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TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Mostly sunny.  
 Tonight: Partly cloudy.

HIGH: 84 LOW: 61



# Please don't park on the grass ... Wait ... please park on the grass!



The 33rd annual Cicero Labor Day Car Show was even bigger than last year's, and that one set records! Monday saw 280 cars crammed onto the lawns at Red Bridge Park. Let us be very clear on this point: 280 cars were in the show; no one had the time or inclination to count how many cars brought people to see the show. What we do know is 236th Street was an unofficial parking lot and a steady stream of enthusiasts were seen walking across the causeway. Also a steady stream of photos can be found on Page 5 and at [ReadTheReporter.com](http://ReadTheReporter.com).

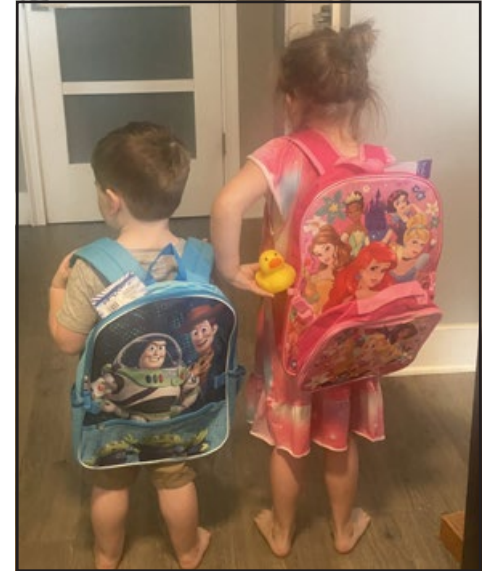


Photo provided by Megan Rathz  
 New backpacks for a new year!

## Time, slow down

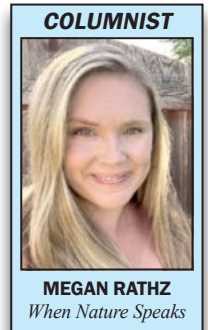
Anyone who is a parent knows the concept of longing for time to slow down. The old saying is so true that the days are long, and the years are short.

Sometimes it's so easy to get in the weeds with the daily grind and then you look at one of your children and notice they don't seem as little as they once were. Even though they are completely reliant on you for their overall well-being and every need, they somehow are just a little older and those photos you look at while scrolling your phone become easy to notice their many physical changes.

My children are both at exciting milestones with their academic careers right now. My son is beginning preschool, and my daughter is ready to take on kindergarten. Their classrooms are next door to one another, and my classroom will be just down the hall. Pat picked out a Buzz Light-year and Woody backpack, and Mary chose a Disney princess backpack with matching lunch boxes, compliments of Grandma. They are both so excited and ready to embrace their school year. My daughter cannot wait to wear her uniform jumper, which she has now calls her "kindergarten dress."

I pray this year is one that helps them grow and blossom. I hope they not only make friends, but also, I hope they choose to be good friends to others. I hope that when they pass each other in the hall that they try to sneak in a quick hug. I hope the excitement they both feel when they see me as a staff member in the hall does not subside. I hope they come home with new stories and an excitement for learning.

I hope they know that even though my classroom is right down the hall, and I am so excited to have them with me every day, that a little part of my heart will be broken just knowing that they are not as little as they once were.



COLUMNIST

MEGAN RATHZ  
 When Nature Speaks

## Battlemind to Home comes to Noblesville

### The REPORTER

America spends a great deal of time and resources training military personnel how to go to war, and a lot less teaching them how to come home and re-enter society.

Enter the Battlemind to Home Summit (Battlemind), which has been bringing people together for several years in order to help educate Hoosier professionals about how to better serve the veterans community in Indiana.

Our Battlemind to Home Summit is an annual event bringing together subject matter experts to help train and educate community members so they are better prepared to serve the



Broniarczyk



Photo provided

2023 Summit attendees listen to opening remarks and a discussion panel featuring representatives from the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs and the Indiana National Guard.

military connected population in Indiana," Military Family Research Institute (MFRI) Senior Director for Outreach and

Operations Kathy Broniarczyk told The Reporter.

The 15th annual Battlemind will be held Oct. 24 at Embassy

Suites Conference Center, 13700 Conference Center Drive South,

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## Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre to present five new shows in 2025, including Broadway hits Jersey Boys & Waitress

### The REPORTER

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre will present an unprecedented five new shows to its stage in 2025, headlined by the Broadway hits *Jersey Boys* and *Waitress*, and bring back family favorites including Disney's *The Little Mermaid* and its signature holiday production: *A Beef & Boards Christmas*.

A murder mystery is just the ticket to kick things off in 2025, and Beef & Boards gets on board Jan. 9 with Agatha Christie's *Murder on the Orient Express*, the first new show to its stage in the season. An American tycoon is discovered stabbed in his compartment, which locked from the inside, aboard the luxurious Orient Express. Isolated in a snowstorm and with a killer in their midst, the passengers rely on detective

Hercule Poirot to solve the case – before the murderer strikes again! Adapted for the stage by Ken Ludwig, *Murder on the Orient Express* is presented through Feb. 9. While this show is rated G, note there is a murder victim in it.

The captivating story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons and their unforgettable music comes alive in *Jersey Boys*, which makes its Beef & Boards debut starting on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. It's the remarkable journey of four blue-collar kids from the streets of New Jersey and their 40-year friendship, with its struggles and triumphs, that led to the hits "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," "My Eyes Adored You," and many more. *Jersey Boys* won the Tony Award for Best Musical and is



Photo provided by Beef & Boards


The original variety show *A Beef & Boards Christmas* returns to the stage in 2025.

on stage through April 13. The show is rated PG-13.

Then, starting April 17, the *Church Basement Ladies* are back in the show that started it all. Times are quickly changing

in 1965, and these formidable women do all they can to keep things from boiling over below the house of God. Based on

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**HOPE**  
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Racing for better health: celebrate 20 years of HOPE

**The REPORTER**  
 Celebrate 20 years of HOPE Family Care Center with a 5K Run/Walk through Hamilton Heights' cross country course in Arcadia.

The run/walk is set for 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 12. The cost is \$35; price will increase after Sept. 13. Proceeds will benefit HOPE. [Click here](#) to sign up.

HOPE Family Care Center is a faith-based 501(c)(3) non-profit clinic providing free medical, dental, and counseling services to uninsured, underinsured, and medically under-served patients from Hamilton, Tipton, Madison, Boone, and surrounding counties. For 20 years, HOPE has been in the race for better health in the community.

After HOPE's 5K Run/Walk event, please celebrate HOPE's 20th Anniversary at an open house at its new location, 509 N. Peru St., Cicero.



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## BEEF & BOARDS

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the Scandinavian Lutheran humor writings of Janet Martin and Suzann Nelson, the women of *Church Basement Ladies* are characters who can be found in any denomination. Together they tackle both food and food for thought while managing a record-breaking Christmas dinner, the funeral of a dear friend, a Hawaiian Easter fundraiser and a hot July wedding. Rated G, this show is on stage through May 18.

Starting May 22, dive into Beef & Boards 2025 Family Show, Disney's *The*

*Little Mermaid*. In this journey "Under The Sea," the adventurous mermaid Ariel longs to live in the world above. When she falls for a human prince, she bargains with Ursula, the sea witch, to gain human legs so she can be with him. But every bargain has a price, and Ariel needs the help of her friends and her father, King Triton, to escape the witch's wrath. As the 2025 Family Show, tickets for *The Little Mermaid* are discounted by \$10 for all kids aged 3 to 15. It's on stage through July 13.

Beef & Boards serves up for the first time, starting July 17, the sweet treat by Sara Barelilles: *Waitress*. Jenna, a talented pie maker and waitress, longs for a way out of her small town as she creates magic from scratch with her rolling pin – each delicious pie filled with her dreams and fears. Just when she faces her biggest challenge of all, a local baking contest just might be the opportunity of a lifetime. With a heaping serving of humor, a sprinkling of hope, and a dash of romance, this musical celebrates friendship, motherhood, and the magic of a well-made pie. New to the Beef & Boards stage, *Waitress* is rated PG-13 and continues through Aug. 31.

Get out those Blue Suede Shoes and make reservations at the *Heartbreak Hotel*, the next new show in 2025 at Beef & Boards. This prequel to *Million Dollar Quartet* follows the tender story of Elvis Presley in his youth, and the moments that led him to become "The King of Rock and Roll." This celebration of the legend and his music includes over 40 Elvis hits and iconic songs including, "That's All Right," "All Shook Up," "Heartbreak Hotel," "Burning Love," "Good Rockin' Tonight," "Hound Dog," "Love Me Tender," "Don't Be Cruel," "Jailhouse Rock," and, yes, "Blue Suede Shoes." Rated PG, *Heartbreak Hotel* is on



Photo provided by Beef & Boards  
2025's Family Show, *The Little Mermaid*, will be on stage May 22 to July 13 at Beef & Boards.

stage Sept. 4 to Oct. 12.

Opening Oct. 16 is the hilarious musical *Tootsie*, the fifth and final new show to the Beef & Boards stage in 2025. To get his dream role, desperate and out-of-work actor Michael Dorsey disguises himself as actress "Dorothy Michaels." The tactic works, and "Dorothy" becomes a Broadway sensation. While his audiences fall for Dorothy, Michael falls for the woman of his dreams – and realizes the trick isn't becoming a star. It's keeping up the act. Based on the hit film starring Dustin Hoffman, *Tootsie* is rated R and on stage until Nov. 23.

Back for the 2025 holidays is the original variety show *A Beef & Boards Christmas*. This seasonal spectacular includes Santa and his friends in a sparkling array of holiday songs, stories, and dance. Beautiful costumes and nostalgic performances make this a beloved favorite for generations of families and guests of all ages. Opening Nov. 28, *A Beef & Boards Christ-*

*mas* continues through a New Year's Eve celebration on Dec. 31.

### Membership & ticket availability

VIP Memberships for the 2025 Season are available now, while 2025 Season individual show tickets are on sale to the general public starting Oct. 1, 2024. Visit [beefandboards.com](http://beefandboards.com) for complete details.

### New start time for some shows in 2025

Starting with *Murder on the Orient Express*, evening performances on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays will begin at 7:30 p.m.

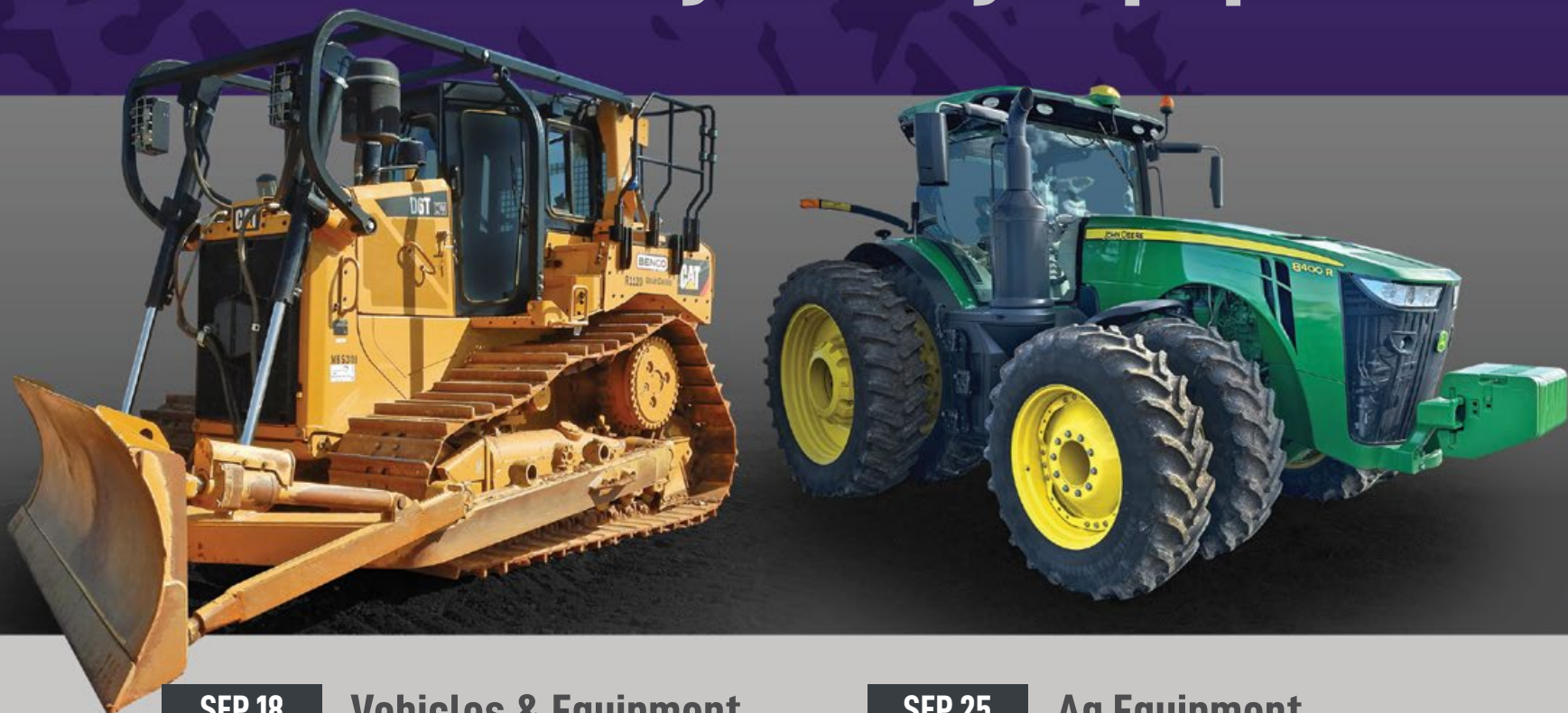
Evening performances on Fridays and Saturdays remain at 8 p.m., and the early evening performances remain at 7 p.m. on Sundays.

See [beefandboards.com](http://beefandboards.com) for the complete performance schedule starting Oct. 1.

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# BATTLE

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Noblesville. Preconference sessions will be held on Oct. 23 at the same location.

The conference brings together subject matter experts to educate Indiana professionals about critical military and veteran-focused issues. Now celebrating its 15th year, Battlemind helps professionals discover how to best support veterans, service members, and their families as they reintegrate into their communities. It also increases community awareness about veterans' strengths, challenges, and available resources.

Battlemind is hosted in partnership with the Department of Veterans Affairs Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs, Indiana National Guard, Indiana State Bar Association, and Roudebush VA Medical Center.

This year's keynote speaker will be Tonya Oxendine, a Wounded Warrior Project Warriors Speak spokesperson and U.S. Army veteran.

Oxendine joined the army a year after finishing high school following a difficult childhood. She served

for nearly 30 years, retiring as a Command Sergeant Major. After a challenging upbringing and career, she needed help processing everything she'd seen and experienced. With Wounded Warrior Project and others by her side, she's gone from being a shut-in to traveling the world as an outspoken advocate for veterans' mental health and physical fitness. Today, her passion is helping other veterans by sharing her story.

MFRI uses a collaborative approach to plan and execute this event. With nationally recognized experts in all fields, Battlemind presents evidence-informed sessions that address many sensitive and cutting-edge topics. Past summit sessions have covered issues such as suicide, moral injury, and community mobilization. Battlemind 2024 will include tracks focusing on suicide prevention, military families, legal matters, and education and transitions.

A list of preconference sessions is available online at [mfri.purdue.edu/battlemind/agenda](http://mfri.purdue.edu/battlemind/agenda).

You can register to attend at [mfri.purdue.edu/battlemind/registration](http://mfri.purdue.edu/battlemind/registration).

# TIME

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I know how pivotal these young years are in school because they will determine the attitude my children have for school. I hope that they both have a love of learning, develop pride in their school, grow in their faith, and share an excitement to be part of a community that I have loved for many years.

I know I will not always be right down the hall from my kids. I know I cannot

always fight their battles. For now, I will walk the delicate balance of mom and teacher, knowing that I am so glad I can keep an extra eye on them and make sure they are OK. There will be a time when I cannot be a few doors down from them. For now, I will relish it.

Everyone with older kids will tell you that it goes by quickly. I know this is so true and that is

why sometimes I wish I could hit pause and let them be this little forever. I want them to be sheltered from this world in their innocent bubbles before life grabs them. I know that while my kids are headed to preschool and kindergarten that there is a mom who is dropping her child to college, or, sending away to the military, and I am sure that mom remembers when her little one was just as

small as my kids are now. May this be a good school year not only for my own children, but for everyone who has a student or teacher that they love beginning another year and hoping it is one that they are happy, safe, and healthy.

*Megan Rathz is a wife, mother, and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.*



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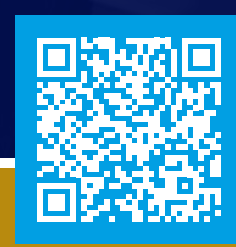
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# Like classic cars? We hope you were in Cicero

If you had a good place to park at the 2024 Labor Day Car Show in Cicero ... then you're our hero. This place was packed! If we may offer a humble local newspaper suggestion: while Morse Lake is a beautiful venue, maybe find a bigger spot next year because you have become too successful for Red Bridge to bear any more weight without slipping into the water. One more suggestion from the desk of our publisher: someone at that show needs to modify Emily Pearson's chair like unto a 1981 DeLorean with a Flux Capacitor.



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

**Forest Park Rail Adventure**  
An 8-mile round trip rail bike ride starting at Hobbs Station in Forest Park.  
**White River Family Cruise**  
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# Want to be a superintendent? You need to learn from the best



Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools

The Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents recently held its first Indiana Aspiring Superintendent Academy session, welcoming 18 new participants and their 18 mentors led by six facilitators. Westfield Washington Schools Superintendent Dr. Paul Kaiser is a mentor in the program and Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations Brian Tomamichel is in the program as a mentee. (See if you can spot them!) The theme of this session was “It’s all about people,” and the energy and dedication of this remarkable group of leaders was truly inspiring.

## McCormick/Goodin campaign endorses Dr. Chris Hartig for Indiana House District 29

Submitted by Dr. Chris Hartig for Indiana

Dr. Chris Hartig, candidate for Indiana House District 29, has received the endorsement of the Jennifer McCormick/Terry Goodin gubernatorial campaign.

As respected Hoosier leaders, Dr. Jennifer McCormick and Dr. Terry Goodin bring a strong commitment to transparency, education, and community engagement – values that align closely with Dr. Hartig’s platform.

Dr. McCormick, former Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction and current Democratic gubernatorial candidate, said, “In a time where transparency, responsiveness, and a deep commitment to serving the community are paramount, Chris stands out as the ideal

choice to represent District 29, Noblesville.”

Dr. McCormick’s endorsement underscores the shared vision of improving Indiana’s future through strong leadership and effective policy-making.

Dr. Hartig’s campaign is built on three key platform points:

**1. Breaking the Supermajority:** The current supermajority undermines the principles of checks and balances and leaves many Hoosiers feeling unheard. Dr. Hartig aims to ensure that all voices are represented in the state’s decision-making process, and is committed to restoring balance in the leg-



Hartig

islature. place where individual liberties are upheld.

**2. Protecting Personal Freedoms:** Dr. Hartig believes that the government should respect and protect the personal decisions of its citizens, ensuring that Indiana is a strong advocate for universal pre-kindergarten (pre-K), recognizing that early education is essential for closing achievement gaps and boosting long-term economic growth.

**3. Supporting Public Education:** Dr. Hartig is a strong advocate for universal pre-kindergarten (pre-K), recognizing that early education is essential for closing achievement gaps and boosting long-term economic growth.

referendums.

“Giving Hoosiers the power to directly influence legislation through ballot initiatives and referendums is essential for a healthy democracy,” Dr. Hartig said. “It ensures that the will of the people is reflected in the laws that govern our state.”

Dr. Hartig’s campaign continues to gain momentum as more community leaders recognize his commitment to transparency, responsiveness, and effective governance. The endorsement from the McCormick/Goodin campaign is a testament to his dedication to serving the people of Noblesville and building a brighter future for all Hoosiers.

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

### Letter to the Editor

## Reader calls on voters to choose representatives who value all workers

Dear Editor:

Is your retirement secure? Overreach by the federal government decimated the retirement plans of over 20,000 employees nationwide.

When General Motors filed for bankruptcy in 2009, the United Auto Workers were protected by contract that any loss of benefits was a ‘striking’ violation. In 2009, the overall economy was on a slippery slope, and a nationwide GM strike could have resulted in a United States economic depression. An ad hoc federal government Auto Task Team was formed to oversee the bankruptcy. The result: the UAW kept 100 percent of their pensions and full health care. However, the Delphi salaried, non-union employees lost 100 percent of their health care, 100 percent of their life insurance, and as much as 70 percent of their pensions. For the nation, this impacts more than 20,000, and for Indiana over 4,000 retirees, plus their families.

In 1974, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) was signed into law to protect retirees; however, the calculation of the fair market value of the salaried pension funds was not followed. Additionally, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC), a United States federally-chartered corporation, in 2023 revised the method to calculate the pension assets but will not recalculate the Delphi Salaried Pension assets. When following the correct methods, the Delphi Salaried Pension Plan was completely funded.

Since 2009, the Delphi Salaried have been fighting to get their retirements restored. There is legislation named after Susan Muffley to restore pensions. Her husband, David, worked at Delphi as an electronics technician for 31 years, but lost the full value of his pension in 2009. Despite health problems, Susan avoided seeing her doctor given her family’s financial constraints due to losing their pension. She was ultimately diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and passed away on Aug. 9, 2012.

This is NOT a bailout of any sort. It is instead a Congressional act to restore pensions that were wrongfully removed by the federal government in the “heat of the moment” to prevent a national shutdown.

I want to give an expression of sincere gratitude to our current senators Mike Braun and Todd Young for actively showing support for the bipartisan Susan Muffley Act. Congressman Jim Banks – currently running for the Senate as a Republican – has not shown any support for the Susan Muffley Act. This is currently on hold in the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, of which Banks is a member.

From the House side, there is active support from Victoria Spartz (Co-Sponsor and Champion), Jim Baird (Co-Sponsor), Frank Mrvan (Co-Sponsor), Erin Houchin, and Rudy Yakym. The remaining Representatives are non-committal including Jim Banks, Greg Pence, Andre Carson, and Larry Buchon. There are other bipartisan Senators and House Representatives around the nation that are supportive of the Susan Muffley legislation.

For those of you that are not Delphi Retirees, ask yourself: could something like this happen to my health care, my life insurance, my matching 401 funds, other pension funds or benefits?

When voting, vote for the people who value fairness for all workers.

Mike Berry  
Cicero

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## Ceremony of Remembrance



Join us in remembering our fallen brothers and sisters who lost their lives saving others on  
September 11, 2001

**8:46am**  
**Wednesday, September 11, 2024**

**Carmel Clay Veterans Memorial**  
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## These kids show how it R.O.C.K.S. to read



Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools  
These two kindergarten students at Monon Trail Elementary School, Clark and Irshita, showed R.O.C.K.S. Expectations, and they earned a coin for the new book vending machine. R.O.C.K.S. stands for Responsible, Open-minded, Collaborative, Kind, and Self-aware. Students have been learning how to show all these characteristics in the classroom and all around the school.





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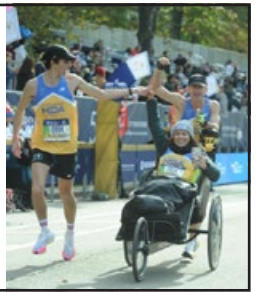


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## First Christian Church of Noblesville to hold CROP Hunger Walk

### Submitted

Next month, First Christian Church of Noblesville will play host to a local CROP Hunger Walk as part of the Greater Indianapolis CROP Walk.

The CROP Walk is a national movement sponsored by Church World Service to raise funds to end hunger and poverty both in the United States and around the world. This year will be the 55th anniversary of the CROP Walk. Every \$1 raised provides 10 meals through local partners in the U.S.

The local walk will be held at First Christian

Church, 16377 Herriman Blvd., Noblesville, on Sunday, Oct. 13. Participants will receive lunch and a T-shirt. Lunch is at 1 p.m. with the walk beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in participating can be involved by joining the First Christian Church team, organizing a team of their own, walking as an individual, or by making an online donation using [this link](#).

For more information or answers to any questions, please contact Brooks Barrice at [reved2@hotmail.com](mailto:reved2@hotmail.com).

## Respecting those in need

Over the two-plus decades of doing food charity work, we have had the opportunity to meet many neighbors in need. Generally, as a rule, when we meet someone at a pantry, we give them space

and let people go about their business. We do not engage with them unless they initiate a conversation. Those who engage with a volunteer are usually thankful, many are sad, and a few are angry over the circumstances that have them shopping for a meal at the pantry.

Regardless of how the neighbor is feeling, our response is the same: empathy, listen, and show respect.

Many of our neighbors who shop from a Feeding Team pantry are not used to taking help from someone else. They are hesitant and cautious; the last thing that they need to experience is disrespect, shame, or embarrassment.

This month, I received a troubling social media message from a neighbor asking me to call her to talk about her recent pantry experience. When we spoke on the phone, this young lady told me her story.

She was shopping at an area pantry on behalf of an unemployed friend with no transportation. As she was taking items to her SUV



MARK HALL  
The Feeding Team Feature

another woman approached her vehicle. Walking up from behind the car the woman proceeded to lecture the shopper on pantry etiquette. "You're taking more than six items, that's against the rules," she said as she took out her phone and began filming. I'll spare everyone the next several minutes where the interaction reverted to what can best be described as a fifth-grade playground "nanny nanny boo boo" and tattling session.

We absolutely appreciate each person who contributes to, sorts, cleans, supports, and pays attention to the pantries. Yes, it is disappointing when people take more than they should, and yes, it happens more than we would like. However, disrespecting those in need – or, in this case, a neighbor shopping to help someone else – doesn't represent what Feeding Team stands for. The right answer never includes disrespect. Most shoppers respect the model and just take what they need.

Feeding Team has always been aware that our model for feeding hungry neighbors is susceptible to abuse. We take the position that when that happens it's between them and God. If we interact with neigh-

bors in these situations, our response is always to respectfully ask them to keep their selections to six items and refer the shopper to food pantries that are better equipped to accommodate larger needs. Hunger in our county is real; respect in serving those in need is our approach, every time!

People are not entitled to receive the Feeding Team's help; we give it freely to the best of our ability. Further, we encourage as much grace as possible as a response to situations. That is the takeaway, and that is the lesson from this month's situation.

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Feeding Team provides a way and a place for those in need to get food for their family. While each pantry really is just a big wooden yellow box, it means so much more for donors and for families in need. You are welcome to join us as together we fight to eliminate hunger in our area cities.

With over 40,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, [FeedingTeam.org](#) is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides outdoor 24/7/365 no-questions-asked free food pantries throughout the county.

The pantries exist to meet the food insecurity needs of gap families, neighbors who may not qualify for public assistance and could use a few meals before payday.

### FeedingTeam.org Facts

69 pantries  
Over 11,000 meals in July  
Over 100 individual & 30 volunteer families

The pantries serve as many food-challenged neighbors as possible, and our hearts are with those who, like my family, could not always make ends meet.

Thank you for supporting the pantries. We love serving with so many neighbors across Hamilton County. In future columns, we will share more stories about how your generosity served neighbors in times of need. The face of hunger in Hamilton County is not what you may think.

In practical terms, this straightforward way to help neighbors is having real impact on lives, families, and our communities. Thank you. A few meals can change the course of a person's life. A can of green beans means so much more when you have nothing to feed your kids.

Would you like to get involved? Volunteer opportunities are available. We are evaluating new pantry locations. If you think you have a potential location, please contact us.

Mark and Lisa Hall are the Founders of Feeding Team. They may be reached at [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org) and [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org) or by calling (317) 832-1123.

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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 Breakfast Sat & Sun 8-11  
Carmel, In 46032 Treasure Hunt Fri 7p  
317-846-0001 Tx Holdem Thurs & Sat

Cicero Post 341 Tye Anderson  
50 Washington Ave Treasure Hunt Tues 7p  
Cicero, In 46034  
317-984-4441

Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc  
9091 E 126<sup>th</sup> St Craft Fair 9/28 10-4pm  
Fishers, in 46038 Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm  
317-842-5944 Breakfast 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 8-11

Noblesville Post 45 Gil Soria  
273 S 8<sup>th</sup> St Fri 645pm Treasure Hunt  
Noblesville, in 46060 9/14 Steak Dinner  
317-773-9985 Trivia Wednesdays 7pm

Sheridan Post 67 Tom DeShon  
406 E 10<sup>th</sup> St 9/21 1-5p Family Fun Day  
Sheridan, In 46069  
317-758-5007

### VFW Posts

Carmel Post 10003 Darin Bibeau  
12863 Old Meridian St  
Carmel, In 46032 Breakfast 2 & 4 Sat 8-11  
317-846-0917 Thurs Treasure Hunt 7pm

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

317-776-9610  
CVSO – Tom Logan  
[Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)  
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Admin Assistant – Christina Ellis  
[christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)

### 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.

### The PACT Act Expands VA Health Care

<https://www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits/> The PACT Act expands the VA Health care & benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange and other toxins during your time in the Service.

## Hamilton County Military Veteran

**Upcoming Military Veteran Community Events/Activities**  
**Hero Hut** and several of your Military Veteran community resources will be under the Hero Hut tent to greet our community and introduce you to the services and benefits you earned. Buy tickets for the Conner Prairie event on the [Conner Prairie website](#). Sign up to volunteer at the Hero Hut tent on [Bloomerang Volunteer](#)



'Stronger Veterans, Stronger Communities'  
Hamilton County Coalition on the Prevention of Suicide for Service Members, Veterans, and their Families/Caregivers



Fall Events Where Hero Hut, Hamilton County Veterans Corp and Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities to Prevent Veteran Suicide Bring the Resources to Our Community Here In Hamilton County

Sept 6-7 **Jupiter Flights Balloon Fest at Conner Prairie 5pm-10pm**

Sept 7 **Fishers Safety Day at Fishers Farmers Market 8am-12pm 2 Municipal Dr**

Sept 14 **Geist Half Marathon 11300 Olio Rd Fishers 7am-11am Cooking breakfast**

Sept 21 **Fishers Club Day at Fishers Farmers Market 8am-12pm 2 Municipal Dr**

Sept 28 **Prevail Autumn Fest 1100 S 9th St Noblesville 12pm-3pm**

Sept 28-29 **Atlanta New Earth Fest downtown Atlanta**

Oct 18-19 **Headless Horseman at Conner Prairie 5pm-10pm**

Oct 19 **Ascension St Vincent Fishers Hosp Trunk or 2pm-5pm Treat 13861 Olio Rd**

### MASH Ministries PTSD Support Group Sessions



MASH Ministries currently has 2 support groups in Hamilton County:

- Mondays- 7pm to 8pm at the Noblesville American Legion Post 45 273 S 8<sup>th</sup> St, Noblesville, In
- Fridays- 9am to 10am at the Life Church Coffee House 2166 Sheridan Rd, Noblesville, In

**Sept Fishers American Legion Post 470 has Breakfast the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun & an early bird breakfast Saturday Sept 14**  
9091 E 126 St Fishers, In. Public is welcome and we are kid friendly. \$13 – adult, \$7.50 Kids 13 and up. Eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits & gravy and pancakes!!  
Their NEW Menu is here & the public is welcome <https://legion470fishers.org/index.php?id=111>

**Carmel American Legion Post 155 Breakfast Sat Sun**  
Every Saturday & Sunday from 8am-12pm the Carmel Legion 852 W Main St serves a mean breakfast and the public is invited. Their Treasure Hunt is every Friday 7pm  
**Carmel SAL Post 155 Steak Dinner**



**Fishers American Legion Post 470 BIG Bucks Bingo**  
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\$100 buy-in (paid in advance to reserve a seat)

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All extra paper may be purchased at regular price.

Limited to 100 players

Fishers American Legion 9091 E 126th St 317-842-1021 to register

Buy 2 warm-ups, get 1 free Free daubers

**September is Suicide Prevention Month**

[#SuicidePreventionMonth](#) [#SPM24](#) [#NSSP](#) [#BeThe1To](#)  
[#988Day](#) [#SuicidePrevention](#)

## Activities & Events

### Golf Lessons for Our Military Veteran Community

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September 14 2:00pm - 3:30pm  
September 21 2:00pm - 3:30pm  
September 28 2:00pm - 3:30pm  
October 5 2:00pm - 3:30pm  
October 12 2:00pm - 3:30pm

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### Fishers Honors Programs for Our Veteran Community

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- Any family who can demonstrate that at least one of the heads of household are currently deployed in a branch of our country's armed forces
- The household must live in Fishers
- The household is eligible for these services for the duration of the deployment

Share the program links below so we may reach those who are currently deployed or soon to be deployed and living in Fishers. Also, the first link talks about the Local Hero Light Pole Banners and brick pavers to Honor our local Heroes.

Fishers Honors Programs – <https://fishersin.gov/government/mayors-office/fishers-honors/>

Hometown Help For Heroes while deployed- <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/a309656d5ee440b1ac6ee1aaa8ed5d9>

### RENTAL SPACE FOR YOUR PARTIES?

Contact any of our American Legion or VFW Posts listed in the left column of this page and rent their space for your party or club meetings.

**FYI – Roudebush VA no longer has walk-in drop off repairs etc. for hearing aids. You must make an appointment before bringing your hear aids in for repair.**

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# Noblesville Shred Day

Tuesday, September 24  
11:00am - 1:00pm

Community First Bank of Indiana  
17661 Village Center Drive, Noblesville, IN 46062

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Limit 5 boxes per vehicle

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## Roll out to Sheridan Public Library for Library Card Sign-Up Month

### The REPORTER

Celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month this September with Sheridan Public Library (SPL) and the American Library Association. Everyone is invited to discover the incredible resources and opportunities available at your local library by signing up for a library card.

This year, Optimus Prime from *Transformers* will be the special ambassador, highlighting that there's more than meets the eye at SPL. Whether you're looking

to enhance your skills, find valuable information, or connect with fellow avid readers, a library card unlocks a world of possibilities.

Did you know that SPL offers digital material items available for checkout? The library offers Libby and Hoopla as part of the digital material apps. These apps will allow patrons to check out eBooks, audiobooks, TV shows, movies, and more. SPL is also part of Evergreen, a network of public libraries throughout Indiana

that allows patrons of member libraries to borrow materials and have them sent to the Sheridan library. There's truly something for everyone at the library.

Getting a library card is easy and is an essential step toward academic success and lifelong learning for students. Everyone should have one.

Don't miss out. Visit SPL this month to sign up for a library card and discover all that your library has to offer. Learn more at [sheridan.lib.in.us](http://sheridan.lib.in.us).

## Noblesville, Carmel & Zionsville Lions Clubs triple up on eye testing



Photos provided by Noblesville Lions Club / Jake Doll

School eye testing was done by the three Lions Clubs last week at MWMS on Aug. 26 for approximately 450 students, NEMS on Aug. 27 approximately 400 students, and Noble Crossing on Aug. 29 for approximately 250 students. (TOP) MWMS testing by Lions (from left) Dan Dumbald, John Einsfeld, Vicki Neddenriep, Lois Whitehead, Cheryl Helton, Josh Kozicki, Lisa Rhoe, Gary Hipes, Kathy Terrell, Ann Delozzo, Jeanne Auffrey, and Dave Aschenbach. Missing was Walt Scheid and Carl Weber. (MIDDLE) NEMS testing of eighth graders by Lions (from left) Jeanne Auffrey, Steve Shaw, Lisa Rhoe, Walt Scheid, Vicki Neddenriep, Gary Hipes, John Einsfeld, Kim Bowen, Kathy Terrell, Kathy Ravestein, Donna Fisher, and Dan Dumbauld. (BOTTOM) Noble Crossing testing of third and fifth graders by Lions (bottom row) Jeanne Auffrey, Dan Dumbauld, Ann Delozzo, and Vicki Neddenriep; and (back row) Dennis Tackitt, Walt Scheid, Josh Kozicki, Steve Shaw, Kathy Terrell, and John Einsfeld.

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## Trampoline accident paralyzes Westfield teen

By ADAM PINSKER  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

A devastating trampoline accident upended the lives of a Westfield family.

Corban Phillips, 16, broke his neck while practicing a gymnastics routine in August.

Phillips' mother, April, said her son grew up playing baseball and rugby and recently began learning gymnastics. He became a gymnastics coach at **Wright's 360 in Westfield** at the Grand Park Sports Campus. "Anytime he was stressed and anxious, or just needed to get away, it was, 'Hey, can I go meet the guys?'" April said.

On Aug. 24, Corban went to a friend's house to practice a routine on a trampoline. He landed on his head, breaking his neck and compressing his spine.

"He couldn't feel anything from the neck down and he was having a hard time breathing. He couldn't feel his feet or his legs, or his arms or his hands," April said.

The **Westfield Fire Department** responded fast and got Corban to the hospital. Doctors fused his spine together.

April said, "It's been a nightmare. For your kid to be able to ask you when they are going to use their hands again, or cling to you when they can walk again and scream because they can't feel anything."

The Phillips family is facing mounting medical bills, and the reality of needed home modifications to accommodate Corban's medical needs.

The **Westfield Shamrocks Rugby Club**, of which Corban is a part of,

launched a fundraising account to help the family.

April said, "We're hoping that we don't have to stop at traditional rehab. We can move forward into treatments and therapies that would maximize his recovery."

Corban's sister Caelyn says she's in awe of how her brother is fighting through the grueling recovery process. "He's really, really strong and can overcome this. I know there is so much going on, but he's powering through it."

Corban's family says he will begin extended rehabilitation next week at Riley Hospital for Children in downtown Indianapolis.

*This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/local-news/trampoline-accident-paralyzes-westfield-teen](http://wishtv.com/news/local-news/trampoline-accident-paralyzes-westfield-teen).*







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# Carmel Symphony Orchestra welcomes Super Diamond as part of 2024-2025 season kickoff

## The REPORTER

Super Diamond has established itself as one of the most sought-after live acts in the United States, performing at renowned venues such as Irving Plaza in New York, 930 Club in Washington, D.C., and various House of Blues locations in cities like Chicago, Los Angeles, San Diego, Cleveland, and Dallas.

Many argue that Super Diamond has surpassed the typical expectations of a tribute band by wholeheartedly embracing Neil Diamond's extensive repertoire and delivering a dynamic performance filled with unforgettable classics like "Cracklin' Rosie," "Sweet Caroline," "Forever in Blue Jeans" and more.

The lead singer of Super Diamond, known as The Surreal Neil, Randy Cordeiro, amazes audiences with his uncanny ability to embody the legendary Neil Diamond. His charismatic character was born out of his realization that he could not only replicate Neil Diamond's voice, but also his mannerisms and

performance style flawlessly. Super Diamond was formed by Cordeiro along with founding members Matt Tidmarsh on bass guitar and his childhood friend James Terris on keyboards. The band soon added the exceptional talents of Chris Collins on guitar and Vince Littleton on drums.

The members of Super Diamond were ecstatic when Neil Diamond made a surprise appearance on stage with them at the House of Blues in Hollywood. This unexpected endorsement filled their hearts with joy and left the audience in awe that evening.

Super Diamond is renowned for their commitment to delivering an electrifying, high-energy performance, earning them a reputation as one of the top live bands in the nation. Their shows consistently draw capacity crowds, and they have cultivated a devoted and ever-growing fan base that spans across generations.

**Get your tickets today** for this true spectacle – blending timeless music with high-energy fun and

**2024-2025 Season Lineup**

- **Sept. 24, 2024:** Super Diamond – A Neil Diamond Tribute
- **Oct. 5, 2024:** Beethoven Celebration
- **Nov. 16, 2024:** America the Beautiful
- **Dec. 15, 2024:** A Holiday in Vienna
- **Jan. 25, 2025:** Breakin' Classical
- **Feb. 8, 2025:** Moonlight & Lanterns
- **Feb. 23, 2025:** Carmel Artists Showcase
- **March 16, 2025:** Appalachian Spring
- **April 19, 2025:** Easter Parade

passion, evoking nostalgia for the golden days and igniting excitement for today's generation. Get ready to be swept off your feet and transported to a world of pure entertainment.

**CSO announces 24-25 Season Early bird pricing until Sept. 9**

CSO officially launches its 2024-2025 concert season beginning Sept. 29 with the popular tribute group Super Diamond and Oct. 5 with a Beethoven celebration at the Palladium.

This season's balanced blend of pops and classical has something for everyone. From renditions of Aaron Copland's Lincoln Portrait to breakdancing, the symphony will keep you entertained this season.

**New this year: save with early bird & package pricing**  
Reserve your season tickets before Sept. 9 to save over 40 percent.

**Package pricing:** Create your own package of four, six, or eight concerts. Like Pops? Create a Pops package to include Super Diamond, Breakin' Classical, Family Pops: A Viennese Christmas, and Easter Parade. Prefer classical? Create a unique package to include the Beethoven, America the Beautiful, Moonlight & Lanterns, and Appalachian Spring. Add a concert onto your package and still save.

For questions or to reserve your seats, visit the Fifth Third Bank Box Office at 1 Carter Green, Carmel, or call (317) 843-3800.

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# Don't miss these great events at Center for the Performing Arts

## The REPORTER

Tickets are available for these upcoming events at The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Just go to [TheCenterPresents.org](http://TheCenterPresents.org) or call (317) 843-3800.

**Jerome Collins: Rewind – A Journey to Motown & Beyond**  
With special guest **Small Town City** featuring **Mike Luginbill and Ryan Ahlwardt**  
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13  
**The Tarkington**  
Tickets from \$29.50  
**Katz, Sapper & Miller Pop/Rock Series**

Rewind: A Journey to Motown and Beyond is a captivating solo performance featuring Jerome Collins of the famed a cappella group Straight No Chaser. This show pays homage to the legendary sounds of Motown and clas-

sic R&B, taking the audience through electrifying renditions of timeless hits from some of the world's most iconic musicians and renowned artists. Expect songs from Marvin Gaye, Aretha Franklin, Sam Cooke, Stevie Wonder, and more.

Opening the show will be Small Town City, featuring Collins' SNC bandmate Mike Luginbill and SNC alumnus Ryan Ahlwardt.

**Peanut Butter & Jam: Soulful Music & Melodies with Allison Victoria**  
10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 14  
**The Palladium, Robert Adam Room**  
Tickets: \$10 per child, includes up to two free adult admissions

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**  
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14  
**The Tarkington**  
Tickets from \$35  
**Drewry Simmons Vornehm Jazz Series**

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," she 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 sing-

er-songwriter and composer Alicia Walter will open the show. Her latest album *Right Noise* was released in 2023. Find out more at [IAmAliciaWalter.com](http://IAmAliciaWalter.com).

**Live at the Center: Maciann**  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17  
**Online & at the Palladium**  
Livestream: Free (pay-what-you-can, no minimum)

**On site: \$10 (pay-what-you-can, \$10 minimum)**  
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.

*Live at the Center* is a concert series featuring local and regional artists in genres from jazz and classical to soul and indie rock. Tickets are just \$10, with free livestream access available during and after the show. Viewers anywhere can enjoy a front-row perspective on Indiana's top talent, with multi-camera coverage livestreamed in HD video and stereo sound.

## Sponsor a Westfield Tradition

### The Westfield Lions Annual Fish Fry

September 6th & 7th at  
Christ United Methodist Church

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**TODAY'S BIBLE READING**

THE PASSOVER AND THE FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

*"On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.*

*"This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord—a lasting ordinance. For seven days you are to eat bread made without yeast. On the first day remove the yeast from your houses, for whoever eats anything with yeast in it from the first day through the seventh must be cut off from Israel. On the first day hold a sacred assembly, and another one on the seventh day. Do no work at all on these days, except to prepare food for everyone to eat; that is all you may do.*

Exodus 12:12-16 (NIV)

**Nola Edith Pyle**

October 24, 1924 – August 31, 2024

Nola Edith Pyle, 99, Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, August 31, 2024, at her home in Noblesville. She was born on October 24, 1924 to Alva and Doris Martin in Batesville, Ark.



Nola worked for Aero Drapery as a drapery maker. She enjoyed her flower gardens and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her son, Gerald (Diana) Hall; stepson, David (Kay) Pyle; stepdaughter, Gayle Curren; grandchildren, Sherri (Mark) Jarrett and Steven (Tricia) Hall; step-grandchildren, Josh Cross, Angie Cross, Danitra Voiles, Dave (Stacey) Jones, Brandon Pyle, Savannah Pyle, and Casey (Hannah) Pyle; great-grandchildren, Sarah (Nolan) Grenig, Sam (Tamara) Jarrett, Ethan Hall, and Emma Hall; sister, Lola Solida; brother, Lonnie (Ruth) Martin; and numerous nephews and nieces.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, Noah Allen Pyle; five sisters; three brothers; and grandson, Scott Edward Hall.

Services will be held at noon Friday, September 6, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Keith Martin officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville. Condolences: [randallroberts.com](http://randallroberts.com)

**Fred Thomas "Tom" Benefiel**  
October 11, 1926 – August 30, 2024

Fred Thomas "Tom" Benefiel, 97, Noblesville, passed away on Friday, August 30, 2024, at Brookdale of Carmel.



Tom was born in Frankfort, Ind., on October 11, 1926, to the late Earl and Charlene (Ferguson) Benefiel.

On May 27, 1947, he married Wanda Louise Penwell and shared 68 years of marriage before Wanda's passing.



Tom grew up in the Arcadia area and attended Walnut Grove High School as a member of the Class of 1944. After graduating high school, Tom joined the United States Marine Corps and proudly served his country.

Upon returning home from the military, Tom took over the family farm and was a dedicated farmer for over 50 years. He was a longtime member of Strawtown Community Church, a Pilgrim member of the Noblesville Moose Lodge #540, and a member of the Cicero American Legion Post 341. Tom enjoyed being on the farm, traveling with Wanda and the family, spending his winters in the Florida Keys with Wanda, tinkering in the garage after retirement, and keeping the yard in order. He was a big Pacers fan and an avid bowler, winning state and traveling across the United States to different tournaments. Tom also loved spending time with his children and grandchildren and is going to be missed by many.

Tom is survived by his sons, Steven Joel (Vickie) Benefiel of Arcadia and Roy V. Benefiel of Noblesville; daughters, Randy L. Thomas of Arcadia and Rebecca A. Sims of Sebring, Fla.; grandchildren, Charlie (Angie) Sims, Andy Sims, Daniel (Dawn) Benefiel, Michael Jay Kinder, Melisa Benefiel, Amos Benefiel, Elizabeth Benefiel, Maggie (William) Salazar, Michael Benefiel, Kaylee (Justin) Wilson, and Emily (Carlton Jay) Howard; 22 great-grandchildren; brothers, Keith (Joyce) Benefiel of Frankfort and Kibby Benefiel of Louisville, Ky.; and several nieces and nephews.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Wanda Louise Benefiel; son, Fred Thomas Benefiel, Jr.; great-grandson, Elijah Benefiel; brothers, Harvey Benefiel, Robert Benefiel, and George Benefiel; and sisters, Vinnie Crews, Ann Lahee, and Emma Benefiel.

The funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero, with Pastor Neal Brown officiating. Burial will follow in Carey Cemetery, State Road 37, Noblesville.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Disease Research or the Moose Charities Foundation. Attn: Moose Heart.

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

**Sandra K. Tesdal**  
August 28, 1944 – September 1, 2024

Sandra K. Tesdal, 80, Anderson, passed away on Sunday, September 1, 2024, at her residence in Anderson following an extended illness. She was born on August 28, 1944, in Noblesville to the late Amos and Eadith Josephine (White) Keesling.



She was a graduate of Lapel High School and was a homemaker primarily her entire life. Sandy found her spiritual home at Victory Chapel Church where she worshiped faithfully. She loved her family dearly. Sandy also taught pre-school for 10 years in Florida and California.

Sandy is survived by her husband, David Eric Tesdal; a daughter, Deanna Lynn (husband, John) Leonard; and a granddaughter, Audrey Renee Leonard.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Carol Sue Keesling.

Visitation for family and friends will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, September 7, 2024, at Bozell Funeral Homes, Lapel Chapel, 1010 N. Main St., Lapel.

A funeral service will follow visitation at 1 p.m. with Pastor Andrew Marshall officiating. Burial will follow in Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Victory Chapel Community Church, 13350 E. 216th St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

Online condolences may be shared at [bozellfuneral-homes.com](http://bozellfuneral-homes.com).

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**Meeting Notices**

The Noblesville Economic Development Council Committee meeting scheduled for 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2024, has been canceled.

The Noblesville Redevelopment Commission Meeting scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024, has been canceled.

The Westfield Plat Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, Sept. 9, 2024, has been canceled. Business items will be carried over to a future Plat Committee meeting.

The Sheridan Public Library Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the 2025 Budget out 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, 2024, at the library, located at 103 W. 1st St. The regular monthly meeting will immediately follow.

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CARMEL, FISHERS, GUERIN CATHOLIC, HAMILTON HEIGHTS, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN, NOBLESVILLE, SHERIDAN, UNIVERSITY, WESTFIELD

## Boys Soccer

# Millers rush past Tigers for big conference win, HSE scores two conference victories

### The REPORTER

The Noblesville boys soccer team won an important Hoosier Crossroads Conference game over a top-10 opponent on Tuesday.

The Millers beat Fishers 2-0 at Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex. Noblesville is rated No. 2 in the latest coaches Class 3A poll that was released last week (a new poll had not come out by press time.) The Tigers are ranked No. 10.

The Millers scored their first goal in the 21st minute, with Vinny Howard getting his team on the board. Noblesville added its second goal in the 73rd minute, as Vince Cash kicked a ball towards the net that Carsten Shidler blasted in for a score.

Alex Eberhart got the shutout as the Millers' goalkeeper.

Noblesville is 1-0-1 in conference play and 4-0-3 overall. The Millers continue HCC action Thursday when they host 3A No. 18 Brownsburg.

Fishers is 1-2 in the conference and 2-3-1 overall. The Tigers host 3A No. 1 Carmel on Thursday.

Hamilton Southeastern, ranked No. 9 in Class 3A, solidified its first-place standing in the HCC with a pair of victories in its last two games.

The Royals beat Franklin Central last Saturday 1-0. Gabe Russell scored Southeastern's goal, while Cam Joniec made one save while securing the shutout.

On Tuesday, the Royals picked up another conference win by beating Avon 2-0. Ameer Abu-Salih put in a goal during the 10th minute, then Russell added



(ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville's Vinny Howard scored the first goal of the game for the Millers during their 2-0 win over Fishers on Tuesday. (ABOVE RIGHT) Carsten Shidler (left) put in the second goal for Noblesville. Pictured for Fishers is Kraidien Bumbala.

a second goal for HSE in the 68th minute.

Southeastern is 3-0 in the HCC standings and 5-0-1 overall. The Royals' next game is Thursday at 3A No. 11 Harrison.

Guerin Catholic, ranked No. 4 in 2A, played to a 1-1 tie with Brebeuf Jesuit Saturday in a Circle City Conference game.

Robbie Burt scored the goal for the Golden Eagles, who improved to 1-0-1 in conference play and 2-4-1 overall with the tie.

Guerin Catholic played 3A No. 12 Cathedral on Tuesday; a score was not available at press time. The Golden Eagles play Saturday at 2A No. 13 Bishop Chatard in another conference game.

Carmel, the No. 1 team in 3A, played to a 1-1 tie with Brebeuf Jesuit on

Tuesday. The Greyhounds are 2-0-1 and play Thursday

at 3A No. 10 Fishers. University, ranked No.

20 in 1A, lost to Roncalli 2-0 on Tuesday. The Trailblazers are

1-6 for the season and play Thursday at Greenwood Christian Academy.

## Girls Soccer

# County teams start week strong

### The REPORTER

The Carmel girls soccer team had a nice day at its Invitational last Saturday, winning both of its games.

First, the Class 3A No. 3 Greyhounds won an all-county game over 3A No. 19 Fishers 2-0. Olivia Cebalo and Halle Wellman each scored a goal for Carmel. Both made an assist as well, as did Savannah Hindman. Mary Grace Knapp had five saves while recording the shutout.

The Hounds followed that with a 4-1 victory over 3A No. 11 Brownsburg. Cebalo put in two goals, while Camryn Love and Hallie Miller both added one goal. Love and Rosie Martin each made one assist.

Carmel is 5-1 and hosts 2A No. 2 Mishawaka Marian Friday night.

In its other game at the invitational, Fishers played to a 1-1 tie with 3A No. 8 Cathedral. Emerson Huneck scored the Tigers' goal.

Fishers is 3-2-1 and hosts 3A No. 2 Noblesville tonight in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.

Westfield, the No. 5-ranked team in 3A, won the Evansville Reitz Panther Classic last weekend at Goebel Soccer Complex.

The Shamrocks began last Friday with a 1-1 tie over Highlands from Fort Thomas, Ky. Abby Foulk

scored Westfield's goal. The Rocks returned to action last Saturday and beat 3A No. 6 Castle 3-1. Ava Smith, Addie Colling and Lola Horstman all scored one goal, with Talia Edwards, Reese Sargent and Kate Malin making one assist.

The Rocks clinched the title with a 2-0 win over Lexington Catholic. Stats from that game were unavailable at press time.

Westfield is 4-1-1 and hosts 3A No. 9 Zionsville tonight in an HCC contest.

Hamilton Heights, ranked No. 18 in 2A, took care of Lapel 4-0 in a Tuesday game.

Natalie Marcum scored two goals for the Huskies, while Savannah Deetz and Sarah Toll both put in one goal. Audrey Lang had 15 saves and recorded the goalkeeper shutout.

Heights played to a 1-1 tie with Yorktown last Saturday. Marcum scored the goal, while Lang made seven saves.

The Huskies are 3-1-2 and play University at 6 p.m. tonight.

University cruised past Muncie Burriss 5-1 last Saturday in a Pioneer Conference game.

Mack Feeny scored three goals for the Trailblazers, with Bella Miller Krigger and Phifer Whore-

## Indiana H.S. soccer polls

3A GIRLS		
1. Hamilton Southeastern	10. Evansville Mater Dei	
2. Noblesville	11. Roncalli	
3. Carmel	12. Heritage Hills	
4. Evansville Memorial	13. NorthWood	
5. Westfield	14. Hanover Central	
6. Castle	15. Fort Wayne Canterbury	
7. Penn	16. Belmont	
8. Cathedral	17. Washington	
9. Zionsville	18. Hamilton Heights	
10. Chesterton	19. West Lafayette	
11. Brownsburg	20. Silver Creek	
12. East Central		
13. Crown Point	1A GIRLS	
14. Fort Wayne Carroll	1. Heritage Christian	
15. Center Grove	2. Providence	
16. Evansville Reitz	3. Evansville Christian	
17. Northridge	4. Sheridan	
18. Munster	5. Oldenburg Academy	
19. Fishers	6. Trinity	
T20. Bloomington South	7. Faith Christian	
T20. Valparaiso	8. Westview	
	9. Bremen	
	10. Forest Park	
	11. Monrovia	
	12. Andean	
	13. Bethesda Christian	
	14. Covenant Christian	
	15. Wheeler	
	16. Switzerland County	
	17. Blackhawk Christian	
	18. White River Valley	
	19. South Knox	
	20. Greencastle	

ly both getting one goal. Five different University players had one assist: Miller Krigger, Lia Stennis, Feeny, Whorely and Samantha Purdie. Annie Ingersoll made eight saves as goalkeeper.

The Blazers are 2-0 in conference play and 2-2 overall and play at Hamilton Heights tonight.

Guerin Catholic, the No. 1 team in 2A, beat 2A No. 18 Brebeuf Jesuit 2-1 last Saturday in its Circle City Conference opener.

It was also the first victory of the season for the Golden Eagles, who are 1-2-2. Guerin Catholic hosts 1A No. 13 Bethesda Christian on Thursday.

## Volleyball

# Heights sweeps Frankton, Westfield falls to Tri-West

### The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights volleyball team swept Frankton Tuesday, winning 25-5, 25-18, 25-22.

Macie Smith had a dominant first set in serving, hitting six aces. Hailey Hall helped clinch the third set for the Huskies, hitting three kills in the middle.

Heights is 11-2 and hosts Logansport Thursday; the Berries are now a Hoosier Conference opponent.

Westfield dropped a straight-set match to Tri-West on Tuesday, 25-19, 25-20, 25-21.

Carsyn Comer hit nine kills, with Audrey Davis and Paige Rudolph put-

ting down seven kills each. Kendyl Strack collected 14 digs.

Izzy Jackson dished out 22 assists, clearing 1,000 career assists along the way. Emily Blevins handed out 14 assists.

The Shamrocks are coming off a 3-1 finish last Saturday at the Yorktown Invitational. Westfield beat Concordia Lutheran 25-10, 25-14, Crown Point 12-25, 25-23, 15-12 and McCutcheon 25-13, 25-13.

The Rocks' only loss was to Belmont in three tight sets, 25-20, 20-25, 16-14. Westfield is 8-3 and plays a Hoosier Crossroads Conference match Thursday at Zionsville.

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**Millers win at their own invitational**

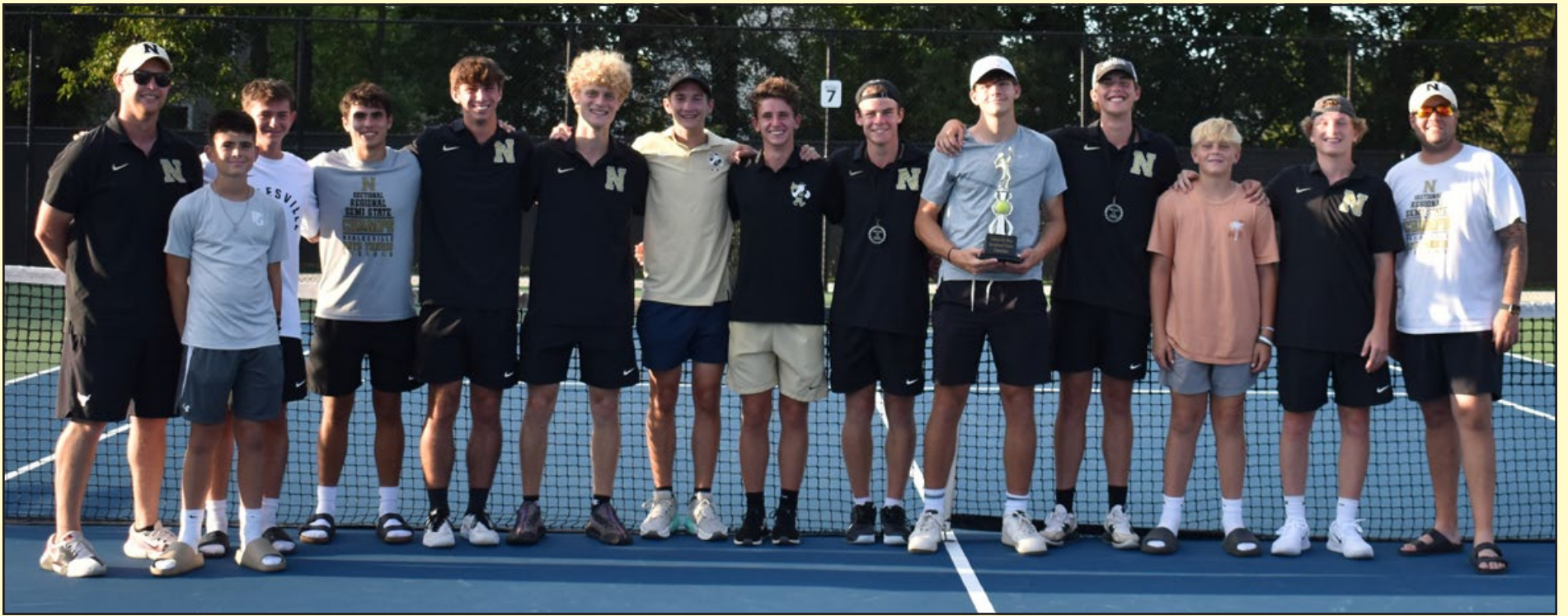


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The Noblesville boys tennis team won its own Noblesville Invitational last Saturday. The No. 20 Millers scored 30 points, ahead of second place and 12th-ranked Evansville Memorial's 27 points. No. 26-ranked New Palestine placed third with 22 points. Noblesville got flight wins from Max Habel at No. 3 singles and Miles Robbins and Dustin Turpin at No. 2 doubles. Ethan Feliciano was the runner-up at No. 2 singles.

**SPORTS SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, Sept. 4**

**GIRLS SOCCER**

University at Hamilton Heights, 6 p.m.  
 Sheridan at Western Boone, 7 p.m.  
 Zionsville at Westfield, 7 p.m.  
 Fishers at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m.  
 Hamilton Southeastern at Avon, 7:45 p.m.

**GOLF**

Hamilton Heights vs. Elwood, 4:30 p.m. at Bear Slide  
 North Central at Fishers, 4:30 p.m.  
 University at Cardinal Ritter (with Brebeuf Jesuit), 4:30 p.m.

**TENNIS**

Taylor at Hamilton Heights, 4:30 p.m.  
 Speedway at University, 5 p.m.  
 Fishers at Franklin Central, 5:30 p.m.

**UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL**

Fishers at Carmel, 5:30 p.m.  
 Lawrence Central at Hamilton Heights, 6:30 p.m.

**VOLLEYBALL**

Sheridan at Traders Point Christian, 6 p.m.  
 Carmel at Lawrence Central, 6:30 p.m.  
 Lawrence North at Noblesville, 6:30 p.m.  
 University at Muncie Burris, 7:30 p.m.

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**Cross Country Rankings**

Courtesy [iatccc.org](http://iatccc.org)

**BOYS**

1. Noblesville
2. Brownsburg
3. Bloomington North
4. Hamilton Southeastern
5. Carmel
6. Columbus North
7. Fishers
8. Evansville Reitz
9. Homestead
10. Westfield
11. Mount Vernon
12. Avon
13. Valparaiso
14. Franklin Central
15. Center Grove
16. North Central
17. Elkhart
18. Zionsville
19. Crown Point
20. Wabash
21. Lake Central
22. Penn
23. Ben Davis
24. Goshen
25. La Porte

**GIRLS**

1. Carmel
2. Concordia Lutheran
3. Homestead
4. North Central
5. Zionsville
6. Franklin Central
7. Columbus North
8. Noblesville
9. Hamilton Southeastern
10. Brebeuf Jesuit
11. Westfield
12. Bloomington South
13. Lake Central
14. Fishers
15. Morgan Township
16. Avon
17. Brownsburg
18. Chesterton
19. Bloomington North
20. Valparaiso
21. Harrison
22. Guerin Catholic
23. East Central
24. Pendleton Heights
25. Edgewood

**Girls Golf**

**Noblesville team wins dual meet**

**The REPORTER**

The Noblesville girls golf team won a nine-hole dual meet with Carmel Tuesday at Prairie View Golf Club.

The Millers' Black team scored 175 to the Greyhounds' 176. Olivia Fowler scored 42 for Noblesville with Presley White scoring 73.

Carmel's Michaela Headlee was the meet med-

alist with 38. Sophie Mock totaled 40.

The Millers Gold team beat Pendleton Heights and Kokomo in a three-team meet at Harbour Trees. Noblesville scored 173 to the Arabians' 206 and the Wildkats' 228.

Savannah Munson led the Millers with a medalist score of 40. Maddie Munson totaled 43 and Lauren Turpin scored 44.

**Week 4 Indiana high school girls golf rankings**

Rank	Team	Points
1	Westfield (11)	220
2	Noblesville	209
3	Zionsville	195
4	Hamilton Southeastern	171
5	Floyd Central	167
6	Franklin Community	166
7	Center Grove	156
8	Northridge	155
9	Batesville	138
10	Carmel	122
11	Fort Wayne Carroll	110
12	Brownsburg	98
13	Castle	78
14	Penn	77
15	Homestead	52
16	Rochester	34
17	South Bend St. Joseph	31
18	Guerin Catholic	29
19	Plainfield	25
20	DeKalb	22

First place votes are in parentheses.

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