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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly to partly sunny.
 Tonight: Mostly clear.
 HIGH: 75 LOW: 56



BJ's Wholesale Club is about to bring Carmel into the fold

By ANNA MITCHELL
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The new BJ's Wholesale Club site in Carmel will go from concrete and dirt to a "one-stop shop" later this year.

BJ's Wholesale club is opening a new location in Carmel. To celebrate, they hosted a breakfast gathering on Wednesday at the new site. Photographers and BJ's representatives watched at 14400 Lowes Way as construction went on around them.

BJ's Wholesale Club New Market Development Director Gina Fedele was available to answer questions.

"We are super excited to be in Carmel," Fedele said. "We feel like this is a great community for us to really showcase our value and offer our great selection to the members."

BJ's is also opening a gas station, allowing shoppers to get their groceries and their gas at the same time. Fedele said the prices are affordable compared to other gas stations.

At the store, shoppers can



Later this year, this flurry of construction activity will give way to consumer activity.

meet all their needs at this "one-stop shop." Fedele said they will have everything from a fresh bakery to a deli with fresh

cut meat to general merchandise like clothing, electronics, and seasonal products. Shoppers can buy their Christmas

decorations and their summer sandals at the same place.

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Of jackpots & jackasses

I find an old coffee cup in mom's cabinet to pour coffee in, but then notice folded strips of paper inside. The pieces of paper have yellowed with time, torn at the edges from countless touches.

"You still do this?" I ask incredulously, suddenly remembering the real role this coffee cup has played in her life.

Each strip has a room's name written on it: living room; kitchen; family room; big bathroom; little bathroom; parents' room; laundry room; guest bedroom; office.

Nine strips of paper. Nine rooms. Each day, mom blindly draws a strip from the cup. Whatever room is written on the strip is the one she cleans. If she draws "kitchen," she cleans the kitchen. You get the idea.

"I made a game out of it," she explains. "It's the only way I could do housework, to make it less boring."

Like me, she lacks patience for housework. Cleaning all nine rooms back-to-back is time-consuming, mind-numbing. But there's more to the coffee cup process than making housework more bearable.

She likes the element of surprise, that thrill of seeing which room will be pulled from the cup. She prefers certain rooms over others (bathrooms are at the bottom of the list), so there's that whole luck-of-the-draw dynamic. Leave it to mom to turn housecleaning into a game of chance.

My childhood was filled with gamblers. My favorite priest practiced a side religion at the track. Even my barber was in on the action. It was whispered that he was a bookie. Men would come in, pay, but leave the shop with their hair no shorter than when they'd entered. I thought being a bookie meant he liked reading books, but I never ever saw him in the public library. All those Field & Stream magazines in his shop must have been part of the cover-up.

During the World Series, my dad always brought home a Xerox copy of a 100-square grid from work, the kind used on sports betting. Sometimes he would scribble my name in a square. I felt so grown up seeing my name on that sheet with all the names of his co-workers, even though I was sent to bed in my footed pajamas before a game ended.

My relatives went at each other's throats over the wager of the almighty dollar during euchre. They would shout victoriously when a lone made it through (cusswords came from the other team). If you got euchred, the razzing was relentless. Accusations of renegeing – a card-table mortal sin – could turn ugly, causing cousin's fists and elbows to fly.

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Fishers employees volunteer to help feed families in need



Photo provided by City of Fishers
 Directors from each of Fishers' city departments volunteered their time with Fishers Youth Assistance Program Tuesday morning to help pack summer meals for over 700 children in the area. Great work, everyone!

Noblesville Creates' annual HATCH Fest, presented by Duke Energy, offers fun for all

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Creates HATCH Fest, presented by Duke Energy, will take place from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 15 on the Noblesville Courthouse Square.

HATCH – which stands for Hamilton County Arts, Technology, Craft, and Heritage – Fest will feature arts and crafts vendors, interactive activities for all ages, demonstrations, live music, a Juneteenth Celebration, and the time-honored St. Michael's Strawberry Festival. With a record number of artists and makers this year, HATCH Fest promises to be an engaging and memorable experience for everyone.

Attendees can look forward to multiple themed alleys throughout the event featuring captivating demonstrations and performances. In the Craft Alley, Musicologie will be hosting a booth where you can learn more about the world of music as you make a small musical instrument.

The Technology Alley will host an exciting robotics demonstration by the Noblesville Robotics Club and an engaging technology craft by Ignite Studios.

Heritage Alley will be the site of a special Juneteenth Celebration including Noblesville Diversity Coalition, music by Ivan



Photo provided by Noblesville Creates
 Come to the Courthouse Square next Saturday for a day full of art, live music, and the Strawberry Festival.

the Gem, readings of the Emancipation Proclamation by Edan Evans de Roziere, and a speech about emancipation delivered by Reverend Strong from Freetown Village.

Additionally, Gal's Guide Library will present a Dream Tent, an interactive exhibit spotlighting 100 remarkable women from 1815 to today.

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New look, same charm

Submitted by City of Carmel

Meet your Carmel Brand Ambassadors. This group of city employees will be your go-to source for information on Carmel's place branding initiative.

Keep your eyes out for members of the team in T-shirts at various city events, including today's Allied Solutions' Meet Me On Main event, as well as a few pop-ups that will be announced soon.

Why is the city rebranding?

Great question. The city is collaborating with North Star Place Branding + Marketing on a comprehensive Research/Discovery, Creativity, and Action process. This is about more than just a new logo or tagline – it's a strategic move to unify the city's vision, communicate Carmel's unique identity, and ensure that the city's external image reflects the spirit of the entire community.

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Attendees can also look forward to demonstrations provided by HATCH Fest vendors like natural dyeing with Color Me Happy Fiber Arts, postcard creating with Greetings From, pottery making with D & L Pottery, needle felting with Baird Crafted, and more.

Learn more at NoblesvilleCreates.org/hatchfest. *About Noblesville Creates* Noblesville Creates (NC) champions the arts as an essential element of the economic health and cultural vitality of Noblesville and

central Indiana. As Noblesville's local arts agency, NC catalyzes opportunities for the arts and local creatives of all skill levels to thrive and lead in central Indiana. NC is also the Region 7 Arts Partner for the Indiana Arts Commission, serving the six counties at the center of the state. NC cultivates classes, events, programs, and services for art-lovers and artists of all backgrounds and experience levels. Start your creative journey with NC: they'll help you connect and flourish.

Live Music June 14 - Jenna Rose
Open Mic Tuesdays 7-10 p.m.
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A poker mat became more common than a tablecloth. The rattle of dice became a Saturday night soundtrack. A horseshoe couldn't be tossed without money on the line. There was a short-lived dalliance with darts, until it became pointless.

Mom taught me to gamble at 500 rummy, back when I was too young to play euchre. We played for a penny a point. It's how I earned bubble gum money. We likely played rummy thousands of times. I am still fond of those afternoons with her, especially those when I won.

I thought I was a good euchre player until I ended up owing my Uncle Dave \$75. I wrote him a check, which was almost a week's

pay at that time. He stashed the check in his shirt. A bet's a bet. That was a lot of bubble gum money.

The one time I was lucky at gambling left me with mixed feelings. In 1987, I drew IU during a March Madness pool at college. The winner was supposed to receive the whole \$500 pot. Unfortunately, the guy who drew Syracuse was a big fella – his nickname was "Box," that's how big he was. Box convinced the squirrely frat guy running the campus pool that second place deserved half the pot, so I won only \$250. It's not like I could call the campus cops, nor did I want to box Box.

My parents took me to Ellis Park a few times, but the ponies lost their allure

when Casino Aztar made Evansville its home port. Dad once told me it's awkward to stand near a casino ATM and hear husbands and wives debate a withdrawal, especially with a truck payment due. I'm assured neither parent possesses an ATM card. I admire their old-school distrust of them, especially for the sake of my inheritance.

They stuff their grandkids' Christmas stockings – and mine – with lottery scratch-off tickets. Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without lottery ticket shavings turning our fingers grey. We'll all probably die from Grey Lung.

I have mentioned Gamblers Anonymous to them. It's always good for a laugh. Joking aside, mom gets phil-

osophical about gambling. "The biggest gamble a person makes is whom they marry," she says. "There are a lot of losers and winners out there. There are more jackasses than jackpots. Over 50 years ago, I hit one of the largest JACKPOTS of all – your dad."

I return the coffee cup with the slips of paper to the cabinet shelf. I look for another cup. One advertises their favorite Biloxi casino hotel. It's their holy grail of cups.

I survey mom's clean kitchen. She likely drew its name that morning. Mom might not clean house at the casino, but at least her gambling habit does help keep her own house clean.

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BJ's

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"Our fresh assortment offers great pack sizes for families," Fedele said. "So I really feel like they will come in here and have a great assortment to choose from."

Fedele said that they serve their shoppers by saving them 25 percent on their groceries when they shop at BJ's Wholesale Club. They hope to give the people in their community affordable, quality merchandise. After all, their moto is: "To serve the families that depend on us."

"And that is really how we feel that we will help this community in order to serve our purpose," Fedele said.



Reporter photo by Anna Mitchell
 BJ's Wholesale Club New Market Development Director Gina Fedele (center) was available to answer questions.



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Get in touch with nature in Westfield

The REPORTER

Westfield invites you for two Nature Walks happening at 6 p.m. on June 12 and 17.

These are two-mile, easy to moderate walks along the beautiful Central Midland Trace Trail starting in Grand Junction Plaza. Along the way, enjoy the summer sights, learn more about the past and future of Westfield, and learn about the new Simon Moon Park expansion.

All ages are welcome,



and leashed dogs are allowed. This event is free, and no sign-up is required. [Click here](#) for more information.

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Palladiscopes has returned



Photo provided by City of Carmel

The summer schedule for showings of *Palladiscopes, EOS: The First Dawn*, has been set. Patrons can enjoy the projection show, created by [Blockhouse Studios](#), Thursdays through Sundays beginning at 9 p.m., with the last show beginning at 11 p.m.

Feeding Team Food Pantries

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

ARCADIA

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

ATLANTA

Wesleyan Church, 330 S. Walnut St.

CARMEL

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

CICERO

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

FISHERS

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

SHERIDAN

Issachar Church, 501 E. Main St.

WESTFIELD

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

NOBLESVILLE

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



Franciscan Health to hold virtual diabetes prevention program

The REPORTER

Franciscan Health will hold a virtual diabetes prevention program online starting in July.

The program will meet weekly to discuss lifestyle changes to prevent type 2 diabetes. The program follows guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) that are proven to prevent or delay type 2 diabetes. Groups meet for 16 weekly sessions and six monthly follow-up sessions with a trained lifestyle coach.

To qualify for the program, participants must be 18 years of age or older and have a body mass index (BMI) of 25 and have no previous diagnosis of type 1 or type 2 diabetes and be diagnosed with prediabetes (fasting glucose of 100 to 125 mg/dl or A1C of 5.7 to 6.4 within the last 12 months) or have had a previous diagnosis of gestational diabetes.

Participants must also have a screening that shows results of high risk for type 2 diabetes on the prediabetes risk assessment.

This is a distance learning class – participants will need access to a computer, tablet or smartphone to attend the class.

An information session will be held at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 2.

[Register here](#) for the information session.

The cost of the year-long program is \$99. Registration is required and space is limited. To register for the class and for more information contact Amy Lambert at amy.lambert@franciscanalliance.org.

The Oak Ridge Boys coming to Indianapolis for their farewell tour

The REPORTER

The Oak Ridge Boys will bring the American Made 2024 Farewell Tour to the Murat Theatre at Old National Centre in downtown Indianapolis on Saturday, June 29 in celebration of the group's 50th anniversary.

With an astounding 37 Top 20 country hits, and 12 gold, three platinum, and one

double-platinum album, The Oak Ridge Boys have made their mark in every facet of the gospel, pop, and country music industry. They have received four Academy of Country Music, two American Music, five *Billboard*, four Country Music Association, five Grammy, and 12 Gospel Music Association Dove awards, just to name

a few.

Tickets are on sale now at [livenation.com](#), via Ticketmaster outlets, and at the Old National Centre box office. All dates, acts, and ticket prices are subject to change without notice. Ticket prices are subject to applicable fees.

For more information on The Oak Ridge Boys, visit oakridgeboys.com.

Indiana State Fair announces first wave of Hoosier Lottery Free Stage concerts

The REPORTER

On Thursday, the Indiana State Fair unveiled the first full wave of its 2024 list of scheduled concerts as a part of the Hoosier Lottery Free Stage schedule, Aug. 2 to 18. (The Fair is closed on Mondays.)

The Hoosier Lottery Free Stage has become a summer-time staple for concert goers and music lovers. The lineup each year consists of some of music's most legendary and diverse acts, and this year is no exception. All shows at the Hoosier Lottery Free

Stage are free with paid fair admission and seating is first-come, first-served. All shows start at 7:30 p.m., unless noted otherwise.

Discount tickets can be purchased for the 2024 Indiana State Fair today at IndianaStateFair.com.

The first wave concerts just unveiled today for 2024 Hoosier Lottery Free Stage at the Indiana State Fair include:

- Three Dog Night – Friday, Aug. 2 (opening day) (rescheduled from 2023 cancellation due to weather)
- Gladys Knight – Sun-

day, Aug. 4

• Dogstar (guitarist/vocalist Bret Domrose, drummer Robert Mailhouse, and bassist Keanu Reeves) – Thursday, Aug. 8

• Bell Biv DeVoe – Friday, Aug. 9

• Gary Allan – Friday, Aug. 16

There will be a limited amount of reserved viewing area tickets available for these concerts made available in July. The Indiana State Fair will be highlighted by its 2024 theme *The Art & Nature of Fun* presented by Newfields.

Don't just ride the rails... Bike them!

Forest Park Rail Adventure

An 8-mile round trip rail bike ride starting at Hobbs Station in Forest Park.

White River Family Cruise

Enjoy this short, scenic rail bike ride from Hobbs Station in Forest Park.



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Letter to the Editor

Reader: our grid demands reliable, affordable energy sources, not just renewable

Dear Editor:
I am writing to discuss the ongoing energy transition. There have been recent letters claiming that we are not transitioning fast enough, while others argue that we are moving too quickly. I encourage both sides to consider the perspective of Indiana's grid operator regarding this "energy transition."

The Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) oversees the power supply of 15 states, including Indiana. Earlier this year, MISO released its reliability assessment report, emphasizing that states are shutting down power sources at a pace that cannot keep up with current demand. The economic development projects we read about in the news require more power than our state's largest manufacturing plants.

MISO's report underscores the need for immediate action, urging lawmakers and the Indiana Utility

Regulatory Commission not to permit further power shutdowns until demand is adequately met.

While adding wind and solar projects to the grid helps ensure additional power, it's important to note that our grid requires baseload power sources, meaning power that works regardless of weather conditions. Currently, coal and natural gas serve as reliable baseload power sources. No matter how many wind turbines and solar panels are added, the grid will always require these reliable sources.

Until the state builds nuclear plants, which anyone favoring clean, low-cost energy should support, coal and natural gas will continue to serve as a bridge to a CO2-free electric grid.

For those who may argue that California operates on renewables only, welcome to greenwashing. California shut down all its fossil fuel plants, but

its electric supply is not solar alone. California, which often experiences rolling blackouts, imports more electricity than any other state, and the mix of electricity that supplies California includes fossil fuels.

Reliability and affordability are two critically important factors when discussing energy transition. Experts warn that we need more power, not less, at a time when our state's energy demand continues to skyrocket. In terms of affordability, Hoosiers are burdened with paying the 32nd highest electric rates in the nation. I am confident that both issues will be addressed in the next legislative session.

Until then, for those interested in power supply or electric rates, I highly recommend keeping up with MISO's ongoing reports and announcements.

Savannah Kerstiens
Indianapolis

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Rokita co-leads lawsuit against federal takeover of coal mining regulations

Submitted by Office of the Attorney General

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is co-leading a **multistate lawsuit** against what he calls U.S. Interior Secretary Deb Haaland's invasive federal encroachment efforts that would undermine state regulatory authority over surface coal mining and reclamation.

As Congress recognized in the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, coal mining is essential for the health of this nation's energy industry, economy, and nation-

al security. The act gives Indiana and other states with federally approved programs exclusive jurisdiction over most aspects of surface coal mining and reclamation.

Rokita said the new rule overturns the premise of the act by allowing the federal government to second-guess decisions that Congress entrusted to states' regulators, which have superior expertise and knowledge about local coal mining operations. He said



Rokita

it also threatens to bog down coal mining operations by mirroring states in federal red tape.

"Simply put, this new rule is unlawful," Rokita said. "It intrudes on Indiana's rightful authority under the American system of federalism. We're suing to uphold the proper balance of power between the individual states and the federal government and to prevent another unjustified assault by the Biden administration

on coal."

The State of Indiana has a strong record in providing proper oversight of surface coal mining and reclamation operations, Rokita noted, running programs that have won national and regional awards.

Federal officials themselves, evaluating Indiana programs in 2023, stated the Indiana Department of Natural Resources "administers its program in a way that effectively protects citizens and the environment from adverse impacts resulting from surface coal mining activities."

Meijer makes healthy foods more accessible for SNAP participants

The REPORTER

As part of its ongoing commitment to expand access to healthy foods, Midwest retailer Meijer is now accepting the use of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits on its Meijer app, providing a more convenient option for customers to pay for groceries like fresh produce and milk.

The new payment capability was unveiled across all its Midwest stores last week, enabling SNAP participants to pay for their Meijer app orders using an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card. The enhancement represents the latest way Meijer is increasing access to healthy food and beverages and comes just in time for Midwest families to receive \$40 each month in summer EBT benefits for each SNAP-eligible school-aged child to buy groceries.

"Meijer is a family company committed to serving other families across the Midwest," said Calli Schmid, Vice President of Grocery for Meijer. "By accepting SNAP benefits on the Meijer app, we are providing participants with more options and flexibility to shop for the groceries they need and want, while also reducing barriers that may prevent them from eating well."

In April, Meijer doubled the value of a previously offered discount on select milk products and is now offering 40 percent off any brand or size of 1 percent and fat free milk. Meijer announced in December it's the largest – and the only retailer in its six-state footprint – selected to partner on Healthy Fluid Milk Incentives (HFMI) projects, which were estab-

lished by the 2018 Farm Bill to promote milk as part of a healthy diet. Meijer was awarded a grant by Auburn University's Hunger Solutions Institute to participate in the "Add Milk" initiative to incentivize SNAP participants to purchase fluid milk.

Other ways Meijer is helping SNAP participants save include:

- **Produce Discounts:** Meijer is continuing to offer a 10 percent discount on SNAP purchases of qualifying produce thanks to a waiver granted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 2022.

- **Home Delivery:** In November 2022, Meijer began offering free Home Delivery to increase access to healthy foods. Also, in 2022, Meijer began accepting SNAP benefits for Meijer Pickup and Home Delivery orders on [Meijer.com](https://www.meijer.com).

- **Flashfood:** Meijer became the first retailer nationwide in 2023 to accept SNAP benefits through the Flashfood app that allows customers to purchase surplus close-dated food at a deep discount.

With the Meijer app, SNAP participants can now shop for more than 100,000 items, including fresh produce, meat, dairy, and pantry staples, and pay for them with their EBT card digitally or in store. The Meijer app is available for free on iOS and Android devices and can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

SNAP customers can link their EBT card to their Meijer account online or at any Meijer Customer Service desk. Once linked, they can use their EBT card as a payment method on the app and choose from various delivery and pickup options.

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New at Sheridan Public Library

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

Fiction

1. Best Life Book Club – Sheila Roberts
2. Camino Ghost – John Grisham
3. For the Love of Summer – Susan Mallery
4. Forget Me Never – Susan Wittig Albert
5. Fortune’s Baby Claim – Michelle Major
6. How to End a Love Story – Yulin Kuang
7. Look on the Bright Side – Kristin Higgins
8. Seaside Sisters – Pamela Kelley
9. Southern Man – Greg Iles
10. Stuart Woods’ Smolder – Brett Battles
11. Summer Swap – Sarah Morgan

Non-Fiction

1. Call to Serve – Jon Meacham
2. Cheaper, Faster, Bet-

ter – Tom Steyer

3. Situation Room – George Stephanopoulos
4. Pickleball Fundamentals – USA Pickleball
5. Taking London – Martin Dugard

Children’s

1. Afternoon on the Amazon (graphic novel) – Mary Pope Osborne
2. Claudia and the Bad Joke (graphic novel) – Ann Martin
3. Elephant Detectives – Ged Adamson
4. I’m So Glad You Were Born – Ainsley Earhardt
5. Windy Night with Wild Horses – Mary Pope Osborne

Inspirational Fiction

1. Child of the River – Irma Joubert
2. Just for the Summer – Melody Carlson

Young Adult

1. Twelfth Knight – A. Follmuth

Movies

1. The Color Purple

The REPORTER

You’re invited to an evening of celebration to continue the 2024 Party on the Patio series.

Presented by **Collective Beauty Salon and Med Spa** and hosted by the **Downtown Westfield Association (DWA)**, this event will take place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 18 at Collective Beauty on Main Street and will support **Women of Westfield**.

Collective Beauty and Women of Westfield are

both celebrating five years in business, so the Party on the Patio is meant for them. Come shop around while enjoying good company and great food while supporting an awesome cause.

Collective Beauty’s mission is to provide a welcoming, relaxing, and inclusive atmosphere offering the highest industry

standards and expertise for all your beauty needs. Their staff is dedicated to curating experiences that transcend expectations.

Their vast menu includes rejuvenating skincare, relaxing or therapeutic massage, stylish hair services, precise cosmetic injectables, refining laser treatments, and affordable luxury shopping within

their boutique. Additionally, weight management services are now offered by a Certified Nurse Practitioner. The multi-faceted beauty and retail offerings at Collective Beauty unveil an epitome of pampering and rejuvenation. Collective Beauty proudly supports the Westfield Chamber of Commerce, boasts an A+ rating at the Better Business Bureau, and supports many local philanthropies.

Register now to join in on the party.



Unleash your imagination: Dungeons & Dragons stamps to be released at Gen Con Indy 2024

The REPORTER

The U.S. Postal Service will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Dungeons & Dragons, referred to as “The World’s Greatest Role-Playing Game” and a cultural phenomenon, at the Gen Con Indy 2024 gaming convention at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 1.

The Postal Service will unveil the stamps and have activities and retail sales in two locations:

- **Lucas Oil Stadium**, as a part of the Gen Con Indy convention, near the Wizards of the Coast. Retail sales of the stamps will be available for the four days of the convention on the west concourse. Entry into Gen Con requires the purchase of a pass, which can be found at the Gen Con website.

- **Indianapolis Main Post Office** located at 125 W. South St., across the street from Lucas Oil Stadium. The Post Office will hold retail sales and cancellations on Aug. 1 for collectors and others who do not wish to **purchase passes to Gen Con Indy**.

Greg Breeding, the art



Graphic provided by USPS

director for the stamps, will be available for autographs following the unveiling of the stamps at Lucas Oil Stadium.

Dungeons & Dragons, celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2024, brought a bold new type of game to tabletops all over the world, one in which players collaborate by telling an open-ended story guided by books, dice, and

their own imaginations. By inviting participants to imagine themselves as wizards, warriors and other adventurers in exciting and treacherous fantasy worlds, the game opened doors to whole new universes of creativity for generations of players.

From its Midwestern roots as a niche pastime, Dungeons & Dragons has grown into a global

phenomenon, with an estimated 64 million fans worldwide since its debut in 1974.

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Noblesville Noon Kiwanis Club honors two outstanding members

Photo provided by Noblesville Noon Kiwanis / Jake Doll

This past Wednesday, the Noon Kiwanis Club honored Joe Arrowood and Judge Jerry Barr for their many years of commitment to the club. Congratulations to Joe and Jerry for their outstanding commitment to Kiwanis, and to the youth in the community! (ABOVE) Joe Arrowood (left) and Judge Jerry Barr.

Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

Welcome to the Hamilton County Veterans Corporation May 2024 Newsletter covering Military, Veteran Community (MVC) activities here in Hamilton County.

Listed below are the Hamilton County American Legion and VFW Posts located in our neighborhoods. Please stop in and see what they are doing not only for our MVC but for your neighborhoods. If you are in the Military, a Veteran or just want to help, come in and let's talk about joining our community

so we may continue assisting and caring for our Military, Veterans, their families and our whole community! Each Post offers not only a Service Officer to assist our Veterans in filing claims or seeking financial help when needed, but they are always searching for ways to reach into their local communities to assist and donate their time and money to events, special groups, non-profits who also care for our neighbors. To continue doing all they do for our communities, they need

our continued support by coming into their Posts and enjoying time there with friends and family. They are our local family-oriented Bar & Grill with food, drinks, games and plenty of space to host personal parties, or you may rent space for meetings or events to support local activities. Some Posts are open to the public every day while others are open on specific days for food, games, fun and they all look forward to serving you.

As of January, 2024, the Posts that are

completely SMOKE FREE, inside, are the Carmel American Legion, Carmel VFW and Noblesville VFW. The Fishers American Legion allows smoking in their enclosed bar area, the rest is non-smoking. The Noblesville American Legion allows smoking in the small game room which is a separate building out front, the Post and meeting rooms are smoke free!! The Sheridan and Cicero American Legions still allow smoking in their Posts.

Carmel American Legion Post 155

852 West Main St, Carmel, In 46032
317-846-0001 Commander Kim Kilburn
Post Hours M-Tu 3-10 W-Th 10-10 F-S 10-11, Su 12-8 - Public is welcome Tu, Thurs & Fri, lunch W-F 11-2, dinner Thur-Fri 5-8 & Breakfast every Sat & Sun 8am-12pm
Meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 7pm
Website & Calendar - <https://post155.org/>
Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094085413679>
• Pay attention to their Facebook page for special gaming events like Texas Hold Em, Bingo, their jackpot totals and game day specials
• Euchre is every Tuesday night at 7pm and the 2nd Friday of each month at 7:30pm
• Treasure Hunt drawing every Friday 7pm
• They have a weekly draw on Wednesday at 7pm
• Pull Tabs are available every day at the bar!!
• Post Service Officer may be reached at postserviceofficer@post155.org if you need assistance
• Room Rentals call 317-846-0001 for the Post Manager. They have 3 rooms large enough for 150 people plus outdoor space.

Cicero American Legion 341

50 Washington Ave, Cicero, In
317-984-4441 Commander Tye Anderson
M-Th 3-10pm, F-Sa 12-11pm, Sun 12-10pm
Meetings are the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 730pm
Kitchen hours are 4-8pm Tues Wed Fri Sun eat in or order food to go
Public is welcome Mon, Fri & Sat and for their Treasure Hunt at 7pm Tuesdays
Website and calendar - <https://cicerolegion341.org/events/>
Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/cicerolegion341>
• Pay attention to their Facebook page for special events & Treasure Hunt results
• Weekly drawings are Sundays 6pm, Wednesdays 7pm, Fridays 8pm
• Euchre tournaments are Mondays at 7pm and Saturdays at 4pm
• Bingo is every Friday, 6pm for Early Bingo and 6:30 for Bingo
• Post Service Officer Mary Ringer may be reached by calling the Post at 317-984-4441 if you need assistance

Fishers American Legion Post 470

9091 E 126th St, Fishers, In
317-842-5944 Commander Pat Menc
M 12-10, Sa 3-11, Tu, W, Th, Su 12-11, F 12-12 - Open to the public but only members & signed in guests may order alcohol
Meetings are the second Monday of the month at 7pm
Food is served 1-9pm Sun, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri
Website and calendar is <https://legion470fishers.org/index.php?id=1>
Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/FishersLegionPost470>
• Bingo is Sunday at 1:00pm and Tuesday 6:00pm
• Texas Holdem is Every Friday at 5pm
• Treasure Hunt is on Fridays at 8pm (\$26,600)
• Pool Tournaments are at 6pm, 8 ball 2nd Saturdays, 9 ball 4th Saturdays of the month and American Poolplayers Assoc 7pm Wed & Thurs
• Pull Tabs are available at the bar every day
• Every month the Aux schedules a euchre tournament to raise funds for a local non-profit to help our community
• Pay attention to Facebook and their calendar for live music dates, times
• Room rental space is available - email Rhonda. Cree78@gmail.com
• Post Service Officer Greg Cyrus may be reached at 317-698-3745 if you need assistance

Meeting location of the



Noblesville American Legion Post 45

273 S 8th St, Noblesville, In 46060
317-773-9985 Commander Gil Soria
M-Th 11-10pm F 11-12 Sa 12-12pm, Su 12-8pm
Meeting is the third Thursday of the month at 7pm
Food is served 4-9pm Tues - Sat

We are working to eliminate Veteran suicide here in Hamilton County and you can help

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 in 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, and 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 US 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 US Military. The Ask The Question Initiative will help those folks link to helpful resources from the multiple 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 12-24-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 July 20, 2024, from 11am to 3pm 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@hamiltoncountypshc.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/mo and we meet the first Monday of the month at 7pm at the Fishers American Legion 9091 E 126th St in their big American Room. See you there!

Public is welcome for food and games plus every Saturday of the month and some Fridays Website - <https://www.noblesvilleamericanlegionpost45.com/>
Facebook is <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063496781153>
• Veteran Peer Support Group w/MASH Ministries - Mondays 7pm
• Coffee With A Vet - Wednesdays from 9-11am
• Treasure Hunt drawings are every Friday 6:45pm - Public is welcome (\$7,680)
• Pay attention to their Facebook page for updates and special events like Music Bingo, Shuffleboard, Trivia
• Rental space is available as well as the kitchen - Event Building holds 49 people.
Contact huntzingerpost45@yahoo.com or call 317-773-9985
• Post Service Officer may be reached on their website link above if you need assistance

Sheridan American Legion Post 67

406 E 10th St, Sheridan, In
317-758-5007 Commander Tom DeShon
Hours M-F 3-close, Sat 12-close, Su 1-6p
Meeting is the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm
Food service - lunch from 11am-2pm Tu, Wed, Thurs & Fri, after lunch bar food (fries, burgers, etc) is available. Public is welcome for lunch and games
Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/ALPost67/>
• Pay attention to their Facebook page for everything
• Lunch specials posted weekly
• Treasure Hunt Friday night at 7pm - Public welcome
• Bingo 2nd & 4th Thursdays 630pm early bird, 7pm start
• Events for the community you can help with...
• Post Service Officer may be reached after they find a qualified member to help Veterans

VFW Information Carmel VFW Post 10003

12863 Old Meridian ST, Carmel, In 46032
317-846-0917 Commander Darin Bibeau
Sun - Thurs 11-10pm, F & Sa 11-12am
Meetings the 2nd Monday of the month at 630pm
Kitchen serves lunch specials 11-2pm with food service till 8pm. They have a great breakfast every other Saturday. Public is welcome in for food and anytime when signed in with a member.
Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/CarmelVFW>
• Check their Facebook page for their weekly updates, lunch specials, music and special events
• Poker is Tues, Fri & Sun noon-midnight, dealers provided, food snacks & drinks available
• Thursdays 7pm is their Treasure Hunt - open to the public
• Post Service Officer Shawn Ransford may be reached at shawn.ransford@va.gov if you need assistance
• Contact carmelvfw10003@yahoo.com to rent space for your special events

Cicero VFW

Meets at the Cicero American Legion Post, 50 Washington Ave., at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month

Noblesville VFW Post 6246

Noblesville VFW Post 6246
654 S 9th St, Noblesville, In 46060
317-773-9956 Commander Eric Behrens
M-Th 3-8p, F 2-10p, Sa 12-10p, Su 12-8p
Meeting is the second Saturday of the month at 11am
Food service is available Mon & Fri 6-9pm & public is welcome
No Website/calendar but they have a Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/post6246/>
• Bingo every Friday at 7pm and the public is welcome
• Karaoke is every Saturday 7pm and the public is welcome
• Queen of Hearts is every Wednesday 7pm and the public is welcome
• Pay attention to their Facebook page for special events & food specials
• Post Service Officer Linda Behrens may be reached at 317-773-9956 if you need assistance

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• Filing claims for service-connected disability or nonservice connected pensions
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• Survivor Benefits
• VA Medical Care
• G.I. Bill Benefits
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• Burial Benefits
• Property Tax Abatement
• Tuition and Fee Exemption for Children of Disabled Veterans
• Motor Vehicle License Plates
• Resident Veteran Hunting & Fishing License
• Golden Hoosier Passport

Hamilton County Veterans Corp Community Resource Fair

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The Hamilton County Veterans Corp is hosting a county wide Resource Fair again in 2024! We hope to reach as many of our Military/Veteran population as possible and to encourage our whole community to stop in and see what we are doing in Hamilton County. The more we know about the resources readily available to address all our issues and needs, the more connected and stronger we will be as a community of friends helping friends/Veterans Serving Veterans.

At this fair we will have over 85 resource tables there for you to get the assistance you need for the following topics and so much more from several local, regional and national providers:

VA Benefits	City Health	Insurance	Education
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CVSO's	Housing	Legal	Family Programs
County/City Health	Dental Health	Financial Help	HVAF
IDVA	Employment	Homeless	Faith Based

Tell all your friends and neighbors about this great Resource Fair that is for all of us here in Hamilton County, Indiana.

Bring a neighbor, bring a friend, bring a Veteran!!!!



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Bridge work closes 111th Street in Carmel

The REPORTER

Indiana Department of Transportation contractor Enneking Pressure Cleaning, Inc. plans a weekend closure on a bridge over U.S. 31 in Carmel.

As of 9 p.m. Friday, June 7, crews have closed East 111th Street in both directions between Illinois Street and North Pennsylvania Street over U.S. 31. This closure will allow crews to safely complete a bridge deck overlay. This work is expected to be complete by 6 a.m. Monday, June 10, weather permitting.

The official detour for this work is Illinois Street to 106th Street to North Pennsylvania Street.

INDOT reminds drivers to consider worker safety by slowing down, using caution and avoiding distractions when traveling in and near work zones. All work is weather-dependent, and schedules are subject to change.



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This map indicates the closure on College Avenue and the construction of the trench at 103rd Street.

Several road closures related to Reimagine Pleasant Street project will begin soon

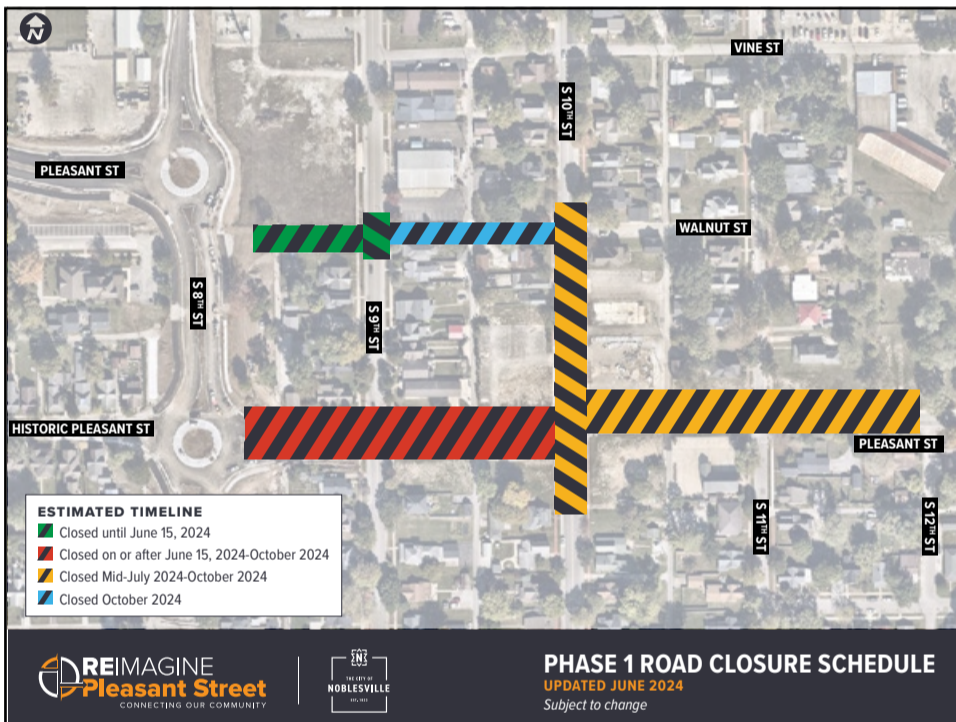
The REPORTER

Road closures will soon begin as part of Noblesville's Reimagine Pleasant Street project.

The closure schedule was recently updated to help improve traffic flow with other active construction projects nearby. The Reimagine Pleasant Street closure schedules will be adjusted in coordination with INDOT's State Road 32 Project at 8th, 9th, and 10th streets.

Beginning on or after Saturday, June 15, Pleasant Street between 8th and 10th streets will be closed. The 8th Street and 10th Street intersections with Pleasant Street will remain open.

After SR 32 and 8th Street is open to traffic, anticipated to be mid-July, Pleasant Street will be closed between 8th and 12th streets. The 8th Street and 12th Street intersections



Graphic provided by American Structurepoint

with Pleasant Street will remain open. 10th Street will also be closed between Vine Street and Washington Street.

Residents will have access to their properties throughout construction. For more details about the project and up-to-date

closures, please visit ReimaginePleasantSt.com. You can also follow the project on Facebook and Twitter.

Latest Carmel road construction updates

The REPORTER

Hazel Dell Parkway & 106th Street

One lane each way on Hazel Dell Parkway is now closed as the construction of the roundabout at the intersection gets underway.

College Avenue & 103rd Street

Beginning on or after Monday, June 10, there will be a 10-day full closure of North College Avenue directly south of East 103rd Street for utility work.

East 103rd Street will remain open for east/west connectivity as well as to the north but trench excavation across College Avenue will prevent southbound traffic during the 10-day construction period.

Alternate routes include Pennsylvania Parkway, 96th Street, 106th Street, and

U.S. 31.

See the map above. News from INDOT

There is ongoing bridge resurfacing over U.S. 31 in the following locations:

- **West Carmel Drive**, from Illinois Street to Pennsylvania Parkway, will begin on or after Friday, June 21 and be completed Monday, July 8. Work will take place during the weekends only, from Fridays at 9 p.m. to Mondays at 6 a.m.
- **West Main Street**, from Illinois Street to Pennsylvania Parkway, will begin on or after Friday, July 12 and be completed by Monday, July 22. Work will take place during the weekends only, from Fridays at 9 p.m. to Mondays at 6 a.m.
- **West 136th Street and Smoky Row**: work will begin in August (schedule to come)



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Latest Fishers road construction updates

The REPORTER State Road 37 & 141st Street

Preliminary construction work is underway at SR 37 and 141st Street. During this time pavement markings and concrete barriers will be placed. There will be no closures during this phase, only intermittent lane restrictions during the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Find construction updates at 37thrive.com. 126th Street & Southeastern Parkway roundabout

As of May 30, a full road closure is in effect for 60 days to allow for road reconstruction. A single-lane roundabout at 126th Street and Southeastern Parkway is currently in the design phase to replace the current 126th Street stop condition. The new roundabout will also include a connection for the future development of Hunters Run.

The project will rehabilitate or reconstruct the pavement, add curb and gutter with storm sewers, and multi-use paths and/or bicycle lanes. [Click here](#) to view a detour route map and for more information visit the [Capital Projects Dashboard](#).

141st Street & Promise Road roundabout

The City of Noblesville plans to begin construction on a roundabout at 141st Street and Promise Road this summer. The detour route signage will be in

place prior to the closure. For your safety, please do not enter the construction zone. There could be open trenches or other obstacles that are unsafe.

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

Road resurfacing projects

The contractor is currently in Sunblest removing existing sidewalk and ramps, and next week crews will continue prepping and placing new ADA ramps.

The week of June 10, road resurfacing work will take place on 116th Street between Olio Road and Thorpe Creek Parkway. Residents should refrain from parking their vehicles on the street during active construction operations.

Homeowners will be notified via door hangers prior to any curb reconstruction near their home. After ADA ramp and curb reconstruction is completed, those areas will be restored with topsoil and seed. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to water the seed for the seed to germinate. Prior to road resurfacing, residents will be notified via street signage for street parking restrictions.

For additional project information, view the Capital Project Dashboard [here](#).

View the Road Resurfacing Overview Map [here](#).

Roadways and neighborhoods are prioritized based on the PASER rating condition of their pavement. You can see a map [here](#).

Allisonville Road set to reopen Sunday evening

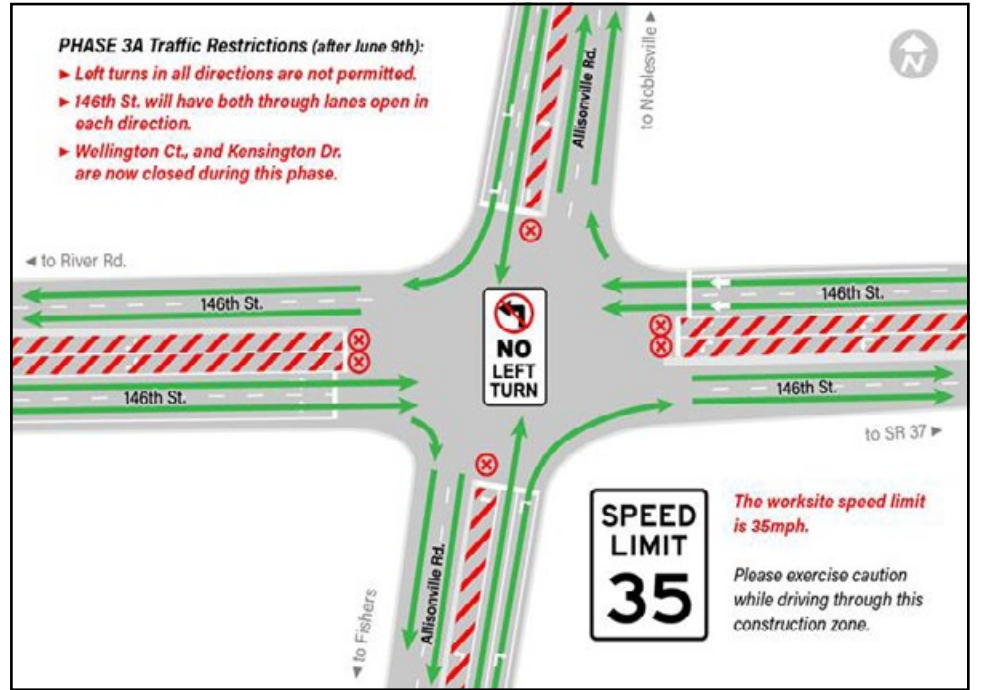
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At 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 9, Allisonville Road at 146th Street will be opened to traffic.

The intersection will use a temporary signal during this next phase. Please use caution and be aware of the signal when traveling through the intersection. No left turns will be permitted at the intersection.

The temporary signal at Greenfield Avenue and Herriman Boulevard will be removed after Allisonville Road is reopened to traffic.

Use extreme caution while driving through this construction zone. Workers have continued to notice a lot of traffic going above the posted speed limit of 35 mph. Due to the prevalence of speeding through the construction zone, the Fishers Police Department,



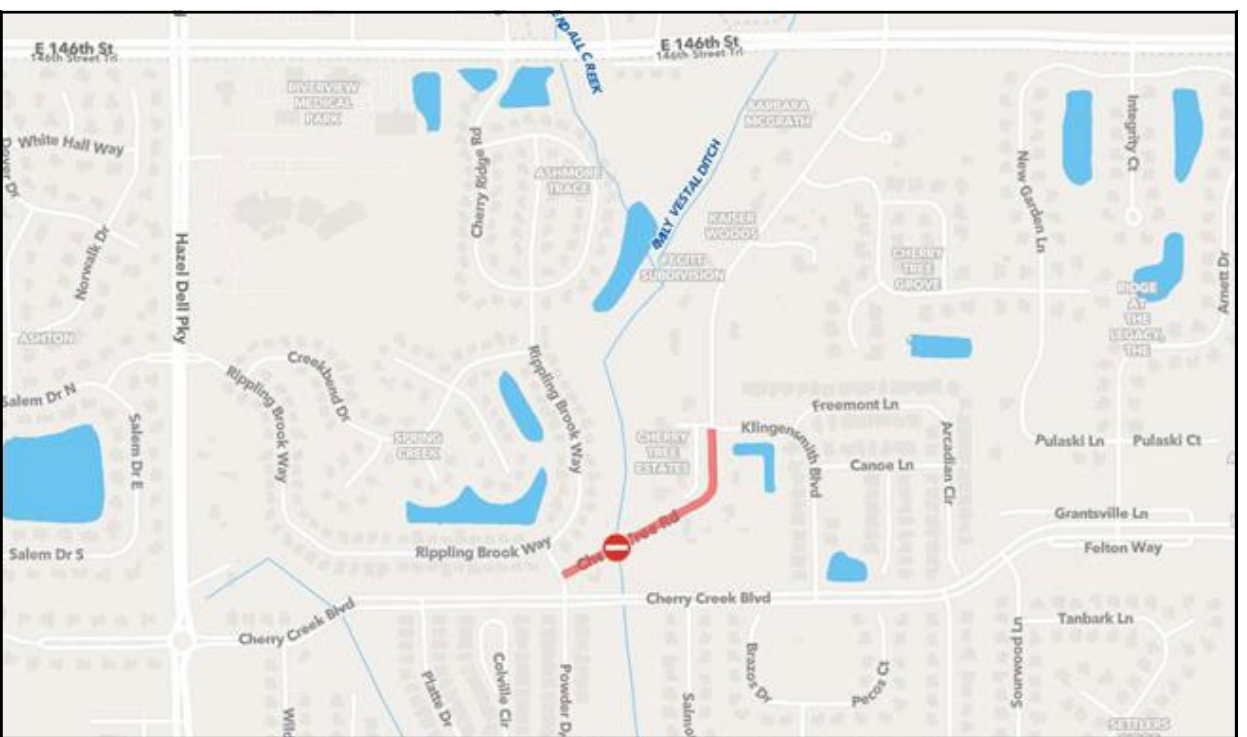
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Noblesville Police Department, and the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department have increased patrols

along 146th Street. Please be cognizant of the speed limit. It is posted at 35 mph for the safety of construc-

tion crews, as well as local residents exiting their subdivisions through this heavily traveled corridor.

Portion of Cherry Tree Road to close in Carmel



Graphic provided by Hamilton County Highway Department

Beginning on or after Monday, June 17, Cherry Tree Road in Carmel between Streamside Drive and Klingsmith Boulevard will be closed to all thru traffic to replace the bridge over Vestal Ditch. The estimated closure will be for 120 calendar days.

Meeting Notices	
The Noblesville Common Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.	The Carmel Plan Commission will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.
The Hamilton Heights School Corporation Board of Trustees will meet in an executive session at 8 a.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2024, at the Hamilton Heights Student Activity Center, 420 W. North St., Arcadia. The meeting will be held pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(3) For discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans, and systems; IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5) To receive information about and interview prospective employees; and IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process.	The Westfield Washington Public Library Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, in Meeting Room A at the library, located at 17400 Westfield Blvd. The Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety will meet in an executive session at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7) For discussion of records classified as confidential by state or federal statute. A regular meeting will follow at 9 a.m. in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.
Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Personnel Committee will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday June 12, 2024, in Conference Room 1A at the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.	CHA Consulting and the Hamilton County Highway Department will host a public information meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 20, 2024, at Noble Crossing Elementary School, 5670 Noble Crossing Pkwy. East, Noblesville. Doors will open at 6 p.m., which will allow the public to view displays and talk to representatives prior to the start of the meeting. The purpose of the public information meeting is to offer all interested persons an opportunity to comment on and view current preliminary design plans for the 146th Street and Hazel Dell Parkway intersection improvement project in Carmel and Noblesville.
The Hamilton County Airport Authority Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.	

— CICERO —

Legal Notice
Board of zoning appeals
The Cicero/Jackson Township Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on June 20th 2024, at 7:00 PM at the Cicero Town Hall building located at 70 North Byron Street, Cicero Indiana 46034, in order to hear the following petitions:
Docket No. BZA-0624-19-C4
A Land Use Variance application has been submitted regarding the property located at 2826 East 226th Street, Cicero IN, 46034 to allow a recycling and waste transfer station to be located in the C4 district. Whereas Article 4.9 of the Cicero/Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance does not list recycling and waste transfer station as a permitted use or a special exception use in the C4 District.
Project Address: 2826 E 226th street, Cicero IN, 46034
Legal Descriptions: Acreage 14.15 Section 7, Township 19, Range 4 PIERCE AUTO ESTATES Replat information: Replat of Replat Lot 2 Irregular Shape Parcel numbers: 29-06-07-000-001.002-008
The petition may be examined at the office of the Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, 331 E. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034.
Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing. Comments may be mailed to Cicero/Jackson Planning Commission at P.O. Box 650 Cicero, IN 46034. Comments may also be dropped off in the Cicero Utilities payment drop box located at 331 E. Jackson St. Cicero, IN. Comments may also be emailed to Ezawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov Comments must be received by 3:00 pm on the date of the hearing. Written comments will be read aloud during the public hearing and entered into the record of the Hearing.
The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.
Petitioner: Dan Ealy 5/22/2024
R4458 6/8/24, 6/10/24

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Docket No. BZA-0624-32-NC
A Land Use Variance application has been submitted regarding the property located at 70 North Peru Street, Cicero IN, 46034 for an Auto and Motorcycle restoration and customization shop with accessory use of video and upload of videos for profit and art studio/ art gallery with retail sales, to be located in the NC district. Whereas Article 4.1 of the Cicero/Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance does not list an auto and motorcycle restoration and customization shop with an accessory use of video and upload of videos for profit and art studio/ art gallery with retail sales as a permitted use or a special exception use in the NC District.
Docket No. BZA-0624-33-NC
A Development Standards Variance application has been submitted regarding the property located at 70 North Peru Street, Cicero IN, 46034 seeking relief from Article 7.13 which states that there shall be 1 parking space for each employee and 1 parking space for each 500 feet of gross floor area.
Docket No. BZA-0624-34-NC
A Development Standards Variance application has been submitted regarding the property located at 70 North Peru Street, Cicero IN, 46034 seeking relief from Article 7.5 AS-04 which states that all dumpsters shall be enclosed on all 4 sides.
Project Address: 70 N Peru street, Cicero IN, 46034
Legal Descriptions: Acreage .00 Section 36, Township 20, Range 4 VAN BUSKIRK Lot4 and Pt 1 Block 2 Parcel numbers: 29-02-36-404-003.00-011
The petition may be examined at the office of the Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, 331 E. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034.
Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing. Comments may be mailed to Cicero/Jackson Planning Commission at P.O. Box 650 Cicero, IN 46034. Comments may also be dropped off in the Cicero Utilities payment drop box located at 331 E. Jackson St. Cicero, IN. Comments may also be emailed to Ezawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov Comments must be received by 3:00 pm on the date of the hearing. Written comments will be read aloud during the public hearing and entered into the record of the Hearing.
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Tipton County seeks proposals for comprehensive planning services

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The Tipton County Plan Commission has announced the official release of a Request for Proposals and Qualifications (RFPQ) for comprehensive planning services.

This significant initiative marks the beginning of an effort to create a new 10-year Comprehensive Plan with a 20-year outlook, guiding the county's land use in a sustainable and strategic manner.

Tipton County, a community renowned for its agricultural heritage and strong industrial base, is seeking an experienced planning firm to assist in updating its current Comprehensive Plan, which was last adopted in 2013. The new plan aims to address land use, public infrastructure, future development, and utilities.

Tipton County is home to approximately 15,500 residents. The county's economy thrives on agriculture and manufacturing, supported by its strategic location along major transportation routes like U.S.

31 and State Road 28. The county seeks to harness these strengths while planning for future development opportunities.

The project scope includes:

1. Reviewing and analyzing existing planning documents.
2. Conducting community outreach to establish a vision, goals, and objectives.
3. Performing demographic and environmental analyses.
4. Developing an economic development analysis.
5. Conducting a parks and recreation analysis.
6. Completing an infrastructure analysis.
7. Identifying emerging trends and assessing current land use regulations.
8. Developing a Future Land Use Map.
9. Creating comprehensive plan goals, objectives, and implementation strategies.

For additional information, please visit Tipton County's website at tiptongov.com.

Betty Ann McDonald June 25, 1941 – June 6, 2024

Betty Ann McDonald, 82, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at Maple Park Village in Westfield. She was born on June 25, 1941, to Wilson and Mary (Dixon) Phillips in Wayland Springs, Tenn.

Betty was a 1959 graduate of Noblesville High School. She trained at Royal Beauty Academy and went on to work as a beautician and hair stylist for 56 years. She was owner and operator of Betty's Beauty Shop on North Street for most of that time, where she served a loyal clientele. Betty achieved career Master Beautician status and she was a graduate of Purdue University's cosmetology summer professional development workshops.

Betty taught Sunday School and Children's Church at the First Church of God in Noblesville for many years, sang in the choir and sang many duets with her husband Squeak. In more recent years, she attended Emmanuel United Methodist Church. In her spare time, Betty enjoyed crafting projects and produced several holiday themed items for sale in local bazaars and craft fairs.

Betty's other interests included reading Amish fiction stories and writing in her own diaries. She loved telling stories and jokes, and was usually the center of attention, which she relished. Betty's sense of humor and kindness were two of her greatest strengths. Betty was a proud cat mom at various times in her adult life.

Betty is survived by her sister, Wilma Robison; step-daughter, Tina (Hector) Arocha; nephew, Andy (Traci) Robison; nieces, Mikki (John) Perrine and Marci Phillips; great-nephews, Matthew Robison and Bennett Robison; as well as several other nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Harold "Squeak" McDonald; and her brother, William R. Phillips.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with a memorial service at 1 p.m., on Thursday, June 13, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Rev. Dr. Jim Farrer will officiate. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to Noblesville High School Alumni Association Scholarships, Hamilton County Humane Society, or a charity of choice. Condolences: randallroberts.com



TODAY'S BIBLE READING

JACOB BLESSES HIS SONS

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"Naphtali is a doe set free that bears beautiful fawns.

Genesis 49:19-21 (NIV)

Donald McKim Fraser

December 28, 1919 – May 17, 2024

Donald McKim Fraser, 104, Fishers, passed away on Friday, May 17, 2024, at Allisonville Meadows in Fishers. He was born on December 28, 1919, to Walter and Ann (McLaughlin) Fraser in Indianapolis.



Donald graduated in 1939 from Shortridge High School and entered IU in September 1939. He proudly served his country as an aircraft maintenance technician in the United States 9th Army Air Corps in the European Theatre during WWII from September 1941 to October 1945 and was awarded a Bronze Star. Donald returned to college and graduated from IU School of Business in January 1948. He was a sales rep for Studebaker Corp. in Kansas City, Mo., from 1948 to 1951. Donald was then manager in home office sales for Allison Division of General Motors for 30 years, retiring in 1981. Donald married Marilyn Gossard on May 14, 1949. He volunteered as a driver for Meals on Wheels for 24 years, serving as president for one term. Donald attended Noblesville First United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his three children, Lynn (Paul) Donnelson, Marilee Fraser, and Brent (Cheryl) Fraser; grandchildren, Emily (Peter) Nadeau and Anna (Maris) Kancs; great-grandchildren, Alaina, Addison, Rolans, and Kaija; and two nephews.

In addition to his parents, Donald was preceded in death by his wife, Marilyn Fraser in 2018; and his brothers, Roland Fraser and Walter Fraser.

Visitation will be from 1 to 2 p.m., with services at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County, 395 Westfield Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 (mealsonwheels.org). Condolences: randallroberts.com

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Softball

One game at a time wins the trophy

Hamilton Southeastern Royals win third state championship over New Palestine

By **RICHIE HALL**
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WEST LAFAYETTE – Just keep hitting. Good things will happen.

That was the unspoken sentiment for the Hamilton Southeastern softball team, which played New Palestine in the Class 4A state championship game Friday at Purdue's Bittinger Stadium. The Royals were getting their bats on the ball, but couldn't break through with the run for the first two-thirds of the game.

But Southeastern kept hitting and finally got that breakthrough with a run in the sixth inning. That set the Royals up for a walk off win in the seventh inning, as Alex Kiemeyer's RBI double sent Southeastern to a 2-1 victory over New Palestine.

"We talked all this post-season: it's one game at a time, one pitch at a time, one play at a time, one runner at a time," said first-year HSE coach Emily Pusti. "Everything is just 'one.' You need one run more than the other team to win, right? We just do it all in 'ones.' They were able to put it together finally, when it really, really mattered."

The senior-laden Royals collected their third state title in softball, also winning in 2007 and 2010. South-

eastern was back in the state finals after 10 years; the Royals were runners-up to Bloomington South in 2014.

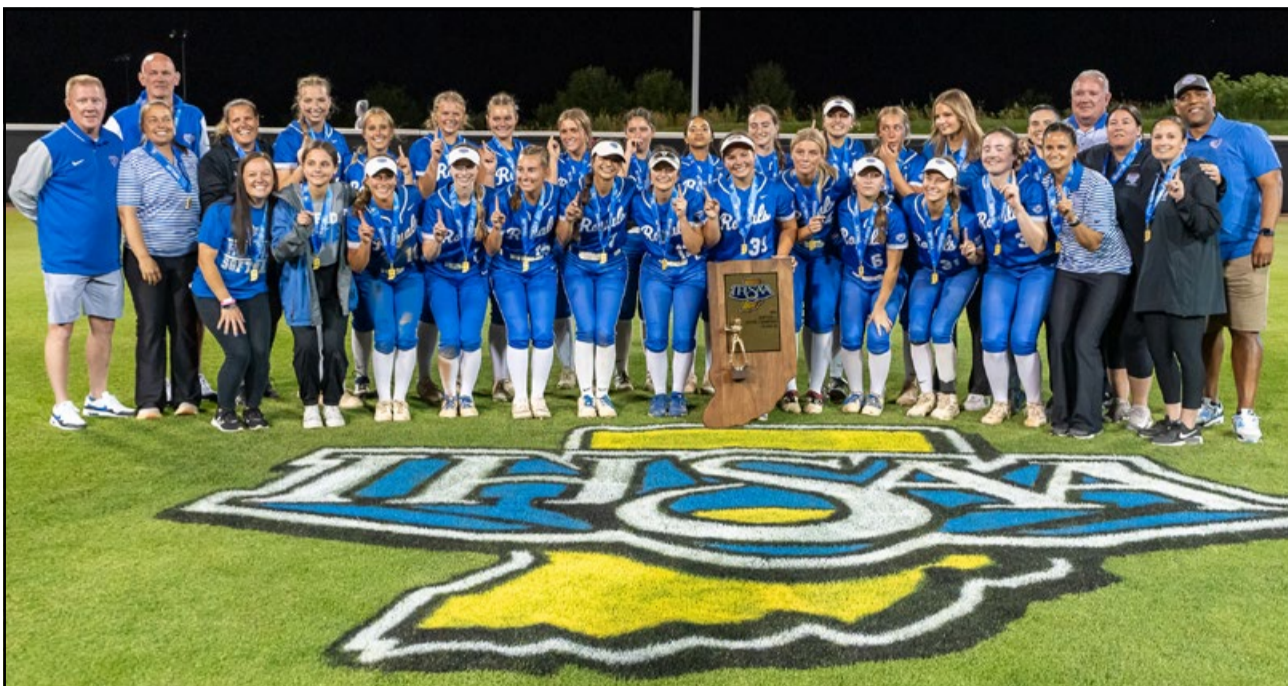
"We had a really fun week," said Kiemeyer, one of those 11 seniors on HSE's roster. "We had a water-balloon fight, ice cream, a team dinner last night. Our team feels really close and it's a lot of fun playing with your best friends."

New Palestine got on the board first in the bottom of the second inning. Jersi Gross sent a one-out triple into left field, and Allie Blum sent her home with a sacrifice fly.

Southeastern got on base in each inning, but the Dragons didn't allow the Royals to cross home plate in the first five innings. Several HSE hitters got some strong hits, only to have them go foul by inches or get caught in the outfield.

But Pusti wasn't worried. She let her team know of that confidence in the fifth and sixth innings, "and then just reiterated it in the circle at the very end of the game," she said.

"At no point was I worried," said Pusti. "We were hitting the gas the whole time. And these girls were excited. They brought energy. I was never worried. Someone was going to make a connection."



The Hamilton Southeastern softball team won its third state championship Friday, beating New Palestine 2-1. The Royals scored the winning run in the seventh inning, off an Alex Kiemeyer double.

Reporter photo by Julie Brown

The tying connection finally came in the sixth inning. Makena Burlingame led off with a double, then moved to third base on a wild pitch. Later, Keira Lodes stepped up and hit a sacrifice fly, sending Burlingame home and knotting the score at 1-1.

The seventh inning went quickly and was nothing but success for the Royals. Southeastern sophomore pitcher Grace Swedarsky was in the midst of another outstanding game, striking out 11 through the first six

innings. Swedarsky induced a flyout to center fielder Addy Justice for the first out, then struck out the next two batters, bringing her total to 13.

"When you face the hitters two, three, four times, you know they're going to make adjustments," said Swedarsky. "But if you can make adjustments first, then it's all good."

With that, it was on to the bottom of the seventh. The Dragons got a put-out for the first out, but they would get no more. Justice

smacked a single to get on base, then moved to second base when Reese Garland drew a walk. Kiemeyer came up next, and she sent her double deep into left field, giving Justice plenty of time to run home for the game-winner.

"I feel like my instincts just took over," said Kiemeyer, who had a crown placed on her head while talking after the game. "My first two bats, I struck out. It really took all my teammates to just come up to me and pour their love and sup-

port in me, and they knew that I could do it. It just felt like it was a team. I wanted to do it for them, a lot of our seniors, this is their last-ever softball game and I wanted to go out on a good note."

The Royals collected eight hits for the game, with Justice going a perfect 3-for-3 at the plate. Both of Burlingame's two hits were doubles. Jenna Chase and Lodes both had one hit, and of course there was Kiemeyer's game-winning double.

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Boys Golf

Led by medalist Will Harvey, Shamrocks claim their third regional title in a row

The REPORTER

The Westfield boys golf team won its third consecutive regional championship Friday, claiming the Harrison regional at Coyote Crossing in West Lafayette.

The Shamrocks edged out Zionsville for the victory, the program's fifth overall. Both teams scored 309, but Westfield won on the fifth-man score. Both teams, along with third-place Guerin Catholic, will advance to next week's IH-SAA state finals at Prairie View Golf Club in Carmel. The Golden Eagles placed third with a 316 and will try for a third consecutive state title next week.

The Rocks were led by Will Harvey, who won medalist honors with an even par 72. Harvey made three birdies in his round. Jake Cesare scored a 77, draining two birdies along the way. Hudson Kutchma also had two birdies, while

Ryan Cesare and Brayden Worthington both made one.

Eli Wessel was Guerin Catholic's low man with a 76, tying him for fifth place individually. Leo Wessel scored a 78, both made three birdies in their rounds. Owen Nielsen scored a 79 and had two birdies, while Gabe Berglund collected one birdie.

Carmel had three players competing as individuals. Ethan Hoagland was part of the fifth-place tie with a 76, and he will advance to state as one of the three low scorers not on an advancing team. Hoagland made three birdies on the day. The Greyhounds' Noah Johnson scored a 79, making one birdie.

The two-day state finals begin Tuesday at Prairie View and finish Wednesday.

Team scores: Westfield 309 (won on fifth-man score), Zionsville 309, Guerin Catho-



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The Westfield and Guerin Catholic boys golf teams advanced to the state meet after their performances at the Harrison regional Friday at Coyote Crossing Golf Course in West Lafayette. The Shamrocks (center) won their third consecutive regional, edging out Zionsville (right) on the fifth-man score. The Golden Eagles (left) placed third.

lic 316, West Lafayette 327, Faith Christian 335, Brownsburg 336, Plainfield 336, Harrison 341, Greencastle 352, Brebeuf Jesuit 357, Tri-West 359, Speedway 374, North Montgomery 387, Decatur Central 400, Parke Heritage 401.

Medalist: Will Harvey (Westfield) 36-36=72.

Other Westfield scores: Jake Cesare 39-38=77, Hud-

son Kutchma 40-40=80, Ryan Cesare 40-40=80, Brayden Worthington 42-39=81.

Guerin Catholic scores: Eli Wessel 36-40=76, Leo Wessel 36-42=78, Owen Nielsen 39-40=79, Gabe Berglund 39-44=83, Will Parenteau 42-42=84.

Carmel scores: Ethan Hoagland 36-40=76, Noah Johnson 41-38=79, Noah Husk 38-43=81.

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Westfield's Will Harvey was the meet medalist with an even par 72.

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Swedarsky did her usual excellent job in the circle. She only allowed two hits and one walk against a big-hitting New Palestine team.

"We knew coming into this, just like everyone else in the state of Indiana, New Pal's got bats," said Pusti. "They're a very talented team. Thankfully, we've got girls that are incredibly talented and work really hard. We've got girls that show up for each other, not just at the plate, but defense and whatnot."

"And Grace understands that deep down. So, I think that's what allows her to just go up there. And sure, she was battling some nerves,

which is totally something that we would expect, of course, as every girl was on both teams. But I think she found her groove pretty quick. And having that many strikeouts against that team is incredibly impressive and we are so proud of her."

Southeastern finished its season with a 25-4 record. The Royals also won their 15th overall state title, and the second of the school year, following HSE's volleyball state title this past November. This marks the second time Southeastern has won two state championships in a school year; the Royals claimed girls basketball and baseball crowns in 2018-19.



(TOP RIGHT) First-year Hamilton Southeastern coach Emily Pusti talks with her team during the state championship game. (ABOVE LEFT) Right fielder Makenna Selm makes a catch. (ABOVE CENTER) Makenna Burlingame hit two doubles for the Royals. (ABOVE RIGHT) Addy Justice was perfect at the plate, going 3-for-3.

Reporter photos by Julie Brown



(ABOVE LEFT) Southeastern pitcher Grace Swedarsky threw 13 strikeouts and allowed only two hits. (ABOVE CENTER & RIGHT) Sisters Ava (left) and Alex Kiemeyer celebrate after Alex scores the inning run.

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(ABOVE LEFT) The Royals rejoice after winning the state championship in walk off fashion. (ABOVE RIGHT) Hamilton Southeastern celebrates with their third softball state championship trophy.

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Girls Tennis

GC's Kolb sisters, Fishers' Maurer & Ober all headed to semifinals

The REPORTER

The Guerin Catholic doubles team of sophomores Katie Kolb and Anna Kolb won their quarterfinals match Friday at the IHSAA state doubles tournament at North Central's Barbara

Wynne Tennis Center.

The Kolb sisters beat the Fort Wayne Carroll team of sophomore Riley Glassley and freshman Chloe Ce-resa 6-4, 6-4. The Kolbs are 23-4 for the season and will play the Jasper team of senior

Paige Giesler and junior Reese Mundy this morning in the semifinals at North Central.

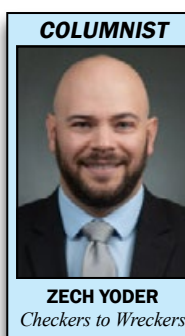
The Fishers team of seniors Cassie Maurer and Caroline Ober received a bye into the semifinals and will take

on the Angola team of junior Ava Harris and sophomore Maya Harris today. Both semifinals begin at 10 a.m.

The semifinal winners will play for the state championship at 2 p.m. at North Central.

Stewart-Haas charters

What many speculated about for months has finally become a reality. Stewart Haas Racing is selling charters. And not only selling charters, but closing up shop at the end of the 2024 season after



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Spire Motorsports reportedly purchased a charter for \$40 million. However, the first charter agreement is in its final year, and there has been heated debates between NASCAR and the Race Team Alliance

(team owners) concerning a new charter agreement with neither side willing to sign a new agreement. As a result, the value of a charter has likely decreased from last year. Moreover, with four charters hitting the market in 2024, the market value may take an even larger hit.

16 successful years in NASCAR. The Stewart-Haas disaster is almost unimaginable when you think that Kevin Harvick led the NASCAR Cup Series in wins with nine just four seasons ago in 2020.

As details about the end of Stewart-Haas are sure to trickle out over the next months and years, my interest is in SHR's charters.

So, what does all this mean for race teams? It's a great time to buy a charter. A charter is to the NASCAR Cup Series what a franchise is to the NFL. Like in the NFL, there are a limited number of charters and owning a charter comes with many perks. For instance, each charter shares in the revenue with NASCAR. Teams with charters will be paid a certain amount per charter per year. Additionally, each charter is guaranteed a starting spot in every race of the season. Finally, a charter can be bought and sold.

The charter system was established in 2016 when NASCAR and the Race Team Alliance entered the first charter agreement. The purpose was to recognize the investments race teams were making in NASCAR by providing race teams with an a "tangible" asset that would appreciate over time. Prior to the charter system, there was no prerequisite for entering or leaving the Cup Series. Teams like Robert Yates Racing, that made tremendous contributions to the growth and success of the NASCAR, left the Cup Series with literally nothing to show for its long-term investment in the sport. The charter system provided teams owners an investment stake in NASCAR.

The NASCAR charters system is made up of 36 charters and is limited to the Cup Series. Teams competing in the Xfinity Series and the Craftsman Truck Series do not have charters. For 2016, charters were given to teams that run a full-time schedule in the prior three seasons (2013, 2014, 2015).

Since the 2016 season, the price of a charter has skyrocketed. Last year,

Further, the Gen7 car has made it easier for small teams to compete. Team like Kaulig Racing and Front Row Motorsports have demonstrated that small team can win Cup Series races with the Gen7 car.

Right now, it appears that three of the four Stewart-Haas charters are taken. Front Row Motorsports have reportedly paid between \$20 and \$25 million for a Stewart-Haas charter. It is also expected that 23XI and Trackhouse Racing will be purchasing charters, making each of those teams three-car teams.

The final Stewart-Haas charter is interesting. I think Rouse Fenway Keselowski Racing would want to expand to three teams as well. RFK Racing has shown tremendous progress over the last two years and have been the best Ford team in the garage so far this season. Given the new support from Toyota, Legacy Motor Club may be able to buy the final charter, but the \$25 million price tag is no joke.

It will be fun to watch the landscape shift of the Cup Series garage. It will also be interested to see which young drivers get a Cup Series opportunity. But what happens to the drivers and teams of Stewart-Haas Racing? Stay tuned ...

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

Hamilton County Basketball Hall of Fame accepting nominations

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Basketball Hall of Fame is accepting nominations for the 2024 class.

This year's nominations are due by Sept. 11. To receive a nomination form, email Dave Nicholson at djadv@att.net, or call (317) 773-0053.

Here are the criteria for nominees:

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1. Must have graduated from a Hamilton County high school
2. Must have graduated at least 10 years ago
3. Must have made significant contributions to Hamilton County basketball.
4. Must have proven to be a person of good character and citizenship
5. Must have made valu-

able contributions to his/her team.

Coaches

1. Must have coached at least five years in Hamilton County
2. Must be retired at least five years.
3. Must have proven to be of good character and citizenship
4. Must have made significant contributions to

Hamilton County basketball.

Significant Contributor

1. Awarded to team doctors or trainers, volunteers, media personnel, etc.
2. Must have made significant contributions to Hamilton County basketball.
3. Must have proven to be of good character and citizenship.

Pacers & Fever Jr. Hoops Tour 2024 tips off next week

Westfield's Pacers Athletic Center among stops

The REPORTER

The Indiana Pacers and Indiana Fever Jr. Hoops Tour 2024 tips off next week.

The tour, sponsored by Peyton Manning Children's Hospital at Ascension St. Vincent, along with Gatorade, begins

Monday, June 10 at Warren Central High School, and includes stops at five additional locations across Central Indiana, finishing Friday, June 14 at the Pacers Athletic Center at Grand Park in Westfield.

The very popular Jr. Hoops Tour to youth is free to boys and girls, ages 6-14, and provides opportunities for youth to learn the fundamentals of the game. The tour also emphasizes sportsmanship, respect, teamwork, and healthy living.

The tour stops take place from 1 to 2 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Here is a list of stops:

Monday: Warren Central High School, 9500 E. 16th St., India-

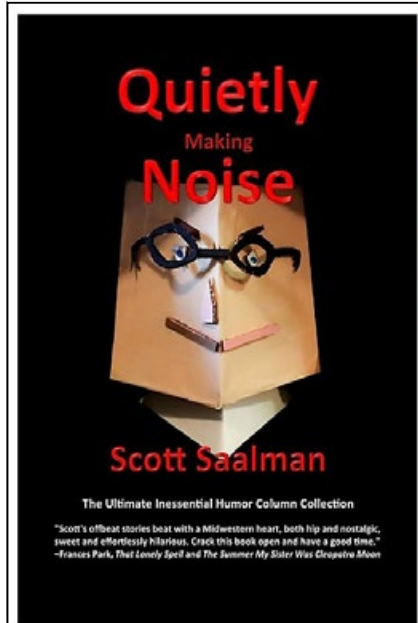
napolis, featuring Pacers player Kendall Brown.

Tuesday: St. Luke Catholic School, 7575 Holliday Drive East, Indianapolis, featuring Pacers player Kendall Brown.

Wednesday: Arsenal Technical High School, 1500 E. Michigan St., Indianapolis, featuring Pacers player Kendall Brown from 1 to 2 p.m. and Fever players Celeste Taylor and Victoria Saxton from 2 to 4 p.m.

Thursday: Decatur Central High School, 5251 Kentucky Ave., Indianapolis, featuring Pacers player Isaiah Jackson.

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<p>Saturday, June 8</p> <p>BASEBALL</p> <p>Semi-state at Lafayette Jefferson Westfield vs. Lake Central, 11 a.m. Homestead vs. Concord, 2 p.m. Championship, 8 p.m.</p> <p>TENNIS</p> <p>State doubles at North Central Semifinals, 10 a.m. Championship, 2 p.m.</p>
<p>Tuesday, June 12</p> <p>GOLF</p> <p>State finals first round, 8 a.m. at Prairie View</p>
<p>Wednesday, June 13</p> <p>GOLF</p> <p>State finals second round, 8 a.m. at Prairie View</p> <p>Please email schedule changes or corrections to sports@readthereporter.com.</p>

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