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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Sheridan prepares for vote about town's future

By ADAM PINSKER & ASHLEY FOWLER
WISH-TV | wistv.com

Voters living in the town of Sheridan and in Adams Township will have to decide in November's election on whether they want to reorganize into a single local government. The question will appear on the Nov. 5 ballot.

In a [press release](#) announcing the proposal last year, Town Council President Silas DeVaney III said annexing into a larger community is a "major first step in the process of planning for growth along the U.S. 31 corridor."

Currently, Sheridan is within the township's boundaries but it has a separate government. In Adams Township, which includes Boxley



Residents listen to Hamilton County Commissioners at a meeting Thursday in Sheridan. Photo by Adam Pinsker / WISH-TV

and Bakers Corner, the sheriff's office is in charge of law enforcement and Hamilton County is in charge of government services. If Sheridan annexes the township, it would

also have a much larger area to govern.

If reorganized, Sheridan's borders would extend to cover the entirety of the township. The population would go from

about 3,100 to roughly 5,200 and the five-member Sheridan Town Council would expand to seven members.

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Photo provided by Scott Saalman
She may not be Harley Quinn, but her dad is definitely a joker.

Laughter is writer's writer daughter's best medicine

One good way for a writer to lose delusions of grandeur about his or her own literary prowess is to self-publish a failed book.

I'm a slow learner, a glutton for punishment, for I've self-published several volumes of columns (supposedly humorous) to little, if any, fanfare, thus keeping me in what could best be described as the Donner Party years of my writing career, each failed book the equivalent of biting off yet another chunk of butt.

Nothing is more humbling than assembling previously published humor columns into collections that apparently have inspired consumers to give up the act of reading altogether. Still, I keep self-publishing, despite my soft-spined tomes delivering less entertainment value than, say, picking elbow scabs.

That *Animal House* scene involving "Chip Diller" saying, "Thank you, sir! May I have another?" easily comes to mind anytime I ponder another book; the only difference being, I apply the fraternity paddle to my own ass.

Don't worry, this isn't another self-serving column announcing the release of yet another new collection. I'm not that self-loathing – that, or I just haven't come up with another cool title yet. I still think the bookshelves of the world would be better off containing a Scott Saalman collection titled, *Based on a True Story I Made Up*, which was the working title of my very first collection that ultimately was renamed *Nose Hairs Gone Wild* (still available 10 years later in car trunks near you).

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Got meals, need wheels!

Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County urgently needs volunteer drivers

The REPORTER

The success of Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County depends on those who volunteer their time to deliver meals to those in need. With a growing demand for meal services and expanded meal offerings, the need for volunteer delivery drivers has never been greater. Meals on Wheels of Ham-

ilton County is dedicated to improving health outcomes and quality of life by providing home-delivered meals to homebound individuals who are unable to prepare meals for themselves.

"Personal home delivery is a vital part of Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County's services," said Beth Gehl-

hausen, executive director of Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County. "As a volunteer, you may be the only friendly face that a recipient sees on your delivery day. The care and connection volunteers provide are just as important as the meals themselves."

New volunteers will receive personalized train-

ing, riding along with an experienced driver to learn the routes, meet recipients, and understand any special needs. A Volunteer Coordinator schedules all new-driver orientations and ensures volunteers are fully prepared before starting.

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Hamilton County Health Department to hold teen dating violence webinar

Experts offer tips & resources for talking to teens about abuse

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Health Department, in collaboration with Prevail, will play host to a webinar aimed at educating parents and guardians about teen dating violence. The free event will take place at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25.

"Teen dating violence is a serious issue that can have lasting impacts on young people's

emotional and mental health," said Kaylen Underhill, a health educator at the Hamilton County Health Department. "Understanding the signs of dating violence and knowing how to respond effectively is crucial for preventing long-term harm."



Underhill

The webinar will cover key topics such as recognizing the signs of dating violence, fostering open communication with teens, and accessing available resources and support services.

"Teens aren't immune to dating violence," Underhill added.

"Unfortunately, they can experience it through physical, emotional, or sexual abuse. We hope to educate and empower parents and caregivers with the resources they need to help their teens navigate these challenging situations."

Anyone interested in attending the free webinar can register at tinyurl.com/teen-dating-violence.

Things are about to get buck wild in Westfield

The REPORTER

You are invited! Wild, Wild, Westfield's Fall Fest and Premier Chili Cook-Off returns from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28 to CrossRoads Church at Westfield, 19021 Grassy Branch Road. This free family-friendly event is for all who want to enjoy a fun and relaxing afternoon of games, food, and music.

Enjoy face painting, inflatables, pony rides, food, kids' games, adult fun, a petting zoo, a silent auction, bounce houses, and live music. Of course, what would Wild, Wild Westfield be without Manny the Mechanical Bull! Find out more about the event at cchurch.org/fall-fest-chili-cook-off.

To enter the Premier Chili Cook-Off, register your chili entry at [this link](#) or at ForOurNeighbor.Life. Once you



Wild, Wild Westfield will be loaded with tons of family fun. Don't miss out on Sept. 28!

have registered, bring a crockpot of chili to CrossRoads by 4:15 p.m. on Sept. 28. Local judges will determine the winners. Cash prizes will be given: \$250 for first, \$150 for second, and \$100 for third.

This big event is part of CrossRoads Church at Westfield's four-part strategic plan to

meet, enjoy, know, and serve our local neighbors.

You can find out more about CrossRoads Church at Westfield online at ForOurNeighbor.Life or by emailing ForOurNeighborInfo@gmail.com.

"We provide three big events per year: our fun Fall Festival and Premier Chili Cook-Off

and two family-friendly comedy events," Lead Pastor Eric Lohe said. "The 10th annual free 'Pizza and Punchlines' will take place March 1, 2025, at the Westfield High School auditorium, 6 p.m. for food, 7 p.m. for comedy. We are bringing in

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4-H Junior Leaders invite families to Halloween Carnival

The REPORTER

Come in costume and enjoy games, treats, hayrides, and more at the annual Community Halloween Carnival from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1.

The Carnival will be held in the Exhibition Center at the Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville. This fun family activity will be offered at no charge.

Youth aged 10 and under should be accompanied by an adult and are encouraged to come in costume to enjoy games, prizes, candy, refreshments, a haunted house, and a hayride. Hayrides begin at 6 p.m.

The evening is organized and sponsored by the Hamilton County 4-H Junior Leaders.

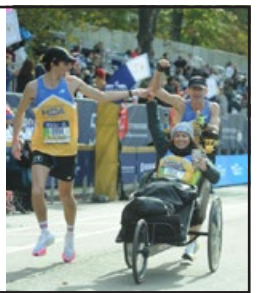
For more information on the Halloween Carnival or about the 4-H Program in Hamilton County, call the Purdue Extension Service at (317) 776-0854 or visit extension.purdue.edu/county/hamilton.



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FUTURE

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On June 18, the Sheridan Town Council and the Adams Township Advisory Board approved the merger.

Hamilton County officials talked to residents about the merger at a meeting Thursday. County Commissioner Steve Dillinger warned that a lot of things the county pays for in Adams Township would become Sheridan's responsibility.

"If that's what (residents) want, I support them 100 percent," Dillinger said. "I just want to make sure they have all the knowledge on what the costs will be."

Dillinger said if Sheridan annexes Adams Township, it would lose out on for federal money and grants designated for roads that the county is set to distribute. Instead of using the federal money, Sheridan would have to pay for road projects itself.

"The \$30 million for the road work, and the grants ... we have plans to redo different roads over there, that we won't be doing," Dillinger said.

Sheridan would also be on its own for snow removal, Dillinger added.

Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush says Sheridan's annexation plan doesn't provide enough funding for his deputies to patrol the community.

If the ballot initiative

passes, the city's police department would be responsible for patrolling an even larger swath of land, with the same amount of officers it has now.

"Just this past year our officers [deputies] have done a lot of assisting the Sheridan Police Department because they've been so short," the sheriff said.

A few residents at the meeting were skeptical and told the county commissioners they did not think they were being provided accurate numbers from the county on how much revenue Sheridan would need to run a reorganized government.

"You're not thinking that we're not all farmers that don't have an education, and these farmers are probably more educated than half this panel," one resident told the commissioners.

Others were afraid if Sheridan doesn't grow, it will be annexed by Westfield. Westfield Mayor Scott Willis said his city is not considering annexation any part of Sheridan.

If the ballot measure passes, the reorganization would take effect on Jan. 1, 2025.

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LAUGHTER

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This column, however, is guilty of harkening back to my latest book, *Quietly Making Noise*, released about one year ago. I'm not doing this to shamelessly plug it. My intent is to spotlight my daughter's writing, which appears in *Quietly Making Noise* as a heartfelt foreword.

The danger of writing a foreword for one of my books is it's likely I will be the only one who reads it. I am very proud of Delaney, not only for her introspective introduction, but also for her own writing ability, which, by far, surpasses my own. She's currently honing her skills in a creative writing graduate program. I believe she's in it for the long haul - I hope.

It's worth noting that nowhere above have I reminded you that *Quietly Making Noise* is purchasable via Amazon (the online book-selling behemoth that allows anyone to self-publish a book, even people who have never pecked out anything chunkier than, say, a Tweet, but who apparently awakened one morning and thought, "I ought to write a book," which is as disastrous, as say, me waking up thinking, "I ought to pilot a commercial aircraft today.")

Below is Delaney's foreword for my last book - which quite possibly could

be my last book ... but doubtful since I still have an itch for self-flagellation despite it being void of religious or sexual gratification as a payoff. Thank you, Sir. May I have another?

Delaney's Foreword

I feel a privilege akin to being born an heiress when I consider the fact that the starring memories of my formative years are of laughter. I know that many aren't quite so lucky to have their childhood remembered through smiles, but when it comes to the laughing department, I have always felt that I was born into one of the most sacred currencies of them all: humor. Humor is what my father gifted me and my brother as a birthright, but it's also what he's used to build his own legacy.

One of my earliest memories is of refusing to brush my teeth before bedtime in an act of defiance as any troublemaking five-year-old may be prone to from time to time. Most parents would have felt frustration or agitation at this blatant revolt against their all-knowing parental wishes for their child's dental hygiene, but if my father felt this on the night that I refused the Colgate, he didn't show it. Instead, he took a toothbrush, loaded it with toothpaste, and proceeded to brush my toes with it in a horrendously ticklish fashion until we both laughed so hard at the absurdity that I never defied the bedtime ritual of tooth-



Photo provided by Scott Saalman

brushing ever again.

Stubborn children are a famous testament to any parent's strength and best virtues. On that night, and on countless others throughout my life, my father showed me his best self through his humor - though he was sometimes too quirky for his own good (when I was eleven, he drove me to a friend's birthday party only to humiliate me by bringing his nose hair trimmer along ...). But enough years have passed that I can laugh at the traumatic nose hair trimming event of 2011. I now know that like all of his other comedy bits, trimming his nose hairs in front of my social circle was a good joke even if it cost me my sixth-grade reputation for the evening.

Quietly Making Noise

is a wide-ranging collection of essays tied together with laughter, wit, and perceptiveness from everyone's favorite auteur baldie.

When I was in grade school, my father would bring me a bouquet of flowers on especially rainy days. He wanted to brighten up my cloudy days as best as he could. I firmly believe that his humor essays provide the same effect: they're a salve to life's rainy days. Even if just for a few minutes, reading a Scott Saalman column is like getting to sit out in the sunshine - you'll only feel better for it. After all, isn't laughter the best medicine?

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WHEELS

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As more individuals depend on Meals on Wheels for daily nutrition, Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County is calling on the community to step forward and help make a difference. Becoming a volunteer driver is a rewarding way to serve your neighbors and ensure that those who are homebound receive nutritious meals. They offer a variety of delivery routes, designed to fit your level of commitment and capacity, so that volunteering can be flexible and rewarding.

To become a volunteer driver, you must:

- Live or work in central Indiana

- Hold a valid driver's license
- Provide vehicle insurance information
- Sign a confidentiality agreement
- Pass a background check

Your time and willingness to help can make a lasting impact in the lives of many. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer driver for Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County, please contact them at mealsonwheels.org/volunteer or call (317) 776-7159.

About Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County

Established in 1975, Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County supports in-

dividuals who are elderly, disabled, and homebound by delivering nutritious meals, reducing hunger, improving health, and promoting independence. Meals are prepared in state-approved healthcare facilities and designed by a certified registered dietitian under a physician's prescribed supervision according to the client's specific dietary needs. Nearly 200 meals are delivered daily by volunteers to enable clients to remain independently living within the community in their own homes for as long as possible. For more information on receiving services or to volunteer, call Meals on Wheels at (317) 776-7159.

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three nationally-known comedians for a night of fun and free pizza."

In June 2025, CrossRoads will provide free home repairs for Hamilton County residents. The repairs include provide mobile home skirting, decks, ramps, and interior and exterior painting. Applications are available now at erchurch.org/for-our-neighbor/homerepairapplication.

There are other "For Our Neighbor" strategies of CrossRoads Church at Westfield.

"We adopted our local Washington Woods Elementary School," Lohe said. "Over the last seven years CrossRoads has provided athletic shoes for any of the kids who need them and assistance for food insecure students. We have been helping 15-20 families on school breaks who do not have enough food."

Lohe continued, "We

have been working on needs that are not being addressed in our community. On the first Saturday of each month, from 9 to 11 a.m., we provide free pet food so hopefully some of the resources neighbors are using paying for their pets can be used for their families. We are the distribution point of Kids' Coats in Westfield on Oct. 26, 2024. We also provide free Zumba at CrossRoads Church each Tuesday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 8 a.m. for folks to get exercise. CrossRoads also sponsors a Celebrate Recovery program every Thursday night at 6:15 p.m., for anyone who is struggling with a hurt, a habit, or a hang-up."

CrossRoads Church at Westfield is located at 19201 Grassy Branch Road, Westfield. You can find out more online at ForOurNeighbor.Life or email ForOurNeighborInfo@gmail.com.

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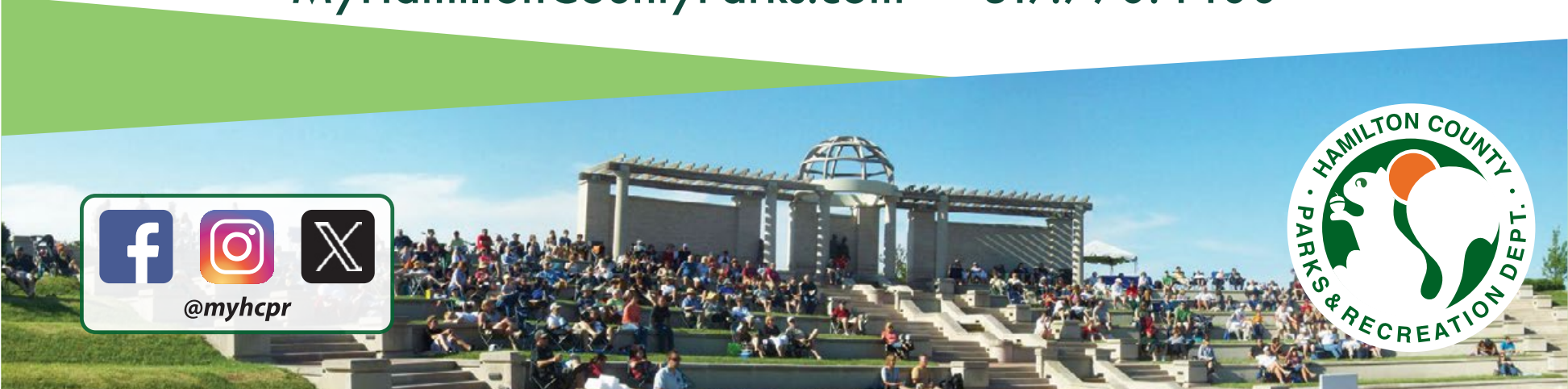


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Westfield wants to recognize its hometown heroes

The REPORTER

Are you a veteran who resides in Westfield or know of someone who is?

Please send a photo of the veteran with name and service branch to communications@westfield.in.gov

by Wednesday, Oct. 30. These heroes will be recognized in the Hometown Heroes presentation during the Westfield Veterans Day Ceremony, set for 10 a.m. Nov. 11 at The Bridgewater Club.

Northern GOP invites you to dinner in Arcadia

The REPORTER

The Northern Hamilton County GOP Club invites you for dinner on Thursday, Sept. 26 at Arcadia Town Hall, 208 W. Main St.

Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. Featured speakers will be Gary Duncan, candidate for Hamilton County Surveyor, and State Represent-

tative Donna Schaibley. The cost is free to members and \$10 for nonmembers.

Please R.S.V.P. to emily.pearson317@gmail.com or call (317) 370-2566 by Tuesday, Sept. 24.

Yard signs for Republican candidates will be available.

Excellence in traffic safety



Photo provided by Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office announces that Sgt. Dillon McDaniel, Deputy Skyley Moe, and Deputy Jacob Browning were recognized at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute as "Traffic Safety All-Pros." These outstanding deputies were honored for their tireless efforts in keeping roadways safe by taking impaired drivers off the streets of Hamilton County. Congratulations to Sgt. McDaniel, Deputy Moe, and Deputy Browning for this well-deserved recognition.

Miss Bharat Indiana pageant comes to Carmel on Sunday

By MELEA VanOSTRAND
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Asian-Indiana culture will take center-stage Sunday in Carmel as contestants compete in the Miss Bharat Indiana pageant.

The pageant is about celebrating talent, community, empowerment and the Asian-Indian community. The event – part of a national competition – first came to Indiana in 2023. Before then, contestants often had to find other pageants across the country in which to compete.

Indiana's 2024 pageant will be 2 p.m.

Sunday at the 502 East Event Centre. Tickets are \$65.

Sejal Patel, vice president of Miss Bharat Indiana, said, "We will have our reigning queens to honor our new queens for 2024, and we are looking forward to several other performances and fashion shows tied into the event."

Empowering people is the main theme of Miss Bharat pageants. "We want to empower the other genders of the community as well because we want to grow together and that's the best way to lose the gender gaps that we have been facing for centuries."

Rashmi Bedi is co-CEO and founder of Mydream Global, a corporate that started the Miss Bharat USA pageants. She says it's important for contestants to know that wearing the crown isn't about beauty. "It's a responsibility that you have to be there for others, spread positivity, and give confidence to women who need your support."

Bhavana Karuturi, Fishers, won the Indiana title and was second-runner up in Miss Bharat USA 2023. She says the pageant is a great stepping stone for other competitions later this year.

"That's what I'm planning for. I want to

represent my state at Miss Universe," Karuturi said.

For Karuturi, the opportunity in Indiana allowed her to follow her dreams despite being busy working and taking care of her family. She hopes she can help inspire others as well.

"Just believe in yourself, because if you believe in yourself, you can do anything, and achieve everything, and you'll become unstoppable," she said.

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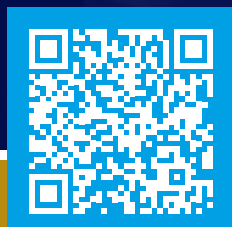
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Noblesville Creates & Noblesville Cultural Arts District announce October Arts Crawl

The REPORTER

Noblesville Creates and the Noblesville Cultural Arts District are excited to announce an Arts Crawl to explore Noblesville's Creative side and highlight the art and cultural assets in Downtown Noblesville.

The Arts Crawl will be held from noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 12, starting on the Noblesville Creates on 8th campus.

Those who attend will follow an arts trail around Noblesville's downtown square with opportunities to participate in art activities, listen to music, shop for art at various art vendors' booths, enjoy local food/drink from Four Day Ray, Noble Coffee, Primeval Brewing, and Bier Brewery, and learn about all the arts available to Noblesville and surrounding communities.

The official Arts Crawl Map will be released soon.

Activities throughout the Arts Crawl will be provided by Noblesville Creates, Hamilton County Artists' Association, Kiln Creations, Caravan Classes, The Workshops of G. B. Davis, Looking Glass Pottery, and more. Along the trail, you'll also find a variety of merchants, including Just Lagom, Antiques on the Square, and more.

Live performances by Bill Wilkison, Kelsey Van Voorst, and other talented artists will be featured throughout the trail. Ad-



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ditionally, live music will be provided by Fast Cadillac, Chris Baird, Kelli Ray Yates, Steve VandeWater, David and Pamela Ackerman, The Dead Squirrels, and others.

Those interested in being featured on the Arts Crawl can [click here](#) for more information.

A VIP ticket will soon be available for purchase, offering access to all hands-on art activities, along with discounts and special offers at many of the bars and restaurants on the tour. Exact details will be announced soon. For questions or pre-registration, contact the Noblesville Creates Partnerships & Projects Manager Ryan Shelton at rselton@noblesvillecreates.org.

Noblesville Creates is seeking artist vendors to showcase the creative talent within the community. The organization is dedicated to promoting local artists and their small business partners, and is only accepting vendors with works of original design. Each application will be carefully reviewed by the Noblesville Creates team to ensure a high standard of quality and a diverse selection of products. Food vendors will not be accepted at this time. Those interested in participating can click here to access the application form. The application deadline is Friday, Sept. 20, 2024.

To learn more about the Arts Crawl, visit noblesvillecreates.org/artscrawl.

Barktoberfest returns to kick off fall in Westfield

The REPORTER

Westfield Welcome announces that Barktoberfest, presented by Community First Bank and Woof Gang Bakery and Grooming, will return to Asa Bales Park, 205 W. Hoover St., from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5.

Bring your furry friend for a fantastic dog-themed afternoon. Let your pup take on the agility course and shop the pet-related vendors at the Mutt Mart. The pet costume contests run at 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 p.m. You can take advantage of professional pet portraits and caricatures and adopt adorable pets from the Humane Society for Hamilton County booth. The first 250 Community First Bank tent visitors will get a complimentary wag bag filled with coupons and other treats.

The Humane Society will collect items frequently needed in the shelter, such as Easy Cheese, canned



Photo provided by City of Westfield

dog and cat food, 55-gallon trash bags, and plush dog toys. These donations will help ensure the shelter's daily operations.

Donating earns attendees a raffle ticket to win one of three gift baskets worth over \$100 each. Raffle tickets from the Humane Society will also be available for

\$5 per ticket. Baskets will be raffled off at 12 p.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. (IGC# 011664).

Tickets are \$10 per person, and children ages 10 and under are free. Dogs do not need a separate ticket.

More information can be found at westfieldwelcome.com/barktoberfest.

Less than two weeks to Westfield Chamber's Showcase & Taste

The REPORTER

The second annual Showcase & Taste of Westfield will take place from 4 to 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 3 at Grand Park.

Discover the best Westfield has to offer in

one place. Exhibitors include food and beverage establishments, healthcare and service providers, legal professionals, entertainment venues, contractors, and more. Food and beverage establishments

including restaurants, caterers, wineries, and breweries are encouraged to provide menu tastings and samples.

[Click here](#) to purchase tickets. Advance tickets are \$7; \$10 at the door.

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Spousal Social Security – even if you’re divorced

As many people approach retirement, being divorced can cause a lot of confusion around Social Security. How do benefits work if you are divorced?



must have earned more over his or her lifetime than you. If you made about the same earnings, you’ll each draw your own, and if your ex-spouse was the lower earner, he or she can draw off you.

If you were married for at least 10 consecutive years and you are not currently married, you can possibly draw a higher Social Security benefit off your former spouse’s work record – even if you’ve been divorced for many years. Older women especially should look into their benefits and see if they are eligible to get a raise for Social Security.

Wouldn’t the government have already explained this to the retiree when she applied for her Social Security benefits? Not if you just applied online at [SSA.gov](https://www.ssa.gov). You might not have spoken to anyone about this benefit.

I am not saying that many ex-husbands may get their Social Security benefits LOWERED because their ex-wife learns about this rule. Drawing spousal benefits in no way reduces how much the ex-husband can get. These rules are gender-neutral. It could be the wife who was the higher wage earner and the ex-husband who will draw off of her work record!

What would someone who is just hearing this information for the first time do to get an increase in benefits? First, let’s make sure you qualify. The marriage lasted 10 years, but look at your divorce decree for what day the judge signed it, not when you filed. If it was 10 years or more, so far so good.

Second, you must currently be single. That doesn’t mean you didn’t have another marriage that ended. You must not be currently married.

Third, your ex-spouse

Lastly, spousal benefits do not begin until you are both age 62.

While you can apply for Spousal Social Security online, it’s faster if you go in person. You must take in original or certified copies of your marriage certificate and divorce decree. Without these documents, you cannot file. The SSA can then tell you how much of an increase you can get, if any. There is no way for you to see this amount online in your [SSA.gov](https://www.ssa.gov) account.

If you qualify, you can draw off your ex-spouse’s work record even if he never draws his own Social Security. He also will not be notified if you do start drawing ex-spouse benefits. If you later remarry, you will immediately lose the right to draw spousal benefits off of your former spouse. For this reason, many people hold off on remarriage.

There are different rules for Widow or Survivor benefits. As a widow of a deceased former spouse, you can remarry and continue to draw those benefits as long as you do not remarry prior to the age of 60. But this rule does not apply to Spousal Social Security benefits. Once you remarry, at any age, spousal benefits end.

Sylvia Gordon is known as Medicare Mama on social media. She and the Noblesville-based The-MedicareFamily.com have amassed nearly one million followers online where she teaches about Medicare, Social Security, and retirement.

2024 Bands of America Championship to bring thousands to Indianapolis

89 high school marching bands will compete for Super Regional Championship Title

The REPORTER

Next month, high school marching band students from seven states will perform at the Army ROTC Bands of America Indianapolis Super Regional Championship, presented by Yamaha, on Oct. 18 and 19 at Lucas Oil Stadium.

The following high school bands from Hamilton County will compete:

- Carmel High School
- Fishers High School
- Hamilton Southeastern High School
- Noblesville High School
- Westfield High School

Bands from Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Missouri, and Virginia will compete. Bands of America Championships are the nation’s premier marching band events, showcasing outstanding student musicians and visual performances. [Click here](#) for a full list of competing bands.

The competition will be spread over two days, Friday and Saturday. The preliminary competition will start Friday morning at 7:15 a.m. and conclude on Saturday with a special exhibition performance by North



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Carolina State University’s The Power Sound of the South at 3:15 p.m.

Performances will be evaluated by a panel of nationally recognized music educators and marching band experts. The 14 highest-scoring bands will advance to the evening finals, starting Saturday at 6:30 p.m., with the top-scoring band named champion at the end of the night.

“Marching band is even more than music and performance; it’s a powerful experience that builds discipline, teamwork, and lifelong memories,” says Dr. Jeremy Earnhart, President

and CEO of Music for All, the parent organization for Bands of America. “Participating in Bands of America Championships takes that to the next level, challenging high school students to strive for excellence, showcase their talents on a national stage, and feel the pride of being part of something truly extraordinary.”

Along with the Army ROTC, the 2024 Bands of America Indianapolis Super Regional Championship is also sponsored by Yamaha.

The Bands of America Championships season includes 30 events across America, culminating with

the Bands of America Grand National Championships Nov. 14 to 16, also at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis.

Tickets

All tickets are digital, and the event is cashless. You can skip the line and buy tickets online at marching.musicforall.org/boa.

Check out that website for all ticket options, including tickets for prelims, semi-finals, finals, and student group tickets, as well as stadium policies to know before you go.

Children 10 years or younger are admitted for free for general admission seating.

Celebrate “The Mark” of Hotel Carmichael

Submitted

Marriott’s Autograph Collection announces its first-ever “Mark Week” – a week-long celebration dedicated to showcasing “The Mark,” a signature feature of each Autograph Collection Hotel designed to captivate and inspire guests.

Hotel Carmichael, Carmel’s luxury boutique hotel, will participate in this inaugural event from Sept. 23 to 29.

“The Mark” represents

a distinctive moment within the guest experience, embodying each hotel’s unique brand and brought to life through a special space, person, or object. At Hotel Carmichael, the mark of craft is inspired by the rich heritage of The Great American Songbook – a tribute to America’s most beloved composers.

To celebrate, Hotel Carmichael will hold a daily champagne toast at Adagio Bar at 4 p.m., honoring the

iconic composers of The Great American Songbook.

To kick off the festivities a little early, multi-award-nominated artist and Founder of The Great American Songbook, Michael Feinstein, will make a special appearance during the first toast on Sunday, Sept. 22, launching the week-long celebration with a memorable performance.

Here’s an interesting fact: the name “Hotel Carmichael” is a tribute to the

city of Carmel and Michael Feinstein himself – combining “Carmel” with “Michael” to create the hotel’s signature identity.

“Mark Week” offers a unique opportunity for guests and the community to immerse themselves in the culture, history, and artistry that makes Hotel Carmichael a standout destination.

[Click here](#) to learn more about Hotel Carmichael.

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

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Live Music At Pasto Italiano
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3150 East State Rd. 32, Westfield

From American Idol to Feinstein’s stage

Lee DeWyze shares moving music & timeless storytelling

The REPORTER

From *American Idol* to Feinstein’s at Hotel Carmichael, Lee DeWyze brings a moving performance to the stage on Oct. 10.

Hailing from the vibrant music scene of Chicago, DeWyze’s journey into the spotlight began at a young age, honing his craft in his local scene before catapulting to fame as the winner of *American Idol* Season 9.

Eager to showcase his identity as a songwriter post-*American Idol*, he embarked on a creative journey that led to the release of his debut album, *Frames*. His music soon found its way into the hearts of audiences



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worldwide, with one of his songs making its debut in the popular series *The Walking Dead*, opening doors into the world of licensing

and synchronization and introducing his music to a whole new audience.

Since then, DeWyze’s music has been featured in over 100 shows, movies, trailers, and commercials, solidifying his status as a darling of the licensing and sync community. With four records he’s written under his belt, each blending indie and commercial appeal, he has firmly established himself as a prominent figure in the singer-songwriter scene.

Beyond his solo career, his songwriting prowess has led him to collaborate with and write for numerous other artists, further expanding his influence within the music industry. For the past 15 years, he has graced stages around the world, captivating audiences with his emotional performances and timeless storytelling.

Recently, DeWyze ven-

tured to Tennessee to embark on his next musical chapter, diligently crafting his upcoming album set for release in 2024. Whether he’s on stage, in the studio, or weaving his melodies into the fabric of beloved films and television shows, he continues to leave an indelible mark on the music landscape, enchanting listeners with his emotion fueled songs and authentic, honest storytelling.

Get your tickets to see Lee DeWyze by [clicking here](#). Or, visit feinsteinshc.com to learn about all of the shows at Feinstein’s.

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 for dinner. It is recommended that you arrive early if you wish to have dinner, as dinner is served from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; once the show has begun options are limited to drinks and dessert.

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NOBLESVILLE SCHOOLS Board Highlights

Sept. 17, 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.

- Bus driver Walt Edwards and Cafe Aide Jennifer Sargent were recognized by the board as a thank you for their life-saving actions in service of students.

- Stony Creek Elementary students and staff presented to the school board regarding the Mustang Mall business experience that teaches economics and strengthens math skills.

- Department of Learning leadership provided an academic update including school improvement plans and recent state standardized testing scores. They also shared that there are currently 3,300 career technology class enrollments at NHS and that the NHS Class of 2024 earned over 6,000 dual high school/college credits.

- The board adopted new school improvement plans by a vote of 4-1 with Laura Alerding voting against the measure.

Go to noblesvilleschools.org/leadership/school-board for meeting agendas, minutes, videos, and more.

Final “Classic Cars of Indiana” sculpture installed on 96th Street



Photo provided

The fourth and final 96th Street corridor “Classic Cars of Indiana”-themed sculpture called “Stutz” by local artist Arlon Bayliss was installed Friday in the roundabout at Gray Road. “We are excited to share the final piece of public art in the Classic Cars sculpture series along the 96th Street corridor,” Carmel Chief Infrastructure Officer Jeremy Kashman said. “It’s an impressive piece that’s been designed and fabricated locally and adds to the uniqueness of the city.” This sculpture joins three others by Bayliss, installed at the roundabouts on 96th Street at Priority Way, Delegates Row, and Hazel Dell Parkway.



Photo provided by Beef & Boards

Fiddler on the Roof a tradition at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre

Heartwarming musical opens Oct. 10

The REPORTER

In a true celebration of tradition, Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre’s 2024 Season concludes with *Fiddler on the Roof*, opening Oct. 10. This heartwarming, nine-time Tony Award-winning musical marks its 60th Anniversary this year.

Douglas E. Stark reprises his favorite role of Tevye, the poor milkman, who is the center of this touching story set in the tiny village of Anatevka. Tevye does his best to protect his five daughters and instill them with traditional values, even in the face of changing times and social principles.

Iconic songs include “Sunrise, Sunset,” “If I Were A Rich Man,” “Miracle of Miracles,” and “Matchmaker, Matchmaker.”

Fiddler on the Roof has been a tradition at Beef & Boards, where it ties with *The Sound of Music* for the most productions in the theatre’s 51-year history, with the exception of the theatre’s holiday production, *A Beef & Boards Christmas*. For owner Doug Stark, the ability to play Tevye has been particularly special.

“Because it represents family,” he remarked. “And it’s the perfect mixture of a very touching story, but it still has a universal appeal.”

This will be the ninth production of *Fiddler on the Roof* at Beef & Boards. Stark has played Tevye in each production since becoming an owner in 1980, and this is his eighth production at Beef & Boards.

Returning to the Beef & Boards stage are Judi Mann as Golde, Mark Goetzing as Lazar Wolf, Jennifer Preston as Tzeitel, Sadie Cohen as Chava, Christine Zavakos as Fruma-Sarah, Hannah Boswell as Mother/Grandma Tzeitel, Joey Boos as Motel, Justin Tepper as Perchik, Alex Smith as Mendel and the Fiddler, Scot Greenwell as the Rabbi, Bill Book as Mordcha, and Jeff Stockberger as the Constable. Making their Beef & Boards debuts are Adrienne Reiswerg as Yente, Isabella Agresta as Hodel, Kimberly Abrams as Mother, and Jacob Murphey as Sasha.

Fiddler on the Roof will be on stage from Oct. 10 through Nov. 24 in the intimate space of Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Tickets range from \$55 to \$82 and include Chef Larry Stoops’ dinner buffet and select beverages.

To see the complete performance schedule and to purchase tickets online, visit BeefAndBoards.com. Tickets are also available by calling the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre Box Office at (317) 872-9664.

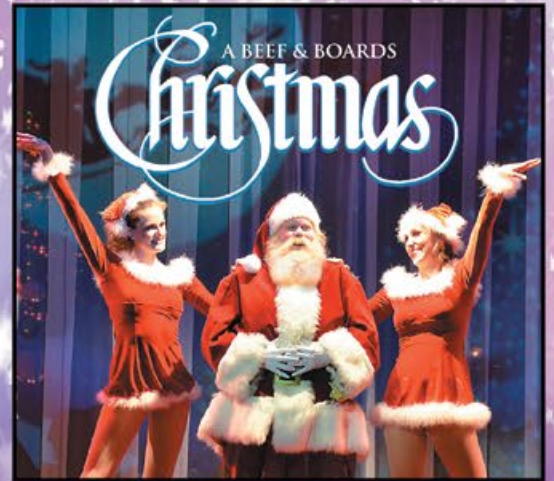
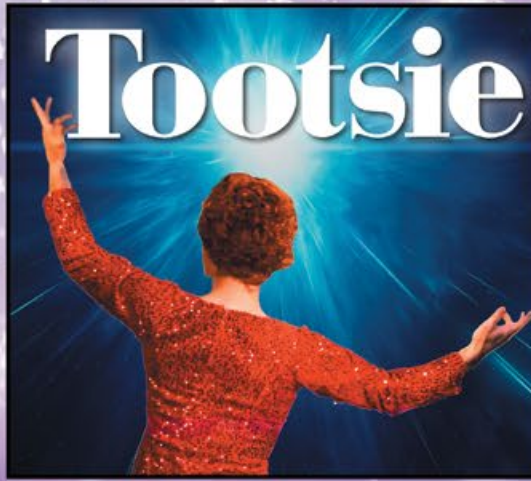
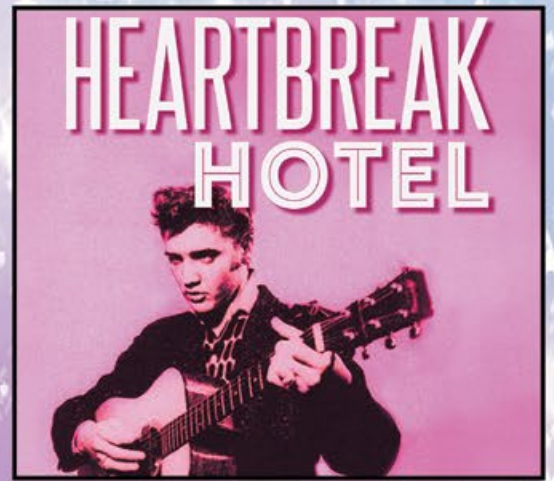
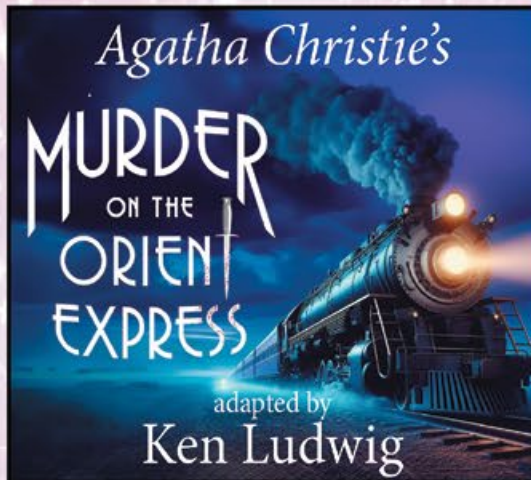
Discounts are available to groups of 20 or more. Call the Group Sales Department at (317) 872-0503 or email groups@beefandboards.com for details.

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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 8-12
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 Weekly Draw Su 6p, W 7p
317-984-4441 Bingo Fri 6p, Weekly Draw 8p

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

Noblesville Post 45 Gil Soria
273 S 8th St Fri 645pm Treasure Hunt
Noblesville, in 46060 Sunday Football Menu
317-773-9985 Trivia Wednesdays 7pm

Sheridan Post 67 Tom DeShon
406 E 10th 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 9th 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
Meets 7pm the 1st 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
Meets 2nd 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.

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

American Legion & VFW Post & Restaurant Hours

Carmel Legion
M-T 3-10pm, W-Th 10a-10p, F 10a-11p, Sa 8-11p,
Su 8a-8p. **Restaurant – Breakfast Sa Su 8a-12p,
Lunch W-F 11a-2p, Dinner Tu-F 5-8p**

Carmel VFW
Su-Th 11a-10p, F-Sa 11a-12a. **Restaurant -
Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sa 8a-11a, Lunch 11a-2p
& food service till 8p daily**

Cicero Legion
M-Th 3-10p, F-Sa 12-11p, Su 12-10p.
Restaurant Tu, W, F 4-8pm

Fishers Legion
M 3-10p, Tu-Su 12-10pm or when empty.
**Restaurant Breakfast 1st & 3rd Sun 8-12, Food
Served Su, Tu, W, Th, F 12-8p, Sa 12-5p**

Noblesville Legion
M-Th 11a-10p, F 11a-12p, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p
**Restaurant M 6-8pm wings, Tu-F 530-830p,
Sat 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12 Breakfast 730-930a
Dinner 530-830p, Su 12-8p**

Noblesville VFW
M-Th 11a-10p, F 11a-12a, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p
Restaurant M-F 6-9p

Sheridan Legion
M 3-9p, Tu-Th 11-9p, F Sa 11-10p, Su 1-6p
Restaurant Lunch Tu-F 11a-2p, food service till close



'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, Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities to prevent Veteran suicide bring the resources to our community here in Hamilton County

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

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

Sept 28-29 Atlanta New Earth Fest downtown Atlanta

Sept 29 Schoolhouse 7 Café Coffee with a Veteran
8am-9am 12125 Cyntheanne Rd Fishers

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

Howard County Vietnam Veterans 42nd Reunion

Sept 15-22 At 813 E 400 S Greentown, In
Gate Entry \$5/day M-W, \$15 Th-Sa. 8am-6pm
M 9/16 at 11am Opening Ceremony and special
Program for WWII, Korea, Vietnam & Cold War Vets
Tu 9/17 Honoring Hope Various Speakers
W 9/18 Honoring Diversity Miami Indians Ceremony
Th 9/19 Honoring Our Fallen
Mental Health Briefing
Bands from 4p-12a
F 9/20 Honoring Our Forgotten
Bands from 2p-12a
Sa 9/21 Honoring Our Supporters
Bands from 2p-12a
Su 9/22 Honoring God & Country
10am Church

September is Suicide Prevention Month

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

QPR Suicide Prevention Course Sept 24, 2023 6-8p
Westfield Washington Township Office
17400 Westfield Blvd Westfield, In

Question. Persuade. Refer.
3 steps anyone can learn to help
save a life.

This is a FREE Course



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 – Roubush 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.**

Activities & Events

Cicero American Legion Post 341 Fish Fry- Sept 13

PRESALE \$10 OR \$12 AT THE DOOR

WALLEGE AND PERCH OR CHICKEN ~ INCLUDES SIDES ~

Stop by the Cicero Street Festival or see the bartender to purchase presale tickets!

SATURDAY, SEPT 21ST 4-7 PM

FISH FRY FUNDRAISER

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION CICERO POST 341

- Live Music @ 7
- Cornhole Outside
- Darts in Back Room
- Tip Boards
- Pull Tabs

Open to the Public!

Sheridan American Legion Family Fun Day - Sept 21

SEPTEMBER 21ST FROM 1:00 – 5:00 PM @ THE AMERICAN LEGION, 406 E 10TH STREET, SHERIDAN

Join us for a **FAMILY FUN DAY**

JOIN KATH BELL WITH THE KIDS CORNER HOSTING GAMES, KARAOKE, AND DJ'ING ALL YOUR FAVORITE SONGS! PLUS, BOUNCE HOUSES, FREE FOOD AND DRINKS AND MUCH MUCH MORE!!

Indy Vet2Vet Good Ol Fun Kayaking Fishing - Sept 21

VETERANS AND FAMILY MEMBERS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

2PM – 8PM

SOME WOUNDS AREN'T VISIBLE

317-737-6927

JOIN US FOR KAYAKING, FISHING, OR JUST SOME GOOD OL' R&R IN A TENT-COVERED AREA BY THE WATER

KAYAKS, FISHING POLES, CHAIRS, FOOD AND DRINKS PROVIDED.

ALL VETERANS, FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

CONTACT: AARON SHAW
QUESTIONS 317-737-6927

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FORTVILLE, IN 46040

Carmel American Legion 3rd Tues Trivia Night

TRIVIA NIGHT

AMERICAN LEGION

Tuesday Night
Sept 17th & Oct 15th @ 7pm

Carmel American Legion Post 155
852 W. Main Street
Carmel, IN 46032

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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

Drive-Thru Drop Off
(please plan to stay in your car)

Limit 5 boxes per vehicle

[Learn More](#)

Donations welcome! All proceeds will go directly to Family Promise of Hamilton County.

Community FIRST Bank of Indiana

The next Katharine Graham?



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools

Noblesville High School student journalist Lily Ferazzi was in Philadelphia earlier this month covering the presidential debate with ABC News. Great work, Lily!

Latest Fishers road construction updates

The REPORTER State Road 37 & 141st Street

Construction on the west side of 141st Street and SR 7 continues to make progress. SR 37 remains open with all traffic transitioned to the east side of 141st Street. Please note the continued lane restrictions on SR 37 north and south, approaching the 141st Street interchange.

The construction of the roundabout at 141st Street and Prairie Lakes Boulevard is well underway, with work anticipated to continue through October.

Find construction updates at 37thrive.com.

Lantern Road sidewalk project

Work on a new side-

walk installation along the west side of Lantern Road, between Morgan Drive and Frances Street, will be ongoing the week of Sept. 23. Watch for flaggers and lane restrictions on southbound traffic from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Utility work on South Street

Lane restrictions on South Street, between the Nickel Plate Trail and Lantern Road, are in place to allow for utility installation. Flaggers will be in place to help direct traffic in this area.

Florida Road reconstruction

Phase 2 of the reconstruction of Florida Road between Southeastern Parkway and East 113th Street will be underway through Sept. 27. A portion of the road south

of Whelchel Drive will be closed and the rest of the road will be open to local traffic only. [Click here](#) to see a map of Phase 2.

126th Street & Southeastern Parkway roundabout

This roundabout is now open but remains an active construction site with intermittent lane restrictions. During the week of Sept. 23, the contractor will conduct asphalt operations on Corydon Drive, which will soon serve as the new connection for the Hunters Run development, anticipated to 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](#).

96th Street beautification

The contractor will work on landscaping and lighting for this project the week of Sept. 23. 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](#).

Latest Westfield road construction updates

The REPORTER Carey Road

A contractor is replacing a section of the perimeter trail running along the east side of Carey Road between Club Estates Drive to Joshua Circle. This work is scheduled to last until Tuesday, Sept. 24.

Tomlinson Road widening

Tomlinson Road began a full closure of the roadway between 196th Street and Chatham Hills Boulevard on Sept. 3. Residents between 196th and 199th streets will still be able to access their homes through the construction site via southbound Tomlinson Road, but it will be closed to thru traffic. Residents may

use 199th Street to Tomlinson Road to access their homes.

The detour route for this will be via 191st Street, Horton Road, and 206th Street/Cox Avenue. This closure is expected to last until late October.

156th Street

Citizens Energy Group is installing a new eight-inch gas main. The first phase begins at CEG's plant (north side of East 156th Street, just west of U.S. 31 underpass) and extends westward to Viking Meadows neighborhood entrance at 156th Street and Viking Meadows Drive.

The second phase begins at 156th Street and Viking Meadows Drive

and continues westward to Oak Ridge Road. Installation will then turn north and run along Oak Ridge Road up to 161st Street. The en-

tire project will involve a single-lane restriction with traffic flaggers.

CEG is hopeful to finish by the end of September.



Find the best route to your destination thanks to Hamilton County Tourism

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](#)

- [Reconstructing SR 32](#)
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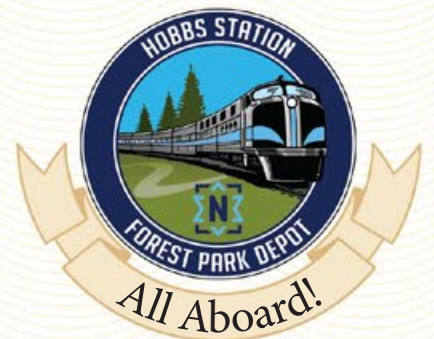
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The Nickel Plate Express operates on 12.5 miles of the former Nickel Plate Road between Noblesville and Atlanta.

Excursions board out of Noblesville at 825 Forest Park Drive.

NickelPlateExpress.com



Atlanta New Earth Festival Express Sept 28 & 29

Celebrate the festival in style aboard this special train. Enjoy a scenic ride to the Atlanta New Earth Festival, one of the largest craft and vendor fairs in Indiana.

September 28 & 29

NickelPlateExpress.com

Wizard Express Oct. 19 & 20

Calling all witches and wizards! This magical journey is filled with fun, costumes, and enchanting experiences for fans of all ages. Enjoy a butterbeer while taking in the latest from an exclusive copy of The Daily Prophet during this unique train ride.

October 19 & 20

NickelPlateExpress.com

Fall Brunch Express Oct. 12 & 13

Indulge in a delicious fall-inspired brunch while taking in the beautiful autumn scenery. A perfect way to enjoy the season's bounty!

October 12 & 13

NickelPlateExpress.com

Trick or Treat Express Oct. 26 & 27

Perfect for the whole family, the Trick or Treat Express offers a safe and spooky adventure. Kids are encouraged to dress in costume as they enjoy a fun-filled Halloween ride.

October 26 & 27

NickelPlateExpress.com

Country Western Express Nov. 2

Put on your boots and enjoy live music, line dancing, and good old-fashioned country fun during this western-themed ride.

November 2

NickelPlateExpress.com

Watch out world, here come the Shamrocks!

Westfield High School recently held its fall college and career fair, allowing students to explore their future academic and career paths. A huge thanks to all the representatives who joined, and a special shoutout to **Junior Achievement of Central Indiana**, **Market District**, and **Westfield Education Foundation** for making the career fair possible.



WILD, WILD WESTFIELD
 Free Event Live Music
 Mechanical Bull Games
 Great Food Pony Rides
 Bounce Houses Petting Zoo

You are invited to this free, family-friendly, fun event. Meet and enjoy new local neighbors or just spend an afternoon with your family enjoying chili, music, and games for all.

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Indiana Donor Network film *Driven to Save Lives* set to debut at this year's Heartland Film Festival

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Driven2SaveLives educates thousands of race fans each year about organ and tissue donation. The Indiana Donor Network program encourages fans to learn the facts about donation, talk with their family, friends, and loved ones about donation, then make the choice to sign up to become a donor.

This year, Indiana Donor Network created a film, *Driven to Save Lives*, featuring stories of real Hoosiers within the racing community who have a connection to organ donation and transplantation.

The film will make its world premiere during the 2024 Heartland International Film Festival on Oct. 12 at the Tobias Theater at Newfields, 4000 N. Michigan Road, Indianapolis.

"We hope this film resonates with people and shows them the real-life impact one person can have through organ and tissue donation," Executive Producer Taylor McLean said. "These are stories of real people facing real circumstances, stories that show heartache, fear and gratitude from everyday fans in the racing community and across all communities. This film can save lives."

In *Driven to Save Lives*, audiences will discover the untold stories woven into the fabric of the racing world – stories of hope, survival, and legacy. These are stories of families in frightening and inspiring circumstances, communities bound by hope, and lives hanging in the balance.

Viewers will experience the gripping reality of living on the edge of hope and despair, where a transplant is the only road to life. They will feel the profound sorrow transformed into a legacy of pride by those left behind and learn of the gratitude and gravity felt by a transplant recipient, knowing the second chance at life is possible because of someone else's loss.

"Every heartbeat tells a story of courage, community and the race we're in daily to save lives," said McLean, who not only led efforts to make *Driven to Save Lives* a reality but also leads the Driven2SaveLives program as senior marketing specialist at **Indiana Donor Network**.

McLean is also the sister of late dirt-track, IndyCar and NASCAR driver Bryan Clauson.

As an accomplished U.S. Auto Club and IndyCar driver, Bryan Clauson en-

deared himself to dirt track racing fans throughout the U.S. with a competitive yet playful personality.

His time as a driver, son, and brother was tragically cut short when he died after an on-track accident in 2016. In the hospital saying their final goodbyes, Bryan's family learned he had signed up as an organ and tissue donor. Bryan saved five lives through organ donation and helped save and heal dozens of others through tissue donation.

His final act of compassion was the catalyst for the Driven2SaveLives program. His family shares what Bryan's legacy means to them in *Driven to Save Lives*.

In the film, audiences will meet others whose lives have been affected by organ and tissue donation.

When Danny learned that kidney disease would put him on dialysis for dozens of hours each week, his ability to live a normal life stopped. The only way back to that life would be a kidney transplant. With the clock ticking, will he get the lifesaving transplant he needs?

When Cade's life was cut short, his father, Mike, and his family were left questioning how to move forward. Amid tragedy, Cade's choice to be an organ donor provided healing that no one expected. Cade's selfless decision has helped his family face grief and keep his memory alive.

A genetic disease left Jess needing a new liver, and she was fortunate enough to receive a lifesaving transplant. Presented with the chance to meet her donor's family, she was excited and apprehensive. Jess wondered, how could she explain the impact of her restored life to someone who is reeling from the grief of the loss of their loved one?

"I'm always in search of meaningful stories. I'm grateful for the vulnerability of the families and their stories shown in this film," said Aaron Winneroski, writer, director, director of photography and editor of the film. "I'm deeply thankful to have spearheaded a project that has the potential to reach a wide audience and, ultimately, contribute to saving lives."

About Indiana Donor Network

Indiana Donor Network is the federally designated organ recovery organization that coordinates organ and tissue donation in

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Indy Chamber endorses Danny Lopez for State Representative

Submitted by Lopez for Indiana

The Indy Chamber's Business Advocacy Committee (BAC), which serves as the organization's political voice and electoral engagement arm, has endorsed Danny Lopez in his campaign for Indiana State House District 39.

"Experienced, thoughtful, and collaborative leadership in the Statehouse is necessary to ensure all Hoosier businesses and residents can thrive, and Danny will be ready to serve on day one," Indy Chamber President and CEO Matt

Mindrum said. "We look forward to working with him and other leaders to advance our city, region, and state in the years to come."

The Indy Chamber represents thousands of members across central Indiana and is a voice of progress and improvement in the Indianapolis region, uniting business and community to maintain a strong economy and quality of life.

"Central Indiana's



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"The Indy Chamber has long been a critical voice advocating toward that goal, and I look forward to working alongside them for years to come."

In addition to the Indy Chamber, the campaign has so far announced an

economy is thriving thanks to the investments of our incredible employers, and it is up to us to ensure every Hoosier family has the opportunity to benefit from it," Lopez said.

impressive list of leaders and organizations who have endorsed Lopez in this campaign, including campaign co-chairs Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam and Westfield Mayor Scott Willis, Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen, the Indiana Fraternal Order of Police, the Indiana Realtors Association, the Indiana Farm Bureau, and the One Zone Chamber of Commerce. More endorsement announcements will be made in the weeks to come.

Learn more about the candidate at LopezForIndiana.com.

Indiana Career Scholarship Accounts fully allocated for 2024-2025 academic year

Elliott applauds successful initiative supporting workforce development

The REPORTER

The Indiana State Treasurer's Office announced Thursday that all scholarship funds for the Indiana Career Scholarship Accounts (CSA) allocated for the 2024-2025 academic year have been distributed.

This CSA milestone marks a significant achievement in the State's ongoing efforts to prepare Hoosiers for in-demand, well-paying careers across critical industries such as healthcare, information technology, advanced manufacturing, and logistics.

CSAs are state-funded scholarships tailored to help students pursue their interests by removing barriers to participation in the career preparation programs of their choice. Eligible programs include internships, apprenticeships, applied learning experiences, and credential attainment experiences. This academic year, 1,900 students were each awarded a \$5,000 scholarship. Upon graduation from their respective programs, these high school students will have the ability to

seamlessly enter the workforce.

"This program has proven its value time and again, giving Hoosiers the chance to develop the skills they need to succeed," State Treasurer Daniel Elliott said. "It makes me proud to see such strong interest and engagement from so many people who are committed to taking charge of their careers and investing in their future right here in Indiana."

Through Indiana's CSA program, Indiana residents who are in their sophomore, junior, or senior year of high school are eligible to receive funding that allows them to access critical training, certifications, and work-based learning opportunities. All providers and educational opportunities must obtain approval from the Indiana Commission for Higher Education and the Indiana Department of Education for students to access funding. The program focuses on aligning workforce devel-



Elliott

opment with the state's economic needs to ensure participants receive training in fields vital to Indiana's continued economic growth. **The growing impact** Since its beginning, the CSA program has empowered hundreds of Hoosiers to pursue education and certifications without the burden of financial barriers. As a result, Indiana is seeing a growing segment of skilled workers ready to contribute to industries that are foundational to the State's economic future. The program's growing impact is a testament to its successes and promises a better outlook for the state's workforce, instilling a sense of pride in all those involved.

"We've been overwhelmed by the positive response from both participants and employers," CSA Program Executive Director Tina Kaetzel said. "It shows that when we invest in our youth, we are also investing in Indiana's future."

Indiana Career Scholarship Accounts, established as part of a broader high school redesign initiative, were created to close the education and skills gap to help ensure that Hoosiers are prepared for life after graduation. More recently, the General Assembly passed a revised version of the bill in the 2024 legislative session. House Enrolled Act 1001, authored by State Representative Chuck Goodrich (R-Noblesville), allows students to combine funds from the 21st Century Scholars Program and other grants to supplement CSA money.

Applicants who missed out on the opportunity to participate in the program this academic year are encouraged to prepare their application for next year. The program looks forward to welcoming new participants and witnessing their journey toward a successful career.

For more information about the Indiana Career Scholarship Accounts, visit in.gov/tos/csa or contact the Indiana Treasurer's Office at (317) 232-0723 or email CSA@tos.in.gov.

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Indiana and transplantation throughout the U.S. The non-profit organization serves as the vital link between donors and patients waiting for lifesaving organ transplants, healing tissue and corneas to restore sight. Indiana Donor Network serves 85 of Indiana's 92 counties. Its team of nearly 400 dedicated professionals is committed to saving and healing lives through donation and transplantation, championing the cause through education and outreach and supporting donor families in their time of need. For more or to sign up as a donor, visit [Indiana Donor Network online](http://IndianaDonorNetwork.org).

About Heartland International Film Festival
Heartland Film is a non-profit arts organization that runs the 11-day Heartland International Film Festival in October, the Academy Award-Qualifying Indy Shorts International Film Festival in July, the Truly Moving Picture Award and other year-round programs. Based in Indianapolis, Heartland Film was founded in 1991 with the mission to curate, promote and celebrate thoughtful and engaging films from diverse perspectives. Over

the years, Heartland Film has presented \$3.5 million in cash prizes – the largest total amount awarded by any film festival in North America – presented more than 200 studio films with the Truly Moving Picture Award and showcased more than 2,000 feature and short films, including 10 Oscar-winning short film titles. For more, visit [Heartland Film online](http://HeartlandFilm.org).

About Driven2SaveLives
Driven2SaveLives, an Indiana Donor Network program, raises awareness about organ and tissue donation within the racing community and inspires fans throughout the U.S. to sign up to become donors. Launched in 2016, Driven2SaveLives brings together advocates for donation, including NASCAR winner Ryan Newman, IndyCar driver Pippa Mann, and others, to educate race fans about donation, encourage conversations about donation decisions, and inspire audiences to sign up to be donors. Driven2SaveLives also features an Ambassador Program where anyone can join the team and help spread the word. For more, visit [Driven2SaveLives online](http://Driven2SaveLives.org).

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

THE SONG OF MOSES AND MIRIAM

When Pharaoh's horses, chariots and horsemen went into the sea, the Lord brought the waters of the sea back over them, but the Israelites walked through the sea on dry ground. Then Miriam the prophet, Aaron's sister, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women followed her, with timbrels and dancing. Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the Lord, for he is highly exalted. Both horse and driver he has hurled into the sea."

Exodus 15:19-21 (NIV)

Nellie Ann Pipkin

December 5, 1949 – September 19, 2024

Nellie Ann Pipkin, 74, Carmel, passed away on Thursday, September 19, 2024, at The Restoracy of Whitestown. She was born on December 5, 1949 to Benny and Virginia (Lawson) Ball in Pennington Gap, Va.



Nellie retired from data entry for MJ Insurance Company. She enjoyed crochet and needlepoint. Nellie loved reading, especially murder mysteries and *The Cat Who ...* book series. She was obsessed with *Scooby-Doo*.

Nellie is survived by her son, Benjamin L. (Amber) Pipkin; and her grandson, Jackson L. Pipkin.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Leigh Pipkin.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with funeral services at 1 p.m., on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Burial will follow at Farley Cemetery in Carmel.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Meeting Notices

The Noblesville Common Council will meet in an executive session at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(4)(I) Interviews and negotiations with industrial or commercial prospects or agents of industrial or commercial prospects by a governing body of a political subdivision.

A regular meeting will follow at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Send Meeting Notices to:
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The Carmel Plan Commission will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2024, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

The Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety will meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold its monthly joint Personnel and Benefits Committee and Board of Trustees meeting at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2024, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.

Keith L. Bales

April 13, 1935 – September 19, 2024



Keith L. Bales, 89, formerly of Mooreland, Ind., Sanders Glen in Westfield, and more recently of Riverwalk Village in Noblesville, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, September 19, 2024. He was born April 13, 1935, in New Castle, Ind., to the late Claude Luther and Eileen (Cromis) Bales.

Keith was a man of many hats, but mostly cowboy hats! He spent 20 years selling seed corn, was a manager at

Mooreland Grain Elevator for 16 years, and was a member of the Blue River Valley School Board for eight years. He also worked for Frakes Industrial in Westfield and sold insurance for AFLAC. Keith had a love of horses and enjoyed training them. He was a member of the Henry County Saddle Club and the Mooreland Lions Club. Keith was also a member of the First Christian Church of Mooreland, where he served as a trustee, deacon and Sunday school teacher. Most recently, he attended the Arcadia Christian Church. Keith was loved by all who were blessed to know him.

He is survived by his children, Diana (Stephen) Brown of Atlanta, Ind., Steven Bales (Gregg Covey) of St. Marys, Ga., Bob (Jane) Bales of Georgetown, Ind., and LeeAnn (Rob) Chriswell of Etna Green, Ind.; sisters, Sondra (Vernon) Oakerson of Losantville, Ind., and Martha (Larry) Griffin of Muncie; sister-in-law, Naida Bales of Mooreland; grandchildren, Erin Allen, Trevor (Stephanie) Brown, Justin (Ashley) Brown, Jeremy Bales, Jacob (Danielle) Bales, Jordan (Kristen) Bales, Donald "B.J." (Stevie) Davidson, Brittany Davidson (Kayla Jenkins), and Cody (Hannah) Davidson; 17 great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, Keith was preceded in death by his wife, Janet (Pierce) Bales, and his brother, Bill Bales.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at Hinsey-Brown Funeral Service in New Castle. Burial will follow in Mooreland Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the First Christian Church in Mooreland or to the Alzheimer's Association. Condolences and memories of Keith may be shared at hinsey-brown.com.

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The Hamilton County Reporter does not charge families for publishing obituary notices in our pages. Every obituary appearing in online editions Wednesday through Saturday also appears in our Monday print editions. In order to continue to offer this as a community service, we ask that obituaries not exceed 600 words. The limitations of space may not allow for longer ones to appear in print.

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Hamilton County High School Football, Week 5



Photos by Bob Cross

(LEFT) Hamilton Heights senior Tyler Champion makes a catch that he would take 76 yards to the end zone for the Huskies' first of three third-quarter touchdowns. Heights beat Western 21-6 Friday night for its first win of the season. (RIGHT) Heights quarterback Drew Woodruff threw for 219 yards and a touchdown.

'Hawks hold back Gophers for yet another conference win

The REPORTER

Sheridan kept itself in the Hoosier Heartland Conference hunt on Friday with a 24-6 victory at Clinton Prairie.

The Blackhawks steadily built their lead over the first three quarters of the game. Alex Cravens got Sheridan on the board less than three minutes in with a six-yard touchdown run. Owen Bell kicked the extra point, then later added a field goal to give the Hawks a 10-0 lead after one.

Jacob Hall scored a touchdown on a short run late in the second quarter

to put Sheridan up 17-0 at halftime. Chance Spencer completed the scoring in the third period by catching a 26-yard touchdown pass from Brock Hagan. Bell kicked both extra points, making him 3-for-3 on the night.

Cravens totaled 147 yards rushing, while Spencer had three catches.

The Blackhawks are 3-0 in conference play, sharing the lead with Carroll. The Cougars beat Eastern 28-13 on Friday. Sheridan is 3-2 overall and hosts Taylor next week to continue HHC play.

Huskies break through for first win of season

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights broke through for its first victory of the season Friday, beating Western 21-6 in a home game that served as the Huskies' Hoosier Conference Big School Division opener.

The Panthers scored early in the game, and that put Heights down 6-0 at halftime. But the Huskies came back with a roaring third quarter, during which they scored all 21 of their points.

Tyler Champion scored the crucial touchdown on the first play of the third quarter, taking a 76-yard catch from Drew Woodruff into the end zone. Keegan Kavanaugh kicked the extra point to put the Huskies up 7-6, and they never trailed again.

Joey Sigler scored two touchdowns in the later part of the third quarter, both on two-yard runs. Kavanaugh kicked both those extra points as well.

Heights coach Jon Kirschner was happy with how his team played in all facets of the game. He was especially pleased with the Huskies' defense, saying it played "lights out." Linebackers Nick Hulen and Michael Cain both had strong games.

"Our defense just flew around and hit," said Kirschner. "They were monsters. We were rotating guys in. They put on a show tonight. They did a great job. I was very pleased with how the speed of our defense really gave them fits." Kirschner also high-

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 21, WESTERN 6

| Score by Quarters | | | | | Heights scoring | |
|-------------------|-----------|---|----|------|---|--|
| Western | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0-6 | Third Quarter | |
| Heights | 0 | 0 | 21 | 0-21 | 11:41 - Tyler Champion | |
| Team Stats | HEIGHTS | | | | 76-yard pass from Drew Woodruff (Keegan Kavanaugh kick) | |
| Rushes-Yards | 30-104 | | | | 3:44 - Joey Sigler 2-yard run (Kavanaugh kick) | |
| Passing Yards | 219 | | | | 2:59 - Sigler 2-yard run (Kavanaugh kick) | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 11-23-1-1 | | | | | |
| Fumbles-lost | 1-1 | | | | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 10-80 | | | | | |
| Punts-Average | 4-47.5 | | | | | |

Rushing: Nathan Flanders 6-44, Logan Hickman 9-28, Sigler 6-24, Champion 1-18, Dre Chandler 4-2, Woodruff 4-minus 12.

Passing: Woodruff 11-23-219.

Receiving: Champion 6-132, Flanders 1-33, Keaton Weaver 1-20, Justin Overton 1-15, Hickman 1-15, Chandler 1-4.

lighted punter Cyrus Mason, who punted four times for an average of 47.5 yards.

Woodruff finished the game 11-for-23 with 219 yards. Champion made six

of those catches for 132 yards. Nathan Flanders led the rushing with 44 yards.

Heights is 1-4 and plays a division game at Logansport next Friday.

SHERIDAN 24, CLINTON PRAIRIE 6

| Score by Quarters | | | | | Sheridan scoring | |
|-------------------|------------------|---|---|------|---|--|
| Sheridan | 10 | 7 | 7 | 0-24 | First Quarter | |
| Clinton Prairie | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6-6 | 9:07 - Alex Cravens kick | |
| Team stats | SHER CP | | | | 6-yard run (Owen Bell kick) | |
| First Downs | 13 6 | | | | 1:35 - Bell 32-yard field goal | |
| By Rush | 10 1 | | | | Second Quarter | |
| By Pass | 3 4 | | | | 1:27 - Jacob Hall 4-yard run (Bell kick) | |
| By Penalty | 0 1 | | | | Third Quarter | |
| Rushes-Yards | 50-208 18-37 | | | | 4:30 - Chance Spencer 26-yard pass from Brock Hagan (Bell kick) | |
| Passing Yards | 42 174 | | | | | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 4-8-1-1 7-19-0-1 | | | | | |
| Fumbles-Lost | 1-0 4-4 | | | | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 7-55 3-25 | | | | | |
| Punts-Average | 4-37.5 4-25.0 | | | | | |

Rushing: Cravens 31-147, Hall 6-28, Hagan 8-14, Spencer 3-13, Jonathon Barnes 1-9, Jayden Dunbar 1-minus 3.

Passing: Hagan 4-8-42.

Receiving: Spencer 3-37, Dayne Voege 1-5.

Rocks rough up Royals in overtime play

By RICHIE HALL

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WESTFIELD - It wasn't always easy, but Westfield made it to the midpoint of the football regular season with a perfect record.

The Class 6A No. 1 Shamrocks improved to 5-0 on Friday by holding off 6A No. 8 Hamilton Southeastern 21-14 in an overtime Hoosier Crossroads Conference game. The two teams went back and forth in a weather-delayed game at Riverview Health Stadium, with the Royals forcing the extra period after scoring with under two minutes to go in the fourth.

But junior Deacon King took care of business right away. In the first play of overtime, King ran 10 yards to score his third touchdown of the game. Oliver Church kicked the extra point. Westfield's defense then stepped up, forcing and recovering a fumble to secure the win.

It was the third game for the Rocks this season that has been decided by a touchdown or less.

"You hope it pays dividends when you get into the playoffs," said Westfield coach Josh Miracle. "Every game potentially has that ability to be a tight game. There's so many good teams around here, especially in

our conference. They're a well-coached team and you got to give them credit as well for having that resolve to stay in there."

King scored the first touchdown midway through the first quarter, taking off on a 62-yard run down the field to get the Shamrocks on the board. He also opened the fourth quarter by taking a 59-yard pass from Carsen Melvin to the end zone.

"We can open it up a lot with the runs, and then as they start blitzing and stuff, we can pass it over the top of them," said King.

The Royals also used a big pass play to get on the board. Quarterback Chandler Weston connected with Kendrick Pennybaker for a 46-yard touchdown throw midway through the third quarter. That tied the game 7-7.

King's TD catch kept Westfield ahead for most of the fourth quarter, until there were two minutes left. Weston and Pennybaker teamed up again for a 52-yard reception to get the ball to the 15. Carter Reed took over from there, grinding out five carries to the end zone; scoring on a one-yard run. Hugo Belmonte kicked the extra point and that sent the game to overtime.

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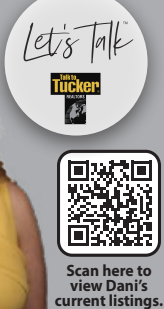


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Westfield's Deacon King scored three touchdowns for the Shamrocks, including one in overtime to send his team to a 21-14 victory over Hamilton Southeastern on Friday.

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—Hamilton County High School Football, Week 5—

Back-and-forth action ends with Eagles beating Millers

The REPORTER

Noblesville kept pace with host Zionsville on Friday night before falling to the Eagles 35-28 in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.

Zionsville led 7-0 after one quarter, but Ty Holmes tied it up with a two-yard run in the second quarter. The Millers and the Eagles went back and forth in that period; Brody Gump tied the game again with a 71-yard run to the end zone, but Zionsville scored on a kickoff return from 39 yards, giving them a 20-14 halftime lead.

Noblesville went

ahead 21-20 after three quarters. Israel Oladipupo made a one-yard run to tie the game, then Caden Lydle made the extra point to put the Millers ahead.

The Eagles answered in the fourth quarter with back-to-back touchdowns on short runs. Gump kept the Millers in it with another long touchdown run, 73 yards to the end zone, but Zionsville held on for the win.

Gump totaled 173 yards rushing, while Lydle made all four extra-point kicks. Oladipupo led the defense with eight tackles, including a sack.

Noblesville is 0-3 in

ZIONSVILLE 35, NOBLESVILLE 28

| Score by Quarters | | | | Noblesville scoring | |
|-------------------|------------|-------------|---|---------------------|----|
| Noblesville | 0 | 14 | 7 | 7 | 28 |
| Zionsville | 7 | 13 | 0 | 15 | 35 |
| Team stats | NOB | ZION | | | |
| First Downs | 17 | 16 | | | |
| Rushes-Yards | 47-330 | 31-130 | | | |
| Passing Yards | 7 | 189 | | | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 2-6-2-0 | 14-15-1-1 | | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 1-5 | 4-35 | | | |

Noblesville individual stats

Rushing: Gump 11-173, Holmes 15-70, Oladipupo 9-48, Max Miller 7-23, Luke Hile 3-16, Phillip Grayson 2-0.

Passing: Miller 2-6-7.

Receiving: Calvin Moody 2-7.

conference play and 2-3 home next Friday to host overall. The Millers return Franklin Central.

Guerin Catholic falls to Roncalli

The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic dropped a 38-23 Circle City Conference game at Roncalli on Friday.

The Class 3A No. 5 Golden Eagles scored the game's first touchdown, with Malcolm Houze taking the ball seven yards to the end zone in the first quarter. Hayden Cler made a two-point conversion run to put Guerin Catholic up 8-0.

But the Royals took over after that, scoring 38 unanswered points over the four quarters. Roncalli led 38-8 before the Golden Eagles made a run, starting with a 58-yard touchdown

throw from Houze to Aiden Horn.

Houze made a two-point run, and Guerin Catholic was within 38-16. Houze scored again with less than a minute left on a five-yard run, followed by an extra-point kick from Nick Wilson.

Houze finished the game 26-of-48, totaling 234 yards passing. Horn had eight catches for 111 yards, while Cler made seven catches for 56 yards.

The Golden Eagles are 0-2 in conference play and 3-2 overall. Guerin Catholic finishes CCC action next week at Bishop Chatard.

RONCALLI 38, GUERIN CATHOLIC 23

| Score by Quarters | | | | Guerin Catholic scoring | |
|-------------------|-----------|------------|---|-------------------------|----|
| Guerin Catholic | 8 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 23 |
| Roncalli | 7 | 10 | 7 | 14 | 38 |
| Team stats | GC | RON | | | |
| First Downs | 14 | 19 | | | |
| By Rush | 4 | 7 | | | |
| By Pass | 9 | 12 | | | |
| By Penalty | 1 | 0 | | | |
| Rushes-Yards | 21-79 | 43-199 | | | |
| Passing Yards | 234 | 231 | | | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 26-48-1-1 | 20-26-1-1 | | | |
| Fumbles-Lost | 0-0 | 1-1 | | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 5-25 | 3-11 | | | |
| Punts-Average | 7-38.4 | 3-39.3 | | | |

Guerin Catholic individual stats

Rushing: Kolbe Klee 10-57, Houze 8-45, team 3-minus 23.

Passing: Houze 26-48-234.

Receiving: Horn 8-111, Cler 7-56, Adam McNeany 4-20, Klee 3-24, Trevor Macey 3-6, Elias Niccum 1-7.

ROCKS

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Photo by Joshua Herd

Hamilton Southeastern quarterback Chandler Weston (7) hands off to Carter Reed.

Both kickers were perfect on the night: Oliver Church was 3-for-3 for the Rocks and Belmonte was 2-for-2 for the Royals.

"I thought our defense played outstanding tonight," said HSE coach Michael Kelly. "I thought they really, really did a great job."

Kelly said his team is down five starters on defense from the start of the year, but he told the team to fight, and it did.

"And I was so proud of our kids for fighting," said Kelly. "They battled, they battled hard. They left it all out on the field tonight."

Westfield's King totaled 140 yards rushing on 14 carries, while Melvin was 11-of-19 through the air for 125 yards. Southeastern's Weston finished 8-of-14 for 128 yards, with Pennybaker gaining 140 yards in four catches. Reed finished with 80 yards rushing.

Westfield remains unbeaten at 5-0 and is 3-0 in HCC play. The Shamrocks play next Friday at Brownsburg. The Royals are 1-2 in the conference and 3-2 overall; they host Zionsville next Friday.

WESTFIELD 21, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 14 (overtime)

| Score by Quarters | | | | Scoring | |
|-------------------|------------|-------------|---|---------|------|
| Southeastern | 0 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 0-14 |
| Westfield | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 7-21 |
| Team stats | HSE | WFLD | | | |
| First Downs | 13 | 13 | | | |
| By Run | 7 | 8 | | | |
| By Pass | 3 | 4 | | | |
| By Penalty | 3 | 1 | | | |
| Rushes-Yards | 46-140 | 31-211 | | | |
| Passing Yards | 128 | 125 | | | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 8-14-1-1 | 11-19-0-1 | | | |
| Fumbles-Lost | 1-1 | 1-1 | | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 6-60 | 8-75 | | | |
| Punts-Average | 6-28.8 | 5-33.4 | | | |

Southeastern individual stats

Rushing: Reed 26-80, Weston 12-42, Vaughn Johnson 8-18.

Passing: Weston 8-14-128.

Receiving: Pennybaker 4-110, Callen Okerson 3-18, Henry Wans 1-0.

Westfield individual stats

Rushing: King 14-140, Mikeah Webster 6-30, Broc Parker 3-21, Melvin 7-15, Church 1-5.

Passing: Melvin 11-19-125.

Receiving: Beau Braun 3-32, Gabe Arambales 3-16, Parker 3-8, King 1-59, Webster 1-10.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 21

BOYS SOCCER

Hamilton Heights Husky Invitational

Game 1, 9 a.m.

Game 2, 10:30 a.m.

Game 3, 1:30 p.m.

Championship game, 3 p.m.

Greenwood Christian Academy at University (Pioneer Conference third-place game), 10 a.m.

Perry Meridian at Hamilton Southeastern, 11:30 a.m.

Homestead at Carmel, noon

East Central at Westfield, 4 p.m.

Guerin Catholic at Louisville Trinity, 4:30 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY

Carmel JV, Fishers, Hamilton Heights at Shelbyville Golden Bear Invitational, 8:30 a.m.

Carmel, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, Westfield at Athletic Annex Riverview Flashrock Invitational, 9 a.m. at Northview Church Sheridan at Tipton Invitational, 9 a.m.

University at Decatur Central Golden Spike Invitational, TBA

GIRLS SOCCER

Brebeuf Jesuit at Westfield, 11:30 a.m.

Harrison at Fishers, 11:30 a.m.

Noblesville at Brownsburg, 12:30 p.m.

Castle at Carmel, 3:30 p.m.

Evansville Memorial at Guerin Catholic, 3:30 p.m.

TENNIS

Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, 9 a.m. at Fishers

University at Whiteland Invitational, 9 a.m.

Carmel at Michiana Classic, 10 a.m. at Culver Academies

VOLLEYBALL

University at Shortridge Showdown, 9 a.m.

Fishers at New Castle, 10 a.m.

Guerin Catholic at Lafayette Jefferson Invitational, 10 a.m.

Hamilton Southeastern at New Castle Invitational, 10 a.m.

Westfield at Delta, 11 a.m.

Fishers vs. Plainfield, 2 p.m. at New Castle

Monday, Sept. 23

BOYS SOCCER

Tipton at Sheridan, 5:30 p.m.

Carmel at Cathedral, 7 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Sheridan at Eastern, 5:30 p.m.

Carmel at Noblesville, 7 p.m.

Cathedral at Guerin Catholic, 7 p.m.

Pendleton Heights at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:15 p.m.

Fishers at Bishop Chatard, 7:30 p.m.

GOLF SECTIONALS

Carmel, Guerin Catholic, Sheridan, University, Westfield at Pebble Brook, 9 a.m.

Fishers, Hamilton Heights, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville at Harbour Trees, 9 a.m.

TENNIS

International at University, 4:30 p.m.

Tipton at Hamilton Heights, 4:30 p.m.

Fishers at Cathedral, 5 p.m.

Heritage Christian at Noblesville, 5 p.m.

UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL

Tournament draw date

Noblesville at Westfield, 6 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Elwood at Sheridan, 7 p.m.

Mount Vernon at Westfield, 7 p.m.

Noblesville at Muncie Burns, 7 p.m.

University at Heritage Christian, 7 p.m.

Fishers at Pendleton Heights, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 24

BOYS SOCCER

Carroll at Sheridan, 5:30 p.m.

Carmel at Noblesville, 7 p.m.

University at Hamilton Heights, 7 p.m.

Avon at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.

Brownsburg at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.

Hamilton Southeastern at Zionsville, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

North West Warriors Home School at University, 5 p.m.

Hamilton Heights at Hoosier Conference tournament, 7 p.m.

TENNIS

Lapel at Hamilton Heights, 4:30 p.m.

Cathedral at Westfield, 5 p.m.

Noblesville at Guerin Catholic, 5 p.m.

UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL

Fishers at Noblesville, 6 p.m.

Hamilton Heights at McCutcheon, 6 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

North Central at Carmel, 6:30 p.m.

Hamilton Southeastern at Roncalli, 7 p.m.

Franklin Central at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.

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Thur Sept 19 - Girls Volleyball

5:30 pm Zionsville vs Noblesville | JV Volleyball | HCTV Sports

6:30 pm Zionsville vs Noblesville | Varsity Volleyball | HCTV Sports

6:50 pm Indpls Lutheran vs Covenant Christian | Varsity Volleyball | Indiana SRN

Fri Sept 20 - IHSAA High School Football

6:45 pm Sheridan vs Clinton Prairie | Bragg Sports Media

6:50 pm Columbus North vs Bishop Chatard | Indiana SRN

6:50 pm Covenant Christian vs Triton Central | Indiana SRN

6:50 pm Southport vs Heritage Christian | Indiana SRN

6:50 pm Speedway vs Scecina | Indiana SRN

7:00 pm Brownsburg vs Fishers | Fishers Sports Network

7:00 pm Hamilton Southeastern vs Westfield | HCTV Sports

7:00 pm Western vs Hamilton Heights | paid-per-view | Husky Sports

7:20 pm Harrison vs Evansville Memorial | Indiana SRN

Sat Sept 21 - Youth, Freshman & College Football

10:00 am Brownsburg vs Fishers | Freshman Football | Fishers Sports Network

1:15 pm Adrian vs Franklin | College Football | Indiana SRN

1:15 pm Kalamazoo vs Manchester | College Football | Indiana SRN

4:00 pm Noblesville Grinders vs Brownsburg Jr. Bulldogs

| 2024 IEFA Youth Football | HCTV Sports

Mon Sept 23 - Girls Soccer

5:30 pm Carmel vs Noblesville | Girls JV Soccer | HCTV Sports

7:00 pm Carmel vs Noblesville | Girls Varsity Soccer | HCTV Sports

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Indiana: it's Motorsports Heaven

Without a doubt Indianapolis, and Indiana more broadly, is the heart of motorsports racing. Sure, Florida has Daytona, and North Carolina has NASCAR, and Southern California built the hot rod car culture, but Indiana has it all and more.



ZECH YODER
Checkers to Wreckers

The greatest spectacle in all of sports (not just motorsports), the Indianapolis 500, has been hosted in Speedway, Ind., at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on 108 occasions. This event is so big INDYCAR, from time-to-time, has awarded double points for the race.

The allure of Indianapolis brought NASCAR to IMS in 1994. It quickly became a crown-jewel event, being out shadowed by only the Daytona 500. In the years following NASCAR's arrival at Indy, both Formula 1 (2000-2007) and MotoGP (2008-2015) ran at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Sports car racing has also has a long history at Indy. The International Motor Sports Association (IMSA) has a yearly event and there are future plans for IMS to host a World Endurance Championship (WEC) event, possibly as early as 2026.

What is amazing is that the highest form of almost every motorsport division has raced at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

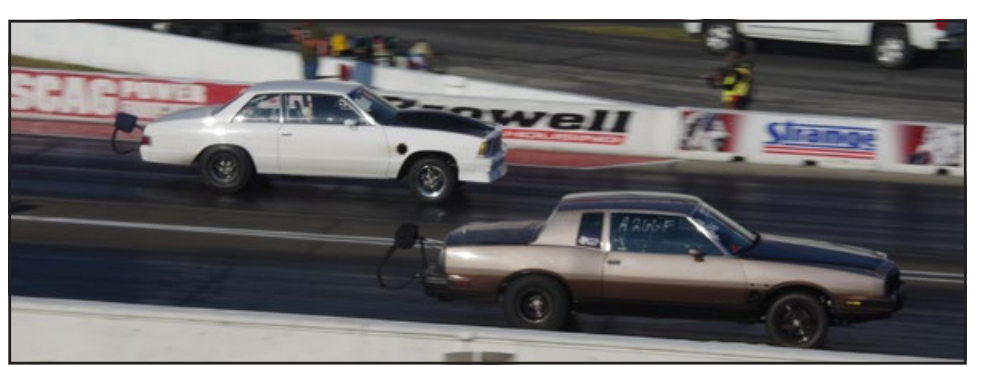
And if it hasn't raced at IMS, it likely competed right down the street. For example, the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) has its biggest event of the year at Indianapolis Raceway Park in Brownsburg, Ind. The U.S. Nationals, held annually over Labor Day weekend, is the "Super Bowl" of drag racing. The U.S. Nationals begin on the Thursday and concludes on Labor Day. The weekend of racing features over 900 competitors.



Additionally, Indiana is home to the United States Auto Club (USAC), which has its corporate offices in Speedway. Every year in June there is the USAC Indiana Midget Week that features a week of racing on tracks throughout Indiana. Likewise, at the end of July there is the USAC Indiana Sprint Week that features the USAC sprint cars. And if that isn't enough for you, there are iconic racing events such as the Hoosier Hundred at Indianapolis Raceway Park, the Little 500 at Anderson Speedway, and the Winchester 400 at Winchester Speedway.

This week featured just another example of Indiana motorsports glory when the **20th annual Hot Rod Drag Week rolled into Indianapolis Raceway Park.** The drag week features "drive and drag" competition. Meaning the competitors drive their race cars from track to track. The goal is to log over 1,000 miles on the road while competing at five different tracks in five days. After the competitors race at IRP, they rolled through Hamilton County on their way to US 131 Motorsports Park in Martin, Mich. For those who got to see it, it was a sight to behold – dozens of dragsters with trailers in tow making their way north to Michigan.

Indiana is home to the greatest motorsports competition in the world. Prove



Reporter photos by Bill Miller
The 20th annual Hot Rod Drag Week brought a slew of interesting custom rigs to the Indianapolis Raceway Park . . . some far stranger than others. (ABOVE) We've heard of off-roading, but would you call this "off-watering"?

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

Hamilton County High School Football, Week 5

4A No. 9 Brebeuf upsets 6A No. 11 Carmel in aerial battle

By CRAIG ADKINS
For The Reporter

CARMEL – The Carmel football team hadn't played Brebeuf Jesuit since 1980 and the Greyhounds had a 8-0 record against the Braves in games that were played from 1973-80.

The Braves came into last night's game on a high note after winning a thriller at Guerin Catholic last week (69-62) and came away with a stunning 28-27 win over Carmel.

The Hounds got off to a great start in the first. After Brebeuf turned it over on downs at the Carmel 22, the Greyhounds marched down the field, converting a fourth down and five from the 49. They would have a third and goal from the 19. That's when Anthony Coellner found Jacob Bellin for a 19-yard touchdown for a 7-0 lead.

In Brebeuf's next series, quarterback Maverick Geske threw an interception to Nate Williams. That put Carmel in business. Coellner hit Dominic Shockley for a 36-yard strike for a 14-0 advantage after one quarter.

The Braves got on the board almost immediately with a 39-yard TD catch by Taylor Clark from Geske, cutting it to 14-7.

The two offenses traded picks, the later by Carmel's Nate Williams for his second.

Coellner threw his second touchdown, again to Bellin from 14 yards for the 21-7 margin.

Brebeuf would score twice more before halftime on two more touchdown

passes and the score was tied 21-21 at the half.

"They made plays. Their explosive plays are not just chunks. They're the length of the entire field and those are hard to overcome," said a frustrated Carmel head coach John Hebert.

"You've got to get yourself ready to go on the next series. We took advantage of some and not others, so it was tighter than what it could've been. They made plays at the end, and we were short two points," continued Hebert.

The third quarter consisted of a few punts, a lot of penalties from both teams and Carmel turning the ball over on downs at the Braves' 23 didn't help either.

"They (penalties) were untimely, and they extended drives when we thought we were getting off the field," stated Hebert.

"I've got to watch them on tape to evaluate. They certainly did us in in the short term and they found a way to continue the drive after that," added Hebert.

Wide receiver Liam Mann got Carmel back in from 27-21 on a 25-yard touchdown catch from Coellner. Prior to the extra-point attempt, the Greyhounds were called for an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty, moving the attempt back to make it a 37-yard try. The kick would be long enough, but just left of the upright from Lukas Krishtanmoorthy.

The momentum stayed to Carmel on Brebeuf's next drive. Nate Williams found his way to a third interception of Geske, but the

| BREBEUF JESUIT 28, CARMEL 27 | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------|---|----------------|---|
| | Score by Quarters | | Carmel scoring | | |
| Brebeuf | 0 | 21 | 0 | 7-28 | First Quarter |
| Carmel | 14 | 7 | 0 | 6-27 | 5:25 – Jacob Bellin 18-yard pass from Anthony Coellner (Lukas Krishtanmoorthy kick) |
| Team stats | BREBEUF CARMEL | | 1:13 – Dominic Shockley 36-yard pass from Coellner (Krishtanmoorthy kick) | Second Quarter | |
| First Downs | 19 | 24 | 3:20 – Bellin 14-yard pass from Coellner (Krishtanmoorthy kick) | Fourth Quarter | |
| By Rush | 5 | 2 | 11:54 – Liam Mann 25-yard pass from Coellner (Krishtanmoorthy kick) | | |
| By Pass | 11 | 20 | | | |
| By Penalty | 3 | 2 | | | |
| Rushes-Yards | 25-112 | 23-84 | | | |
| Passing Yards | 307 | 401 | | | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 16-33-3-4 | 33-49-1-4 | | | |
| Fumbles-Lost | 0-0 | 0-0 | | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 7-50 | 11-110 | | | |
| Punts-Average | 2-43.0 | 2-38.5 | | | |
| Carmel individual stats | | | | | |
| Rushing: Andrew Pemberton 11-51, Coellner 10-27, Craig Kepler 2-6. | | | | | |
| Passing: Coellner 33-49-401. | | | | | |
| Receiving: Bellin 9-103, Shockley 8-134, Mann 8-81, Pemberton 4-45, Nate Williams 2-23, Kepler 2-15. | | | | | |

'Hounds went three and out and punted.

On the second play of the Braves' next drive, Geske was rushed and completed a jump pass to Taylor Clark, who raced to a 65-yard score that made it 28-27 with 8:32 left in the fourth.

"I think their quarterback does a really nice job. The ball is not in his hands for very long, but you can tell he has a great rapport with his receivers. They have a great connection, and he puts the ball right where they can catch it. They use that space for big plays, and it worked for them tonight," stated Hebert.

Krishtanmoorthy would miss a 37-yard field goal just left on Carmel's next possession.

Carmel's defense was amped up as Brebeuf started driving. The Braves had a fourth down and four at the Greyhound 41 and the pass attempt was batted down by Dylan Gould.

The Greyhounds had their final opportunity to try to get the lead for the win with 2:02 left. Once again, penalties became a drive killer. They wound up with a fourth down at 15 at their own 48 with 58.9 seconds left. Coellner's pass would

fall incomplete, turning it over on downs back to the Braves. Brebeuf took a knee for the final play to run out the clock.

"It's going to be a real challenge. We still have to go through all of this, watch the tape and figure out what's correctable and what good things were there too," said Hebert.

Brebeuf Jesuit (4-1) won its fourth straight game and plays at home next week against Roncalli (2-2). The Royals were victors at home over Guerin Catholic, 35-23.

Geske threw for 336 yards and four TDs, along with three interceptions, all to Nate Williams. CJ Harris rushed 18 times for 103 yards, while Taylor Clark caught six passes for 194 yards and three TDs.

Carmel (2-3) heads to North Central (0-5) next week. The Panthers were blown out at Butler University's Butler Bowl by Cathedral, 53-13.

Anthony Coellner had another great night passing, going 33 of 49 for 401 yards and four TDs. Dominic Shockley caught eight for 134 yards and a score. Jacob Bellin grabbed nine for 103 with Liam Mann also catching eight for 81.

Tigers nearly fight off Bulldogs in conference matchup

The REPORTER

Fishers went toe-to-toe with Class 6A No. 2 Brownsburg Friday night at the Tigers' Everwise Credit Union Field, as the two teams fought in a back-and-forth game.

And Fishers nearly pulled the upset in the rain-delayed Hoosier Crossroads Conference contest before the Bulldogs scored on a touchdown pass with 34 seconds left. An extra-point kick sent Brownsburg to a 31-30 victory, keeping the Bulldogs unbeaten at 5-0.

Brownsburg scored first on a 17-yard TD throw, but Brady Griffiths quickly answered for the Tigers; running in for a four-yard touchdown. Jon Tangara kicked the extra point, and the first quarter finished with the score 7-7.

The Bulldogs got their second touchdown early in the second quarter when quarterback Iousa Stephens ran in from 10 yards. Not to be outdone, Fishers quarterback Gage Sturgill scrambled in from 36 yards, and Tangara kicked another extra point. A few minutes later, Tangara booted a 21-yard field goal and the Tigers led 17-14.

But Brownsburg scored on a one-yard run seconds before halftime and went into the break up 21-17. Tangara kicked a 29-yard field goal midway through the third quarter to get Fishers within 21-20, but the Bulldogs' Will Orlando matched him with a 30-yard field goal 52 seconds left in the period.

Brownsburg entered the fourth quarter up 24-20. The Tigers came back: Sturgill found JonAnthony Hall for a 22-yard touchdown with 8:30 left. Tangara kicked the extra point – his third of the game – and later made a 37-yard field goal to put Fishers up 30-24. But the Bulldogs drove down the field, and made the last minute touchdown pass: Oscar Frye to Branden Sharpe for 17 yards. Orlando kicked the extra point to seal the win.

Sturgill was 17-of-29 through the air for 177 yards, with Hall catching eight of those throws for 141 yards. Nathan Ash and TJ Grace both made nine tackles, with Emmanuel Cowherd and Lincoln Bass both getting one sack.

Fishers is 2-1 in conference play and 3-2 overall. The Tigers play next Friday at Avon.

| BROWNSBURG 31, FISHERS 30 | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------|--|-------|--|
| | Score by Quarters | | Fishers scoring | | |
| Brownsburg | 7 | 14 | 3 | 7-31 | First Quarter |
| Fishers | 7 | 10 | 3 | 10-30 | 1:09 – Brady Griffiths 4-yard run (Jon Tangara kick) |
| Team stats | BRO FISH | | Second Quarter | | |
| First Downs | 25 | 16 | 9:19 – Gage Sturgill 36-yard run (Tangara kick) | | |
| By Rush | 8 | 5 | 3:16 – Tangara 21-yard field goal | | |
| By Pass | 17 | 10 | Third Quarter | | |
| By Penalty | 0 | 1 | 5:50 – 29-yard field goal | | |
| Rushes-Yards | 37-163 | 27-42 | Fourth Quarter | | |
| Passing Yards | 334 | 310 | 8:30 – JonAnthony Hall 22-yard pass from Sturgill (Tangara kick) | | |
| Comp-Att-Int-TD | 31-42-2-2 | 18-32-1-1 | 3:40 – Tangara 37-yard field goal | | |
| Fumbles-Lost | 0-0 | 3-1 | | | |
| Penalties-Yards | 11-69 | 4-29 | | | |
| Punts-Average | 4-30.8 | 4-40.5 | | | |
| Fishers individual stats | | | | | |
| Rushing: Sturgill 7-63, Griffiths 13-16, Hall 2-1, Denkota Fletcher 1-minus 5, Caden Hill 3-minus 10, Kyle Gunawan 1-minus 23. | | | | | |
| Passing: Sturgill 17-29-277, Hill 1-3-33. | | | | | |
| Receiving: Hall 8-141, Jase Ruggles 5-50, Akeem Schooley 2-76, Hudson Bell 1-29, Fletcher 1-8, Griffiths 1-6. | | | | | |

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