

**SATURDAY, AUG. 24, 2024**

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**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Today: Mostly to partly sunny. Humidity returns.  
 Tonight: Partly cloudy.



HIGH: 87 LOW: 67



# Fox Hollow victims to be laid to rest in public funeral

*He Knows Your Name & Hamilton County Coroner's Office to honor nine victims, new memorial will celebrate their lives with dignity*

**The REPORTER**

Indiana-based ministry He Knows Your Name and the Hamilton County Coroner's Office have announced plans to hold a public funeral and monument dedication to honor victims of the Fox Hollow Tragedy.

In the 1990s, authorities discovered the remains of eight individuals at Fox Hollow Farm in Westfield that have been linked to suspected serial killer Herb Baumeister. Another victim, identified just last year, has brought the total to nine.

There are 10,000 remains connected to this case that were scattered across the 18-acre Fox Hollow estate. This magnitude of remains is only second to that of the World Trade Center, which had 20,000. Thanks to major advancements in genealogy and DNA testing since the '90s, progress continues to be made in this ongoing investigation to identify the victims of this tragedy.

At 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 29 at the Prairie Waters Event Center, 4180 Westfield Road, Westfield, Jeffrey Allen Jones will be laid to rest and all identified nine victims will be remembered with a funeral and monument dedication to honor and celebrate their lives with dignity and honor.

The new monument was



created and delivered by Canadian artist David Perrett. The monument will honor the lives lost to the Fox Hollow Tragedy, bringing those who visit into empathy and providing a place of respect, redemption, and a path for healing to begin.

Donated by He Knows Your Name, the monument will shed light on the darkness of the tragedy. It is located at Prairie Waters in Westfield, lists all nine identified Fox Hollow victims, and there is space on the stone for additional identified names to be added. There will be an ossuary by the monument so that any family member connected to the tragedy has the option, at any time, to lay to rest their loved one without any cost.

"It is time for those who lost their lives to the Fox Hollow Tragedy to be honored," said Linda Znachko, founder of He Knows Your Name ministry. "Time for us as a community to believe that every life is worthy and matters. Together we will gather to show respect, neighborly love, support and sorrow-



Jellison



Photo courtesy He Knows Your Name

**He Knows Your Name helps loved ones start on a path of healing by saying victims' names publicly with dignity.**

ful humility to everyone who lost a loved one in this tragedy. It is time for us to help create a path for healing to begin by humbly saying their names publicly with dignity and to memorialize their lives."

It's been 30 years since Fox Hollow Farms in Westfield was the site of one of the state's most notorious series of crimes. This marks the first time the community has given the victims and their families honor and respect in a public dedication.

"While this is an ongoing investigation, we feel now is the

time to properly and publicly remember these members of our community," Hamilton County Coroner Jeff Jellison said. "We are proud to partner with He Knows Your Name to further their mission to provide dignity and a final resting place, regardless of their circumstance."

*He Knows Your Name is rooted in the conviction that every life is sacred to God. He Knows Your Name Ministry gives children and adults dignity and honor in death by celebrating their life. Learn more at [heknowsyourname.org](http://heknowsyourname.org).*

# Brain Droppings: Scott has things on his mind

In 1997, comedian George Carlin published his very funny (how could it not be!) book, *Brain Droppings*, which, according to the cover, contains "jokes, notions, doubts, opinions, questions, thoughts, beliefs, assertions, assumptions, and disturbing references" and "comedy, nonsense, satire, mockery, merriment, sarcasm, ridicule, silliness, bluster, and toxic alienation."

While I'm not a stand-up comedian (I'm too lazy to remain vertical for that long), I often veer into Carlin Country as a sit-down columnist – silliness, satire, and sarcasm pretty much sum up my *raison d'être* (pardon my French).

Here are recent Brain Droppings of my own.

- I tried to grow a mustache but couldn't pull it off.
- I caught myself sucking in my gut when the dentist took pics of my teeth.
- My wife always says I could sleep through a tornado. I definitely proved her right during a recent matinee showing of *Twisters*. MONEY back, please!
- The attention span of the average reader is 8.25 seconds, or about 40 words. Sadly, I already lost you.
- A bumper sticker I'd love to see: "God Is The Ultimate Scientist. Win-win."
- I wonder how often Paul Anka's "You're Having My Baby" is the first dance song at someone's wedding.
- My favorite Beatles song: Band on the Run.
- There are now generations referring to Paul Newman as "that salad dressing guy."
- Pickle Ball is the new Pong.
- Without harmonica, "Piano Man" would suck.
- On International Talk Like A Pirate Day, I will only answer to the name "Barnacle Dick."
- I'm so old, I recall the rollout of CALL OF DUTY: SLINGSHOT.
- My dad once started a sentence this way, "I was talking to my bartender this morning ..." I stopped listening to him ever since.
- When I was a kid, the Easter Bunny accidentally hid L'eggs throughout our backyard instead of what were supposed to be the traditional plastic eggs filled with jellybeans. My career as a bank robber soon hatched. (This might've been the same morning Dad talked to his bartender.)

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**COLUMNIST**



SCOTT SAALMAN  
Scaramouch

# Inaugural "Cheers For Hope" craft fair in Arcadia to help local families

**The REPORTER**

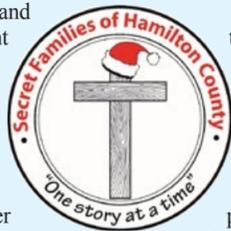
On Saturday, Sept. 21, dozens of artisans will take over Main Street in Dow town Arcadia for the inaugural Cheers For Hope Fall Festival and Craft Fair, set for noon to 4 p.m.

The event is being organized by Secret Families of Hamilton County in partnership with Northbrook Brewing Company as a fundraiser to help families across the community in need this holiday season.

The festival, which will be held along West Street and in front of Northbrook on Main Street in downtown Arcadia, will feature over 70 craft vendors showcasing items such as handmade leather goods, clothing, jewelry, woodcrafts and artwork. Northbrook will

be serving food and drinks at the event and there will be live music from the Aura Ray & Sean Noel Singing Duo. There will also be face-painting and other activities for children. Street parking will be available.

"We have been wanting to launch a signature fundraising event for a couple of years, but hadn't found the right place," according to Leachia Kern, co-executive director of Secret Families. "Northbrook saw one of our social media posts and invited us up to talk. We were so impressed with the space and their willingness to partner with us – we knew it was the right place to launch our event."



For more information, visit [secretfamilieshc.org](http://secretfamilieshc.org).

**About Secret Families of Hamilton County**

Over 14,000 people fall below the poverty line in Hamilton County. This is larger than the entire populations of 11 Indiana counties. Since 2014, Secret Families of Hamilton County has worked with local elementary schools and Hamilton County Youth Assistance to identify and support these families in need. This may be due to the illness or death of a parent, loss of a job, natural disaster, or any other number of circumstances.

On the second Saturday

of December, months of planning and fundraising culminate in a highly orchestrated, single-day event with hundreds of Hamilton County volunteers shopping, wrapping and delivering presents to their neighbors in need, along with a fully decorated tree, a Bible, toiletries/personal care items and a gift card for Christmas dinner. In 2023, Secret Families served over 60 families and almost 300 individuals, and the goal is to serve 100 families and 500 individuals in 2024.

Secret Families spends approximately \$550 on each family supported by the organization, which would not be possible without generous donations from the community. Learn how to get involved at [secretfamilieshc.org](http://secretfamilieshc.org).

# Carmel realigns duties for two city leaders

**The REPORTER**

A new alignment of duties for key leadership functions within the City of Carmel is creating new operational efficiencies.

Rebecca Carl has broadened her duties, assuming the role of chief of staff, filling the position previously held by Jim Cridler. In the role supporting the mayor's office, Carl will continue her oversight of the city's marketing and communications functions. Prior to serving the city, Carl fulfilled similar leadership roles at Indiana University and IU Health.

"The chief of staff role is critical and Rebecca's proven expertise in operations and communications is supporting our continued success," Mayor Sue Finkam said. "By expanding the scope of her duties, we are further creating efficiencies and effectiveness, both in our work and how we direct resources."



Carl



Douglas

To support Carl's assumption of the chief of staff duties, Kelly Douglas has been promoted to director of marketing and community relations, overseeing the city's branding and marketing efforts. Douglas previously developed private-label programs for major retailers, including Target and Best Buy,

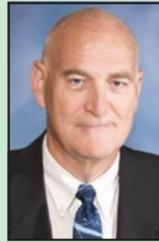
also fulfilling brand leadership roles at Ingersoll Rand. Most recently, she served as marketing director for Downtown Indy, Inc.

The marketing team's new alignment will be further supported by the addition of Kelli Prader, who will serve as senior project manager in marketing. Prader previously worked for Carmel Utilities as manager of customer relations and education, overseeing events and public meetings and working with Community Relations to promote Utilities' reporting and initiatives.

# Westfield Supt. Dr. Paul Kaiser to speak at upcoming chamber luncheon

**The REPORTER**

The Westfield Chamber invites business leaders, community members, and guests to attend the September Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 19 at The Bridgewater Club.



Kaiser

Westfield Washington Schools Superintendent Dr. Paul Kaiser will offer an insightful presentation on the current state of the school district in addition to what is in store for the future.

As Westfield continues to grow, the Westfield Chamber supports the school system and community impact. This event typically sells out due to high interest, so register today to reserve your seat.

**Click here** to register. Please plan to attend what is sure to be an educational afternoon.

The title sponsor is Apex Benefits. Discounted Partner Tickets and Non-Partner tickets are available. Corporate reserved tables (seating for eight) are also available.



## TEAM HUMBLY COURAGEOUS



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## Donate blood at Westfield PD

### The REPORTER

The City of Westfield has partnered with Versiti for a blood drive this month.

The blood drive will take place from 10:30 a.m.

to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30 at the Westfield Police Department, 17535 Dartmouth Road.

[Click here](#) to sign up to donate.

## Community News

### Join BJ's Wholesale & help Actors Theatre of Indiana at the same time

New members of BJ's Wholesale Club can enjoy not only in-store benefits but can help Actors Theatre of Indiana at the same time.

Join today for only \$20 and ATI gets \$10.

[Click here](#) to download the membership application. You can also call 1-800-313-8887 and reference promo code 809058.

## DROPPINGS

• Favorite bumper sticker that exists: "Jesus Loves You (Everyone Else Thinks You're An A\$%hole)!"

• I only watch true crime shows featuring serial killers exceeding 15 victims. Lesser body counts no longer hold my attention.

• I never got over Mom flushing the family pet rock down the toilet.

• When I was a teen, an uncle, near death, shared the following parting wisdom with me: "Never videotape yourself having sex. Just trust me on that one." He's still alive today. We pretend not to notice each other at family reunions.

• A bumper sticker I'd like to see: "I Don't Know Much About Art - But I Know An A\$%hole When I See One."

• *MONKEY BACK GUARANTEE*. Man, I wish I'd read the fine print. Talk about a mailbox surprise.

• My world has never been the same since Pluto was demoted.

• I get so upset when I waste hours watching *Unsolved Mysteries* only to learn that the endings are ambiguous.

• It's more efficient to peel a banana from the bottom. I wouldn't have known this if not for that *MONKEY BACK GUARANTEE*.

• Charley Crockett makes people who don't like country music like country music.

• ... apparently I missed the memo that said Walmart greeters don't carry bags to customers' cars. I apologize for initiating fisticuffs with that geezer greeter who refused to carry my big-screen TV to my car.

• I always fear the guy beside me on a plane will

pull out his emotional support western taipan during turbulence.

• Tom T. Hall deserves the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor. Listen no further than "Who's Gonna Feed Them Hogs;" "The Little Lady Preacher;" "A Week In A County Jail;" and "Ballad of Forty Dollars."

• When I greet someone with a handshake, I pre-judge their character based not on the firmness of their grip but on the imagined quality of their Thanksgiving holiday "handprint turkey" artwork.

• I once fell deeply, you know, proudly in love with darts. Darts, darts, darts. Darts this. Darts that. Then, one day I say, "\*\*\*\* darts."

I renounce darts. I vow never to step foot in that bar again. That's how much "\*\*\*\* darts." That was 17 years ago, and I have never since stuck a toe in the bar. And I love the bar. But why? Done with darts. It's

why? Done with darts. It's

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a sad realization when your passion becomes pointless. (My homage to a great scene from *Adaptation*.)

• I'm still using grade-school excuse notes written in advance by my mom. She was a prolific excuse writer. Looks like I'll never have to take a shower in gym class ever again!

• I attend a monthly shy bladder syndrome support group. Sadly, we never complete a full session due to abnormally long restroom breaks.

• There's no better truth-teller than a belt notch.

• I plan to learn guitar at 85 ... just to impress the chicks.

• A sign of narcissism: You wash your hands before you pee, not after.

• "*I'm OK - You're OK*" self-help author Thomas A. Harris, M.D. has a new book coming out: "You're OK, I'm Dead."

• A failed stripper movie: *Magic Mime*. It left too much to the imagination.

• Why is it I always get the Subway "sandwich artist" who is in his Jackson Pollock phase?

• Take it from me: Nothing is more demoralizing than when your imaginary friend finds an imaginary friend he likes better.

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Hamilton County  
**Fall Festival & Boutique Fair**  
September 21 • Noon - 4 p.m.  
Outside of Northbrook Brewing on Main Street, Arcadia  
All proceeds benefit Secret Families of Hamilton County  
Over 70 vendors • Live Music • Food and Drinks • Kid Friendly

There are plenty of other banks out there.

Frankly, they're why we started this one.

What makes us different? The answer is in our name: Community First. We're dedicated to seeing people—and entire communities—thrive. It's highly un-bank-like, but when you put people above profit, good things happen.

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# Team building: Olympic style



Photos provided by Westfield Washington Schools  
Inspired by the Olympic Games, Monon Trail Elementary School in Westfield recently held a team-building competition to motivate staff members to get to know their new teams. Events included eating lunch together, creating shared commitments for taking care of one another throughout the year, doing random acts of kindness for other staff members, and more. Did your child's teacher win the gold?



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# Flower lovers, this is for you

By **KELLY McVEY**  
*Indiana Peony Festival President*

The next Noblesville Flower Market is coming next week! Join us from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 29 in Seminary Park for blooms, art, handmade items, sweet treats, and more.

We'd like to make a special shoutout to our dear friends at Noblesville Ace Hardware and Keep Noblesville Beautiful for being this year's Noblesville Flower Market sponsors.

Both organizations have been great supporters of the Indiana Peony Festival. We couldn't be more appreciative of all the support they pour into our community.

### Peonies for sale

Stop by the Indiana Peony Festival booth at each flower market to order your peony roots for fall planting. Can't make the market to order? No worries! We now have peony roots easily [available online](#) for ordering with two delivery

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# Welcome to Our New Minister



On August 16, 2024, the Stony Creek Church of Christ began a new chapter our work in Noblesville. On that Sunday, we welcomed Curtis Cooper as our new minister. He is a talented young family man and will do an outstanding work in our community. Our congregation and our community are be blessed by him. We invite you to come meet Curtis and be blessed by his writing, teaching and preaching.

**You are encouraged and invited to join us for any of our Bible studies, worship or a private study.**



## Stony Creek Church of Christ

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15530 Herriman Blvd., Noblesville  
(317) 219-5852

Sunday Bible Study 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship 11:00 am  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

**Hamilton County Reporter**

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# THE BEST

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IN HAMILTON COUNTY**

## Hoosier serving his country on the USS Tripoli



U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Austyn Riley

Intelligence Specialist 2nd Class Jacob Stubbs, Indianapolis, performs maintenance on a CO2 Bottle aboard amphibious assault carrier USS Tripoli (LHA 7) on Aug. 14. Tripoli is an America-class amphibious assault ship homeported in San Diego.

## Westfield no longer accepting cash payments

### The REPORTER

The City of Westfield has announced that as of Aug. 1, cash will no longer be accepted for bill payment. [Click here](#) to submit a bill payment online.

## Live Music At Pasto Italiano



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### Meeting Notices

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Council Finance Committee will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2024, at Big Woods Hazel Dell, 14741 Hazel Dell Crossing, Noblesville.

The Noblesville Common Council will hold a budget meeting at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2024, in Rooms A213 and 214 at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Noblesville Board of Public Works & Safety will meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2024, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Noblesville Common Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2024, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Send Meeting Notices to:  
[News@ReadTheReporter.com](mailto:News@ReadTheReporter.com)

The Carmel Plan Commission will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2024, in the Council Chambers on second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

Send Public Notices to:  
[PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com](mailto:PublicNotices@ReadTheReporter.com)

# One million people to lose their Medicare Advantage Plan for 2025

### COLUMNIST



SYLVIA GORDON  
Make Sense of Medicare

If you have a Medicare Advantage plan, be sure to read your Annual Notice of Change the insurance companies are required to mail you each September. This year's notice could be shocking!

Many companies have announced that they are leaving counties and some are leaving entire regions or states. Aetna was the most popular choice for Medicare Advantage last year. But they said that over half a million members will lose their plans this year.

This is called a Plan Exit, and while it is usually bad news, it comes with some good news, too!

If you get a notice that you are losing your Medicare Advantage plan, you

will not be without options. You are guaranteed to move into another Medicare Advantage plan (if there is one in your county). The really good news is that you can get a Medicare Supplement without

health underwriting. If you have wanted to move into a Medicare Supplement plan, now is your chance. You can enroll with any company and they have to accept you – regardless of your health.

Why is this happening? Because private Medicare Advantage plans have several financial challenges this year: the impact of the new Medicare Part D rules, medical inflation, and lower reimbursement from the government. Since plans are filed by the county, if

your county is not profitable, the insurance company can always leave your market. The company might be profitable in a nearby county, which is confusing. Hospitals and doctors charge different amounts and insurance companies may not find your area to be profitable.

This isn't new. However, unlike recent years, this year will see a lot more plan exits than an average year. Insurance companies are blaming some of this problem on COVID. People are using their insurance plans more often and it's being attributed to the lingering effects of COVID. People put off procedures they are not getting back around to. People are often suffering from the effects of long COVID, and some people have a major condition that could have been caught earlier (and

treated cheaper) if COVID hadn't hampered their ability to get routine and preventative care.

All of the things that are hurting Medicare Advantage profits, and thereby your own out-of-pocket costs, are also hitting Medicare Supplement plans. I'll talk about that in a later issue, but note that you are not immune from these market pressures. Medicare Supplement plans are predicting double digit increases but you won't see that news until January. The news about Medicare Advantage comes in September.

Sylvia Gordon is known as Medicare Mama on social media. She and the Noblesville-based [TheMedicare-Family.com](http://TheMedicare-Family.com) have amassed nearly one million followers online where she teaches about Medicare, Social Security, and retirement.

## Children's concert series returns Sept. 14

### The REPORTER

Families can introduce young children to the joy of live performance through the Center for the Performing Arts' monthly Peanut Butter & Jam series, which begins a new season Sept. 14.

With fun and informal sessions designed specifically for ages 1 to 7, PB&J typically takes place one Saturday each month from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., in the Palladium's Robert Adam Room or across Carter Green in the Studio Theater. Tickets are only \$10 per child, which includes the option of two free adult admissions upon request, creating a fun and affordable weekend outing for families.

This season's events include:

#### Soulful Music and Melodies with Allison Victoria

10:30 a.m. Sept. 14  
The Palladium, Robert Adam Room

Singer-songwriter, musician and teaching artist Allison Victoria will lead an interactive sing-along concert, with a sound rooted in soul music but spanning many genres.

#### Silly Safaris: Not-so-Scary Scary Animal Show

10:30 a.m. Oct. 5  
The Studio Theater

Just in time for Halloween! Come and see your favorite "scary" animals (snakes, spiders, etc.) and learn why they aren't so scary after all.



Photo provided

Take part in an interactive journey through West African dance and music with Epiphany Dance Collective on Feb. 22, 2025, at the Studio Theater.

#### Mariachi Sol Jalisciense de Indianapolis: Mariachi Music & Dance

10:30 a.m. Nov. 23  
The Studio Theater

Talented local musicians will perform lively and colorful music and dance from the Mexican state of Jalisco.

#### Melchior Marionettes: Holiday Cabaret on Strings

10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.  
Dec. 14  
The Studio Theater

Back by popular demand, skilled puppeteers with handcrafted marionettes perform a fast-paced, seasonal cabaret for all ages, inviting the audience to sing along with holiday classics and other favorites.

Sarah Scharbrough  
10:30 a.m. Jan. 4

#### The Studio Theater

Enjoy singing, rhythm and movement with Indiana performer and songwriter Sarah Scharbrough, who has released six albums and collaborated with artists around the world.

#### Epiphany Dance Collective: West African Drum & Dance

10:30 a.m. Feb. 22  
The Studio Theater

Indianapolis-based Epiphany African Dance Collective leads an interactive journey through West African dance and music, with the audience invited to join in.

#### Katherine Nagy & Friends

10:30 a.m. March 8  
The Studio Theater

Local singer-songwriter Katherine Nagy and her

band will share familiar Irish tunes, her own Irish-inspired music, and stories from her childhood filled with Irish tradition.

#### Indy Opera: Figaro! The Bunny of Seville

10:30 a.m. April 5  
The Palladium, Robert Adam Room

Indianapolis Opera will perform a new children's version of Rossini's famous *The Barber of Seville*, filled with catchy tunes, silly antics and lots of heart.

#### Relevations Dance Company: Let's Dance!

10:30 a.m. May 17  
The Studio Theater

Join Relevations Dance Company on a journey exploring the world of expression through dance, in styles from ballet and jazz to hip-hop, tap and beyond.

## FLOWERS

options. Order to pick up at the flower markets or have them conveniently shipped to your home for an additional \$6.

In addition to peony

roots for sale, Ace will offer informational peony demonstrations at the August, September, and October markets. Sonny Naylor from Noblesville Ace

Hardware will lead a discussion on planting, care, and maintenance of your peonies. They will have two Peony 101 sessions per market, which we'll be announcing with more details very soon. Start your peony garden off right with helpful advice from our local Ace Hardware.

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Noblesville Ace Hardware is partnering with a local expert, Buck Evans, with Heartland Worm Farm on how to nourish your garden, planters and beds with worm castings. Ace Hardware and Evans

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will be at the August Flower Market demonstrating how worm castings can greatly improve your garden. Make sure to check out the Ace Hardware booth any time between 5 and 8 p.m.

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Lastly, we are extremely excited to announce our partnership with Chick-fil-A. Starting this month, we will have Chick-fil-A included in our monthly vendor lineup. Enjoy some of their limited menu items every last Thursday of the month. Thank you, Chick-fil-A!

### — COUNTY —

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

PURSUANT TO IC 5-14-1.5-3.5(a) THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD AT THEIR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ON AUGUST 26, 2024 AT 9:00 AM WILL MEET VIRTUALLY THROUGH TEAMS. THE MEETING MAY BE ACCESSED VIRTUALLY BY MEETING ID: 279 449 711 819, PASSCODE: A2bLkr

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD.

ATTEST: LYNETTE MOSBAUGH

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### — ARCADIA —

#### NOTICE

The Arcadia Town Council will meet in a special meeting on Tuesday, August 27th at 3:30 p.m. located at 208 W. Main Street Arcadia, 46030.

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# Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

## Hamilton County Veteran Service Organizations

### American Legion Posts

Carmel Post 155 Kim Kilburn  
852 West Main St,  
Carmel, In 46032  
317-846-0001

Cicero Post 341 Tye Anderson  
50 Washington Ave  
Cicero, In 46034  
317-984-4441

Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc  
9091 E 126<sup>th</sup> St  
Fishers, in 46038  
317-842-5944

Noblesville Post 45 Gil Soria  
273 S 8<sup>th</sup> St  
Noblesville, in 46060  
317-773-9985

Sheridan Post 67 Tom DeShon  
406 E 10<sup>th</sup> St  
Sheridan, In 46069  
317-758-5007

### VFW Posts

Carmel Post 10003 Darin Bibeau  
12863 Old Meridian St  
Carmel, In 46032  
317-846-0917

Noblesville Post 6246 Erick Behrends  
654 S 9<sup>th</sup> St  
Noblesville, In 46060  
317-773-9956

### Non-Profit Veteran Orgs

Hamilton County Veterans Corp  
P.O. Box 503  
Noblesville, in 46061  
[secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com](mailto:secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com)  
Meets 7pm the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday Monthly at the Fishers American Legion. Our website <https://www.hamiltoncountyveterans.com/> has 40 pages of resources for our Military Veteran community

Navy Club Ship 29  
Noblesville, In  
[president@hamiltoncountyveterans.com](mailto:president@hamiltoncountyveterans.com)  
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs 630pm at Gingers 1804 Conner St Noblesville

### Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers

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### Resources You Might Need

**The Fishers Department of Health** website lists many resources for our whole community - <https://fishers.crediblemind.com/> You can access Mental Health, Anxiety and self care assistance, and or go to the Community Resource page to connect to the resource you need.

**VA Health Care on Military Exposures**  
<https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures>  
Visit this page to find out about the chemical, physical and environmental toxins you may have been exposed to and the health concerns they have created and what to do if you were exposed.

## Hamilton County Military Veteran

Job Fairs, Connecting to Employers & Resume Writing



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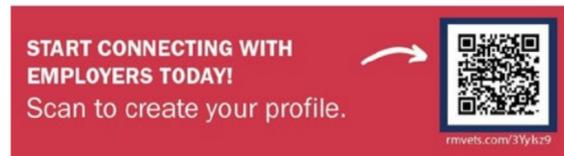
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# Local marketing firm Flint Analytics named to Inc. 5000

## The REPORTER

Flint Analytics, a growing digital marketing firm for multi-location companies, has been ranked 3,011 in the Inc. 5000 – a highly respected listing of the fastest-growing and most innovative companies in the country; the company ranked 33 in the state of Indiana.

Flint Analytics was started in 2011 in South Bend, Ind., but moved to Carmel for more opportunity. The goal of the company is to help businesses with multi-location, including franchises, develop effective, targeted marketing campaigns by using data that is specific to the region and sharing the message that each company is geared toward.

Flint Analytics creates a local presence for companies by offering digital marketing with creative content, paid search, and marketing insights that increase rankings, leads and sales. The company has also pioneered digital marketing methods that improve SEO for multi-location businesses on a local level.

A company may have

100 locations, but each location has its own unique audience. Using software and strategies, Flint Analytics helps reach each location in a targeted way.

The Inc. 5000 is a yearly list of the United States' fastest-growing private companies, published by *Inc. Magazine*. The list has been produced annually since 1982. There are a wide variety of categories; Flint Analytics is listed in the Advertising Category.

Companies on the 2024 Inc. 5000 are ranked according to percentage revenue growth from 2020 to 2023 (three years' growth). They must be U.S.-based, privately held, for-profit and independent. Once included in the Inc. 5000, all 5,000 companies are profiled on Inc.com.

"It brings legitimacy to what we're doing," Flint Analytics Founder Tim Flint said. "It's a great chance for our team to be recognized."

The announcement comes on the heels of several years of success and growth for Flint Analytics. Flint explained that the company has more than doubled in size since the pandemic, naming a new President in November of last year.

Chelsea Flint, who had been with the company since 2013, stepped in with the goal to build upon the service Flint Analytics gives to its clients. Her comments at the time of her promotion, that "Flint Analytics is poised to further solidify our reputation as a trusted industry leader," are confirmed with the announcement from Inc. 5000.

While waiting to hear the results, Flint knew certain things: "It's likely that less than 50 companies in Indiana will have this des-

ignation, with half of those companies being in the Indy Metro."

Inclusion on the list is not only an honor, but shows a company is not only a current leader in its industry but is also likely to continue growing. The recognition can lead to an increase in client base, as well as an increase in the number of quality applicants looking to work for Flint Analytics.

The people of Flint Analytics believe in their company's goals, but also wants to share their success and knowledge with the community. In the Indianapolis Metro area, they host Smart-ups, a networking group for startup businesses. Topics on marketing design, content engines, search engine optimization, social media, email marketing, and more are offered for free.

They are also very involved with Leadership Connection, a program launched in 2021 from a unique partnership between the Carmel Rotary and community and civic partners. The vision is to develop a forum for local high school students to engage with professionals, allowing students to build professional and personal leadership skills.

Flint Analytics has recently added to the company title and is now known as Flint Analytics and Marketing – with a new logo and updated website. This reflects the savvy of Flint Analytics to adjust to changes and needs for marketing in general, even when it comes to their own company.

You can learn more about Flint Analytics by visiting their website at [flintanalytics.com](http://flintanalytics.com). Learn more about Inc. 5000 at [inc.com/inc5000](http://inc.com/inc5000).



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## NOBLESVILLE SCHOOLS Board Highlights

Aug. 20, 2024 Meeting

### Submitted by Noblesville Schools

The school board has responsibility for major district functions including school district governance and oversight, setting school policies, approving funding, strategic planning, and hiring and evaluating the superintendent.

- The board recognized girls and boys lacrosse for their strong seasons.

- Noblesville East Middle School highlighted their multilingual educators and programming.

- Dr. Hile presented the findings from the recent community survey.

- The board voted to join other districts around the country in pursuing social media litigation.

- The board approved several career technical education partnership contracts.

- The board gave final approval on a \$17.3 million bond that will fund (1) the replacement of 30-year-old air handling units at Noblesville High School, (2) paving needs throughout the district, (3) an updated girls softball locker room similar to upgrades that were made recently for boys baseball, and (4) an athletic restroom/storage building at Noblesville East Middle School. The bond will not increase the tax rate or use referendum or classroom dollars. It was approved by a vote of 4 to 1, with Laura Alerding voting against the funding.

Go to [noblesvilleschools.org/leadership/school-board](http://noblesvilleschools.org/leadership/school-board) for meeting agendas, minutes, videos, and more.

# Westfield Mayor Scott Willis endorses Danny Lopez for State Representative

Submitted by Lopez for Indiana

Westfield Mayor Scott Willis has endorsed Danny Lopez in his campaign for Indiana State House District 39.

Willis and Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam are co-chairs for the Lopez campaign. House District 39 is currently represented by Representative Jerry Torr, who previously announced that he would not be seeking re-election.

“Danny has the experience, knowledge, and relationships to effectively represent Westfield residents in the Statehouse on day one,” Willis said. “He is working hard to engage residents, and he understands the priorities of our communities here in Hamilton County.”

With more than 30 years of military service, Willis rose to the rank of Colonel in the Marine Corps. He later became an entrepreneur,



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business leader, and city councilman before becoming Westfield's mayor, only the second in the city's history. He quickly assembled a talented, experienced team and, in collaboration with the City Council, initiated a strategic approach to unlocking the potential of this

exceptional and thriving community.

“Mayor Willis has spent his entire adult life serving our nation and his community, and he understands how to work collaboratively with others to advance shared goals and objectives,” Lopez said. “West-

field is one of Indiana's most important centers for business, investment, and tourism, and I look forward to working with Mayor Willis to ensure it can continue to thrive into the future.”

Learn more about the candidate at [LopezForIndiana.com](http://LopezForIndiana.com).



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**The REPORTER**

With construction season in full swing, thus making it ever more challenging to travel around Hamilton County, our friends at Hamilton County Tourism have compiled this handy guide.

Below you will find links to road projects in each of the four major cities in the county, as well as county projects like the Streamline 146th plan. Even a link to state projects through INDOT is included. Thank you, Hamilton County Tourism!

- [Carmel road projects](#)
- [Fishers road projects](#)
- [Noblesville road projects](#)
- [Westfield road projects](#)

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- [Reconstructing SR 32](#)
- [Reimagine Pleasant Street](#)
- [Streamline 146th](#)
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## Metronet named 'Fastest Major ISP for 2024' by PCMag

Submitted

Metronet was named America's "Fastest Major ISP" by PCMag for 2024, the second year in a row. According to PCMag's recently released report, Metronet was ranked the fastest overall ISP in the nation with a score of 340.5 on the PCMag Speed Index.

“Metronet customers enjoy the fastest speeds in the country because we have invested so heavily in our state-of-the-art infrastructure,” said Craig Cowden,

Metronet's Chief Product and Technology Officer. “But we're not stopping there. While our residential customers now have access to symmetrical 5 gig speeds, our technology roadmap calls for a 25 Gig platform that will support even higher symmetrical speeds. We can't wait to see what our customers do with these blindingly fast speeds.”

Metronet provides 100 percent fiber-optic internet service to more than 300 communities in 17 states.

Beyond its fast speeds, Metronet's networks are constructed with a focus on uptime and resiliency, using multiple rings that provide a level of redundancy not often seen from fiber-to-the-home providers.

“Metronet's fiber network is truly carrier class,” Cowden said. “Our standard market architecture includes core and access fiber rings each connected with at least two egress points, designed so there's no single point of failure – either physical or

logical. To further improve reliability, we also extend this ringed architecture deeper into the access network than our fiber competitors can typically justify. This allows Metronet to survive individual fiber cuts and network element failure with no or limited impact to our customers.”

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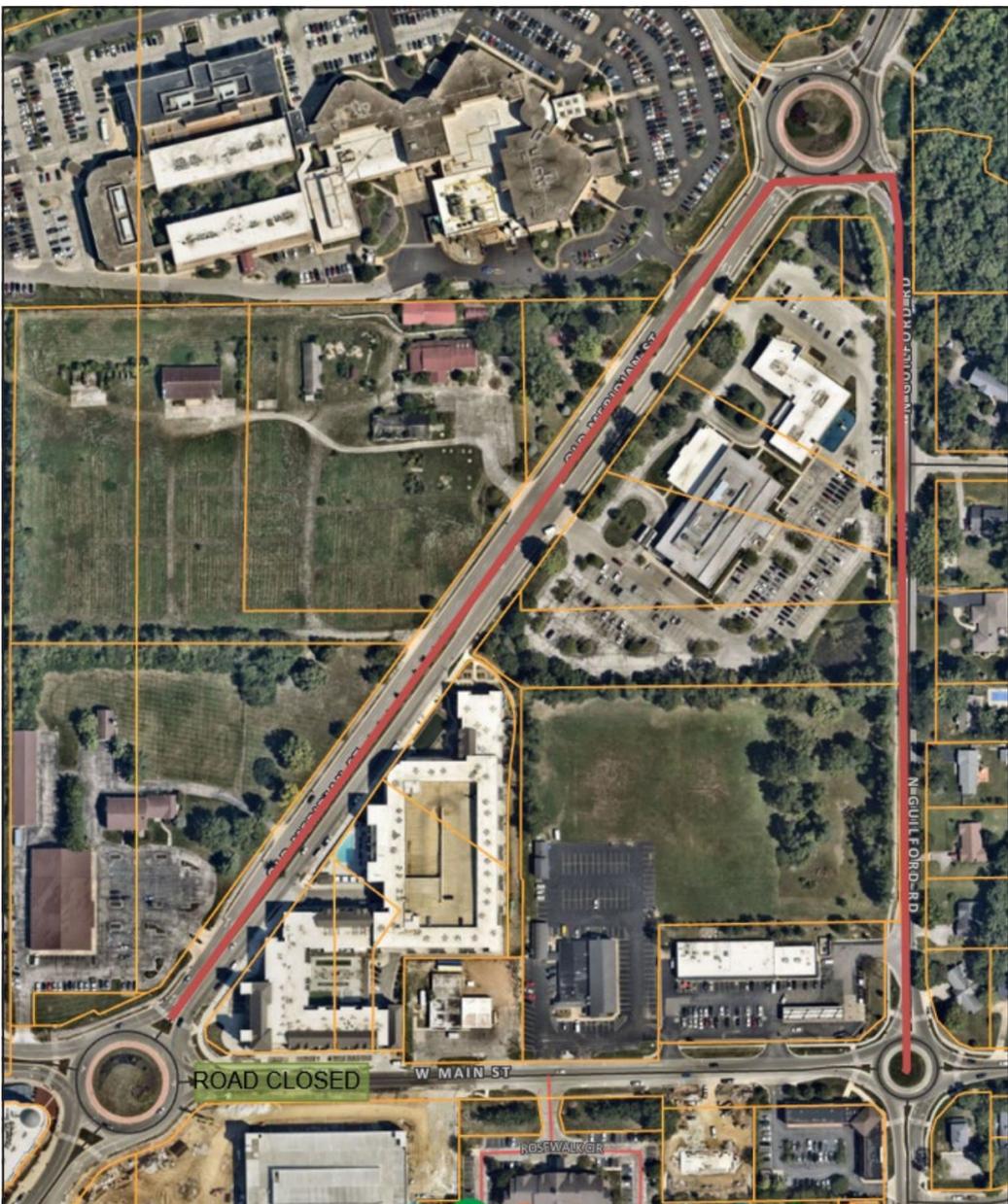
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# Water main repair will force closure of Main Street in Carmel



Beginning on or after Monday, Aug. 26 in Carmel, Main Street between Old Meridian and Guilford Road will be closed to thru traffic to allow for the repair of a water main leak. Old Meridian and Guilford Road will be used as the detour route with local access to adjacent properties provided from Guilford Road. The work is anticipated to be complete before Friday and Labor Day weekend. The detour is outlined in red in the map above.

# Latest Fishers road construction updates

## The REPORTER State Road 37 & 141st Street

Please note the continued lane restrictions on SR 37 North and South, approaching the 141st Street Interchange.

The west side of 141st Street at SR 37 has closed for the next phase of construction. Traffic will transition to the east side, with SR 37 north and southbound lanes remaining open. This closure will remain in place throughout 2024.

Please review detour routes to plan ahead during this time (**141st Street, SR 37 West, and SR 37 East**). Thank you for your continued patience and remember to drive cautiously and safely through construction areas.

Find construction updates at [37thrives.com](http://37thrives.com).

**South Street**  
There is a two-phase road closure on South Street for utility installation between Lantern Road and the Nickel Plate Trail.

- Phase 2: Aug. 19 to 26 (weather dependent)

**First Internet Bank Building Parking Garage**

- Access will remain open at all times.

**Hotel Nickel Plate Access**

- South Street drive access will be restricted.
- Use 116th Street for access.

- Visitors may also park on the west side of the hotel, accessible off 116th Street, after the trail.

Please proceed through the area with caution. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this essential work.

[Click here](#) to see a map of the closure.

**141st & Prairie Lakes roundabout**

Construction crews have begun preliminary work for the construction of a new roundabout at the intersection of 141st Street and Prairie Lakes Boulevard/Old Oak Lane.

As of Monday, Aug. 19, the intersection is closed to thru traffic. Access to Woods of Britton apartments will be maintained off Cumberland Road only during this first phase. The 141st Street access to Prairie Lakes will be closed and access will be off Cumberland Road and 146th Street. View the map [here](#).

- **Business access:** Businesses along Mundy Drive remain accessible from SR 37 and 141st Street. A right in, right out configuration will continue at the intersection.

- **Prairie Lakes residents:** Access your complex via Cumberland Road or 146th Street. Access at 141st Street will be closed.

- **Woods of Britton residents:** Use Cumberland Road to access 141st Street, access to your complex along 141st Street will remain open. Exiting the complex, you may only travel

east (right) on 141st Street towards Cumberland Road.

Please [see the map](#) for detour routes.

**126th Street & Southeastern Parkway roundabout**

This roundabout is now open but remains an active construction site with intermittent lane restrictions. The new roundabout will also include a connection for the development of Hunters Run, which will open in mid-November. 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](#).

**Sidewalk improvement project**

Restoration will be ongoing in the Sweet Briar North Neighborhoods the week of Aug. 26. The sidewalk work will consist of removal and replacement of sidewalk panels which pose a toe-kick trip hazard. Sidewalks within driveways are not included in the scope of this project.

**Road resurfacing projects**

The contractor will be conducting asphalt paving operations on Fortune Drive and at the entrance to Tremont on Saturday, Aug. 24. Watch out for intermittent lane restrictions and flaggers.

Residents should refrain from parking 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 Resurface Overview Map [here](#). Roadways and neighborhoods are prioritized based on the PASER rating condition of their pavement. You can see a map [here](#).

**96th Street beautification**

The contractor will work on landscaping for this project on the week of Aug. 26. This project consists of decorative streetlights being installed along 96th Street from North by Northeast Boulevard to Cumberland Road. New medians will also be installed along North by Northeast Boulevard and Kincaid Boulevard with streetlights. Watch out for lane restrictions on North by Northeast from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more details visit our Capital Projects Dashboard [here](#).



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## Indiana will put \$50M toward LEAP District water infrastructure

By **GARRETT BERGQUIST**  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

Economic development officials on Thursday told lawmakers current commitments to a high-tech research park already have maxed out Lebanon's water infrastructure.

During an at-times contentious meeting with the State Budget Committee, officials with the Indiana Economic Development Corporation and the Indiana Finance Authority said the state will put \$50 million toward supporting a water infrastructure bond for the area. Officials said the project would provide the city of Lebanon with 25 million gallons of water per day, drawn from Citizens Energy Group's portfolio of well fields and treatment plants. Officials said Lilly's planned LEAP District campus alone will take up remaining excess capacity in the city's water infrastructure.

"The initial Eli Lilly commitment and related water demands maximize local utilities' capacity, meaning that a new supply of water was going to be needed to allow Lebanon to continue to grow," said Mark Wasky, senior vice president and special counsel at IEDC.

Currently under development near Lebanon, the LEAP District is planned to be a high-tech research park in the vein of other such developments, such as Research Triangle Park, which is nestled between Raleigh and Durham, N.C. Water concerns have underpinned much of the criticism directed at the LEAP District, particularly after the IEDC said it plans to draw water from Tippecanoe County to cover the LEAP District's needs. An IEDC study found Indiana has more than enough water, but a competing study commissioned by local activists raised concerns over the IEDC's methodology and consideration of long-term water needs. The Indiana Finance Authority is currently conducting a comprehensive, independent study of the entire Wabash River basin.

The Indiana Chamber of Commerce joined the water debate on Monday with its own study. Although the Chamber study did not address the LEAP District specifically, it concluded that while Indiana

does have abundant water supplies, central Indiana doesn't have the abundance northern and southern Indiana do, and thus needs more careful water management plans. The Chamber study recommended the creation of a statewide water management plan and the assignment of all future water studies to the Indiana Finance Authority.

Under questioning from Rep. Ed DeLaney, D-Indianapolis, Wasky said the water project would handle needs beyond those of Lilly's LEAP District campus and the city of Lebanon's future growth. When DeLaney asked if the water project could handle the needs of potential future LEAP District tenants who might require large amounts of water, Wasky replied it would depend on who decides to build facilities there.

Fellow Democrat Greg Porter, also of Indianapolis, told News 8 afterward he was not satisfied with the answers the IEDC provided.

"The concern is what other projects may not occur within that Lebanon area, within that community because of a lack of water," Porter said. "We're very concerned about that, and so, the more transparency, we can have more deliberation with regards to the water and where those waters are going to come from."

Sen. Chris Garten, R-Jeffersonville, was more optimistic. He said he's generally satisfied with the answers the IEDC has provided to date, but he will continue to push for more transparency from the agency.

"I would just ask all Hoosiers, stay engaged with these processes," Garten said. "I definitely want Hoosiers to continue to reach out, have your concerns heard."

Both Garten and Porter said they supported the Chamber of Commerce's water policy recommendations, though Porter said he would rather see regional water use plans than a single statewide plan.

The Indiana Finance Authority's water study is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

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# Center for the Performing Arts has full September calendar

## The REPORTER

There's still time to get your tickets for these upcoming concerts at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Keep reading for more information.

**Jerome Collins: Rewind A Journey to Motown and Beyond**  
*Friday, Sept. 13 at 8 p.m. The Tarkington*

Rewind: A Journey to Motown and Beyond is a captivating solo performance featuring Jerome Collins of the famed a cappella group Straight No Chaser, 2022 inductees to the Great American Songbook Hall of Fame. This show pays homage to the legendary sounds of Motown and classic R&B, taking the audience through electrifying renditions of timeless hits from some of the world's most iconic musicians and renowned artists. With a set list that includes songs from legends like Marvin Gaye, Aretha Franklin, Sam Cooke, and Stevie Wonder, Collins' soulful delivery ensures an unforgettable experience.

Special Guest: Small Town City, the dynamic singer-songwriter duo of Mike Luginbill and Straight No Chaser alum Ryan Ahlwardt, will open the show.

**Peanut Butter & Jam Soulful Music & Melodies with Allison Victoria**  
*Saturday, Sept. 14 at 10:30 a.m. The Palladium*

This soulful sing-along concert is led by singer-songwriter, musician, and teaching artist Allison Victoria. Along with teaching elementary music, she is a teaching artist for Arts for Learning Indianapolis. Her universal sound is rooted in soul but takes you on a journey through most genres. This jam session will be an interactive concert where the audience will be encouraged to add to the show.

Designed for children aged 1 to 7, Peanut Butter & Jam sessions encourage young children to become engaged in the arts.

**Veronica Swift**  
*Saturday, Sept. 14 at 8 p.m. The Tarkington*

Veronica Swift established herself as one of the world's top young jazz singers with her first two albums, *Confessions* (2019) and *This Bitter Earth* (2021), showcasing her virtuosic

technique, interpretive ingenuity, bracing songwriting and keen arrangements. She describes her latest album, 2023's *Veronica Swift*, as "transgenre," with influences that include French and Italian opera, European classical music, bossa nova, blues, funk, and industrial rock. "As rooted in jazz as I've been, there's a uniquely visceral power in rock and soul music that's always fueled my creative passion," Swift said. "The people I admire most show themselves unabashedly, and that's the kind of tradition I want to be a part of."

Special Guest: New York City-based singer-songwriter and composer Alicia Walter will open the show. Her latest album *Right Noise* was released in 2023. More at [IamAliciaWalter.com](http://IamAliciaWalter.com).

**Click here** for tickets.  
**Live at the Center: Maciann**  
*Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 7:30 p.m. The Tarkington & online*

A registered nurse by trade, Maciann Hayes also is lead vocalist and lead guitarist for the high-energy rock band that bears her name. Inspired by such artists as Paramore, A Day to Remember, and Halestorm, the four-piece group has shared stages with national acts including Lita Ford and Nita Strauss.

**Click here** to register.  
**Luminaries: History and Mystery of the Pipe Organ**  
*Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 2 p.m. The Palladium*

Rob Heighway has spent half of his life building pipe

organs, and he has stories to tell. His will cover a bit of the history and enlighten attendees about the "hidden" world of pipe organs. He'll discuss different types of pipe organs and the challenges of an industry that requires expertise in high-end woodworking, metalworking, solid-state control systems, and music. See the role pipe organs play in the musical, mechanical, architectural and spiritual worlds as both a fascinating machine and an inspirational musical instrument.

**Click here** to register.  
**Nick Carter: Who I Am Tour**  
*Thursday, Sept. 26 at 7:30 p.m. The Palladium*

Nick Carter was only 12 when he auditioned for what would become America's biggest boy band. Since then, the Backstreet Boys have sold more than 130 million records worldwide and earned five Grammy nominations, along with countless *Billboard* Awards, MTV Video Music Awards and more. Carter's solo career has produced three albums, along with singles including last year's "Hurts to Love You," which topped charts in the U.S. and Canada. His TV and film work has included his own VH1 series, *I Heart Nick Carter*, and appearances on *The Masked Singer* and *Dancing with the Stars*. After completing a world tour with the Backstreet Boys in 2023, Carter launched the current Who I Am Tour, his first solo outing in seven years.

**Click here** for tickets.

**Leonid & Friends: The Music of Chicago and More**  
*Friday, Sept. 27 at 8 p.m. The Palladium*

Hailing from Russia, Leonid & Friends have drawn legions of fans with their uncanny ability to capture the spirit, musicality, and fire of the American classic rock group Chicago. Gaining attention with viral videos, the group has since expanded its repertoire to include such artists as Earth, Wind & Fire, Blood, Sweat & Tears, Ides of March, Stevie Wonder, and Steely Dan, along with new original material. The 11-piece band now has more than 700,000 followers across social media, an astonishing more than 200 million video views, and over 200 successful U.S. shows under its belt.

**Click here** for tickets.  
**Damien Escobar: Victory Lap Tour**  
*Saturday, Sept. 28 at 8 p.m. The Palladium*

Contemporary soul violinist Damien Escobar returns to the Palladium to celebrate 20 years of music. Hailing from Jamaica, Queens, he began studying music as a child and at age 10 became the youngest artist ever admitted to the Julliard School, graduating at age 13. The Emmy winner and NAACP Image Award nominee began playing at New York City subway stations and first gained national attention as half of the duo Nuttin' But Stringz before launching a solo career with his energetic performances and crossover mix of classical, jazz, pop, R&B and hip-hop.

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# AAA Hoosier Motor Club offers valuable travel information for Labor Day Weekend

## The REPORTER

AAA Hoosier Motor Club shares these latest insights for the upcoming Labor Day travel period.

### Domestic travel on the rise

Domestic travel is experiencing a significant uptick, with a 9 percent increase compared to last year. The cost of domestic travel has decreased by 2 percent, making it more accessible for families and individuals alike. Among the top destinations for Labor Day are Juneau, Seattle, Orlando, New York City, Boston, Las Vegas, Denver, Chicago, and San Francisco.

### Shifts in international travel

Conversely, international travel has seen a slight decline, down 4 percent from the previous year, according to AAA booking data. Furthermore, the cost of traveling abroad has risen by 11 percent. Europe remains the preferred des-

tinuation for those venturing outside the U.S. this Labor Day weekend.

### Gas prices (subject to change)

Travelers hitting the road this Labor Day weekend can expect to pay less at the pump compared to last year. In 2023, the national average for gas over the holiday weekend was \$3.81 per gallon. This year, prices have remained relatively stable, averaging around \$3.50 in recent weeks.

For those driving electric vehicles, AAA now provides updated **weekly data** on the cost of Level 2 commercial EV charging.

### Best & worst times to drive

According to INRIX, a leader in transportation data and insights, if departing on Saturday, the best time to travel by car is in the afternoon. For travelers returning on Sunday or Labor Day, leaving as early as possible is advised to avoid

heavy afternoon traffic.

### Labor Day Weekend Travel Costs Flights

- Domestic airfare is 2 percent cheaper this Labor Day weekend compared to last year.

- The average price for a domestic roundtrip flight is \$780.

- International flights are 8 percent cheaper this Labor Day weekend compared to last year.

- The average price for an international roundtrip ticket is \$1,370.

### Hotels

- Domestic hotels are 7 percent more expensive this Labor Day weekend compared to last year.

- The average booking cost for a domestic hotel stay (which is typically a few nights) is \$560. That's the average price of domestic hotel bookings through AAA – not a nightly rate.

- International hotels are 2 percent more expensive this Labor Day weekend compared to last year.

- The average booking cost for an international hotel stay (which is typically a few nights) is \$600. That's the average price of international hotel bookings through AAA – not a nightly rate.

### Rental cars

- Domestic car rentals are 16 percent cheaper this Labor Day weekend compared to last year.

- The average booking cost for a rental car domestically (which is typically several days) is \$560 total – not the daily rate.

- International car rentals are 21 percent more expensive this Labor Day weekend compared to last year.

- The average booking cost for a rental car internationally (which is typically several days) is \$1,100 total – not the daily rate.

### Services & savings

AAA Hoosier Motor Club offers a range of services to enhance travel experiences, including:

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- Car rental discounts: Enjoy extraordinary savings and benefits when renting from Hertz, Dollar, and Thrifty.

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- International driving permits: Obtain peace of mind for international travel with AAA-issued permits.

- Travel resources: Access maps, TripTik routings, travel resources, and more to plan the perfect vacation.

“AAA Hoosier Motor Club is here to support travelers with all their Labor Day travel needs, from planning and booking to ensuring a safe and smooth journey,” AAA Hoosier Motor Club President & CEO Matt Goins said. “We're committed to making this holiday weekend enjoyable for everyone.”

To learn more about AAA Hoosier Motor Club services, visit [hoosier.aaa.com](http://hoosier.aaa.com).

## Dr. John “Rip” W. Shellcroft II February 13, 1948 – July 27, 2024

Dr. John “Rip” W. Shellcroft II, 76, Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, July 27, 2024, at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville.



He was born on February 13, 1948, to William “Bill” and Angela (Evans) Shellcroft in South Charleston, W.V.

John graduated Valedictorian of his senior class of 1966 at Louisa High School in Kentucky. He received a full scholarship to play football for the Thundering Herd at Marshall University in Huntington, W.V. John attended medical school at the University of Pittsburgh. He performed his internship and residency at Washington, D.C. VA Medical Center and Georgetown University.

After receiving his medical license, John served in the United States Air Force as a flight physician. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Major.

John had an internal medical practice serving the Victor Valley, Calif., area. He was the first African American doctor to serve the Victor Valley area.

John was preceded in death by his father and mother. He is survived by his son, Chris Shellcroft (46); sister, Karen Shellcroft (78); brother, Kevin Shellcroft (69); and granddaughters, Zenna Shellcroft (8) and Omni Shellcroft (4).

Private family services with military honors will be held at Riverside Cemetery in Noblesville.

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## Christine Anne Zuleger

May 17, 1960 – August 20, 2024

Christine Anne Zuleger, 64, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at her home. She was born on May 17, 1960, to Stanley and Ruth (Braaten) Dennin in Rhinelander, Wis.



Christine was a happy person. She loved her family, especially her son, Eric. Christine enjoyed watching Dr. Charles Stanley's sermons. In her younger years, she enjoyed swimming and going to health clubs with her husband, Greg.

Christine is survived by her husband, Greg Zuleger; son, Eric Zuleger; and her brother, Patrick Dennin.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Bill Dennin.

Christine will be laid to rest next to her family in Oshkosh, Wis., at a later date.

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## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

### THE PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS

*Pharaoh's officials said to him, "How long will this man be a snare to us? Let the people go, so that they may worship the Lord their God. Do you not yet realize that Egypt is ruined?"*

*Then Moses and Aaron were brought back to Pharaoh. "Go, worship the Lord your God," he said. "But tell me who will be going."*

*Moses answered, "We will go with our young and our old, with our sons and our daughters, and with our flocks and herds, because we are to celebrate a festival to the Lord."*

*Exodus 10:7-9 (NIV)*

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# REPORTER SPORTS WEEKEND



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## Hamilton County High School Football, Week 1

# Blackhawks & Stars go head-to-head for final time, Western Boone prevails

## Sheridan students cut ribbon on new Bud Wright Stadium

By **RICHIE HALL**  
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**SHERIDAN** – The Sheridan football team began its 2024 season Friday by hosting Western Boone at the renovated Bud Wright Stadium.

The Stars took control of the game in the second half to beat the Blackhawks 35-14. The action took place on Sheridan's new turf field, with the hundreds of football fans that attended the game walking through a brand-new stadium entry. There were also new concession stands, all in view of Sheridan's new fieldhouse.

Unfortunately, the new field was missing Bud Wright himself. Wright was forced to miss the opening game of his 59th season with the Hawks after being injured during Sheridan's scrimmage at Crawfordsville last Friday, although he is recovering after surgery.

Jacob Chesney, a 2016 Sheridan graduate and football star for the Blackhawks, served as acting head coach for the team, and said the team "played really well" with WeBo.

"We were close, the score doesn't really say it," said Chesney. "But man, we're a couple plays away that would have changed some drives that we could have found the end zone on, and it would have been a closer game. But overall, they played hard. O-line stepped up, really proved themselves worthy. Backs ran hard."

Sheridan scored its first touchdown with 3:08 left in the first quarter, after the

Stars had scored earlier. Senior quarterback Owen Bell threw a 24-yard pass to Dayne Voege, which set up a three-yard touchdown run for senior Jaylen Arnold, a transfer from Carmel. Bell made the extra-point kick.

"He's a great athlete," Chesney said of Arnold. "Great athlete. I don't know how much offense he played, he's a corner(back) coming out of Carmel, and that obviously shows. He's locked down offensively, we just got to get him the ball and let him run."

Western Boone scored a few seconds later to go up 14-7. The Blackhawks tied the game again during the second quarter, when Bell found Caleb Alexander for a 13-yard touchdown pass. Bell followed that with his second extra-point kick.

"Really, the whole senior class are great leaders," said Chesney. "But senior, QB, he's got it. He's vocal. He relays information from coaches to players when needed. He's a true leader. I've got all the faith in the world in him."

The Stars scored on a long touchdown pass with 5.1 seconds left in the first half to take a 21-14 lead into halftime. Western Boone added one score in each quarter of the second half, making a short running touchdown in the third period and a 40-yard touchdown pass in the fourth.

Jon Barnes led the Sheridan rushing with 94 yards, while Arnold gained 55 yards. Bell was 6-of-16 passing, with Alexander making four of those catches.



Photos by Allison Waitt

(TOP) Sheridan senior Jaylen Arnold scored a first-quarter touchdown for the Blackhawks during their season-opening game Friday with Western Boone. (ABOVE) The Sheridan football team cut the ribbon on the first ever Blackhawks football game to be played on the team's new turf field. (BELOW) Jacob Chesney, a former Sheridan player and 2016 graduate, filled in as head coach for Bud Wright, who was absent from the game after being injured last week. He is pictured with Blackhawks quarterback Owen Bell.

Friday's game was the last for the Sheridan-WeBo series, which has been the season opener for both teams since 1997. Western Boone is leaving the Sagamore Conference after this school year to compete in

the new Monon Athletic Conference, which means there will be necessary schedule changes for the Stars in 2025.

The Blackhawks go on the road next week, traveling to North Miami.



# Millers regroup, make it happen in takedown of Mount Vernon

### The REPORTER

Share and share alike became the motto of the Noblesville football team as it opened its season Friday night at Beaver Stadium.

The Millers shared the ball effectively during their 43-24 victory over Mount Vernon. Five different players scored rushing touchdowns for Noblesville, which regrouped after a tough first two minutes of the game.

The Millers fumbled the ball early, which led to a quick Marauders touchdown. But Noblesville coach Dave Sharpe said that in hindsight, "it could've been the best thing that ever happened to us."

The coach said his team was amped up for the start of the game. But after that, the Millers calmed down and tied the game late in the first quarter with a three-yard run from Ty Holmes. Caden Lydle made the extra-point kick.

"I'm so proud that the kids didn't panic and they just stuck to the game plan, even though we spotted them a very short field at the beginning of the game," said Sharpe. "Very proud that we were able to persevere, not panic, stick to the game plan and come back to take a nice comfortable lead at halftime."

That lead was 22-10, after Noblesville added two more touchdowns. Max Miller ran the ball in from



Photo by Joshua Herd

Noblesville's Israel Oladipupo scored two touchdowns and made a two-point conversion run during the Millers' 43-24 win over Mount Vernon Friday.

nine yards with 7:28 left, with Lydle kicking the extra point. Later, Israel Oladipupo scored from five yards with just over a minute left. Oladipupo made another carry seconds later, running for a two-point conversion.

The Millers ran in three more touchdowns in the third quarter. Noah Shinkle barged in from eight yards early in the period, then made a two-point conversion run to get Noblesville ahead 30-10. Nick Morris jogged in from three yards to score with 7:08 left, then Oladipupo got his second touchdown of the game with under a minute left in the third, running in from eight yards. Lydle

kicked the extra point. "We ran for a lot of yards and we gave the ball to a lot of different guys," said Sharpe.

In addition to the five that scored touchdowns, Brody Gump made some key runs that set the Millers up for those TDs. Cody Prater made a 50-yard run late in the game.

As quarterback, Miller was 3-for-3 in passing. Aiden Brewer had two catches, and Calvin Moody made "a huge catch in the second quarter on a critical third down," said Sharpe.

Stats were unavailable at press time and will appear in Monday's print edition. Noblesville plays at Homestead next week.

WESTERN BOONE 35, SHERIDAN 14			
Score by Quarters		Sheridan scoring	
Western Boone	14 7 7 7-35	3:08 - Jaylen Arnold	4-yard run (Owen Bell kick)
Sheridan	7 7 0 0-14	7:57 - Caleb Alexander	13-yard pass from Bell (Bell kick)
<b>Team stats</b>	<b>WB SH</b>	<b>Second Quarter</b>	
First Downs	11 15	7:57 - Caleb Alexander	
By Rush	6 9	13-yard pass from Bell (Bell kick)	
By Pass	4 5		
By Penalty	1 1		
Rushes-Yards	28-153 47-173		
Passing Yards	129 100		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	5-14-2-2 6-16-1-1		
Fumbles-Lost	0-0 0-0		
Penalties-Yards	1-5 5-25		
Punts-Average	1-33.0 3-36.0		
<b>Sheridan individual stats</b>			
<b>Rushing:</b> Jon Barnes 22-94, Arnold 13-55, Parker Cravens 4-14, Bell 8-10.			
<b>Passing:</b> Bell 6-16-100.			
<b>Receiving:</b> Caleb Alexander 4-70, Dayne Voege 2-30.			

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Quarterback Max Miller was one of five Noblesville players to score a touchdown for the Millers.

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(LEFT) Carmel's Andrew Pemberton rushed for over 100 yards, including a 53-yard touchdown run, during the Greyhounds' win over Homestead Friday. (RIGHT) Kaiden Bower reacts after a good Carmel play.

Reporter photos by Julie Brown

## Greyhounds take off in second quarter, blow past Homestead

### The REPORTER

Carmel opened its season Friday with a 34-10 victory over Homestead at Carmel Stadium.

The Spartans led 3-0 after one quarter, but the Greyhounds blasted off for 17 points in the second period. Lukas Krishtanmoorthy got Carmel on the board with a 21-yard field goal, then Ozzy Pollard later caught a 26-yard pass from quarterback Anthony Coellner to push Carmel ahead 10-3.

The Greyhounds went ahead 17-3 with one second left in the first half after Nate Williams caught a short throw from Coellner. Krishtanmoorthy made both extra-point kicks. Carmel's defense got involved in the third quarter, when Drew Cannon took a 30-yard interception return in for a pick six. Krishtanmoorthy made a 25-yard field goal later in the period and the Hounds led 27-3.

After a Homestead score, Andrew Pemberton went 53 yards to the end zone for the final touchdown of the game. Krishtanmoorthy made the extra-point kick, putting him 4-for-4 for the game.

Pemberton rushed for 108 yards, while Coellner completed 14 of 23 pass attempts for 113 yards. Jacob Bellin had four of those receptions. Carmel travels to Westfield next Friday.

### CARMEL 34, HOMESTEAD 10

Score by Quarters			Carmel scoring		
	HOM	CAR			
Homestead	3	0	0	7	- 10
Carmel	0	17	10	7	- 34
<b>Team stats</b>	<b>HOM</b>	<b>CAR</b>			
First Downs	10	14	<b>Second Quarter</b>		
By Rush	2	7	8:36 - Lukas Krishtanmoorthy 21-yard field goal		
By Pass	4	6	3:24 - Ozzy Pollard 26-yard pass from Anthony Coellner (Krishtanmoorthy kick)		
By Penalty	4	1	0:01 - Nate Williams 4-yard pass from Coellner (Krishtanmoorthy kick)		
Rushes-Yards	22-19	32-187	<b>Third Quarter</b>		
Passing Yards	158	116	8:36 - Drew Cannon 30-yard interception return (Krishtanmoorthy kick)		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	14-23-1-1	15-24-1-2	1:31 - Krishtanmoorthy 25-yard field goal		
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0	<b>Fourth Quarter</b>		
Penalties-Yards	6-40	9-90	2:06 - Andrew Pemberton 53-yard run (Krishtanmoorthy kick)		
Punts-Average	7-22.9	4-36.5			
<b>Carmel individual stats</b>					
<b>Rushing:</b> Pemberton 10-108, Colin Johnson 12-43, Craig Kepler 7-19, Coellner 3-17.					
<b>Passing:</b> Coellner 14-23-1-1, J Treadway 1-1-3.					
<b>Receiving:</b> Jacob Bellin 4-40, Dominic Shockley 3-15, Liam Mann 3-10, Nate Williams 2-7, Pollard 1-26, Johnson 1-16, Kepler 1-2.					

## No. 10 Fishers airs it out in opening win at North Central

By CRAIG ADKINS  
For The Reporter

**INDIANAPOLIS** - Fishers took to the road Friday night and it took no time at all for their offense to get off on the right foot.

Junior quarterback Gage Sturgill seemed poised and in a comfortable mode and mindset from the opening kickoff. Sturgill was able to throw with ease and did so, tossing a school-record six touchdowns en route to leading the Tigers to a 49-35 road win at North Central.

"Our offense made the plays when they needed to. Really, both sides of the ball in the first half did some really nice things," said Fishers head coach Curt Funk.

"Also, at the same time, we had a couple of drives that stalled and then defensively we gave up a couple of touchdowns in the first half. Overall, when you can take a 49-14 lead into halftime, you'll take that any day, obviously," continued Funk.

Fishers struck early and had North Central on its heels from the get-go. The opening drive spanned seven plays and 79 yards, resulting in junior Ryan Thembulembu taking a screen pass from Sturgill for a 16-yard touchdown grab for 7-0.

The next drive was a short one, starting at the

Panthers' 36. Two plays later, the steady Sturgill found Stanford commit JonAnthony Hall for an 18-yard strike for a quick 14-0 score.

"He (Sturgill) was able to start a couple games last year when Gorak was out. He's a football junkie, Gage is. He lives and breathes the sport of football 24/7 and he's just been waiting for his moment to come out here and be the starter at Fishers High School. And tonight, I couldn't have asked for a better performance out of our quarterback," Funk said.

The lead grew to 21-0 when senior linebacker Nathan Ash picked off North Central quarterback Caleb Foor and ran it back for a 30-yard interception return touchdown. And just like that, the Tigers were up three scores.

At the beginning of the second, Hall snagged his second TD, this time from 15 yards away for a 28-0 cushion.

The Panthers figured out what will be their bread and butter. The next series, they marched 80 yards in 10 plays, nine of those pass plays. But they found their first score on a one-yard dive from Foor to cut it to 28-7.

Hall would score for the third time in the first half, this time a short seven-yard catch that jumped the lead

### FISHERS 49, NORTH CENTRAL 35

Score by Quarters			Fishers scoring		
	FISH	NC			
Fishers	21	28	0	0	- 49
North Central	0	14	14	7	- 35
<b>Team stats</b>	<b>FISH</b>	<b>NC</b>			
First Downs	16	21	<b>First Quarter</b>		
By Rush	5	2	9:19 - Ryan Thembulembu 16-yard pass from Gage Sturgill (Jon Tangara kick)		
By Pass	9	19	5:42 - JonAnthony Hall 18-yard pass from Sturgill (Tangara kick)		
By Penalty	2	0	4:29 - Nathan Ash 30-yard interception return (Tangara kick)		
Rushes-Yards	21-88	13-19	<b>Second Quarter</b>		
Passing Yards	258	428	11:09 - Hall 15-yard pass from Sturgill (Tangara kick)		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	16-24-0-6	31-47-4-4	6:11 - Hall 7-yard pass from Sturgill (Tangara kick)		
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0	3:41 - Hall 61-yard pass from Sturgill (Tangara kick)		
Penalties-Yards	5-45	5-41	0:11 - Thembulembu 30-yard pass from Sturgill (Tangara kick)		
Punts-Average	3-40.3	3-29.7			
<b>Fishers individual stats</b>					
<b>Rushing:</b> Sturgill 6-32, Thembulembu 4-24, Hudson Bell 3-18, Paxton Badua 2-12, Hall 1-8, Denkota Fletcher 1-7, Carter Richardson 1-1, Darian Girton 1-1, Frank Fessenden 1-minus 3, Caden Hill 1-minus 12.					
<b>Passing:</b> Sturgill 14-21-2-24, Hill 2-3-34.					
<b>Receiving:</b> Hall 9-151, Thembulembu 4-65, Akeen Schooley 1-26, Girton 1-8, Fletcher 1-8.					

to 35-7.

A few possessions later, Antonio Grace grabbed a Foor pass as it was tipped into the air. That gave the Tigers the ball at its own 39.

The first play, Sturgill found Hall open down the sideline for a 61-yard pass play that made it 42-14.

"He's a special athlete, JonAnthony is, and you could see that tonight," Funk stated. "We try to get creative in ways that we can get

him the ball. If certain teams are doubling him or dictating their coverage, then we like our other receivers in Ryan Thembulembu and Denkota Fletcher to be able to get open in space as well," continued Funk.

Speaking of Thembulembu, he reeled in a 30-yard TD toward the end of the second quarter for a 49-14 halftime lead.

See Fishers . . . Page 13

## INDYCAR homestretch

INDYCAR heads to Portland this weekend for the Bitnile.com Grand Prix of Portland. This will be the final road course of the season with only two races at the Milwaukee Mile and the finale at Arrow-McLaren-Nashville Superspeedway remaining. Appropriate that the race this weekend is in Portland, the 2024 INDYCAR season is best described as "weird." Thinking back through the past six months, so many novel things have occurred.

The first race of the season at St. Petersburg was dominated by Team Penske and specifically, Josef Newgarden. However, both Newgarden and McLaughlin, who finished second, were disqualified when it was discovered that the team had failed to disable the push-to-pass feature on their cars during restarts, a bizarre and blatant rules violation.

INDYCAR had its first non-points race in more than 15 years at the Thermal Club in Southern California. The Thermal Club, a country club of sorts for wealthy racing and sports car enthusiasts, was not open to the public, but billed as a made-for-TV event. Though rating were not particularly impressive, the event must have been successful because INDYCAR plans to be back in 2025 for a points race.

The debut of the hybrid power unit came at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in July. Much anticipated and delayed on several occasions during the 2024 season, the hybrid power unit came with hopes of increasing the racing quality. While it has certainly made more work for the drivers inside the car, its full potential has not been realized as teams and INDYCAR need time to understand the new power unit and how it is best utilized for racing.

Probably the weirdest aspect of the 2024 season has been the rotating door of drivers. I cannot remember a year in which more driver changes have occurred. Most notable among the conveyor belt of driver changes has been Arrow-McLaren. Its biggest acquisition of the off-season was Dale Coyne

overachiever, David Malukas. Malukas was involved in an off-season bike accident and was not able to race in the first four races of the INDYCAR season. He was then released by Arrow-McLaren and promptly hired by Meyer Shank Racing, who fired rookie Tom Blomqvist after the Indianapolis 500. Malukas, however, found greener pastures at A.J. Foyt Racing where he will, presumably, replace Sting Ray Robb in 2025. Malukas was not the only notable firing. Agustin Canapino was released by Juncos Hollinger Racing and has been replaced with Noblesville native Conor Daly for the remainder of the 2024 season. On top of the in-season driver changes, the off-season will feature even more driver moves.

The latest weird occurrence came at World Wide Technology Raceway when Alexander Rossi sent his car over the back of Will Power, sending both he and Power into the wall. Power, upon exiting his car, gave his teammate and race leader, Josef Newgarden, the one finger salute for what Power believed was a dirty move by Newgarden. The incident sparked controversy over restarts, green flags, and driver etiquette as Newgarden defended his move, stating that he was still in the "restart zone" when accelerating.

Getting back to Portland. Although the championship is not particularly close and Palou appears poised to take his third INDYCAR title in four years, I wouldn't get the Champagne bottles out quite yet. If the 2024 season has taught us anything, it is to expect the unexpected. INDYCAR concludes the season on three ovals. The chaos at World Wide Technology Raceways goes to show that know body is safe, especially on ovals. Team Penske is very strong on ovals and Power has an oval win at Iowa this year. He has a lot of work to do but don't count the Wiley veteran out. He came from behind in 2022. He can do it again.

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 North Vermillion 41, North Central (Farmersburg) 0  
 NorthWood 34, Jimtown 12  
 Northeastern 80, Union County 0  
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 Northwestern 19, Manchester 14  
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 Paoli 14, Boonville 7  
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 Pike 31, Zionsville 20  
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 Plainfield 31, Terre Haute South 27  
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 Prairie Heights 56, Whitko 14  
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 River Forest 35, East Chicago Central 0  
 Riverton Parke 34, Cloverdale 33  
 Rochester 42, Wabash 0  
 Salem 22, North Harrison 12  
 Seymour 23, Greenwood 20  
 Shelbyville 36, Greensburg 14  
 Shenandoah 25, Fremont 0  
 Silver Creek 41, Charlestown 26  
 South Bend Riley 35, Hammond Noll 0  
 South Central (Union Mills) 48, Bowman Academy 14  
 South Dearborn 42, Jennings County 14  
 South Newton 20, Lake Station 14  
 South Putnam 28, Speedway 20  
 South Spencer 40, Tecumseh 7  
 South Vermillion 49, West Vigo 0  
 Southmont 42, Fountain Central 14  
 Springs Valley 45, Eastern Greene 0  
 Sullivan 48, North Knox 6  
 Switzerland County 39, Crawford County 0  
 Taylor 14, North White 8  
 Tell City 42, Perry Central 0  
 Tippecanoe Valley 44, Wawasee 0  
 Tipton 27, South Adams 20  
 Tri-West 43, Western 7  
 Tri 36, Union City 18  
 Triton 27, LaVille 6  
 Vincennes Lincoln 46, Evansville Bosse 8  
 Warren Central 15, Fort Wayne Snider 0  
 Warsaw 20, Michigan City 7  
 Washington 49, North Daviess 28  
 West Noble 55, Central Noble 7  
 Western Boone 35, Sheridan 14  
 Westfield 34, Center Grove 28  
 Whiteland 27, Jeffersonville 13  
 Whiting 63, North Newton 0  
 Winamac 24, West Central 16  
 Yorktown 41, Anderson 2



Photos by Margaret Fallin

(LEFT) Guerin Catholic's Jack Linden rushed for a two-yard touchdown during the second quarter of the Golden Eagles' 36-17 win over McCutcheon Friday at the Eagles Nest. (RIGHT) Hayden Cler caught two touchdown passes and made a two-point conversion run.

# Golden Eagles show off skill in solid start to season

### The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic got a solid win at the Eagles Nest to begin its season, taking care of McCutcheon 36-17.

The Mavericks scored a touchdown in the first quarter, but the Golden Eagles jumped ahead in the second period with two scores for a 15-7 halftime lead. Jack Linden got the first touchdown right at the midpoint of the quarter on a two-yard run, then Hayden Cler made a two-point conversion run to push Guerin Catholic ahead. A minute later, Quentin Klee took a 30-yard interception into the end zone.

Golden Eagles quarterback Malcolm Houze got going in the second half with three touchdown throws. Houze made a nine-yard TD pass to Aiden Horn late in the third quarter, then threw a 45-yard pass to Cler with 8:50 left in the fourth.

Houze made one more scoring throw late in the fourth, a 14-yard touchdown to Trevor Macey. He finished 14-of-25 with 172 yards, with Cler catching four of those passes. Nick Wilson was 4-for-4 on extra-point kicks.

Guerin Catholic plays next week at Lebanon.

### GUERIN CATHOLIC 36, MCCUTCHEON 17

	Score by Quarters			
McCutcheon	7	0	3	7-17
Guerin Catholic	0	15	7	14-36
<b>Team stats</b>	<b>MCC</b>	<b>GC</b>		
First Downs	9	11		
By Rush	2	5		
By Pass	7	6		
By Penalty	0	0		
Rushes-Yards	34-minus 4	22-00		
Passing Yards	157	172		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	16-28-2-2	14-25-1-3		
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1		
Penalties-Yards	5-40	3-35		
Punts-Average	2-32.0	3-35.3		

### Guerin Catholic scoring

#### Second Quarter

6:00 – Jack Linden 2-yard run (Hayden Cler run)  
 5:01 – Quentin Klee 30-yard interception return (Nick Wilson kick)

#### Third Quarter

1:21 – Aiden Horn 9-yard pass from Malcolm Houze (Wilson kick)

#### Fourth Quarter

8:50 – Cler 45-yard pass from Houze (Wilson kick)  
 3:23 – Trevor Macey 14-yard pass from Houze (Wilson kick)

### Guerin Catholic individual stats

**Rushing:** Linden 17-44, Houze 4-15, Horn 1-40.

**Passing:** Houze 14-25-172.

**Receiving:** Cler 4-72, Macey 3-43, Adam McNeany 3-14, Horn 3-9, Elias Niccum 1-34.

## Thanks for reading!

## FISHERS

North Central put three touchdowns on the board in the second half, but that wouldn't be enough to sport a comeback, giving Fishers a season-opening win on the road, 49-35.

The Panthers found their stroke in the passing game, thanks in big part to senior quarterback Caleb Foor. It was his first start and threw for a whopping 428 yards, connecting

on 31 of his 46 passes for four touchdowns, but also threw four interceptions.

Eli Thompson led North Central with 10 catches for 172 yards and three scores. Donovan Norris caught eight passes for 118 and a TD, while Demetrius Averitte grabbed six for 80 yards.

North Central (0-1) hits the road Friday at Hamilton Southeastern (1-0). The

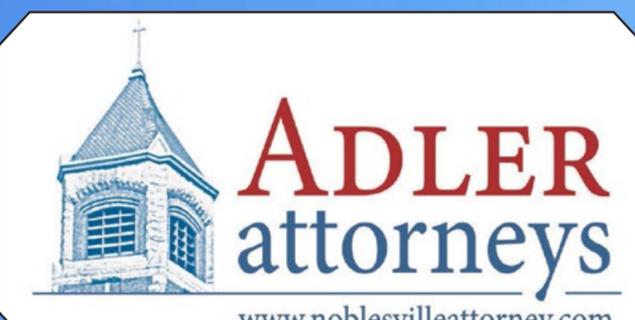
Royals were road winners at Carroll last night, 45-21.

Gage Sturgill had a solid night, going 14 for 21 for 224 yards and six touchdowns. Hall caught nine for 151 yards and four TDs and Thembulembu had four for 65 and two scores.

Fishers (1-0) will host Pike (1-0) next week. The Red Devils won 31-20 over Zionsville at home on Fri-

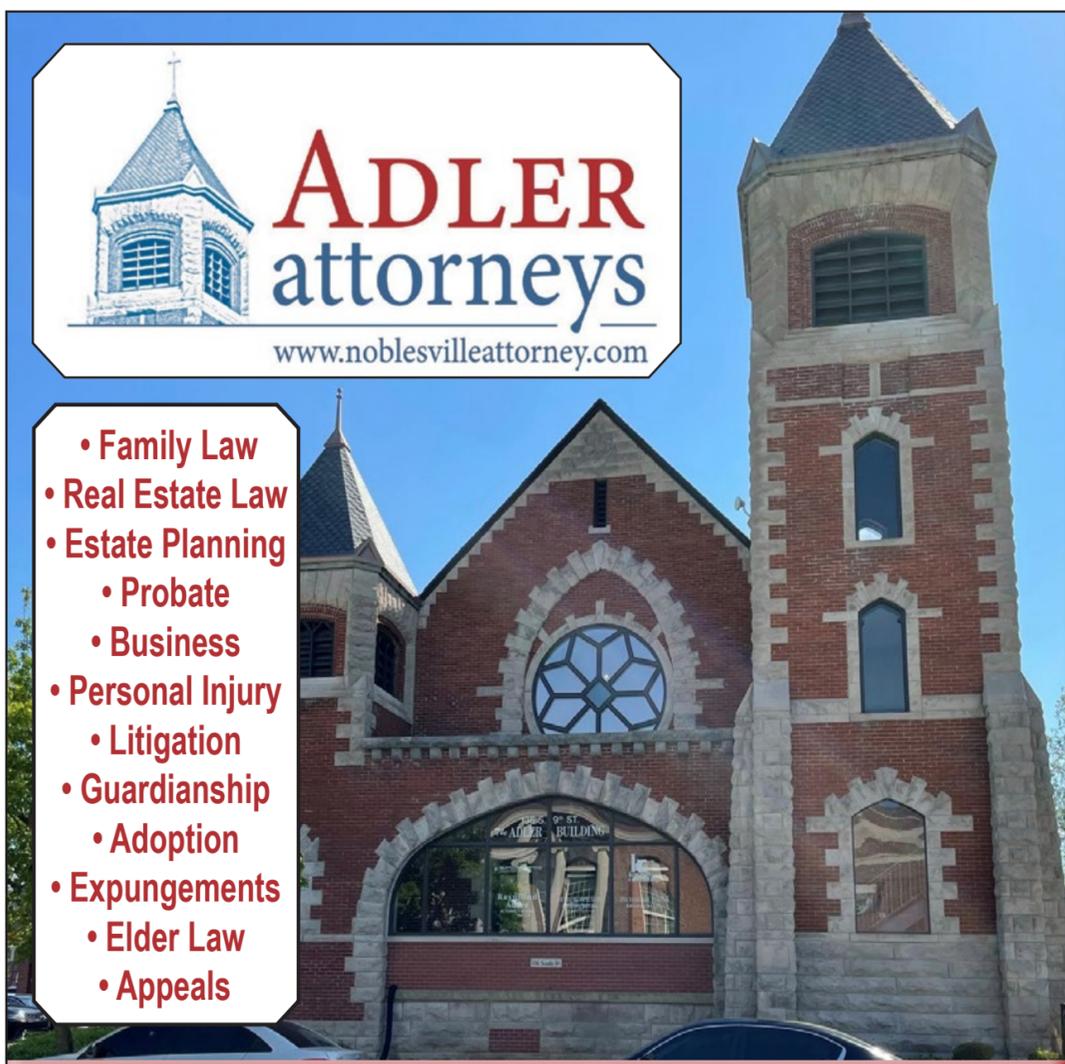
day.

“Pike’s going to be really tough. We know we’re going to have our hands full with them. There’s a lot of things we need to fix. We were by no means firing on all cylinders tonight, but that’s what Week 1 is for. I loved their effort and poise and I thought our varsity kids did a great job on taking care of business,” Funk added.



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# Royals rocket skyward, beat Fort Wayne Carroll

## The REPORTER

A dominant second quarter propelled Hamilton Southeastern to a season-opening victory at Fort Wayne Carroll on Friday.

The Royals beat the Chargers 45-21. Both teams scored a touchdown in the first quarter; AZ Wallace got Southeastern on the board with a one-yard run into the end zone.

Wallace stepped it up in the second period, putting in three TDs, all from short distances. Wallace got the first score just four seconds into the quarter, then the Royals' Kian Kelly recovered a fumble on the kick-off return. A few seconds later, Wallace was back in the end zone for another

one-yard TD run.

Wallace made a three-yard touchdown carry later in the quarter to move HSE ahead 28-7, and that's where the score would be at half-time. In the third quarter, Chandler Weston made a five-yard touchdown pass to Kendrick Pennybaker to five the Royals a 35-14 lead. Hugo Belmonte kicked in a 28-yard field goal in the fourth quarter, then Carter Reed punched the ball in from the one late in that period.

Wallace gained 112 yards on 25 carries, while Weston completed 17 of 24 throws for 129 yards. Hugo Belmonte made all six of his extra-point attempts.

Southeastern hosts North Central next Friday.

## HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 45, FORT WAYNE CARROLL 21

Score by Quarters				Southeastern scoring	
Southeastern	7	21	7	10	-45
Carroll	7	0	7	7	-21
<b>Team stats</b>	<b>HSE</b>	<b>FWC</b>			
First Downs	30	14			
Rushes-Yards	55-285	23-159			
Passing Yards	129	150			
Comp-Att-Int-TD	17-24-0-1	21-15-0-1			
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-2			
Penalties-Yards	9-70	5-18			
Punts-Average	1-41.0	3-38.0			

**Southeastern individual stats**  
**Rushing:** Wallace 25-112, Brennan Baker 10-67, Weston 9-67, Vaughn Johnson 6-26, Reed 5-13.  
**Passing:** Weston 17-24-129.  
**Receiving:** Dylan James 5-52, Liam Boyd 5-33, Callen Okerson 4-18, Pennybaker 2-14, Baker 1-12.

**First Quarter**  
 5:19 - AZ Wallace 1-yard run (Hugo Belmonte)  
**Second Quarter**  
 11:56 - Wallace 6-yard run (Belmonte kick)  
 11:38 - Wallace 1-yard run (Belmonte kick)  
 4:23 - Wallace 3-yard run (Belmonte kick)  
**Third Quarter**  
 1:41 - Kendrick Pennybaker 5-yard pass from Chandler Weston (Belmonte kick)  
**Fourth Quarter**  
 3:54 - Belmonte 28-yard field goal  
 1:19 - Carter Reed 1-yard run (Belmonte kick)

# Rocks rush Trojans with four touchdowns for comeback win

## The REPORTER

Westfield showed the Indiana football world right away that no one should count the Shamrocks out.

Westfield fell behind in the first half at Center Grove, but scored four straight touchdowns in the second and third quarters to score a comeback victory, 34-21 over the Trojans.

"We had to settle in a little bit, make some adjustments," said first-year Westfield head coach Josh Miracle. "Those guys found a way and kept fighting." Miracle said Center Grove is a "very talented" team,

calling them "well-coached. They did a lot of things correct."

The Trojans skipped off to a 14-0 lead after the first quarter. Westfield got on the board early in the second period when Mikeah Webster made a three-yard touchdown run. Center Grove scored again midway through the quarter, jumping ahead 21-6.

That's when the comeback began. Gabe Arambolles threw a double pass to Parker Knott, who turned it into a 58-yard touchdown pass. Carsen Melvin then punched in two one-yard

touchdown runs with under four minutes to play in the half, and the Rocks led 27-21 at halftime.

"They had a miscue there and we finished out the half," said Miracle. "We had an interception to finish out the half. That was a big part of the game there, going into the half with the lead."

Melvin and Arambolles teamed up for a 60-yard pass play touchdown with 7:07 left in the third quarter, giving Westfield a 34-21 advantage. Owen Wright kicked four extra points during the Shamrocks' run.

Center Grove got one more touchdown in the fourth period, but Westfield drained the clock out to clinch the victory.

Miracle said Melvin was "excellent" as the Shamrocks' quarterback.

"He has the greatest amount of poise to him," said Miracle. "He ran the offense efficiently. Kudos to our guys up front, the o-line. They played outstanding."

Stats were unavailable at press time and will run in a later edition. Westfield plays its home opener next Friday, hosting Carmel.

# Five key differences between padel & pickleball everyone should know

## Submitted

Padel and pickleball are taking the world by storm, captivating players of all ages with their unique challenges and fun gameplay. While both sports share similarities in their use of paddles and their origins as recreational games, distinct differences set them apart, making each one special in its own way.

Whether you're new to the world of racket sports or a seasoned player, understanding these differences can help you choose the game that best matches your speed, style, and competitive spirit.

"For those unfamiliar with padel and pickleball, they might appear quite similar, but in reality, they are very different," says Ashley Rose, co-founder of Volée, a company specializing in padel and pickleball bags, apparel, and accessories. "Once someone has played both, the distinctions become clear."

While both sports use similar paddles and were invented decades ago, there are significant differences between them. Padel has gained immense popularity in the United States, while padel has a broader following in countries outside of America. Padel was founded in 1976 on Bainbridge Is-

land, Wash., whereas padel originated in Mexico in 1969. Both sports are rapidly gaining global audiences, providing people with enjoyable ways to stay active and engaged.

Here are five key differences between padel and pickleball:

**1. Courts:** The courts for both sports differ significantly. Padel is typically played on a hard, tennis-like court (often on half of a tennis court). Padel, on the other hand, is played in an enclosed court similar to squash or racquetball, where the walls are used during play.

**2. Balls:** The balls used for padel are similar to traditional tennis balls but are compressed with less pressure. Padel balls are made of plastic, perforated, and have varying numbers of holes depending on whether they are used indoors or outdoors.

**3. Scoring:** Each sport has distinct rules and scoring methods. While padel's scoring is similar to tennis, pickleball only allows points to be scored on the serve, leading to a different strategic approach.

**4. Paddles:** The paddles differ in weight, size, material, and shape. Padel paddles are solid and perforated,

while pickleball paddles are designed for a firm grip and resemble elongated table tennis paddles. Having the right paddle is crucial for optimal performance.

**5. Audience:** While both sports have broad appeal, some perceive pickleball as accessible to everyone, while padel is often seen as a sport for more athletically inclined individuals looking for a greater challenge.

Thinking about trying pickleball or padel? Kristin Leffel, co-founder of Volée, encourages you to give them a go. She says "both sports are incredibly social and a lot of fun. Padel is accessible for all ages - simple to learn but tough to perfect. Padel is more intense and requires a higher level of cardio, but it's a great thrill once you get started."

For those getting into either sport, having the proper clothing, equipment, and accessories is essential. The right gear not only helps

players perform better but also adds style and personality to their game. Volée has created a sports luxe line of fashionable products for both pickleball and padel, including bags, apparel, and accessories. Their offerings include carry bags with paddle pockets and shoe garages, and a line of crossbody paddle cover bags.

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# Huskies fall to Lapel in season opener

## The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights dropped its football opener Friday, falling at Lapel 29-20.

The Bulldogs scored a quick touchdown and two-point conversion pass to lead 8-0 early in the first quarter. Drew Woodruff got the Huskies on the board with an 18-yard touchdown throw to Cam Fleming at the end of the first quarter.

Woodruff tossed another TD pass early in the second quarter, a 63-yard throw to Keaton Weaver. That gave Heights a 14-8 lead. But Lapel scored on two short runs, one late in the second period and another one with 3:35 left in the third to go ahead 22-14.

The Huskies cut the lead to 22-20 when Woodruff

scored on a five-yard run early in the fourth quarter. Heights tried going for two, but the Bulldogs made a sack. Lapel then scored on a long touchdown pass to finish the scoring.

"Lapel's a good football team," said Heights coach Jon Kirschner. "They capitalized on key mistakes and the big takeaway is, we had a lot of young, new varsity kids step up and play in a big way even though adversity through the entire game."

"The three or four key plays that defined a close football game, did not go in our favor," said Kirschner.

Stats were unavailable at press time and will appear in a later edition. The Huskies host their home opener next Friday against Triton Central.

# SPORTS SCHEDULE

## Saturday, Aug. 24

### BOYS SOCCER

Indpls. Lutheran at University, 10 a.m.  
 Westfield at Pike, 11 a.m.  
 Fishers vs. Cincinnati Moeller, 2 p.m. at Noblesville  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Guerin Catholic, 3:30 p.m.  
 Okemos (Mich.) at Noblesville, 4 p.m.

### CROSS COUNTRY

Carmel, Guerin Catholic girls, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, University at John Cleland Invitational, 8:30 a.m. at Northview Church  
 Westfield at Plainfield Invitational, 8:30 a.m.  
 Fishers at Brownsburg 4-Way, 9 a.m.  
 Hamilton Heights at Logansport, 9 a.m.

### GIRLS SOCCER

Hamilton Southeastern vs. Evansville Memorial, 10 a.m. at Newton Park  
 Carmel at Guerin Catholic, 11:30 a.m.  
 Lafayette Central Catholic at Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m.

### GOLF

University, Westfield at Ulen Open, 9 a.m. at Ulen Country Club  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Mooresville Invitational, noon at Heartland Crossing  
 Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, Westfield at Center Grove Trojan Classic, 1 p.m. at Hickory Stick  
 Hamilton Heights at New Palestine Invitational, 1 p.m. at The Links

### TENNIS

Hamilton Heights at New Castle Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 University at Muncie Burris Owls Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 Westfield at South Bend St. Joseph Tournament, 9 a.m.  
 Carmel Round Robin, 10 a.m.  
 Park Tudor at Fishers, 10 a.m.

### VOLLEYBALL

Fishers at Plainfield Invitational, 9 a.m.  
 Hamilton Heights at Western Boone Tournament, 9 a.m.  
 Carmel Round Robin, 10 a.m.  
 Westfield at Trinity Lutheran, noon  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Benton Central, 12:30 p.m.

## Monday, Aug. 26

### GIRLS SOCCER

Sheridan at Herron, 5:30 p.m.

### GOLF

Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, 10 a.m. at Bear Slide  
 Hamilton Heights vs. Eastern, 4:30 p.m. at Bear Slide  
 University vs. Greenwood Christian and Whiteland, 4:30 p.m.

### TENNIS

Danville at University, 5 p.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at North Central, 5 p.m.

## Tuesday, Aug. 27

### BOYS SOCCER

University at Bethesda Christian, 5:30 p.m.  
 Mississinewa at Sheridan, 6 p.m.  
 Park Tudor at Hamilton Heights, 7 p.m.  
 Westfield at Franklin Central, 7 p.m.  
 Carmel at Greenfield-Central, 7:30 p.m.  
 Guerin Catholic at Center Grove, 7:30 p.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Brownsburg, 7:30 p.m.  
 Noblesville at Avon, 7:30 p.m.  
 Zionsville at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.

### GIRLS SOCCER

Shortridge at University, 5:30 p.m.

### GOLF

Carmel vs. Center Grove and Fishers, 4 p.m. at Purgatory Golf Club  
 Carmel vs. Noblesville, Westfield and Zionsville, 4:30 p.m. at Prairie View  
 Hamilton Southeastern vs. Noblesville and Western, 4:30 p.m. at The Hawthorns

### TENNIS

Brownsburg at Westfield, 5 p.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Zionsville, 5 p.m.  
 Mount Vernon at Guerin Catholic, 5 p.m.  
 Noblesville at Fishers, 5:30 p.m.

### UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL

Fishers at Westfield, 6:30 p.m.

### VOLLEYBALL

Avon at Carmel, 6:30 p.m.  
 Sheridan at Lebanon, 6:30 p.m.  
 Guerin Catholic at Mount Vernon, 7 p.m.  
 Harrison at Westfield, 7 p.m.  
 North Central at Fishers, 7 p.m.  
 Pendleton Heights at Noblesville, 7 p.m.  
 Tipton at Hamilton Heights, 7 p.m.  
 University at Clinton Central, 7 p.m.

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