox Hollow Farm.

According to Jellison,

investigators have four additional DNA profiles that have not yet been identified, bringing the total number of victims to 12. The four unidentified DNA profiles will also be sent to the FBI for genetic genealogy



Jones

investigation.

"Because many of the remains were found burnt and crushed, this investigation is extremely challenging; however, the team of law enforcement and forensic specialists working the case remain

committed,"

Coroner Jellison said. "A special thanks goes to the very talented and hardworking people at the FBI, Indiana State Police Laboratory, Dr. Krista Latham of the Biology & Anthropology Department at the University of Indianapolis, and DNA experts from Texas based Othram Laboratory."



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Softball

Royals topple Millers for sectional crown

By **RICHARD TORRES**
For The Reporter

CARMEL – The Class 4A Hamilton Southeastern Royals didn't just pass the test last Saturday afternoon. They aced it.

With two days prior to the Sectional 8 championship at Cherry Tree Softball Complex, head coach Emily Pusti and the 12th-ranked Royals hit the books at practice.

Add in a delay following last Friday's title game postponement due to rain, and the Royals were arguably experts on their opponent, and it showed, as HSE toppled Noblesville, 5-2, for its first sectional title since 2017.

"We took time to break Noblesville's game down and prepare ourselves since Wednesday," Pusti said. "I feel like that really helped us keep level."

Knowledge was indeed power for the Hoosier Crossroads Conference champion Royals (21-4), who won their seventh straight game to complete the season sweep of Noblesville, who they also beat, 5-4 in 11 innings, during the regular season.

In the rematch, senior Reese Garland supplied the offense with a pair of home runs, while sophomore ace Grace Swedarsky was just as devastating, pitching 7.0 innings with 12 strikeouts, two walks and two runs allowed over seven hits.

Swedarsky struck out 15 Millers in the first meeting through 10.0 innings, and this time, she faced only two setbacks – an RBI single by senior Gabby Fowler in the

bottom of the third and an RBI groundout by Addi Emmerson in the sixth.

A year ago, Swedarsky stormed onto the scene, striking out 242 batters in 119.2 innings pitched with a 12-5 record and a 1.35 ERA.

The Royals reached the sectional title game last year with Swedarsky in the circle but lost to Westfield, 1-0, which fueled HSE's motivation to finish the job this spring.

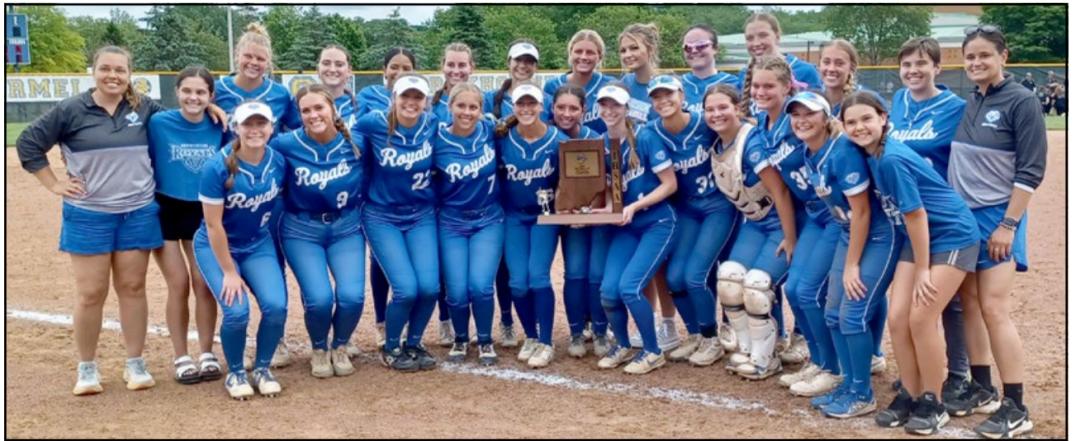
"I learned a lot last year, especially being a freshman. It was learning from your mistakes and applying them this year," Swedarsky said. "It was on the back of everyone's minds. We didn't want to repeat what we did last year."

Instead, the senior-laden Royals got their revenge, beating Westfield during the regular season, 3-0, and later, 6-0, in the sectional quarterfinals last Monday with Swedarsky striking out 12. Against Zionsville in the semifinals, Swedarsky struck out 17 for a no-hitter in a 2-0 victory.

After the final, she now has 205 strikeouts in 112.0 innings this season with a 1.19 ERA and a record of 13-2 to help HSE secure its 15th sectional title all-time and fourth in 11 years.

The key was consistency in all three phases, and a powerful swing by Garland.

With two outs, Garland (2-for-4) hit a solo shot over the left-center field fence to put HSE up 1-0 in the first. Her second bomb came with one out and one on base in the fifth, which further ce-



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Hamilton Southeastern softball team won its first sectional title since 2017 last Saturday, beating Noblesville 5-2 at Cherry Tree Softball Complex.

mented the Royals' momentum, 5-1.

"She's been working really hard at the plate. I know she's one that if the energy is high, she continues to ride on that energy, and it shows in the way she plays," Pusti said.

The Millers (16-11) struggled with Swedarsky, who limited the Millers to nine base runners, six stranded and four left in scoring position.

After Fowler's first hit in the bottom of the third, Swedarsky retired eight consecutive batters faced until Fowler's second single in the sixth.

"We worked on different things to try to be able to string together hits, and we had opportunities," Noblesville head coach Deke Bullard said. "We just couldn't take advantage of them."

The Millers had a chance in the bottom of the second following back-to-back sin-

gles by Emmerson (1-for-3) and Macie Duvall (1-for-3), but Swedarsky struck out two to end the threat.

In the third, a popped-up bunt attempt was turned for a double play by Garland that halted a potential rally after Fowler's RBI hit.

In both the sixth and seventh innings, Noblesville had a runner in scoring position, but Swedarsky simply stayed stoic.

"They're always kind of processing what their job is, so I think that's what helps them stay level-headed. And if not, they always have a teammate that's always got their back to kind of get them to where they need to be," Pusti said.

Garland, the offense and defense kept Swedarsky confident throughout.

"Every day at practice, we work on all of that," Garland said. "I'm really proud of the whole team."

The Royals had the bas-

es loaded three times in the top of the third, plating a run and a 2-0 lead behind Alex Kiemeyer's two-out, RBI walk.

Another run scored on an attempted pickoff throwing error at home plate in the top of the seventh that increased HSE's lead, 5-2. The final run unfolded on Addy Justice's (3-for-4) single up the middle.

HSE drew four walks, struck out five times and left four runners on base, including two in scoring position.

Noblesville competed without senior pitcher Claire Cullen and sophomore catcher Haley Schatko, who both were sidelined due to injuries.

"Not having Claire, without a doubt, hurt. She has been our go-to all season. She had a great senior year and not having her changes the game. Her velocity changes the game for us," Bullard said.

Lulu Van Beek started for the Millers, going 4.2 innings with three strikeouts, two walks and five hits allowed. The final knock surrendered was Garland's two-run home run in the top of the fifth.

Junior Emme Yee entered in relief and lasted 1/3 of an inning before freshman Addison Retzinger closed out the final two frames.

Noblesville was competing in its fifth sectional title game in eight seasons, winning in 2018, 2021 and 2022.

"The program is in a very good state from a standpoint of our expectation, which is to be in this game. That's what we've established as a program," Bullard said. "We had two injuries right before this game, and it literally showed how healthy our program is because it was just next person up."

Up next for the Royals is a regional showdown with Logansport at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at home.

Hamilton Heights defends sectional title, will face off against Beech Grove in regional play

By **RICHIE HALL**
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INDIANAPOLIS – The Hamilton Heights softball team successfully defended its Class 3A Sectional 27 championship last Thursday.

The Huskies traveled to host Bishop Chatard and beat a tough Trojans squad 7-5. Chatard had a 4-1 lead on Heights midway through the fourth inning, but the Huskies exploded for six runs in the bottom of the fourth and held the lead from there.

Playing as the home team, the Huskies got their first run in the bottom of the third inning. Addie Doak hit a sacrifice bunt to score Isabel Morrow. The Trojans then put up four runs in the top of the fourth, including a three-run center field hit from Meg Jennings.

"You can see the progress they made this year," said Heights coach Ken Olovich. "We've played them four times now in two years. It's hard to beat a well-coached team that many years in a row. They've improved so much, their pitching is healthy. They put some pressure on our defense and hats off to them. They played a great game."

Heights got its offense going in the fourth inning. Lily Roush reached second base on error, moved to third base on a passed ball, then scored when Kassidy Schakel hit a sacrifice fly. The Huskies loaded the bases, then Hailey Hall and Alexia Nickerson got home when Doak reached on error, tying the game at 4-4.

Lily Cash made the go ahead hit, sending a single into right field to bring in Morgan Ottinger and put Heights up 5-4. Hannah Dent brought Doak home with a center field hit, then Cash scored on a passed ball. With that, the Huskies led 7-4. Cash went 3-for-4 at the plate.

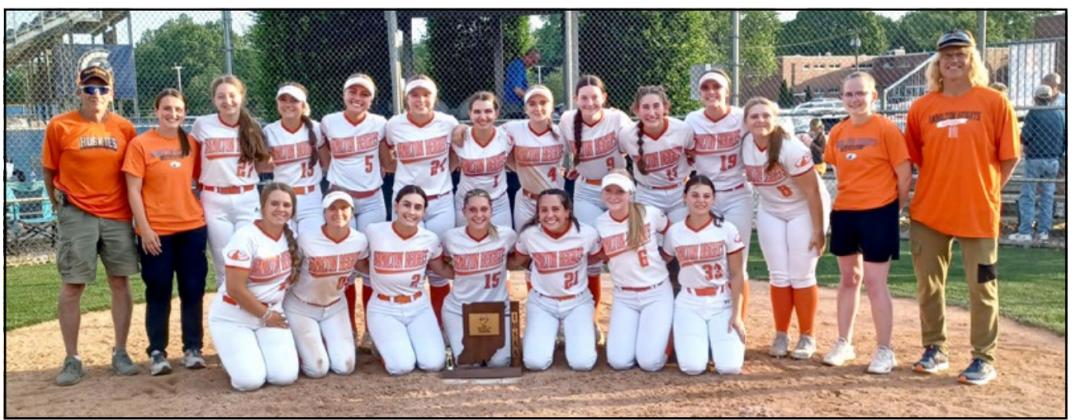
Olovich said that the Huskies' comeback right after the Trojans scored their runs is a "big difference" compared to where Heights was in the past.

"We believe that we can score anytime against anyone," said Olovich. "Two, three years ago, we'd get down and we'd wonder if we had enough offense to come back. We have an offense. I could bat 15 girls and I'm only allowed to bat nine. I have lots of hitting on this team, so we're never out of the ballgame."

The Trojans scored a run in the fifth inning, but that would be all. Roush struck out the side in the sixth inning, and after a couple runners got on base in the seventh inning, caught a pop out for the first out, induced a fly out to Dent in right field for the second out, then notched her 11th strikeout to finish the game.

Roush said that in the dugout, the team said "We're going to keep going, we're going to keep going. And we did, and we ended up winning, and I just had my teammates back the whole time and everyone had each other's back."

Roush retired the first nine batters she faced, includ-



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Hamilton Heights softball team defended its Sectional 27 championship last Thursday, beating Bishop Chatard 7-5 at the Trojans' field. It's the fifth sectional title for the Huskies and the second time they have won back-to-back sectional championships.

ing another striking out of the side in the second inning.

This marks the second time Heights has defended a sectional title: The Huskies

also went back-to-back in 2015 and 2016. Heights won its first sectional in 1986, so the program now has five sectional championships in total.

The Huskies are 21-7, extending their record for season wins. Heights will play in Regional 14 Tuesday, traveling to Beech Grove to

play for that championship. The Hornets won Sectional 28 last Wednesday with a 3-2 victory over Speedway in the title game.

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Girls Tennis

COUNTY-WIDE REGIONAL SWEEP

Rocks win first-ever title, Tigers & Hounds continue winning streak

By **RICHIE HALL**
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NOBLESVILLE – The Westfield girls tennis team’s season of firsts continued last week with the Shamrocks’ first ever regional and semi-state championships.

No. 16-ranked Westfield beat a tough No. 20 Delta team 4-1 to claim the school’s first tennis regional last Wednesday at the Noblesville High School tennis complex. All five of the matches were finished in straight sets, although the Eagles did give the Shamrocks a battle and Westfield coach Trudy Coler said her team “had to work really hard for it.”

“Delta’s a great team,” said Coler. “We played them earlier in the season, but that was the first match of the season. We know how tough a team they are, so we knew we had to come out and play well across the board at every position.”

No. 1 singles Isabella Norris was off the court quickly, winning her match 6-0, 6-0. Westfield’s other two singles players, No. 2 Juliette Grilliot and No. 3 Addi Kooi, picked up 6-2, 6-2 victories. In doubles, the Rocks’ No. 2 team of Brianna Saylor and Carlie Luko-

wiak won its match 6-4, 6-1. “I was really pumped up,” said Grilliot. “I just kept my feet moving. I was just staying focused.”

Coler said her team was “very fired up today,” and at the same time, the Shamrocks were relaxed.

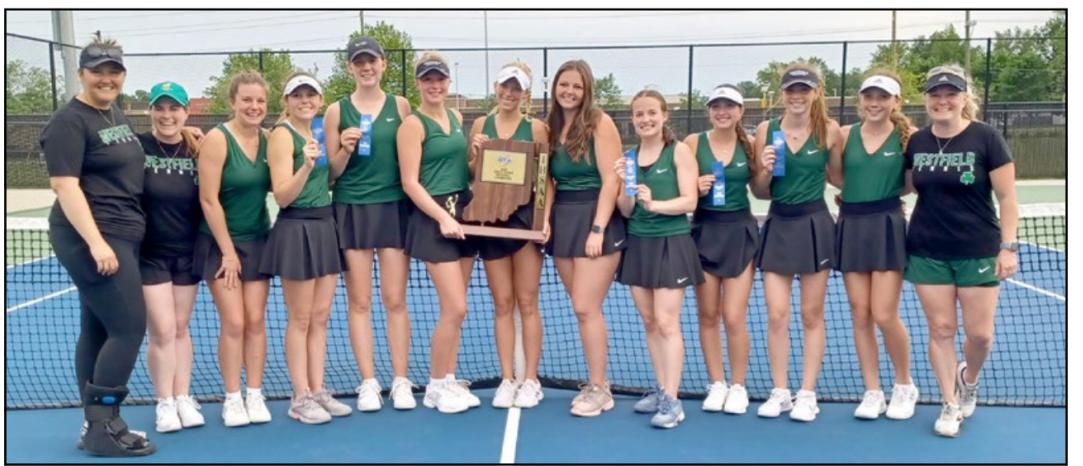
“I was really happy with their preparation of getting out there and not getting tight,” said Coler. “They tried to stay really loose and they tried to stay focused on what they needed to do.”

“Noblesville, Delta, they have great fans. It’s a really energetic atmosphere,” said Norris. “So, I think just staying controlled and one point at a time, and then pump yourself up and block out the rest of the noise.”

Semi-state wins for Rocks, Tigers

Westfield traveled to Homestead last Saturday to play the No. 26-ranked Spartans for the semi-state, and the Shamrocks easily won 5-0.

All five of the matches were decided in straight sets. In singles, Norris won 6-0, 6-3, Grilliot was victorious 6-1, 6-2 and Isla Harvey took the No. 3 match 6-4, 6-1. No. 1 doubles Jenna Berry and Bella Rivera won a tough match 7-5, 6-1, while No. 2 Bri Saylor and



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Westfield girls tennis team won its first-ever regional championship last Wednesday, beating Delta 4-1.

Carlie Lukowiak took their match 6-2, 6-1.

Westfield will play Fishers Friday in the state quarterfinals at Center Grove. The No. 2-ranked Tigers qualified for state for the fourth consecutive year by beating No. 13 Cathedral 3-2 at the Center Grove semi-state.

No. 1 singles Mischa Briggs won 6-0, 6-1; No. 1 doubles Caroline Ober and Cassie Maurer were 6-1, 6-0 winners and No. 2 doubled Meredith Ober and Emma Beehler got a 6-1, 6-1 victory. Fishers beat No. 18 and regional host Mount Vernon 4-1 last Wednesday for its fourth

consecutive regional crown.

The Tigers got all four of their regional wins in straight sets. In singles, No. 1 Mischa Briggs was a 6-1, 6-2 winner, and No. 3 Izzy Ireland was victorious 6-1, 6-1. In doubles, Caroline Ober and Cassie Maurer were 6-2, 6-1 winners and Meredith Ober and Emma Beehler won the No. 2 doubles match 6-3, 6-1.

Over at Lebanon, No. 7 Carmel swept Fountain Central 5-0 to win its 18th consecutive regional championship and 24th overall. The Greyhounds qualified for the Culver Academies semi-state but fell to No. 1

South Bend St. Joseph 4-1. No. 2 doubles Sydney Carroll and Brylie Price won the semi-state match for Carmel.

Individual results

Noblesville’s No. 1 doubles team of Lina Hamashuk and Cami Crist reached the final of the individual sectional title last week at the Millers’ tennis complex.

Hamashuk and Crist beat Winchester’s Brooklyn Friend and Mackenzie Meadows 6-0, 6-0 last Tuesday, then defeated Randolph Southern’s Sophi Chenoweth and Brianna Smith 6-0, 6-0 last Wednesday. The Noblesville team took

on Delta’s Kate Manor and Kelsey Vest last Thursday in the final, but fell in a three-set match 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (5).

At Lebanon, University’s Laurel Buttrick beat Lebanon’s Ava Lehmkuhler 6-4, 6-0 in the first round of the individual sectional last Tuesday. Buttrick lost to Zionsville’s Lucy King 6-3, 6-3 in the next round, finishing her season with a 15-6 record.

Guerin Catholic’s Anna Kolb and Katie Kolb won the individual sectional 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 over Park Tudor last Thursday. The Golden Eagles team will play at the La Porte regional on Saturday.

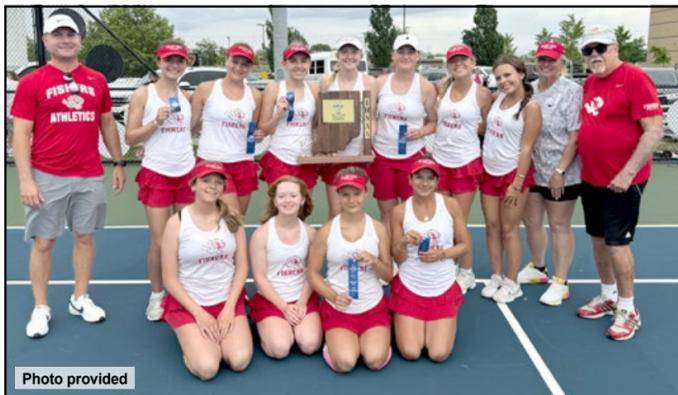


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(ABOVE LEFT) Fishers claimed its fourth consecutive title by beating regional host Mount Vernon 4-1. (ABOVE RIGHT) Carmel swept Fountain Central 5-0 to win its 18th consecutive regional title.

Boys Volleyball



Reporter photo by Julie Brown

Fishers senior volleyball player Gavin Hagerty sets the ball during the Tigers’ state semifinal match with Roncalli last Saturday at Hinkle Fieldhouse.

Tigers play in state final four, fall to Roncalli Royals

The REPORTER

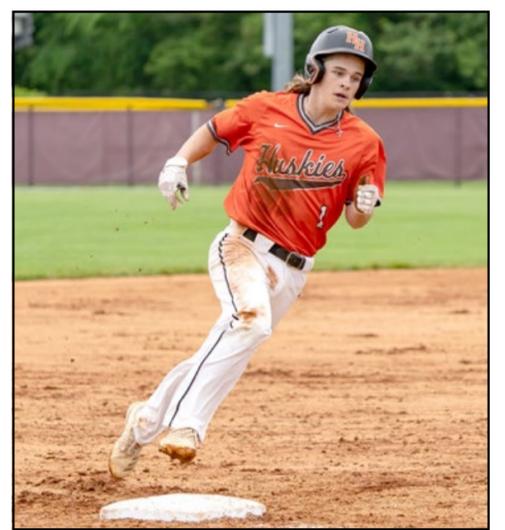
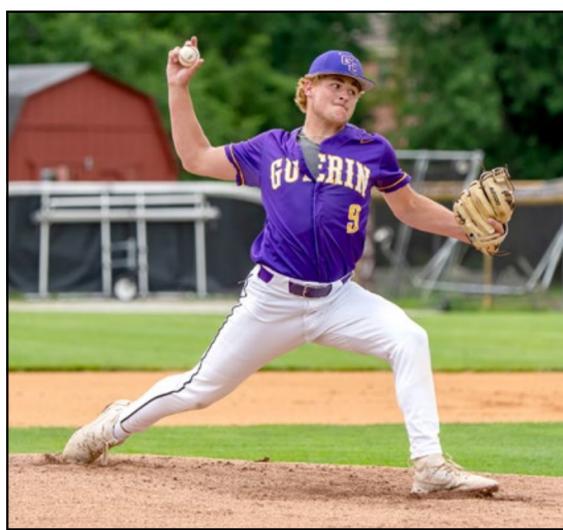
The Fishers boys volleyball team played in the last Indiana High School Volleyball Coaches Association state finals, which took place last Saturday at Butler University’s Hinkle Fieldhouse.

The Tigers played Roncalli in the state semifinals, falling to the Royals 25-12,

25-21, 25-19. Fishers was playing in the state’s final four for the seventh consecutive year.

Boys volleyball will become an IHSAA-sanctioned sport beginning with the 2024-25 school year. The IHSVCA had been conducting its state tournament since 1994.

Baseball



Reporter photos by Julie Brown

(ABOVE LEFT) Guerin Catholic’s Davis Wagner pitched a complete game and was 3-for-4 at the plate during the Golden Eagles’ Sectional 27 win over Hamilton Heights last Saturday. (ABOVE RIGHT) Hamilton Heights’ Phoenix Vondersaar had two hits for the Huskies.

Guerin Catholic gets 8-0 victory over Heights to open sectional play

The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic won an all-county Sectional 27 first-round game last Saturday, beating Hamilton Heights 8-0 at Brebeuf Jesuit.

The Class 3A No. 3 Golden Eagles scored runs in each of the first four innings. Ian Taylor got the first run in the first inning, scoring on a wild pitch. Guerin Catholic added four runs in the second

inning: Karson Smith and AJ Nunley hit singles, then Smith got home on Cuinn Morrow’s right field hit.

Nolan Ratcliff hit a sacrifice fly to bring Nunley in, then Taylor’s left field double scored Morrow. Bryson Dorsy sent Taylor home with a center field hit, and GC led 5-0.

Grant Beard scored a third inning run by getting home on a passed ball. Davis

Wagner batted in two runs in the fourth inning; his center field hit brought Ratcliff and Taylor home.

Wagner was 3-for-4 at the plate, hitting two doubles along with his two-RBI single. Smith finished with two hits and Taylor had a double. Wagner pitched a complete game, striking out nine against four hits.

Phoenix Vondersaar had

two hits for the Huskies, including a double. Dean Mason also hit a double, while Kyle Michael hit a single.

Heights finished its season 15-14. Guerin Catholic is 21-6 and plays Shortridge at noon Monday in the Sectional 27 semifinals, after a 10 a.m. game between Bishop Chatard and the host Braves. The championship game is scheduled for 7 p.m.

University shuts out Sheridan for sectional win

The REPORTER

University beat Sectional 43 host Sheridan 12-0 in five innings last Wednesday in opening-round play there.

The Trailblazers were the home team and scored in all four innings in which they batted. Jimmy Caldwell

hit a home run as part of a 3-for-3 night, while Mark Hamby smacked a two-run homer. Cooper Cammack also went 3-for-3, hitting a triple and two doubles for a total of five RBIs.

Jasper Owens hit a triple and Charlie Ranek had

a double; both totaled two hits. Caldwell scored three runs. Beckett Suh went four innings for the win, striking out eight and allowing one hit.

Caleb Alexander had the lone hit for the Blackhawks, who finished their season

14-12. University is 14-11-1 and plays Cascade at 10 a.m. Monday in the first of two sectional semifinal games. Covenant Christian takes on Riverside at noon in the second game, with the championship set for 6 p.m.

Girls Track & Field

Greyhounds claim regional trophy, several county runners qualify for state

The REPORTER

The Carmel girls track and field team won a tough regional championship last Tuesday.

The Greyhounds edged out Brownsburg and Hamilton Southeastern to claim the Lafayette Jefferson regional. Carmel scored 82 points to win its first team regional title since 2016 and its 11th overall.

In addition, the Hounds picked up two event wins. Emily Norris was first in the 200 dash with a time of 25.28 seconds. Freshman Emma Warner was victorious in a close high jump competition with Hamilton Heights' Waverly Woolever. Both cleared 5 feet, 5 inches; Warner got the win with less overall misses.

The top three finishers in each event advance to the state finals, which take place Friday at Indiana University. Norris also qualified for state in the 100 dash, where she finished second. Gabriela Grande Rosas advanced in the 400 dash and long jump, taking third in both, while Sadie Foley placed third in the 1600 run.

All three of those athletes joined Olivia Cebalo on the Greyhounds' second-place 4x400 relay team. Carmel's 4x800 relay team (Cebalo, Kara Wenzler, Annabel Pollert and Larkin Taylor) also placed second, so both relays advance to state.

Brownsburg was the team runner-up with 79 points, while Southeastern scored 78 points to place third. The Royals won

five events, including relay victories in the 4x800 (Maggie Powers, Addison Smith, Anissa Lammie and Elise Herman, 9:25.33) and 4x400 (Ciara Kepner, Smith, Lammie and Chloe Senefeld, 3:51.92.)

Powers won the 1600 run in 5:00.12, Lammie easily claimed the 400 dash in 55.58, over 2.5 seconds ahead of the standard. Kepner edged out Noblesville's Brinkley Cooper for first place in the 800 run by .03 seconds (2:15.48 to 2:15.51). Both runners are headed to state.

Elia Blackmore placed second in the 100 hurdles, qualifying for state along with HSE's event champions.

Noblesville placed fifth with 65 points. Hannah Alexander swept the throwing events, dominating the discus in 156 feet, 2 inches, then winning the shot put with a top throw of 44 feet, 6.75 inches.

Delaney Teachnor cleared 12 feet to win the pole vault. Both Millers are headed to state, along with Cooper and Summer Rempe in the 800 run. Rempe and Cooper were also part of Noblesville's third-place 4x800 relay, joining Riley Flynn and Gretchen Graham.

Fishers scored 47 points for sixth place. Maya Taylor was the 100 dash champion in 12.75 seconds, and joined Mireya Benjamin, Zinnia Pineda and Kylee Black to place second in the 4x100 relay and qualify for state. Macey Miller placed sec-



Photo courtesy Carmel Girls Track and Field

The Carmel girls track and field team won its first team regional championship in eight years last Tuesday at Lafayette Jefferson. The Greyhounds came out on top of a close competition, scoring 82 points and winning two events.

ond in the shot put to earn a place at state.

Westfield's Lucy Hauser won the 300 hurdles in a time of 45.06 seconds to qualify for state in that event. Woolever advanced to state in the high jump, as did Ella Ewing, who took third in the 100 hurdles.

In addition to the qualifiers by place and state standard times, there were several callbacks. Westfield's girls had four callbacks: Alivia Lozier in the 3200 run, Gracie Czubik in the high jump, Alexandra Hamilton in the pole vault, and the 4x400 relay.

Noblesville's Ansley Applegate received a callback in the 1600 run. Guerin Catholic's 4x800 relay received a callback, as did Southeastern's 4x100 relay.

Team scores: Carmel 82, Brownsburg 79, Hamilton Southeastern 78, Avon 68, Noblesville 65, Fishers 47, West Lafayette 37, Westfield 36, Zionsville 25, Monrovia 16,

Crawfordsville 14, Hamilton Heights 14, Harrison 13, Seeger 8, Plainfield 7, North White 6, Mooresville 6, Guerin Catholic 5, Tri-West 4, Danville 4, Benton Central 3, McCutcheon 2, Lebanon 2, Twin Lakes 2, Delphi 1.

4x800 relay: 1. Southeastern (Maggie Powers, Addison Smith, Anissa Lammie, Elise Herman) 9:25.33, 2. Carmel (Olivia Cebalo, Kara Wenzler, Annabel Pollert, Larkin Taylor) 9:28.73, 3. Noblesville (Riley Flynn, Brinkley Cooper, Gretchen Graham, Summer Rempe) 9:34.82, 5. Guerin Catholic (Katie Kolb, Brina Wolf, Bailey Freese, Claire Milam) 9:42.70, 7. Westfield (Jordyn Landrum, Liz Smith, Maggie Naas, Emily Loiselle) 9:42.93, 12. Fishers (Aaliyah Hayes, Allie Belush, Elise Bryan, Grier Swaim) 10:31.15.

100 hurdles: 2. Elia Blackmore (HSE) 15.45, 3. Ella Ewing (HH) 16.00, 4. Anna Williams (F) 16.09, 6. Faith Tchuente Folsco (C) 16.38, 9. Lucy Hauser (W) 17.18.

100 dash: 1. Maya Taylor (F) 12.75, 2. Emily Norris (C) 12.86, 6. Rebecca Berlangier (C) 13.05, 9. Mireya Benjamin (F) 13.10.

1600 run: 1. M. Powers (HSE) 5:00.12, 3. Sadie Foley (C) 5:01.84, 4. Ansley Applegate (N) 5:06.73, 6. Flynn (N) 5:16.93, 8. Olivia Mundt (C) 5:26.95, 12. Ava Powers 5:39.24.

4x100 relay: 2. Fishers (Benjamin, Zinnia Pineda, Kylee Black, Taylor) 47.97, 4. Southeastern (EJ Shults, Ava Kashani, Camryn McKinney, Chloe Senefeld) 48.95, 6. Noblesville (Mallory Cahill, Mya Baker, Kate Rollins, Maddie Coates) 49.68, 10. Heights (Norah Reiger, Lizzy Smith, Gracie Bortone, Waverly Woolever) 50.44, 11. Westfield (LeB- raya Warren, LeAsia Warren, Josie Vondersaar, Abbi Van Bibber) 50.66.

400 dash: 1. Lammie (HSE) 55.58, 3. Gabriela Grande Rosas (C) 56.99, 7. Cebalo (C) 58.23.

300 hurdles: 1. Hauser (W) 45.06, 5. Micaiah Bullock (HSE) 47.48, 8. Maija Gilhooly (C) 48.15, 9. Williams (F) 48.57, 10. Devyn Day (F) 48.75, 15. Blackmore (HSE) 56.46.

800 run: 1. Ciara Kepner (HSE) 2:15.48, 2. Cooper (N) 2:15.51, 3. Rempe (N) 2:15.69, 7. Isabella Murch (F) 2:20.17, 8. Kolb (GC) 2:20.55, Audrey Ricketts (C) 2:21.98, 11. Herman (HSE) 2:28.39.

200 dash: 1. Norris (C) 25.28, 4. Senefeld (HSE) 25.62, 7. Taylor (F) 26.39.

3200 run: 3. Butler (HSE) 11:01.57, 4. Alivia Lozier (W) 11:13.08, 6. Smith (W) 11:20.26, 7. Larkin Taylor (C) 11:30.33, 9. Nadia Perez (N) 11:43.65, 10. Kennedy Applegate (N) 11:46.47, 11. Milam (GC) 11:53.08.

4x400 relay: 1. Southeastern (Kepner, Smith, Lammie, Senefeld) 3:51.92, 2. Carmel (Grande Rosas, Foley, Cebalo, Norris) 3:55.34, 5. Westfield (Naas, Hauser, LeB. Warren, Landrum) 4:01.64, 7. Noblesville (Cooper, Coates, Rollins, Rempe) 4:02.78, 12. Heights (Reiger, Macie Smith, Bortone, Woolever) 4:08.32.

Discus: 1. Hannah Alexander (N) 156-2, 3. Macey Miller (F) 121-7, 5. Ellie Cooley (C) 120-2, 12. Amelia Kring (N) 105-5, 13. Mia Tobias (F) 103-6.

Shot put: 1. Alexander (N) 44-6.75, 2. Miller (F) 43-4, 7. Jada Henson (W) 37-10.5, 11. Katie Wooden (HSE) 36-4, 13. Nyla Young (N) 34-8.75.

Long jump: 3. Grande Rosas (C) 17-6.75, 5. Belanger (C) 17-3, 8. Gracie Czubik (W) 16-11.75, 15. Shults (HSE) 14-8.

High jump: 1. Emma Warner (C) 5-5, 2. Woolever (HH) 5-5, 5. Czubik (W) 5-2, T9. Mallory Kixmiller (F) 4-10; Smith (HH) 4-10, T15. Kori Dues (GC) 4-8; Maya McDonald (N) 4-8.

Pole vault: 1. Delaney Teachnor (N) 12-0, 3. Scarlett Olson (F) 11-6, 4. Alexandra Hamilton (W) 11-0, 7. Amelia Smith (N) 10-0, T9. Olivia Maynard (HSE) 9-6; Riley Williams (HSE) 9-6, 13. Paige Lemieux (W) 9-0.

Boys Track & Field

Royals win first regional title in 11 years

The REPORTER

For the first time in over a decade, the Hamilton Southeastern boys track and field team is a regional champion.

The Royals claimed their first regional trophy since 2013 last Thursday at the Lafayette Jefferson regional. Southeastern scored 89 points, won three events and also qualified 12 on to Saturday's IHSAA state finals at Indiana University.

Christian Ortiz was part of two Royals victories. He won the open 400 dash in a time of 48.44 seconds, then finished the meet by joining Hunter Hoefl, Jaxson Wanza and Michael Griffith to win the 4x400 relay. The four-some finished in a time of 3 minutes, 16.48 seconds.

Out in the field, Josiah Bird won the discus with a top throw of 177 feet, 8 inches. Southeastern also got an outstanding performance in the long jump, with three athletes qualifying for state in that event.

A school can enter three athletes in a post-season event as long as they all bettered the state standard during the regular season. The Royals' Dylan James, Blake Braden and Griffith all did just that, and they will all be advancing to state. James placed second with a best leap of 22

feet, 3.75 inches, Braden was fourth with 22 feet, 2.25 inches, and Griffith placed fifth with 22 feet, 2 inches. (The state standard is 22 feet, 0.25 inches.)

The top three athletes in each event, plus those outside the top three who reach the state standard, advance to state. Southeastern's Mason Alexander took third in the 100 and 200 dashes. Mason Schmitz placed second in the 800 run, Elijah Adams was third in the 300 hurdles and Connor Langsford took third in the pole vault. HSE's 4x100 relay team of Silas Newton, Chandler Weston, Liam Boyd and Alexander placed fourth but ran under the standard and will head to state.

Fishers was the team runner-up, scoring 73 points. The Tigers had five event wins, led by Tyler Tarter. The senior continued his hurdles dominance by winning the 110 race in 14.00 seconds and the 300 race in 36.17 seconds.

Matthew Kim paced the 800 run, winning in 1:52.77. Joel Gates was first in the shot put with a best throw of 62 feet, while JonAnthony Hall was the long jump champion with a best leap of 22 feet, 7.5 inches.

Gates also placed fourth in the discus, but was above

the standard and qualified for state. Fishers also got all three relays on to state: Tarter, Kim, Leo Morrow and Makell Wiggins were second in the 4x400, Declan Mohr, Wiggins, Bryson Slagle and Kim placed third in the 4x800, and Joe Syrus, Carsen Eloms, Hall and Tristan Capps were fifth in the 4x100, but ahead of the standard. The Tigers have nine qualifiers to state.

Carmel finished sixth as a team with 49 points. The Greyhounds got a 1-2 finish from Tony Provenzano and Kyle Grove in the 3200 run; Provenzano won the race in 9:00.35, with Grove clocking in at 9:02.95.

Carmel had seven qualifiers for state. Adom Quist placed second in the 110 hurdles while Theo Thurmond placed third in the discus. The Hounds had three more qualify by the state standard: Cole Taylor was fourth in the 400, the 4x800 relay team of Provenzano, Cooper Szotek, Kiefer Jay and Max Meisner were fifth, as was the 4x400 relay team of Taylor, Gabriel LaBoyteaux, Andrew Moss and Drew Grogan.

Noblesville got three qualifiers on to state, including two in the 1600 run. Caden Click won that event, finishing in 4:15.94, while Jack Strong took third place. The Millers'

4x800 team of Bradyn Livingston, Banner Barnes, Jack Shinneman and Jude Naville finished fourth but were under the state standard.

Westfield got two relays on to state. The Shamrocks' 4x800 squad of Maxim Poirier, Caleb Haney, Jack Loiselle and Will Snedeker took second place, while the 4x100 team of Caleb Terri, Deacon King, Cade Parker and Cato June finished sixth, but with a time of 42.30 seconds, under the state standard of 42.45 seconds.

Sheridan's Damon Winston won the high jump with a best leap of 6 feet, 6 inches, qualifying him for state. Hamilton Heights' Peyton McQuinn is also headed to state after winning the pole vault. McQuinn cleared 14 feet, 6 inches.

There were two callbacks to the state meet from the county. Sam Rinker received a callback in the 1600 run, as did Westfield's Alex Wilson in the pole vault.

Team scores: Hamilton Southeastern 89, Fishers 73, Avon 65, Harrison 56, Brownsburg 55, Carmel 49, Zionsville 39, Noblesville 35, Plainfield 22, Danville 20, Westfield 19, Mooresville 16.5, Hamilton Heights 15, Sheridan 10, McCutcheon 9, West Lafayette 8, Southmont 6, Twin Lakes 6, Carroll 5, Tri-West 4, Clinton Prairie 4, Crawfordsville 4, Lebanon 3.5, Cascade 2, Lafayette

Jefferson 2, Frankfort 2, Delphi 1.

4x800 relay: 2. Westfield (Maxim Poirier, Caleb Haney, Jack Loiselle, Will Snedeker) 7:53.89, 3. Fishers (Declan Mohr, Makell Wiggins, Bryson Slagle, Matthew Kim) 7:54.33, 4. Noblesville (Bradyn Livingston, Banner Barnes, Jack Shinneman, Jude Naville) 7:54.43, 5. Carmel (Tony Provenzano, Cooper Szotek, Kiefer Jay, Max Meisner) 7:56.03, 8. Southeastern (Ian Ross, Deagan Baker, Will Henning, Mason Schmitz) 7:58.67, 10. Guerin Catholic (Wesley Street, Ben Grissom, Johnny King, Max Fish) 8:10.75.

110 hurdles - Finals: 1. Tyler Tarter (F) 14.00, 2. Adom Quist (C) 14.43, 9. Elijah Adams (HSE) 15.51. **Prelims:** 11. Harold Williams (HSE) 15.89.

100 dash - Finals: 3. Mason Alexander (HSE) 10.88, 7. Dario Torres (N) 11.24. **Prelims:** 11. Cameron Wilson (N) 11.23.

1600 run: 1. Caden Click (N) 4:15.94, 3. Jack Strong (N) 4:18.94, 9. Liam Powers (C) 4:28.71, 10. Jonah Kaul (C) 4:28.71, 12. Ian Porter (W) 4:30.40, 13. Andrew Smith (HSE) 4:33.42.

4x100 relay: 4. Southeastern (Silas Newton, Chandler Weston, Liam Boyd, Alexander) 41.55, 5. Fishers (Joe Syrus, Carsen Eloms, JonAnthony Hall, Tristan Capps) 42.10, 6. Westfield (Caleb Terri, Deacon King, Cade Parker, Cato June) 42.30, 7. Noblesville (Torres, Austin Donahoe, Angel Wilson, C. Wilson) 42.57.

400 dash: 1. Christian Ortiz (HSE) 48.44, 4. Cole Taylor (C) 48.91, 10. Livingston (N) 50.31, 11. Andrew Moss (C) 50.34, 12. Michael Griffith (HSE) 50.56.

300 hurdles: 1. Tarter (F) 36.17, 3. Adams (HSE) 39.62, 9. Jack Huis-

den (W) 40.90, 14. Quist (C) 43.37.

800 run: 1. Kim (F) 1:52.77, 2. Mason Schmitz (HSE) 1:52.89, 5. Luke Mumaw (N) 1:55.80, 6. Drew Grogan (C) 1:55.85, 9. Alec Moor (N) 1:56.23.

200 dash - Finals: 3. Alexander (HSE) 21.71, Torres (N) DNF. **Prelims:** 4. Torres (N) 22.58, 10. Brian Shaw (University) 23.01, 11. C. Wilson (N) 23.09.

3200 run: 1. Provenzano (C) 9:00.35, 2. Kyle Grove (C) 9:02.95, 4. Sam Rinker (N) 9:19.33, 8. John Libs (N) 9:39.04, 10. Riley Schamp (HSE) 9:47.62, 13. Nick Vega (HSE) 10:00.78.

4x400 relay: 1. Southeastern (Hunter Hoefl, Jaxson Wanza, Griffith, Ortiz) 3:16.48, 2. Fishers (Tarter, Kim, Leo Morrow, Wiggins) 3:17.26, 5. Carmel (Taylor, Gabriel LaBoyteaux, Moss, Grogan) 3:22.59, 8. Westfield (Terri, Haney, Cade Parker, Snedeker) 3:24.81, 13. Guerin Catholic (Nick Bauman, Grissom, Robert Sorensen, Street) 3:29.52.

Discus: 1. Josiah Bird (HSE) 177-8, 3. Theo Thurmond (C) 172-6, 4. Joel Gates (F) 169-8, 7. Teddy Miller (HSE) 158-3, 8. Ozzy Pollard (C) 154-1, 11. Hayden Pentecost (W) 140-6.

Shot put: 1. Gates (F) 62-0, 7. Miller (HSE) 46-11.75.

Long jump: 1. Hall (F) 22-7.5, 2. Dylan James (HSE) 22-3.75, 4. Blake Braden (HSE) 22-2.25, 5. Griffith (HSE) 22-2, 10. Gabriel Davis (C) 20-9.75.

High jump: 1. Damon Winston (S) 6-6, 4. Tyler Runyan (HH) 6-2, 7. Robert Campbell (W) 6-2.

Pole vault: 1. Peyton McQuinn (HH) 15-6, 3. Connor Langsford (HSE) 14-6, 4. Alex Wilson (W) 14-3, T14. Colin Swain (F) 12-0; Lucas Bland (W) 12-0.

Unified Track: Fishers wins regional; Millers, Rocks make state

The REPORTER

The three Hamilton County Unified track and field teams that competed at their respective regionals last Saturday are all headed to state.

Fishers won the Edgewood regional, marking the first-ever Unified regional championship for the Tigers. Fishers scored 125 points and had several section and flight wins in the various events.

The Tigers got two vic-

tories from Akeem Schooley in the 100 dash and long jump, with Jarrett Puma winning another 100 dash section. Brock Hunsaker won during the 400 dash, Stephen Krokos got another long jump victory and Bennett Gorak was a shot put winner.

Noblesville placed fourth at Edgewood with scoring 105 points. The top six teams at the regional advance to Saturday's state meet at Indiana Universi-

ty, so the defending state champion Millers qualified for state for a record seventh time. Fishers advanced to state for the fifth time.

Noblesville's section winners included the 4x100 relay team of Mo Ashour, Aiden Brewer, Luke Davis and Jacob Dean, Barrett Zoeller in the 100 dash, Arden Snyder in the 400 dash and Abby Gibbons in the shot put.

Up at Kokomo, Westfield finished second in that regional, qualifying

the Shamrocks to state for the third consecutive year. Westfield section and flight winners were Carson Faulconer in the 100 dash and Jack Dietz in the 100 dash.

AT KOKOMO

Team scores: Elkhart 136, Westfield 110, Valparaiso 109, Hobart 96, McCutcheon 95, Homestead 88, Penn 86, NorthWood 82, DeKalb 74, Griffith 74, Columbia City 63, Lafayette Jefferson 62.

Girls 4x100 relay - Section 1: 2. Westfield (Emma

Kate Greer, Taylor King, Reagan Lorenzen, Stella Seymour) 59.86.

Boys 4x100 relay - Section 1: 3. Westfield (Gavin Dietz, Will Holmes, Gunnar Wegg, Brandon Price) 49.58.

Mixed 100 dash - Section 1: 1. Carson Faulconer 11.76. **Section 2:** 5. Alex Lardio 13.76. **Section 3:** 3. Kenzie Cason 16.32, 8. Dillan Cabrera-Pacheco 29.03.

Mixed 400 dash - Section 2: 1. Jack Dietz 1:00.69, 6. Kylene Kubik 1:09.17. **Sec-**

tion 7: 7. Jake Hogle 1:25.80. **Section 6:** 1. Brady Sterchi 1:29.43.

Mixed long jump - Flight 1: 2. Gunnar Wegg 18-10.5. **Flight 3:** 6. Kyla Deckard 13-1.5. **Flight 5:** 2. Keagan Cheesman 9-10. **Flight 6:** 2. Cabrera-Pacheco 7-6.5.

Mixed shot put - Flight 1: 2. G. Dietz 48-5.75. **Flight 2:** 4. Shawn Landrum 34-11.5. **Flight 3:** 3. Harrison Gilbert 30-0.5. **Flight 5:** 5. Elijah Hurd 21-5.

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AT EDGEWOOD

Team scores: Fishers 125, Pendleton Heights 108, Bloomington North 108, Noblesville 105, Bloomington South 100, Indian Creek 98, Franklin County 89, Brownsburg 76, Mooresville 68, Seymour 68, Franklin Community 62, Vincennes Lincoln 38. Girls 4x100 relay - Section 1: 2. Fishers (Emerson Gorak, Mira Warnick, Crysta Coble, Addison Gorak) 1:01.31, 3. Noblesville (Hannah Dugan, Josie Williams, Aubrey Griffin, Ava

Mattingly) 1:03.07.

Boys 4x100 relay - Section 1: 1. Noblesville (Mo Ashour, Aiden Brewer, Luke Davis, Jacob Dean) 47.75, 3. Fishers (Stephen Krokos, Thierry Ndongo, Aaron Schooley, Malik Klooz) 49.89.

Mixed 100 dash - Section 1: 1. Akeem Schooley (F) 11.51, 3. Aa. Schooley (F) 11.79, 5. T.J. Davidson (N) 12.40. Section 2: 1. Jarrett Puma (F) 13.11, 3. Talon Nicholson (N) 13.59. Section 5: 1. Barrett Zoeller (N) 18.57, 4.

Camille Rollins (N) 19.11. Section 6: 6. Ava Driskell (F) 24.24. Mixed 400 dash - Section 1: 1. Brock Hunsaker (F) 53.08, 2. Brewer (N) 56.66, 5. Cooper Babcock (F) 1:02.52. Section 2: 3. Lou Strycker (F) 1:09.90, 5. Addison Taylor (N) 1:11.20. Section 5: 5. Robert Barrett (F) 1:27.62, 6. Ashour (N) 1:27.67. Section 6: 1. Arden Snyder (N) 1:37.16.

Mixed long jump - Flight 1: 1. Ak. Schooley (F) 19-9.5. Flight 2: 3. Avery Lake (F) 13-

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7.75. Flight 3: 1. Lily Ault (N) 13-3.5, 2. Carter Schmidt (F) 12-6. Flight 4: 1. Krokos (F) 10-4. Flight 5: 4. Rollins (N) 7-11.5, 5. Ryan Grigsby (N) 7-10.25.

Mixed shot put - Flight 1: 1. Bennett Gorak (F) 47-7, 3. Ethan Bolinger (F) 42-10.25. Flight 2: 7. Caleb Short (F) 26-3.75, 8. David Lesko (N) 26-1.5. Flight 3: 6. Samantha Davidson (N) 23-9.5. Flight 4: 1. Abby Gibbons (N) 23-8.75, 3. Klooz (F) 22-3.25. Flight 6: 4. Arshaan Gill (N) 12-9.25.

COURT NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT CAUSE NO. 29D02-2405-EU-000202 IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JERRI LEE WILLIAMSON, Deceased. ORDER PROBATING WILL, AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY AND UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION Derek S. Williamson filed his Verified Petition for the Probate of Decedent's Will, Issuance of Letters and for Unsupervised Administration of Jerri Lee Williamson's Estate. The Court examined the Petition and its arguments. Being duly advised in the premises, this Court finds the averments contained therein are true. The Petitioner produced in open court and submitted to the Court an instrument in writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Jerri Lee Williamson, deceased, and a Petition for Probate thereof and for Issuance of Letters. The Petitioner submitted to this Court the Last Will and Testament, Petition, testimony, acknowledgment, and verification. The Court examined the same, heard evidence thereon, and being duly advised now finds: 1. The Decedent died on or about April 27, 2024, and at the time of such death, was domiciled in Hamilton County, Indiana. 2. The written instrument purporting to be such Decedent's Last Will and Testament was duly executed in all respects according to law, has been duly proved, is the Last Will and Testament of such Decedent, and is entitled to be admitted to probate in Hamilton County. 3. The Letters should be issued as indicated and requested in such Petition. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY the Court: 1. The written instrument purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of such Decedent be and it is hereby admitted to probate and recorded as such. 2. Derek S. Williamson shall serve upon taking an oath. 3. Derek S. Williamson is appointed as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Jerri Lee Williamson and may proceed under Unsupervised Administration. 4. The Clerk is hereby directed to issue Letters Testamentary to Derek S. Williamson. ALL OF WHICH IS ORDERED: Dated: May 16, 2024 Jonathan M. Brown JUDGE, HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT PROBATE DIVISION Paul (Rick) Saums DREWRY SIMMONS VORNEHM, LLP 736 Hanover Place, Suite 200 Carmel, IN 46032 rrauch@dsvlaw.com R4399 5/27/24, 6/3/24

STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT CAUSE NO. 29D02-2405-ES-000206 IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF GORDON E. STECH, Deceased. NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of May, 2024, Dan H. Cox was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Gordon E. Stech, deceased, who died on the 7th day of February 2024. All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 16th day of May, 2024. Kathy Kreag Williams Clerk, Hamilton County Court Attorney for Personal Representative: Elizabeth A. Schlueter, Attorney No.: 16502-49 SCHLUETER BREMAN LLC 9292 North Meridian Street, Suite 350 Indianapolis, Indiana 46260 317-953-6000; Fax: 317-953-6001 Elizabeth@SchlueterBrem.com R4377 5/20/24, 5/27/24

STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CAUSE NO 29D05-2401-DN-1063 IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: Tina Tatum Petitioner v. Nicholas Tatum Respondent SUMMONS The State of Indiana to Respondent: Nicholas Tatum via publication You have been sued by your spouse for dissolution of marriage. The case is pending in the Court named above. If this Summons is accompanied by an Order Setting Hearing, you must appear in Court on the date and time stated on the Order Setting Hearing. IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR, EVIDENCE MAY BE HEARD AND A DECISION MAY BE MADE BY THE COURT. If a Temporary Restraining Order is issued, it is effective immediately upon your receipt or knowledge of the Order. If you wish to retain an attorney to represent you in the matter, it is advisable to do so before the date stated on the Notice of Provisional Hearing. If you take no action in this case after receipt of this Summons, the Court can grant a Dissolution of Marriage and/or make determinations that may include but not limited to any of the following: paternity, child custody, child support, maintenance, parenting time, property (real or personal), and other distribution of assets and debts, attorney fees and costs. Dated: 5-24-24 Kathy Kreag Williams Clerk of Courts R4402 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

29D02-2405-EU-000198 STATE OF INDIANA IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF HAMILTON IN RE THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF ERIK R. THOMPSON, Deceased. NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Notice is hereby given that on May 16, 2024, Bryan R. Benedict was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Erik R. Thompson, deceased, who died on April 14, 2024. All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months from the date of Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred. Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on May 16, 2024. Kathy Kreag Williams CLERK, Hamilton Superior Court Jeanette C. Kassebaum Attorney P.O. Box 221 11614 Maple Street Fishers, IN 46038 (317) 578-4550 R4404 5/27/24, 6/3/24

STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT Cause No. 29C01-2405-MI-5402 IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF MINOR: Hazel Jade Howard Minor Caroline Warner Petitioner. NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Caroline Warner, as a self-represented litigant, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change the name of Hazel Jade Howard to Winona Jade Monroe Warner. The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton County Circuit Court on September 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. Date: May 17, 2024 Kathy Kreag Williams Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court R4397 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF HAMILTON IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT Cause No. 29C01-2405-MI-5382 INRE: NAME CHANGE OF: KARYN REBECCA CARNES Petitioner NOTICE OF HEARING Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, KARYN REBECCA CARNES, pro se, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change her name from KARYN REBECCA CARNES to KACEY REBECCA CARNES. The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on October 4, 2024 at 10:00 am, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060. Date: May 22, 2024 Kathy Kreag Williams Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court R4398 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF Hamilton In The Hamilton Superior Court 2 Cause No. 29D02-2404-MI-003614 IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF: DYLAN JOSHUA GEISLER, FKA (Joshua Aicher until adopted), Petitioner. NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Petitioner, Dylan Joshua Geisler (formerly Dylan Joshua Aicher), who's mailing and residence address is: 507 E. Marion Ave., Arcadia, IN 46030. Hamilton County, Indiana hereby gives notice that he has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Superior Court 2 requesting that his name be changed by court order to: Dylan Joshua Geisler. Notice is further given that a hearing will be held on said Petition on the 19th day of August, 2024 at 9 O'clock A. M. Date: 5/21/2024 Respectfully submitted, Julie A. Camden, # 26789-49 Camden & Meridew, P.C. 10412 Allisonville Rd., Ste. 200 Fishers, IN 46038 Tel: (317) 770-0000 Fax:(888) 339-9611 E-mail: jc@camlawyers.com R4403 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

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NOBLESVILLE

NOTICE The City of Noblesville Engineering Department (16 S. 10th St, Noblesville, IN 46060) is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of the Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities associated with Logan Street Storm Sewer Outfall and Trail located at 701 Cicero Rd, Noblesville, IN 46060. Run-off from the project site will discharge to the White River. Please direct questions to Nicky Kalck of Resolution Group, Inc. at 317.558.2911 x 107 or at nkalek@resogrp.com. R4406 5/27/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS Pursuant to Indiana Code § 20-26-7-37 and Indiana Code § 6-1-1-20-3-1, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Noblesville Schools will meet at 10:00 a.m. on June 13, 2024 and at 6:00 p.m. on June 18, 2024, at 18025 River Road, Noblesville, Indiana to hold public hearings. On June 13, 2024, the Board will hold a public hearing to discuss and hear objections and support regarding the proposed renovation of and improvements to Noblesville High School, Noblesville East Middle School and other school facilities, including replacement of air handlers, site improvements and the purchase of equipment, buses and technology (the "Projects"). On June 18, 2024, the Board will hold a second public hearing to discuss and hear objections and support regarding the proposed Projects and will also consider the adoption of a resolution making a preliminary determination to issue bonds to finance the Projects. You are invited to attend and participate in the public hearings. Dated May 27, 2024. Board of School Trustees Noblesville Schools R4409 5/27/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Noblesville Plan Commission City of Noblesville, Indiana The Noblesville Plan Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Application No's LEGP 0043-2024 and LEGP 0044-2024 on Monday, June 17, 2024 beginning at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. The application submitted by LOR Promise, LLC, Noblesville Schools, Tuttle Development Main Street, LLC (Owners) and The Kroger Company and David Weekley Homes (Applicants) are seeking a change of land use from "Industrial/Office" with an additional Government Use Overlay to "Single-Family Residential" and a subdistrict of "Mixed Residential" for +/- 50 acres and a change of land use from "Office/Flex" to "Commercial" with a subdistrict overlay of "146th Street Corridor" for +/- 60 acres, all within the Corporate Campus Planned Development District and adoption of a preliminary development and planned development ordinance for single-family residential, townhomes, and commercial uses on +/- 110 acres located north of E. 146th Street between Howe Road and Promise Road, all within the zoning jurisdiction of the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana. Written suggestions or objections relative to the application above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting and will be heard by the Noblesville Plan Commission. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will be given the opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place. These hearings may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Plan Commission. Copies of the proposals are on file in the Department of Planning and Development located at 16 S. 10th Street for examination before the meeting during business hours between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday - Friday. A copy of the proposal will appear on the web page at www.cityofnoblesville.org, agendas, Plan Commission - June 17, 2024 prior to the meeting date. NOBLESVILLE PLAN COMMISSION Caleb P. Gutshall, Secretary R4410 5/27/24

NOTICE TO BIDDERS Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Works and Safety on behalf of the City of Noblesville ("Owner"), will receive bids for the following project on June 25, 2024. Project: Noblesville City Hall Controls Upgrade. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the City Hall Council Chambers, 16 S. 10th St, Noblesville, IN 46060 at 9:00 a.m. (EST) on June 25, 2024. Bids received after such time are subject to rejection. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter. Bid shall be submitted according to the Instructions to Bidders and properly executed. Each bid of at least \$150,000 must be accompanied by the Contractor's written plan for a program to test the contractor's employees for drugs in accordance with Indiana Code - IC 4-13-18. Each bid of at least \$200,000 or more must be accompanied by a Contractor's Bid Bond or certified check made payable to Noblesville City Hall in an amount equal to 10% of total of the base bid and any alternate bids. If submitting certified check, the check must be delivered to Noblesville City Hall, 16 S 10th St, Noblesville, IN 46060 in an envelope labeled with "Bid for Noblesville City Hall Controls Upgrade" before the bid deadline. Each bid of at least \$200,000 or more shall include costs to furnish a Payment Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract. Upon notification to the successful bidder, no contract shall be valid until receipt of bond, if so required. The instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed advised of the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans, and drawings for the project. A pre-bid meeting for interested parties will be held on June 21st, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. EST at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S 10th St, Noblesville, IN, 46060. Prospective bidders shall meet in the back parking lot and then a tour will follow. The architectural/engineering firm for this project is: RQAW | DCCM, 8770 North Street, Fishers, IN 46037. Hard copy and electronic PDF bidding documents may be obtained from: Eastern Engineering Supply, 9901 Allisonville Rd, Fishers, IN 46038 Phone (317) 827-6083 Fax (765) 288-8311. To order a set of plans, please contact Fishers Eastern Engineering at the number above. Costs of documents are the responsibility of the bidder. The City of Noblesville reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive, to the extent permitted by law, any of the terms, conditions and provisions contained in this Advertisement for Bids or the Instructions to Bidders or any informality, irregularity or omission in any bid, provided that such waiver shall, in the discretion of the City of Noblesville be to the advantage of the City of Noblesville. R4413 5/27/24, 6/3/24

WESTFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY The City of Westfield is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of the Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities associated with the local project, Mule Barn Road Reconstruction, located at 40.0461°N, 86.2222°W. Run-off from the project site will discharge to Woodruff Branch and Little Eagle Creek. Please direct questions to Alex Ramsey with Butler, Fairman, Seufert, Inc. at aramsey@bfsengr.com. R4405 5/27/24

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION HEARING Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the school corporation known as Westfield Washington Schools (the "School Corporation") that the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of the School Corporation will meet at the School Corporation's Administration Center, 19500 Tomlinson Road, Suite B, Westfield, Indiana, at the hour of 6:00 p.m. (Local Time) on June 13, 2024, to consider the following additional appropriation of the bonds (the "Bonds") which the Board has determined to issue. The Board considers such additional appropriation necessary to meet the need existing at this time: An appropriation in the principal amount of \$8,760,000 from the proceeds of the Bonds, including all original issue premium and all investment earnings thereon, to be deposited in the School Corporation's Construction Fund (Fund #2301) on account of the renovation of and improvements to school facilities, including deferred maintenance improvements, renovations for collaboration space, site and playground improvements, and the purchase of technology and buses (the "Project") in the School Corporation, including the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the Project and the issuance of Bonds on account thereof. The funds to meet such additional appropriation are to be provided by the issuance and sale of Bonds by the School Corporation. The foregoing appropriation is in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy, and a need for such appropriation exists by reason of the inadequacy of the present buildings to provide necessary school facilities in the School Corporation. Taxpayers of the School Corporation appearing at said meeting shall have the right to be heard in respect to the additional appropriation. Dated this 27th day of May, 2024. Secretary, Board of School Trustees Westfield Washington Schools R4407 5/27/24

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION Pursuant to Indiana Code § 6-1-1-20-5, notice is hereby given that the Board of School Trustees of the Westfield Washington Schools has preliminarily determined to issue bonds in the principal amount of \$8,760,000 to fund the proposed renovation of and improvements to school facilities, including deferred maintenance improvements, renovations for collaboration space, site and playground improvements, and the purchase of technology and buses. Dated: May 27, 2024 Secretary, Board of School Trustees Westfield Washington Schools R4408 5/27/24

ARCADIA

NOTICE The Arcadia Town Council will meet in an Executive Session on Wednesday, May 29th at 3:45p.m. located at 208 W. Main Street Arcadia, IN 46030 the discussion held will be 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. R4411 5/27/24

SHERIFF SALES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2401-MF-000121, wherein Fifth Third Bank, National Association was Plaintiff, and Mark T. Pelton and Horizon Bank, were the Defendants, and Horizon Bank was Cross-Claimant and Counter-Claimant, and Mark T. Peton was Cross-Claim Defendant and Fifth Third Bank, National Association was Counterclaim Defendant, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 11th day of July, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. of said day, at the 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana: Lot Number 37 in Conner Knoll, Section 1, an Addition to the Town of Fishers, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Cabinet 1, Slide 186, and as Instrument Number 9124178, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana. 29-10-25-202-037.000-006 and commonly known as: 8771 Buffett Pkwy, Fishers, IN 46038. Subject to all liens, encumbrances, rights of redemption, easements and restrictions of record not otherwise foreclosed and extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause # 29D01-2401-MF-000121 in the Superior Court of the County of Hamilton Indiana, and subject to all real estate taxes, and assessments currently due, delinquent or which are to become a lien. Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Dennis J. Quakenbush II Hamilton County Sheriff Doyle & Foutty, P.C. 41 E Washington St., Suite 400 Indianapolis, IN 46204 Delaware Township 8771 Buffett Pkwy, Fishers, IN 46038 Street Address The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein. Doyle & Foutty, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR R4392 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D05-2303-MF-002724 wherein PennyMac Loan Services, LLC was Plaintiff, and Rebecca McClimans and Brighton Knoll Community Association, Inc. were Defendants, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 11th day of July, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana. Lot Numbered 109 in Brighton Knoll, Section 2, a subdivision in the City of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded March 27, 2009 in Plat Cabinet 4, Slide 529, as Instrument No. 2009017426 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana. More commonly known as 15421 Blair Ln, Noblesville, IN 46060-5577 Parcel No. 29-11-17-018-032.000-013 Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. Dennis J. Quakenbush II Sheriff BARRY T. BARNES BARRY T. BARNES, Plaintiff Attorney Attorney # 19657-49 FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. 8415 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 400 Indianapolis, IN 46250 (317) 237-2727 Noblesville Township The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein. FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. R4393 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. 29D01-2303-MF-002566 wherein Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, Not Individually but Solely as Trustee for Finance of America Structured Securities Acquisition Trust 2019-HB1 was Plaintiff, and Stacy L. McGurey, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Barbara L. Wilson Pursuant to Cause No. 29D03-2305-ES-242, was a Defendant, required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 11th day of July, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana. Lot Number Fourteen (14) in Farr Hills, a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, the plat of which is recorded in Plat Book 5 pages 8-9 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana, and corrected by certificate of Correction in Miscellaneous Record 141 page 350. More commonly known as 15904 Farr Hills Dr., Westfield, IN 46074 Parcel No. 29-09-12-401-016.000-015 Township Washington Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. "Subject to all liens, encumbrances and easements of record not otherwise extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause 29D01-2303-MF-002566 in Superior Court of the County of Hamilton, Indiana." Plaintiff Attorney Jerry N. Higgins, MSSW, JD 26712-22 Marsha A. Dingley, 25539-88 Derek A. Harvey, Jr., 36172-53 Ulrich, Sassano, Deighton, Delaney & Higgins Co., LPA 24755 Chagrin Blvd., Suite 200 Beachwood, OH 44142 Phone 216-360-7200 Fax 216-360-7210 jnhiggins@carlisle-law.com mdailey@carlisle-law.com dharvey@carlisle-law.com Counsel for The Huntington National Bank Dennis J. Quakenbush II Sheriff of Hamilton County, Quakenbush Hamilton County Sheriffs Department 18100 Cumberland Rd. Noblesville, IN 46060 The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein. ULRICH, SASSANO, DEIGHTON, DELANEY AND HIGGINS CO., LPA IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. R4394 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No.: 29D02-2204-CC-002656, wherein Bridgewater Property Owners' Association, Inc was Plaintiff and T. Tad Bohlsen, U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Collateral Trust Trustee of Firstkey Master Funding 2001-A Collateral Trust, SMS Financial JDC, L.P. 200 Investments, LLC, State of Indiana-Department of Revenue, Victoria D. Bohlsen, Giddy & Associates, P.C., and Star Property Solutions, LLC, were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 11th day of July, 2024, at the hour(s) of 10:00am-12:00pm of said day, at the Hamilton County Sheriffs Office, 18100 Cumberland Rd; Noblesville, Indiana, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate, in Hamilton County, Indiana: Lot Number Twelve (12) in Bridgewater, Section One, a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded as Instrument #9114079 and scrivener's error certificate recorded July 26, 1995 as Instrument No. 9544573, in the Plat Cabinet 1 slide 169, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana. Also, an undivided 1/24th interest in Block D, as designated on the recorded plat of Bridgewater Section Four which was recorded as Instrument No. 96-44663 in Plat Cabinet 1, Slide 731, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana, which 1/24th interest shall not be separately conveyable but shall pass title with said Lot 12. Commonly known as: 12225 Wayside Road, Indianapolis, IN 46256 Township: Fall Creek Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. Dennis J. Quakenbush II Sheriff of Hamilton County Thrasher Buschmann & Voelkel, P. C. Steven C. Earnhart, Esq. 8440 Woodfield Crossing Blvd, Suite 310 Indianapolis, IN 46240 317/686-4773 earnhart@indiana-attorneys.com The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein. R4395 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

CICERO

NOTICE sale date 07-05-2024 Bullseye Towing llc 22271 US-31 N suite 100, Cicero, IN 46034 (317)-979-8446 1GDKP37W7K3500752 1989 Regatta Hi-Rise \$2750 1NXBR12E9Y2364575 2000 Corolla \$2750 JHMG56792C016207 2002 Accord \$2750 1GNET16S536226166 2003 Trailblazer \$2750 4T1BE32K23U770249 2003 Camry \$2750 1GNEK13Z34R234125 2004 Tahoe \$2750 1FMYU03164DA10392 2004 Escape \$2750 1HGCM66504A095006 2004 Accord \$2750 1D7HU18277S196445 2007 Ram \$2750 2G1WV58K781347431 2008 Impala \$2750 5GTEN33E088231146 2008 H3 \$2750 1GCJTCD4E4A8146438 2010 Colorado \$2750 1HGCP3F82AA005785 2010 Accord \$2750 2G1WV5F5K3B1293280 2011 Impala \$2750 1C4HJWEG3CL282369 2012 Wrangler \$2750 R4389 5/27/24

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NOTICE OF SUIT
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 7
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) SS) CASE NO. 29D07-2404-MI-003860
STATE OF INDIANA,) Plaintiff,)
- vs -)
CRISTIAN DAVID PINTO MONGUI) as his interest may appear,) Defendants.)
The State of Indiana to the Defendant, CRISTIAN DAVID PINTO MONGUI, above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is:
COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES, FORFEITURE OR PROPERTY, SEIZURE OF ASSETS AND FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF
This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose addresses are unknown:
CRISTIAN DAVID PINTO MONGUI
If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.
You must answer the Complaint For Damages, Forfeiture or Property, Seizure of Assets and for Injunctive Relief in Writing by you or your attorney, on or before the 27th day of June, 2024, the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded.
ATTEST:
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court 7
5/9/2024
Joshua N. Taylor, #26618-29
RileyCate, LLC
11 Municipal Drive, Suite 320
Fishers, IN 46038
PH: 317-588-2866
R4332 5/13/24, 5/20/24, 5/27/24

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2403-MI-003163
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Alissa Ann Schier
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Alissa Ann Schier, whose mailing address is: 537 N 18th St, Noblesville, IN 46060, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Alissa Ann Schier has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that their name be changed to Asher Ann For.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: September 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
Date: May 1, 2024
Kathy Kreag Williams
County Clerk
R4320 5/13/24, 5/20/24, 5/27/24

STATE OF INDIANA)
SS:)
COUNTY OF Hamilton)
In The Hamilton Circuit Court 1
Cause No. 29C01-2405-MI-4882
INRE:NAME CHANGE OF NAME OF MINOR:
CAMERON MATTHEW NANGLE
NOTICE OF HEARING
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner RILEY JACOBS, through counsel, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor to change his name from CAMERON MATTHEW NANGLE to CAMERON MATTHEW WISE.
The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on September 6, 2024 at 10:00 am, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060.
Date: May 6, 2024
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of Hamilton County
R4326 5/13/24, 5/20/24, 5/27/24

Cause Number: 29D02-2404-EU-000192
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
n the Hamilton Superior Court 2, State of Indiana.
In the Matter of the Estate of ANTHONY QUEZADA, Deceased.
Estate Docket:29D02-2404-EU-000192
Notice is hereby given that ERIC QUEZADA was on the 8th day of May 2024 appointed as Administrator of the Estate of ANTHONY QUEZADA, Deceased, under the provisions of unsupervised administration, according to law.
All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier or said claims will be forever barred.
Estate Docket:29D02-2404-EU-000192
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this 8th day of May, 2024..
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
R4362 5/20/23, 5/27/23

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2404-MI-4761
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Stephanie Dawn Buchner
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Stephanie Dawn Buchner, whose mailing address is: 10612 Cordiff Ct., Noblesville, Indiana 46060, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Stephanie Dawn Buchner has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that their name be changed to Stephanie Dawn Martin.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: September 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
Date: May 1, 2024
Kathy Kreag Williams
County Clerk
R4371 5/20/24, 5/27/24, 6/3/24

29D03-2405-EU-000212
Hamilton Superior Court 3
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR)
COURT 3)
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF:
ELLEN CARNEY DE LONG,
Deceased.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Anne Carney, on the 16th day of May, 2024, was appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Ellen Carney De Long, deceased, who died on the 27th day of April, 2024.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on 5/16/24.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Court
Attorney for the Estate:
David E. Bailey (No. 21527-02)
FLETCHER VAN GLIDER, LLP
436 East Wayne Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802
Phone: (260) 425-9777
Fax: (260) 424-9177
R4376 5/20/24, 5/27/24

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2404-MI-003815
IN RE: THE CHANGE OF NAME OF MONTAS LAMONT HENDRICKS
MONTAS LAMONT HENDRICKS
Petitioner
NOTICE OF FILING PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, Montas Lamont Hendricks, has filed a Petition for Change of Name on this APRIL 10, 2024. That the new name of Montas Lamont Hendricks shall be JORDEN MONTEZ JADEN. The same will come up for action at a hearing on September 6, 2024 at 10:00a.m. 2024, in the Hamilton County Circuit Court, unless persons interested in said change of name on or before said date and show cause, if any there be, why such change of name should not be approved as set forth in documents filed with this Court.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Circuit Court
R4321 5/13/24, 5/20/24, 5/27/24

29C01-2404-MI-004755
Hamilton Circuit Court
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
SS)
CAUSE NO.: 29C01-2404-MI-004755
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
LINDSAY MARIE LINDSEY,
Petitioner.
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Lindsay Marie Lindsey, whose mailing address 350 Monon Blvd Carmel, IN 46032, in Hamilton County, Indiana hereby gives notice that she has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that her name be changed to Lindsay Marie Jagger.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said petition on September 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
Date: May 2, 2024
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County
R4329 5/13/24, 5/20/24, 5/27/24

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2405-MI-4953
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Peter Gabriel Nguyen
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Peter Gabriel Nguyen, whose mailing address is: 697 Axford Bay Dr., Westfield, Indiana 46074, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Peter Gabriel Nguyen has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that their name be changed to Peter Delano Kaiser.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: September 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
Date: May 6, 2024
Kathy Kreag Williams
County Clerk
R4364 5/20/24, 5/27/24, 6/3/24

29D03-2405-EU-000203
HALL, RENDER, KILLIAN, HEATH & LYMAN, P.C.
500 N. Meridian St., Suite 400
Indianapolis, IN 46204, Attorneys
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
In the Matter of the Estate of YUKIO TOMOZAWA, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given that KEN T. TOMOZAWA was on May 14th, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of YUKIO TOMOZAWA, Deceased, who died on JANUARY 29, 2024. The Personal Representative is directed to complete the administration of the decedent's estate without any court order or proceeding - unsupervised administration.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
DATED at HAMILTON COUNTY, Indiana, this May 14th, 2024.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
R4370 5/20/24, 5/27/24

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2405-MI-5170
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Sarah Nowicki Archey
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Sarah Nowicki Archey, whose mailing address is: 11619 Chelsea Court, Fishers, Indiana 46038, in the Hamilton County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Sarah Nowicki Archey has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that their name be changed to Sarah Margaret Nowicki.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: September 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
Sarah Nowicki Archey
Petitioner
Date: May 10, 2024
Kathy Kreag Williams
County Clerk
R4396 5/27/24, 6/3/24, 6/10/24

NOBLESVILLE

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:
By / At: City of Noblesville, Indiana
Office of the Clerk
16 S. 10th Street
Noblesville, Indiana 46060
Project: 2024 Street Rehabilitation - Contract II (EN-383-02)
Until: 9:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, June 11, 2024
Receipt of Bids: Bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened. Bids are to be submitted on the Bid Form as provided in the Project Manual and on Indiana State Board of Accounts Form No. 96 (revised 2013) as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. Bidders shall submit financial data, statement of experience, proposed plan for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work, along with a properly signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion as required by Form No. 96. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with the name and address of the Bidder, and clearly identified:
SEALED BID: 2024 STREET REHABILITATION - CONTRACT II (EN-383-02)
Bid Opening: Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City of Noblesville at the Council Chambers, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, at 9:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, June 11, 2024.
Qualification of Bidders: Bidder, or Sub-Contractor performing work type, must be on the most current Indiana Department of Transportation Pre-Qualified Contractors list at the date of the Bid Opening for the types of work involved with this project, including, but not limited to "Placing Asphalt Pavement", "Asphalt Pavement Milling", "Traffic Control: Pavement Markings", and "Surface Masonry and Misc. Concrete."
The Work: The Work shall be completed by certified / qualified Contractor(s) and Subcontractor(s) for the Project all as required by the Bidding Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and consists of:
Base bid for which proposals are to be received is for the construction of approximately 6000 LFT of concrete curb, 2400 SYS of concrete sidewalk and ramp replacement, 115000 SYS of surface milling, 13500 TON of HMA Surface, and 40000 LFT of Thermoplastic Pavement Markings.
Contract Award: Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its Bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana Code 36-1-12-1 et seq. The Owner, however, reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Owner, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.
Bid Documents: Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after May 28, 2024. Interested Bidders may obtain electronic Bidding Documents by sending an email to ardewald@noblesville.in.gov and dochoa@noblesville.in.gov requesting instructions to download project documents.
Submit all bid questions in writing to City of Noblesville - Engineering Department prior to 12:00PM, local time on Thursday, June 6, 2024. Questions will only be accepted from firms on the official Plan Holders list. A written response will be emailed to the address on the official Plan Holder's list that is required to be completed at the time the plans are purchased. No questions will be answered by telephone. The contact person for questions is:
Andrew Rodewald, PE
City of Noblesville - Department of Engineering
Fax:
Email: ardewald@noblesville.in.gov
Carbon Copy Question To:
Deon Ochoa
Construction Manager
Email: dochoa@noblesville.in.gov
Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of Bidding Documents and the Project Manual and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of Bidding Documents or Project Manual. Bids must be submitted on the forms contained in the Project Manual and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein.
Bid Security:
Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.
Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond:
A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
The Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond with a good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on Form provided in the Project Manual, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
All out-of-state bidder corporations must have a Certificate of Authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
BY: Andrew J. Rodewald
R4391 5/27/24, 6/3/24

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
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Noblesville, Indiana 46060
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SEALED BID: City Camera and Door Access Project
Bid Opening: Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City of Noblesville at the Council Chambers, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, at 9:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, June 11, 2024.
Pre-Bid Meeting: A mandatory Pre-Bid meeting for interested parties will be held on Friday, May 24, 2024, from 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M., local time in Room A214 at 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. For special accommodations for individuals planning to attend the Pre-Bid meeting or public bid opening, please call or notify the City of Noblesville at (317) 776-6368 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto.
Qualification of Bidders: Bidder, or Sub-Contractor performing work, must show they are qualified to complete the work ad bid and have any and all necessary credentials to perform the work.
The Work: The Work shall be completed by certified / qualified Contractor(s) and Subcontractor(s) for the Project all as required by the Bidding Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and consists of:
1. All work set forth in the City Camera and Door Access Project General Scope of Work, which is a bid document as set for below.
Contract Award: Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its Bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana Code 36-1-12-1 et seq. The Owner, however, reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Owner, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.
Bid Documents: Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after May 21, 2024. Interested Bidders may obtain electronic Bidding Documents by sending an email to ahedden@noblesville.in.gov requesting instructions to download project documents.
Submit all bid questions in writing to City of Noblesville - Information Technology Department prior to 4:30 P.M. local time on Wednesday, June 5, 2024. Questions will only be accepted from firms on the official Plan Holders list. A written response will be emailed to the address on the official Plan Holder's list that is required to be completed at the time the plans are purchased. No questions will be answered by telephone. The contact persons for questions are:
Adam Hedden, IT Director
Email: ahedden@noblesville.in.gov
Phone: 317-770-2073
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Bid Security:
Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.
Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond:
A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
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CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
Evelyn Lees, Clerk
R4361 5/20/24, 5/27/24

CARMEL

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
City of Carmel, Indiana
Department: Carmel Street Department
3400 W. 131st Street
Carmel, IN 46074
Project: 24-STR-03 PATH PRESERVATION
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Works and Safety for the City of Carmel, Hamilton County, Indiana, will receive sealed bids, during regular business hours, up to, but not later than 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, June 19th, 2024 at the office of the Clerk, One Civic Square, 3rd Floor, Carmel, Indiana, 46032.
All bids and proposals shall be properly and completely executed on the proposal forms provided with the plans and specifications, and shall include the non-collusion affidavit required by the State of Indiana. The bid envelope must be sealed and have the following words only written in ink on the outside of the envelope:
Bid: 24-STR-03 PATH PRESERVATION
Project manuals may be obtained from the Carmel Street Department, 3400 W. 131st Street, Carmel, IN 46074. Bid packets will be available after May 31st.
All bids are to be sealed with the words "BPW - 24-STR-03 PATH PRESERVATION BID" on the lower left-hand corner of the envelope. Bids will be opened and read aloud at 10:00 a.m. on June 19th, 2024 at the Board of Public Works and Safety meeting on the 2nd floor of Carmel City Hall, One Civic Square, Carmel, IN. All persons interested in bidding shall register a contact name and address with the Street Department to ensure that all changes or questions and answers are available for review by all interested parties.
No bidder may withdraw any bid or proposal within a period of thirty (30) days following the date set for receiving bids or proposals. The Carmel Board of Public Works and Safety reserves the right to hold any or all bids and proposals for a period of not more than thirty (30) days, such bids and proposals to remain in full force and effect during said time period. The City of Carmel reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation for bids when, in the City's sole discretion, it believes that it is in the best interests of the City to do so, as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with IC 5-22-18-2.
There will be a mandatory virtual pre-bid meeting at 10:30 A.M. EST on Monday, June 10th, 2024. For those interested in a virtual link to this pre-bid meeting, please email your request to Ryan Murt at Rmurt@carmel.in.gov by June 10th, 2024 at 8:30 A.M. EST.
Matt Higginbotham
Street Commissioner
R4400 5/27/24, 6/3/24

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
City of Carmel, Indiana
Department: Carmel Street Department
3400 W. 131st Street
Carmel, IN 46074
Project: 24-STR-04 ROAD REJUVENATION
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There will be a mandatory virtual pre-bid meeting at 11:30 A.M. EST on Monday, June 10th, 2024. For those interested in a virtual link to this pre-bid meeting, please email your request to Ryan Murt at Rmurt@carmel.in.gov by June 10th, 2024 at 8:30 A.M. EST.
Matt Higginbotham
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R4401 5/27/24, 6/3/24

NOBLESVILLE

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CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
Evelyn Lees, Clerk
R4361 5/20/24, 5/27/24

COUNTY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING A PROPOSED SUBLEASE BETWEEN THE HAMILTON COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
The Hamilton County Redevelopment Commission (the "Commission"), the governing body of the Hamilton County, Indiana, Department of Redevelopment and the Hamilton County Redevelopment District (the "District"), on May 21, 2024, adopted a Resolution (the "Commission Resolution") approving a proposed Sublease Agreement (the "Sublease") between the Hamilton County Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority"), as Lessor, and the Commission, as Lessee, of (i) certain rights-of-way, roadways and streets within the District and the County, and (ii) certain real estate required for the Authority's anticipated design, development, construction and improvement of a Public Safety Training Facility within the District and County (the "Public Safety Training Facility Project"). Such Public Safety Training Facility Project is defined and more fully described in the Commission Resolution which is on file in the Office of the County Auditor, located in the Hamilton County Courthouse, 33 N. 9th Street, Suite L21, Noblesville, Indiana 46060.
Pursuant to applicable law, the Commission will hold a public hearing on the proposed Sublease and the projects on June 6, 2024, at 8:30 a.m., in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. All interested parties will be provided the opportunity to be heard at the hearing. After the public hearing, which may be adjourned from time to time, the Commission may adopt a Resolution authorizing the execution of the proposed Sublease if it finds that the service to be provided throughout the term of the proposed Sublease will benefit the public purpose of Hamilton County, Indiana (the "County"), is in the best interests of its residents, and that the lease rental provided for is fair and reasonable. The Commission may modify the proposed Sublease after the hearing but may not increase the rent as set out in this notice.
The proposed Sublease will have a term no longer than ten (10) years beginning on the date the Authority acquires any interest in the leased premises and ending on the day prior to a date not later than ten (10) years after such date of acquisition by the Authority. The maximum annual lease rental to be paid by the Commission under the proposed Sublease is \$4,500,000, payable in semi-annual installments. The Commission's lease payments under such Sublease will be payable from (i) the taxes on real property located in the 96th Street-U.S. 421 Economic Development Area and the 96th Street-U.S. 421 Allocation Area pursuant to Indiana Code 36-7-14-39, and (ii) a pledge by Hamilton County to the Commission of its certified shares distribution of the expenditure rate component of the Hamilton County income tax rate. The proposed Sublease further provides for terms concerning the use, maintenance, repair, operating and utility costs, indemnification and insurance, destruction of the premises, defaults, remedies, option to purchase and miscellaneous other matters.
Dated this 27th day of May, 2024.
HAMILTON COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
R4363 5/27/24

MEETING NOTICE
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners and the Hamilton County Council will meet on Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room 1A in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square Noblesville, Indiana 46060. Meeting will begin with Executive Session for Implementation of Security Systems IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(C), Purchase or Lease of Real Estate IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D), Discussion of Pending Litigation IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B), and Discussion of Personnel Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7). Public session to discuss county business will immediately follow the Executive Session.
/s/ Robin M. Mills
Hamilton County Auditor
R4385 5/22/24, 5/27/24

HAMILTON COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING NOTICE
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Redevelopment Commission will meet on Tuesday, June 6, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060.
R4386 5/22/24, 5/27/24

HAMILTON COUNTY AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTICE
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Committee will meet on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room 1A located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. The purpose of this meeting is for discussion of the disbursement of ARPA funds.
/s/ Robin M. Mills
Hamilton County Auditor
R4387 5/22/24, 5/27/24

SHERIDAN

LEGAL NOTICE
Sheridan Community Schools (24795 Hinesley Road, Sheridan, Indiana 46069) is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of their intent to comply with the requirements of Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities associated with the Sheridan Highschool Softball Field Construction project located at 24815 Hinesley Rd. Sheridan, Indiana, 46069. This project takes place just North of State Road 38. Runoff from the project site will be discharged to Little Cicero Creek. Questions regarding this project should be directed to Sheridan Community Schools at 317-758-4172.
R4390 5/27/24

Baseball

Shamrocks knock off Greyhounds, will face Tigers in sectional championship

The REPORTER

It will be Westfield and Fishers playing for the Sectional 8 baseball championship Monday at Don Dunker Field.

The Shamrocks came back to beat Carmel 9-8 in the first semifinal game last Saturday to earn a place in the title game. The Tigers defeated Hamilton Southeastern 2-0 in the second game of the semis, which were delayed a day due to storms last Friday.

First semifinal

Both Carmel and Westfield scored two runs in the first inning of the first semifinal game. JD Stein got home when Tyler Walkey reached on error, then Ian Wilson scored on Hunter Snow's RBI groundout. Caden Lindsey scored the Shamrocks' first run on Matt Drozlek's RBI groundout, then Drew Law brought in with a center field single.

The Greyhounds took a 3-2 lead in the third inning when Parker Heaney doubled Stein home. Carmel added a fourth inning run after Stein batted in John Zangrilli, who led off the inning with a double. In the top of the fifth inning, Zangrilli smacked a two-run single to bring in Snow and Heaney, then Gabe Mathison stole home plate to put the Hounds up 7-2.

Westfield began its comeback with three runs in the bottom of the fifth. Law and Brayden Hibler both scored when Alex Rudolph reached on error, then Rudolph got home on Wilson's sacrifice fly.

Carmel got a sixth inning run after Joe Cunningham scored after Walkey reached on error, putting the Greyhounds

up 8-5. But the Shamrocks took the lead with four runs in the bottom of the sixth: Law singled in Lincoln Hoffman, Hibler brought in Jake Russell with a single, then Law and Hibler both scored on a wild pitch to put Westfield on top. The game ended when the Shamrocks turned a double play with one out in the top of the seventh inning.

Law and Hibler both had two hits, while Ethan Colling hit a double. Preston Tamm pitched the final 2.2 innings and got the win. Zangrilli had two hits for Carmel, with Adam Buczkowski striking out six in 4.1 innings. The Greyhounds finished their season 19-11.

Second game

Fishers scored both of its runs in the sixth inning. Deagan Repp led off with a single, stole second base, then got home after Huston Dunn reached on error after hitting a bunt. Evan Doran hit an RBI bunt of his own to score Dunn.

Jack Brown pitched a complete game, striking out eight. Ethan Lund also went the distance, striking out 13. The Royals finished their season 15-14.

Westfield (19-10) and Fishers (22-8) play each other for the sectional title at 2 p.m. Monday at Don Dunker Field.

In Wednesday's first semifinal game, Carmel got past Noblesville 4-2. The Greyhounds scored one run in the second inning; Mathison got home when James Charland reached on error.

Mathison stepped up in the third inning, hitting a left field double to bring in Stein

and put Carmel up 2-0. Nate Steele added a fourth inning run, getting home when Walkey hit a sacrifice fly.

The Millers got on the board in the fifth inning when Nolan Decker's left field hit sent Aiden Reynolds home. Noblesville scored another run in the sixth inning: Joe Glander smacked a one-out triple, then went home when Tanner Miller hit a single, cutting the Greyhounds' lead to 3-2. Carmel scored again in the seventh inning, with Cunningham's left field hit bringing in Snow.

Stein was 3-for-4 at the plate, hitting a triple and two doubles. Mathison also had two doubles. Max Winders got the pitching win, striking out 10 in 4.2 innings; Winders got out of a bases-loaded situation in the second inning. Snow made a big catch in the sixth inning for the Hounds.

Decker had two hits for the Millers, while Trevor Corbett hit a double. Decker pitched 4.1 innings, striking out five. Noblesville finished its season 22-6.

Westfield beat Zionsville 6-4 in the second game. The Shamrocks got off to a good start with three runs in the top of the first inning. Drozlek sent a base hit into center field to score Lindsey and Law, then Rudolph doubled Drozlek home.

The Rocks kept going in the second inning with two more runs. Lindsey scored a second run when Drozlek was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded. Law then scored on a wild pitch.

Zionsville got three runs back in the bottom of the second, then scored in the third inning to get within



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Carmel's Hunter Snow (7) is congratulated by his teammates after making a tough catch during the Greyhounds' sectional victory over Noblesville last Wednesday.



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(ABOVE) Noblesville's Joe Glander hit a triple during the Millers' sectional game with Carmel. (BELOW) Westfield's Matt Drozlek got the Shamrocks on the board with a two-run single, helping his team to a 6-4 win over Zionsville in last Wednesday's sectional action.

5-4. Westfield put up a run in the fifth inning; Rudolph scored on Nick Fero's left

field hit. Rudolph finished with two hits. Ty Anderson

pitched six innings for the win, striking out 10 for the Shamrocks.

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