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Photo by Paula Ogden-Muse
Muse along a trail in Fall Creek Woods Natural Area.

Rerooting, re-Hoosiering

By JEFF DARREN MUSE
Guest Columnist

Editor's Note: An even bigger thrill for Scott Saalman than seeing his own Scarborough column byline in the Reporter is seeing the bylines of far better writers who occasionally fill in for him as he searches for his muse (we didn't have the heart to tell him it's "muse," not "moose," which could explain his struggle to find inspiration). The personal essay below was written by Jeff Darren Muse, who, like Scott, lives in Fishers. You could say Scott finally found his Muse.

Greetings from Fall Creek, upstream of Geist. Since my brain cancer diagnosis 15 months ago, I no longer work as a park ranger throughout the United States, but I still think like one. I wander and wonder. I hope. Imagine serving folks from any culture, any religion, anyone identifying the self by race or gender, generation or ability, folks whose descendants were native here, nonnative there, or pretty much like me: a place-by-place immigrant who navigates for need as well as want.

Sure enough, I've always been a restless Hoosier, though I currently reside 20 miles from my birthplace. My high school? Eight.

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Old Westfield library to get new life

By AMY ADAMS
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Leaders from Westfield Washington Schools (WWS) welcomed teachers, students, and community members to a ceremonial groundbreaking on Tuesday, Oct. 1, at what will be called Shamrock Station.

Directly across Hoover Street from Westfield High School and next door to Westfield Middle School in the previous Westfield Washington Public Library building, Shamrock Station will be a space designed to help Westfield students meet the goal of becoming "life-ready."

The updated and expanded facility will allow WHS students to gain hands-on career training in areas like culinary arts and entrepreneurship. It will also become the new home for Shamrock Connections, a transition program providing exceptional learners ages 18 to 22 with vocational, social, and independent living skills.

"We need a bigger space," Shamrock Connections student



Photo provided by Rocks Media House

Students, teachers, and those associated with Shamrock Connections are excited to have a new, larger space to look forward to.

Austin Cole said.

Cole was one of a handful of people who spoke to the crowd of around 50.

"It's going to bring so many more opportunities for our students," Shamrock Connections teacher Taylor Woolsey said.

"It's going to feel like a college to them, and that's what they

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Kenton Ward named "Outstanding County Surveyor"

Outgoing surveyor recognized for nearly 50 years of public service

The REPORTER

The Association of Indiana Counties (AIC) named Hamilton County Surveyor Kenton Ward Outstanding County Surveyor at its 66th Annual Conference in Switzerland County last week.

The conference, themed "Moving Indiana Forward," brought together county officials and stakeholders from across the state for a week of workshops, networking, and an awards banquet.

Ward has served as the Hamilton County Surveyor since 1977. He will retire at the end

of this year. Ward's proactive approach and expertise in floodplain management and erosion control have garnered him several accolades, including the prestigious Arthur R. Himsel Award in 2009, the highest honor the AIC bestows. This is the third time Ward has been selected for the AIC's Outstanding County Surveyor Award.

"This recognition reflects Kenton's commitment to excellence in surveying and land management," said Nancy Marsh,

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Kiwanis Club of Cicero holding membership drive

New member open house set for Saturday, Oct. 26

The REPORTER

The Kiwanis Club of Cicero announces a community-wide membership drive throughout the month of October. This campaign aims to attract new members who are passionate about serving the community and making a positive difference.

The drive will culminate in a special New Member Open House on Saturday, Oct. 26, providing prospective members with the opportunity to meet current members, learn more about Kiwanis and its impact, and discover how they can get involved in local projects and initiatives. The open house will be held at Red Bridge Community Building from 7:30 to 9 a.m. with breakfast being served at from 7:30 to 8 a.m.

"We're looking for individuals who share our commitment to improving the lives of children and building a stronger community," Club President Mark Bailey said. "This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in giving back and joining a network of like-minded volunteers."

Founded in 1977, the Kiwanis Club of Cicero is part of Kiwanis International, a global service organization dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time. The local club organizes a variety of service projects, fundraising events, and initiatives that benefit Cicero and surrounding areas.

For more information about the membership drive, the open house, or to RSVP, please visit cicerokiwanis.org/join and click the "email us" button.

From across the pond: Paul Hughes returns to Feinstein's stage

The REPORTER

If you miss the style and grace of the greats – Frank Sinatra, Bobby Darin, Dean Martin, Nat King Cole – then you need to **come to Feinstein's next Friday, Oct. 11**, for the smooth, velvety, warm sound of Paul Hughes.

Hughes hails from Manchester, England. Exposed to the great crooners like Tony

Bennett and Frank Sinatra by his grandfather, he has been performing since age 12.

He performed in pubs around the U.K., many of which hosted The Beatles during their own start. He honed his performance skills traveling the world on leading cruise ships, bringing joy to the passengers with his nightly singing. Hughes has also per-

formed for David and Victoria Beckham and their guests.

He is a huge admirer of the Rat Pack, and you will find his songs mirror the sound of Dean Martin, as well as Sinatra, leaving you relaxed and nostalgic for bygone days.

As part of his show, Hughes will perform several of the songs from a new album. These songs were written

by some top songwriters who have taken a special interest in Hughes' recording project. He searched for the material for *My Lucky Stars* for a long time.

The lead single from the project, "My Lucky Stars," was co-written by Byron Hill and Roger Brown. Hill is a member of the Nashville

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Hendricks County Auditor and AIC Board President. “He has consistently demonstrated leadership and duty to his profession, making significant contributions to the community and state.”

Mark Heirbrandt, President of the Hamilton Coun-

ty Commissioners and a Commissioners Association Past President, praised Ward’s accomplishments.

“Kent’s unwavering dedication to our county and his tireless public service have greatly benefited Hamilton County,” he said.

HUGHES

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Don’t delay! Get your tickets to see Paul Hughes!

Songwriters Hall of Fame and has written songs for such greats as Ray Charles and Kenny Rogers. Hill also penned George Strait’s first number one hit, “Fool Hearted Memory.” Brown has a long list of recordings by artists as diverse as Barbra Streisand, Tammy Wynette, Willie Nelson, Johnny Mathis, and Crystal Gayle.

cause he believes in the power of music and wants to share a genuine performance with the audience. During the evening, he hopes to take each member of the audience away for just a little while.

Come out and share an evening of swing-jazz with Hughes on Friday, Oct. 11. The show begins at 7:30 p.m., and doors open at 5:30. Enjoy a fantastic dinner and beverage before the show.

To get a peek at what to expect, hear Hughes’ performance of “Then Came You” at [this link](#).

Click here to get your tickets.

Hughes performs be-

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STATION

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Photo provided by Rocks Media House

Leaders from Westfield Washington Schools “break ground” on what will become Shamrock Station.

deserve – to get a change of scenery and be proud of where they’re at.”

The proximity of Shamrock Connections to programs like Foodies Rock and the Rock Shop will allow a greater opportunity for collaboration. Foodies Rock serves as the catering arm of the WHS culinary program, and the Rock Shop offers a student-run Westfield merchandise and apparel store. In addition, the new venue will allow community access to catering services and spirit wear purchases.

“We’re really blessed that we are able to tie culinary arts and career readiness into our community,” said Chef Nikki Heflin, WHS family and consumer science teacher. “This is a model program of what can happen and what we can achieve when a school board, a community, educators, students, and parents all come together and rally behind these students for the betterment of their education.”

On top of creating two kitchens, an addition to the north and west of the current building will incorporate an event space for up to 200 people. The plan is that it will provide another locale for community members, organizations, and businesses to hold events and utilize the catering services of Foodies Rock. There is even talk that there may be grab-and-go options available.

Alongside Shamrock Connections, Foodies Rock, and the Rock Shop, Rocks Media House will have a content creation and recording studio in the renovated facility.

“It’s a really unique project in that we have different end users,” said Winifrid Williams, partner with krM Architecture. “It’s not just one program.”

WWS Director of Exceptional Learners Dr. Lindsay Tomamichel worked closely with krM and with KBSO Consulting to develop a plan for the building that will meet all



Photo provided by Rocks Media House

Shamrock Connections student Austin Cole speaks to the crowd with a little help from teacher Taylor Woolsey.

the various needs.

“We’re trying to be good stewards and use what’s there, but it’s going to be so different,” Williams said. “We’re adding a brand-new entryway and really giving it a new facade.”

Both WWS School Board President Amber Willis and Superintendent Dr. Paul Kaiser shared memories of the former library.

Willis said she remembers going as a kindergartener to get her first library card. Kaiser recalls his daughters as children filling their backpacks with books.

“We’re going to continue that for our children with future educational opportunities in our community,” Kaiser said. “[The facility] is going to serve kids from now moving forward.”

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Sheridan invites you to cut ribbon on latest Monon Trail extension

The REPORTER

Trail development has been a big focus this year for the Sheridan community. This past spring, the Town of Sheridan started work on an extension of the Monon Trail to bring it from Biddle Park into downtown.

At the same time, the community began work on a trail head located directly behind Town Hall on Ohio Street. The trail extension was completed in August, while the trail head received its finishing touches in September.

The new paved trail head has 43 parking spots and will double as parking for Town Hall staff and visitors during the week. Easy access to the Monon Trail will take users south past

Biddle Park, through the Adams Township countryside, and into Westfield. In 2025, the Monon Trail will be extended north to the Hamilton-Boone County line, completing the trail in Hamilton County 32 years after the first sections of the trail were laid in Carmel.

The community will host a ribbon cutting at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 506 S. Main St. All are welcome to attend the event and stay for the community conversation hosted by Sheridan Main Street, Inc., “Monon Meets Main.”

Sheridan Main Street, Inc.’s new initiative, “Monon Meets Main,” is an outreach for all members of the community to participate in the planning

of how best to incorporate the trail into the community’s wishes for Sheridan. Sheridan Main Street, Inc. is a volunteer organization working with Indiana Main Street to preserve the historic nature on the town’s Main Street and promote a vital place to live, work, and play.

Please join the first conversation following the ribbon cutting at 4:30 p.m. at 518 S. Main St. immediately next to the trail. The meeting is open to the public.

About Sheridan Main Street, Inc.

Sheridan Main Street, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization focused on improving downtown Sheridan. The mission is to enhance the

downtown’s historic identity and to cultivate a center of activity that reflects the community. Sheridan Main Street has been successful in leading efforts to preserve and restore the historic downtown structures with over \$500,000 in public-private investment. Monon Meets Main is the next step in fulfilling the mission.

Community News

Sheridan’s Phi Beta Psi Annual Lasagna Dinner

Friday, Oct. 11, 5 to 7 p.m.

Lasagna, breadsticks, salad, dessert & drink
Advance Adult Tickets: \$12 (\$15 at the door)
Children 12 and under: \$7

Carry-out available

Tickets available from sorority members at the Sheridan Public Library.

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A cartoon illustration of a man in a suit and sunglasses standing next to a microphone. Behind him is a map of Indiana with a sun and a cloud. The text reads "Hello, Hamilton County" in large blue letters and "paulpoteet.com" in smaller blue letters.

HOOSIERING

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In that spirit, please cheer with me for Hoosier high school teachers like Sheila McDermott-Sipe and her students in a Junior AP Language and Composition course. I recently visited them in Bloomington. To help with their study of creative nonfiction, we read and discussed my memoir-in-essays, *Dear Park Ranger*, which has been honored on the **Debut Shortlist of the Indiana Authors Awards**.

In that classroom I loved seeing one of my essays, “Waiting for Rain,” printed on paper, brightened by highlighters, scribbled on, chewed on, leaned on as a model for integrating personal narrative with natural and cultural history. Plus its sentences are intimate, drawing on all of our senses – smell, taste, touch, and plenty more. I trust that whatever I feel my readers can feel, no matter one’s identity.

As explained in the book’s original proposal, “‘Waiting for Rain’ grew from a 2010 road trip to southern Kentucky, where my long-dead father had been born into poverty, alcoholism, and deep rural roots. Embracing Joan Didion’s dictum, ‘We tell ourselves stories in order to live,’ I scrutinize elements of my own life: how I first fell in love with wild things, leading me to become an environmental educator; how I felt about my ‘redneck’ dad when I was a child, a teenager, and then a young adult, myself faltering; how I navigated his untimely death at 54 (I was 28); and how all men struggle. Indeed, this essay is ‘about truth, elusive truth, including my own flaws.’”

At 55, with those two dozen students, I wore cancer-fighting headgear while reading my words and sharing a photo from 1991. It’s Alan, my brother, Sue, my mother, and 21-year-old me beside my father – my out-of-place dad, Wendell Keith Muse, wrestling with shame, regret, and burgeoning pride when I graduated from DePauw University. That’s where I met Sheila, a fellow Tiger, a Hoosier who also grew up locally.

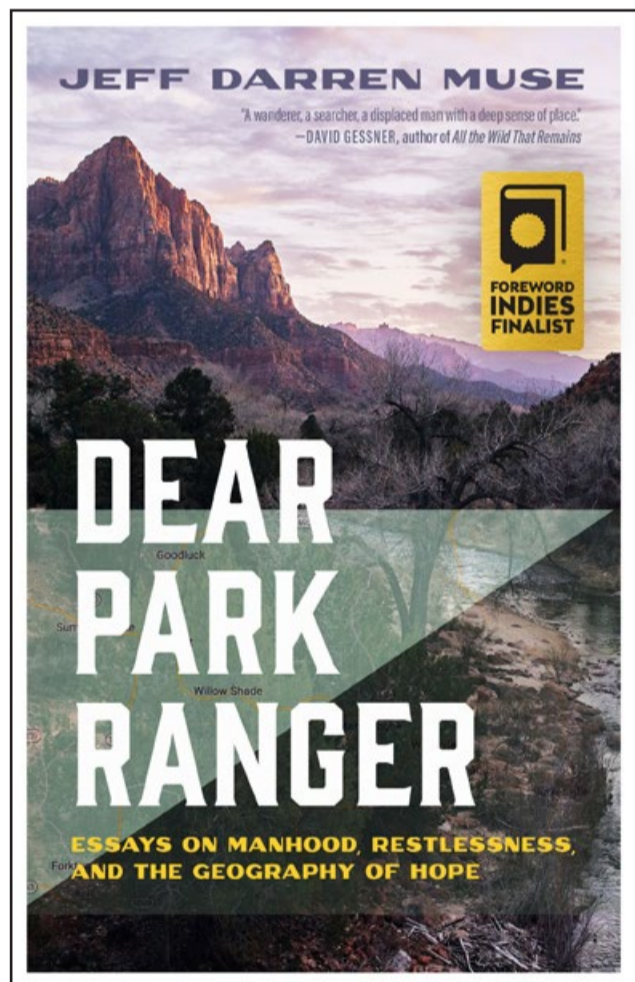
I passed around my family’s image, helping 16- and 17-year-old students reflect on how photos and social media and even our most vivid, sense-driven stories sometimes fall short. Or they only reveal a glimpse of our lives. Thus I write essays, personal essays – an attempt to make sense of things, including myself.

I was honored by their attentiveness, their questions, their own sharing. All filled me with hope.

Inspiration too. I continue to write, and in addition to doctor appointments, MRIs, and nonstop treatment, I eat as well as I ever have while exercising daily, sans head-



Photo by Paula Ogden-Muse
Muse, wearing his headgear, reads from his book to a classroom in Bloomington.



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gear. Where? The southeast corner of Hamilton County, before Fall Creek turns into a reservoir. I cherish what remains of our woods and creeks. I reroot. I re-Hoosier. Hiking and biking and thanking my family, especially my single mother who resides a half-mile distant, offer a kind of prayer. I say that as a tree hugger. My church is nature, always has been.

Of course, this is a much different landscape than where I grew up. When I grew up. Yet its increasing social diversity nourishes me, and the teachers I meet seem kindred. They wander. They wonder. They adapt with hope.

I thank them for their service to all of us, and I look forward to more—more classroom visits, a variety of essays. *Dear Park Ranger* offers humor too! Adventure, foibles, gratitude.

I’m a ranger, after all, in a new wilderness, my own. Onward.

Jeff Darren Muse is the author of *Dear Park Ranger: Essays on Manhood, Restlessness, and the Geography of Hope*. In July 2023, he was diagnosed as having terminal brain cancer. At that time, he and his wife lived in New Mexico, where they both worked for the National Park Service. After Muse’s craniotomy, radiation, and initial chemotherapy, which took place in Arizona, they relocated to Fishers, close to his birthplace. Family members reside nearby as he receives care from IU Health as well as nationwide experts. Ironically, *Dear Park Ranger* was published only two months before his diagnosis, which limited his ability to share it. In 2024, he has participated in numerous events and received honors from Foreword INDIES Book of the Year Awards, Nautilus Book Awards, and Indiana Authors Awards. Email Muse at jeffdarren-muse@gmail.com.

Advertisement for the HOPE 5K WALK/RUN event. The text includes "HOPE 5K WALK/RUN", "SAT OCT 12", "Saturday, October 12, 2024 | 10am.", "Awards for Top Finishers in Men’s and Women’s.", "Hamilton Heights Cross Country HS Course | Arcadia, IN.", "Registration: LIMITED TIME ONLY - \$35 per person.", "All Ages Welcome. Children not in strollers will need to register.", "T-Shirts Provided.", and a QR code to register. Title sponsors include Walker Hughes Insurance, BellaLisse, and Daystar Directional Drilling.

Advertisement for the WILD, WILD WESTFIELD Chili Cook Off & Fall Fest. The text includes "Rescheduled Event Date is Saturday, October 5th", "WILD, WILD WESTFIELD", "Free event Live Music", "Mechanical Bull Games", "Great Food Pony Rides", "Bounce Houses Petting Zoo", "Chili Cook Off & Fall Fest", "October 5 Saturday", "Event at: CrossRoads Church | 19201 Grassy Branch Road, Westfield", and "Online at ForOurNeighbor.Life". There is also a QR code and a list of activities: "Premier Chili Cook Off & Fall Fest", "Chili Cook Off", "Fall Fest", "Live Music", "Mechanical Bull", "Games", "Great Food", "Pony Rides", "Bounce Houses", "Petting Zoo".

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Carmel takes strategic steps to strengthen Christkindlmarkt while protecting city taxpayers

The REPORTER

As the footprint for the Carmel Christkindlmarkt takes shape at Carter Green, city leaders are advancing a plan to ensure the longevity and superior quality of one of the Midwest's premier holiday events, with an eye on protecting taxpayers.

As a city event operated by a non-profit organization, the Christkindlmarkt has enjoyed impressive growth since being formed in 2017 – in activities and offerings, number of attendees, and reputation. However, as the market has grown, so has the city's investment, with direct costs expected to exceed \$1.5 million this year.

While the city has benefited from the event's success in the form of restaurant and small business sales, city leaders have never attempted to recoup direct expenses incurred by taxpayers including event setup and the safety of attendees.

Now is a crucial time, Mayor Sue Finkam said, to establish a new governance framework for the event that better supports its future success and defrays the significant annual investment made by the city.

Mayor Finkam said the Christkindlmarkt changes will start with the formation of an advisory board of community members representing an array of



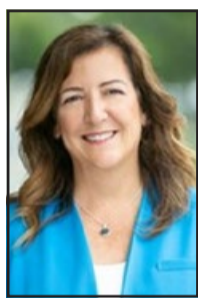
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The Carmel Christkindlmarkt began in 2017, and the impressive growth since that time necessitates that the city look at ways to keep taxpayers from becoming burdened by further increases in municipal spending.

expertise to work alongside market leadership, focusing on attendee experience.

“The advisory board will help support event operations for the Carmel Christkindlmarkt that assures it continues to be a treasured attraction for our residents and for the thousands of others introduced to or reacquainted with our community as part of this event,” Finkam said.

Executive board members have been appointed that will consider financial and staffing resources devoted to the event and how



Finkam

the revenue can best be directed to both the benefit of the Carmel Christkindlmarkt and to supporting other vital city needs like public safety and infrastructure.

“The Carmel Christkindlmarkt is truly a destination event that has benefited from exceptional leadership and from the generous support of Carmel taxpayers,” Finkam said. “With new city leadership in place, and a need for a reprioritization of city spending, it's important that we protect the market's successes while establish-

ing guidelines for long-term sustainability.”

Emphasizing that the stellar visitor experience for the market will not be affected by the changes, the mayor praised the vision and efforts of market chief executive officer Maria Adele Rosenfeld. Finkam noted that under Rosenfeld's leadership, market attendance has expanded greatly in recent years, achieving a four-time top ranking by *USA Today's* 10Best reader's choice awards. It has also become a family-favorite holiday event for many Carmel residents, attracting visitors from across the state and beyond.

Westfield residents invited to take parks & rec survey

The REPORTER

The City of Westfield has launched a community input survey to find out what you want in your city parks and more.

The survey will be available until Friday, Oct. 11, and the insights gathered will help identify priorities and will help create the

Parks & Recreation Department's five-year master plan. Your valuable contributions will ensure that community needs and desires are reflected in that planning.

Click here to take the survey. Thank you for taking the time to help enhance the parks and recreational opportunities in Westfield.

Westfield Young Pros to welcome Gary Scher to next coffee & breakfast

The REPORTER

Join the Westfield Young Professionals from 8 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8

Westfield for an insightful networking event with Gary Scher on Business Entrepreneurship & Corporate Mentoring.

Scher is an active retiree in the Westfield community. You are likely to find him on a golf course, volunteering with the Westfield Police Department, or playing 'Golden Tee' at Joe's Grille.

He earned this retirement after his long career that took him places he never expected. He started with military and eventual-

ly found himself as a CEO and founder of a company overseeing the building and operations of dialysis facilities across the country.

Scher has a passion for mentoring and is eager to share his journey through the corporate world. His advice from years in

the workforce is transferable to a diversity of career paths.

Don't miss out on your chance to network with community professionals and gain valuable insight towards becoming a leader in your community. Register now and bring your co-workers for complimentary coffee and continental breakfast.



United Way of Central Indiana opening funding to organizations outside its accredited network

Interested nonprofits must attend a virtual workshop before applying

The REPORTER

United Way of Central Indiana will open grant funding this month to nonprofits outside of its accredited partner network.

Starting Oct. 11, nonprofits in Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Marion, Morgan, and Putnam counties that are not currently accredited with United Way will be able to apply for grants from United Way's Basic Needs and Family Opportunity funds.

The Basic Needs Fund focuses on safe and affordable housing, healthy food access, transportation and health services. The Family Opportunity Fund supports integrated programming that serves both youth and adults in the same house-

hold, aimed at improving the education, financial stability, and well-being of the whole family.

This is the first time United Way of Central Indiana is opening funding of this kind to non-accredited partners.

“United Way values partnering with community-based organizations throughout our seven-county region to tackle our community's toughest problems,” said Sara VanSlambrook, United Way's chief impact officer. “This new funding enables us to expand our community partnerships beyond our current network to serve more people in more places.”

Applications open at 3 p.m. Oct. 11 and close at



United Way of Central Indiana

3 p.m. Nov. 8. To apply, organizations are first required to attend one virtual workshop on either Oct. 8 or Oct. 10 to learn more about eligibility and grant focus areas. Register for the workshops at these links:

- 9 to 10 a.m. on Oct. 8
- 11 a.m. to noon on Oct. 10

Grant awards will be announced in mid-February, and contracts begin April 1.

Nonprofits with questions about this funding opportunity are asked to email Renate Myler, United Way's impact funds director, at renate.myler@uwci.org.

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Tickets for all 2025 shows at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre now on sale

52nd Season includes Broadway hits "Jersey Boys" & "Waitress"

The REPORTER

Tickets to all 2025 Season shows at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre are now available to the public.

The season includes five new shows to its stage, including the Broadway hits *Jersey Boys* and *Waitress*, plus Agatha Christie's *Murder on the Orient Express*. The theatre is also bringing back family favorites including Disney's *The Little Mermaid* and its signature holiday production: *A Beef & Boards Christmas*.

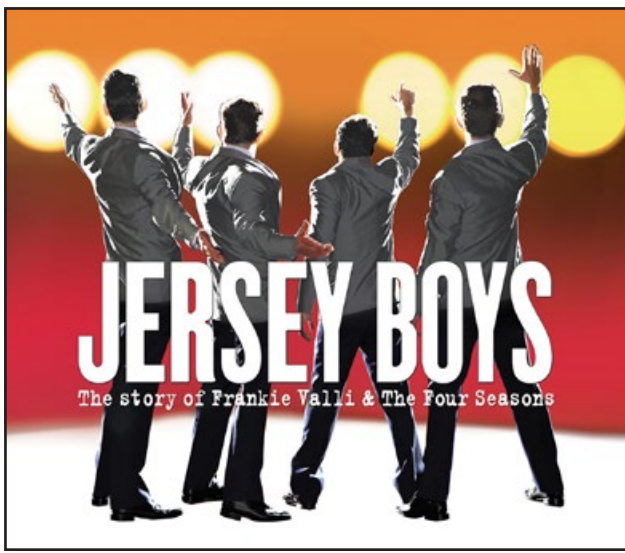
Beef & Boards opens its 2025 Season with the Agatha Christie murder mystery *Murder on the Orient Express*, the first new show to its stage in the season. An American tycoon is discovered stabbed in his compartment, which locked from the inside, aboard the luxurious Orient Express. Isolated in a snowstorm and with a killer in their midst, the passengers rely on detective Hercule Poirot to solve the case – before the murderer strikes again! Adapted for the stage by Ken Ludwig, *Murder on the Orient Express* is presented from Jan. 9 through Feb. 9. This show is rated PG.

Headlining the 2025 Season is the captivating story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons and their unforgettable music in *Jersey Boys*. Also new to the Beef & Boards stage, *Jersey Boys* opens on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. It's the remarkable journey of four blue-collar kids from the streets of New Jersey and their 40-year friendship, with its struggles and triumphs, that led to the hits

"Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," "My Eyes Adored You," and many more. *Jersey Boys* won the Tony Award for Best Musical and is on stage through April 13. The show is rated PG-13.

Then, starting April 17, the *Church Basement Ladies* are back in the show that started it all! Times are quickly changing in 1965, and these formidable women do all they can to keep things from boiling over below the house of God. Based on the Scandinavian Lutheran humor writings of Janet Martin and Sutzann Nelson, the women of *Church Basement Ladies* are characters who can be found in any denomination. Together they tackle both food and food for thought while managing a record-breaking Christmas dinner, the funeral of a dear friend, a Hawaiian Easter fundraiser, and a hot July wedding. Rated G, this show is on stage through May 18.

Starting May 22, dive into Beef & Boards 2025 Family Show, Disney's *The Little Mermaid*. In this journey "Under The Sea," the adventurous mermaid Ariel longs to live in the world above. When she falls for a human prince, she bargains with Ursula, the sea witch, to gain human legs so she can be with him. But every bargain has a price, and Ariel needs the help of her friends and her father, King Triton, to escape the witch's wrath. As the 2025 Family Show, tickets for *The Little Mermaid* are discounted by \$10



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Beef & Boards has a great 2025 season ready for you to enjoy. Visit BeefAndBoards.com for tickets.

for all kids ages 3 to 15. It's on stage through July 13.

Beef & Boards serves up for the first time, starting July 17, the sweet treat by Sara Bareilles: *Waitress*. Jenna, a talented pie-maker and waitress, longs for a way out of her small town as she creates magic from scratch with her rolling pin – each delicious pie filled with her dreams and fears. Just when she faces her biggest challenge of all, a local baking contest just might be the opportunity of a lifetime. With a heaping serving of humor,

a sprinkling of hope, and a dash of romance, this musical celebrates friendship, motherhood, and the magic of a well-made pie. New to the Beef & Boards stage, *Waitress* is rated PG-13 and continues through Aug. 31.

Get out those blue suede shoes and make reservations at the *Heartbreak Hotel*, the next new show in 2025 at Beef & Boards. This prequel to *Million Dollar Quartet* follows the tender story of Elvis Presley in his youth, and the moments that led him to become "The King of Rock and Roll." This celebration of the legend and his music includes over 40 Elvis hits and iconic songs including, "That's All Right," "All Shook Up," "Heartbreak Hotel," "Burning Love," "Good Rockin' Tonight," "Hound Dog," "Love Me Tender," "Don't Be Cruel," "Jailhouse Rock," and, yes, "Blue Suede Shoes." Rated PG, *Heartbreak Hotel* is on stage Sept. 4 to Oct. 12. Opening Oct. 16 is the

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

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

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

VIP Memberships

VIP Memberships for the 2025 Season are also available. Purchasing a membership entitles the member to buy-one-get-one-free tickets up to seven times during the season, plus other perks. Three levels of membership are available. Visit BeefAndBoards.com for complete details.

New start time for some shows in 2025

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

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

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Indy native Claudia Casillas serving aboard Navy’s newest submarine

By JOHN OSBORNE
Senior Chief Mass Communication Specialist, Navy Office of Community Outreach

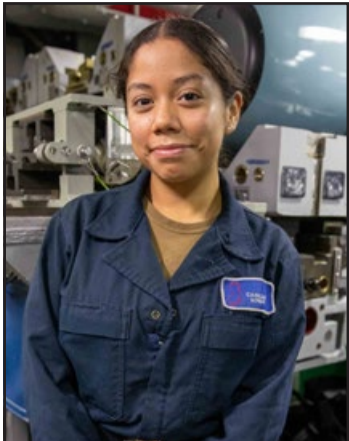


Photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Whitten Helton

NORFOLK, Va. – Petty Officer 3rd Class Claudia Casillas, a native of Indianapolis, serves aboard USS New Jersey, the U.S. Navy’s newest fast-attack submarine homeported in Norfolk, Va.

Casillas attended Warren Central High School and graduated in 2022. She joined the Navy two years ago and today serves as a sonar technician (submarines).

Known as America’s “Apex Predators!,” the Navy’s submarine force operates a large fleet of technically advanced vessels. These submarines are capable of conducting rapid defensive and offensive operations around the world, in furtherance of U.S. national security.

Fast-attack submarines are designed to hunt down and destroy enemy submarines and surface ships; strike targets ashore with cruise missiles; carry and deliver Navy SEALs; conduct intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance missions; and engage in mine warfare. The Virginia-class SSN is the most advanced submarine in the world today. It combines stealth and payload capability to meet Combatant Commanders’ demands in this era of strategic competition. New Jersey is the first Virginia-class submarine designed and built for a full gender-integrated crew.

With 90 percent of global commerce traveling by sea and access to the internet relying on the security of

undersea fiber optic cables, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity of the United States is directly linked to trained sailors and a strong Navy.

“We will earn and reinforce the trust and confidence of the American people every day,” said Adm. Lisa Franchetti, chief of naval operations. “Together we will deliver the Navy the nation needs.”

Casillas has many opportunities to achieve accomplishments during military service, and she can take pride in serving America through military service.

“For me, being in the Navy means representing to younger women that they can do anything,” added Casillas. “Being one of the few women on submarines, I get to prove to young women that they can be just as good at a job as men.”

Casillas is grateful to others for helping make a Navy career possible.

“I want to thank my mom, Sandra, who has given me the confidence, strength, and motivation that assures me I can do anything I put my mind to,” added Casillas. “I hope to earn my submarine qualification in the next two weeks.”

Songbook Library & Archives offering public tours this month

The REPORTER

In recognition of American Archives Month, the Great American Songbook Foundation is offering rare public tours of its Songbook Library & Archives in October.

Normally closed to the public, the Songbook Library & Archives preserves more than 500,000 historical items from the foundational era of American popular music, including recordings, arrangements, images, memorabilia, personal papers, and other artifacts from the lives and careers of legendary performers, composers, lyricists, and other key figures. The facility in Carmel also includes a reference library and study space for researchers who come from around the world to study the materials.

Free behind-the-scenes group tours are scheduled on four occasions: 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 16 and Oct. 23. Space is limited to 20 visitors per tour. Tours may be scheduled at [TheSongbook.org/ArchivesTour24](https://www.songbook.org/ArchivesTour24), and more information is available by phone at (317) 844-2251 or by email at info@thesongbook.org.



Photo provided

Emily Rapoza, director of the Songbook Library & Archives, displays historical items to a visiting student group.

TheSongbook.org

Tour highlights will include glamorous stage costumes worn by such performers as Ella Fitzgerald, Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gormé; original scripts for classic Broadway shows like *The Music Man*; musical arrangements written for iconic artists including Sammy Davis Jr., Andy Williams, Rosemary Clooney, Natalie

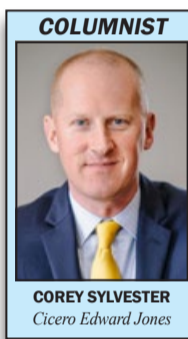
Cole, and Frank Sinatra, featuring hits like “Moon River” and “I’ve Got You Under My Skin”; and historical materials representing such prominent figures as Leonard Bernstein, Mamie Eisenhower, Ginger Rogers, Walt Disney, and Doris Day.

The archives staff also will be sharing special content this month through the Foundation’s social me-

dia accounts and website, [TheSongbook.org](https://www.thesongbook.org). American Archives Month is celebrated annually in October to raise awareness about the value of archives and the importance of archivists. The National Archives and Records Administration and the Council of State Archivists support the Society of American Archivists in the observance.

Vote for solid investment strategies

With the presidential election just a few weeks away, the public is naturally interested in not just the outcome but what the results will mean for issues of national importance.



COLUMNIST

COREY SYLVESTER
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As a citizen, you likely share these concerns – but how about as an investor? After the votes are counted – or even before – should you make some moves in anticipation of possible changes in policy?

Let’s look at the big picture first, through the lens of history. The financial markets have performed well – and at times, not so well – under Democratic and Republican presidents alike. And the same is true about which party controlled Congress.

While it might be an overstatement to say that decisions made in Washington have no effect on the markets, it’s not always so easy to draw a direct line between what happens there and how the markets perform.

For one thing, political candidates often make promises that are not fulfilled, or, if they are, have different results than intended. Also, other institutions can have a significant impact on the markets. For example, the Federal Reserve, which controls short-term interest rates, can certainly affect many market sectors. And there will always be external events, such as foreign conflicts and even natural disasters, that can make short-term impacts on the investment world.

So, rather than making changes to your portfolio in anticipation of what might happen if certain candidates

get elected, or even in response to actual policy changes, look to other factors to drive your investment decisions.

These factors should include the following:

- **Your goals** – You probably have short- and long-term goals you’d like to achieve. For your short-term goals, such as a wedding, a down payment on a house, or a long vacation, you may want to invest in instruments that provide stability of principal. For your long-term goals, most important of which may be a comfortable retirement, you’ll need to own a reasonable number of growth-oriented investments.

- **Your risk tolerance** – When you build and maintain your investment portfolio, you’ll need to accommodate your individual risk tolerance. All investments carry some type of risk, but you need to be comfortable with the overall risk level of your investments.

- **Your time horizon** – Where you are in life is an important consideration when investing. When you are young and just starting out in your career, you may be able to focus more on growth, as you have time to overcome the inevitable short-term market downturns. But as you near retirement, you may want to consolidate any gains you may have achieved, and lower your risk level, by moving your portfolio to-

ward a somewhat more conservative approach. Even in retirement, though, you will need some growth potential to stay ahead of inflation.

- **Your needs for liquidity** – As you invest, you’ll need to maintain an adequate amount of cash and cash equivalents in your holdings. Without this liquidity, you might be forced to sell long-term investments in case you have unexpected expenses.

In any case, when it comes to investing, you may want to pay less attention to what names are on the ballot – and instead “vote” for the longer-term strategies that reflect your needs and goals.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor. Edward Jones, Member SIPC.

New at Sheridan Library

The REPORTER

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

Fiction

1. Bad Liar – Tami Hoag
2. Banned Books Club – Brenda Novak
3. Boyfriend – Freida McFadden
4. Cliffs – J. Courtney Sullivan
5. Counting Miracles – Nicholas Sparks
6. Eye for an Eye – Jeffrey Archer
7. Forest of Lost Souls – Dean Koontz
8. Legacy of Blood – Heather Graham
9. Night We Lost Him – Laura Dave
10. One Big Happy Family – Susan Mallery

11. Santa’s Secret – Fern Michaels
12. Shadow of Doubt – Brad Thor
13. Triangle – Danielle Steel

Non-Fiction

1. Something Lost Something Gained – Hillary Clinton

Inspirational Fiction

1. Christmas Cottage – Davis Bunn

Children’s

1. Chicka Chicka Ho Ho Ho – William Boniface
2. Mousetronaut Saves the World – Mark Kelly
3. There’s a Witch in Your Book – Tom Fletcher

Young Adults

1. Looking for Smoke – K.A. Cobell
2. Sync – Ellen Hopkins

Meijer recognized by EPA for having GreenChill Program’s lowest rate of refrigerant emissions

Submitted

For the fourth consecutive year, Meijer has been recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s GreenChill Program for having the lowest corporate-wide refrigerant emissions rate out of all GreenChill Partners nationwide over the past year.

As an active participant in the EPA’s program since 2012, the Midwest retailer focused on reducing its refrigerant leak rate, which is well below the industry average of 25 percent.

“At Meijer, we remain committed to adopting effective refrigeration technologies and environmental best practices into our everyday operations, which significantly helps us reduce our carbon footprint,” Meijer Chief Administrative Officer Vik Srinivasan said. “We remain incredibly proud of achieving our industry-leading 2025 carbon emissions reduction goal a year early. Continually reducing our refrigerant emissions was a key part of that achievement.”

The EPA’s GreenChill program is a voluntary

partnership with food retailers, refrigeration system manufacturers, and chemical manufacturers to reduce refrigerant emissions and decrease their impact on the ozone layer and climate change. GreenChill provides supermarkets and other industry stakeholders with information and assistance to transition to environmentally friendlier refrigerants, reduce the amount of refrigerant they use, eliminate refrigerant leaks, implement environmental best practices, and adopt green refrigeration technologies.

“Meijer should be extremely proud of achieving GreenChill’s Best Emissions Rate among large food retail Partners for the fourth year in a row,” said Bella Maranion, Senior Advisor in EPA’s Stratospheric Protection Division and member of the GreenChill Team. “This accomplishment proves that dedication pays off.”

To learn more about the retailer’s carbon reduction efforts, please visit meijercommunity.com/carbon-reduction.



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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
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
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 Eric 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

Grants for Disabled
<https://grantsfordisabled.org/> is a website that lists many useful benefits, programs and options for our whole community and our Veteran population
<https://grantsfordisabled.org/grants-for-disabled-veterans-in-the-united-states/>

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Hamilton County Military Veteran

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611 North Capitol Ave
Tuesdays 6pm-7pm – NeighborCare of Chapel Hill
230 Welcome Way Blvd
Wednesdays 6pm-7pm – Veterans Villa
3731 Station St

Thursdays 6pm-7pm – Lincoln Apartments
530 North Holmes Ave
Fridays – 8am-9am – Assessment & Intervention Ctr
2979 E Pleasant Run Parkway North Drive

Meetings are run with group facilitators who are Veterans just like you and are here building camaraderie and relationships one connection at a time. Our website is <https://indyvettovet.org>
Meeting Rules – 1. We promise to do no harm to ourselves or others – 2. What is said here, stays here – 3. Honesty, say what you mean and mean what you say – 4. Respect, arrive on time, do not engage in side conversation during the group, mute cell phones.
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Noblesville VFW Post 6246 Activities this Week



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SAT 5TH 7PM KARAOKE WITH KENT

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Oct 5th Hamilton County Veterans Corp is Hosting a Breakfast Meeting with our 7 county VFW and American Legion Posts discussing ongoing and future activities for our Hamilton County Military Veteran community. We will have several resources we are partnered with there as well to further explain some of our projects as we ask the Posts to work with us to ensure we are reaching our Veterans and their families. This will be historic in that all our Posts have never been in the same room together before so look for better things to come as we work together into the future...

Activities & Events

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October 11, 2024

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Encore Center celebrates successful National Senior Center Month with Lifestyle Expo & Senior Games

The REPORTER

The month of September has been officially recognized as National Senior Center Month by the National Council on Aging, and this year, the Tipton community came together to celebrate the invaluable contribution of senior centers across the country.

Events such as the 50+ Lifestyle Expo and Senior Games not only showcased the talents and vitality of our senior population but also promoted healthy living, social engagement, and lifelong learning.

The vibrant Lifestyle Expo, held Sept. 17 at the Tipton County Fairgrounds, attracted just under 150 attendees, featuring 42 exhibitors. Participants had the opportunity to explore an array of health and wellness resources, learn about technology and home products, and enjoy engaging presentations on topics including scams and fraud, as well as balance and fall prevention. Interactive sessions encouraged attendees to experience new hobbies, demonstrating that it's never too late to start something new.

“In celebrating National Senior Center Month, we aim to highlight the important role senior centers play in promoting wellness and connection in our community,” Event Organizer Cara Kellerman said. “The Lifestyle Expo was a remarkable success. Attendance was up over 56 percent from the inaugural event, showing a growing interest. We are committed to providing attendees and local seniors with the resources and support they need to lead healthy, fulfilling lives.”

Additionally, the Senior Games, held Sept. 24 and 26, brought together more than 100 members of the Encore Center. Members competed in a wide range of activities including Bingo, The Price is Right (and other game shows), Mini Golf, Corn Hole, and even card games. The games featured great prizes and emphasized the importance of staying active with friendly competition, fostering camaraderie among participants.

The events succeeded in fostering community engagement and raising awareness about the diverse programs and services offered by senior centers nationwide. Local organizations and businesses partnered with Encore to ensure that every aspect of the month was thoughtfully curated with the actively aging population in mind.

Encore extends its heart-



felt gratitude to everyone who participated, volunteered, and contributed to making this year's National Senior Center Month a resounding success. Encore reaffirms its commitment to enhancing the lives of seniors in the community through continued support and innovative programs.

For more information about our senior center activities and programs, please visit EncoreCenter.org, [Facebook.com/encorecentertipton](https://www.facebook.com/encorecentertipton), or call (765) 675-4746 ext. 12.

About Encore Lifestyle and Enrichment Center

The mission of the Tipton



County Council on Aging is to enrich the quality of life for Tipton County adults aged 60 and over by providing programs and services that support independence,

healthy aging, and social connection. The center is located at 900 E. Jefferson St., Suite A, Tipton, and is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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October 12 & 13

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October 26 & 27

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Nov. 2

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Fishers ranked Best Affordable Small City in America

Fishers tops list with affordability & quality of life amenities

The REPORTER

Fishers has been named the **Best Affordable Small City in America** by Realtor.com. The list was compiled using a recent **WalletHub** ranking of the best 1,318 small cities in America, which analyzed key livability indicators such as affordability, economic health, education and health, safety, and quality of life.



Fadness

ers Mayor Scott Fadness, the first and only Mayor to ever serve the growing community. "We're seeing the culmination of these efforts come to fruition – a thriving business community and internationally recognized Life Science Park, safe neighborhoods close to trails and amenities, a new Event Center that will welcome national performers and sports teams, and more. There's truly no better time to live in Fishers."

Additionally, central Indiana tops the list with four Hamilton County communities scoring in the 99th percentile, more than any other state.

Realtor.com references Fishers small town charm combined with industry of larger metro areas, along with safety, education, and quality-of-life amenities such as the Fishers Event Center, set to open next month.

"This ranking illustrates everything we have worked towards over the past decade," said Fish-

The Realtor.com and WalletHub rankings are just a few of Fishers' recent recognitions. Last month, Fishers was ranked No. 4 in **USA Today's Best Cities in the Midwest** and No. 4 on **Livability's Best Places to Live in the U.S.** Additional recognitions this year include ranking No. 2 in **Forbes' Best States to Start a Business** in 2024 and No. 2 in **MoneyGeek's Safest Cities in America** for 2024.

Letter to the Editor

Fishers reader commends city government for city-wide trash contract, but questions remain about increased sewer fee proposal

Dear Editor:
I want to commend the City of Fishers for taking on a city-wide trash contract knowing that many residents stand to save significant amounts of money. I know the Mayor and his staff have worked hard to incorporate resident feedback throughout the process, and I've seen firsthand how the proposed services have evolved over the last year. Fishers also negotiated a contract where Republic Services will collect \$14.39 per household per month starting in 2025, which is impressive given that it's lower than surrounding municipalities that recently renewed their existing contracts.

In my previous letter, I raised concerns about the proposed \$2 monthly trash administrative fee and asked for transparency regarding how the projected \$775,992 in additional annual revenue would be spent. Residents will be billed \$16.39 per month in 2025, and after significant online discussions with fellow citizens, the City posted a breakdown of how the funds will be used: Salaries, Wages, & Benefits; Software & Technology; and Mailing Costs.

Breaking this down, it's understandable that the City will need additional staff for these new services, including a single new Customer Service position costing nearly \$87,000 annually, which does factor in the cost of employee benefits. However, the costs of existing staff supporting the Sewer utility, which are already funded by other sources, are also listed under the new fee.

For Software & Technology, the City states \$100,500 will go toward "Munis & Citizen Self Service," a

software system already used for utility billing. Currently, Fishers pays \$188,738 annually for Tyler Technologies' platforms, including Munis. A closer look at the service agreement shows that the software components relevant to this new trash billing should not require additional licensing costs. It's also noteworthy that the "Citizen Self Service" pre-discounted price is \$12,569 per year and additional specific software modules related to utility billing only total around \$13,000 per year.

Regarding Mailing Costs, most Fishers residents already receive monthly sewer bills. The printing and mailing services, handled by Doxim, is currently funded by the Sewer Fund. Since trash charges will now be added to these existing bills, the projected \$370,000 in mailing costs previously covered by the Sewer Fund will shift to the trash fee – raising the question of whether residents will see a reduction in their sewer bills.

In fact, a sewer rate increase of \$3 per month was introduced at the September 2024 City Council meeting. While I agree with the idea that service users should cover the costs of operations, I question whether this increase will be fully allocated to sewer initiatives. Notably, part of the funding for the new Fishers District Event Center, presented to the Council in 2022, includes \$1.5 million of excess sewer fees generated from the City's efficient operations. A \$2 million Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) is factored into the new sewer rate study, so residents should understand where this money is going.

Fishers has done commendable

work, but justifying the \$2 trash fee and \$3 sewer increase by comparing them to proposals or rates in other municipalities feels more in line with market-based pricing than cost-based pricing. While it's expected for private businesses to maximize revenue, it's concerning when the government adopts similar tactics. Higher fees in other cities shouldn't automatically mean we need to raise ours.

Residents shouldn't be forced to choose between exorbitant prices set by a duopoly with significant market control or rates bound by rigid administrative fees imposed by the government under the guise of market alignment. Instead, we should be rewarded with reduced rates that reflect the efficiencies of well-managed operations, demonstrating the true benefit of government serving the community's best interests. Transparency must be a priority, allowing citizens to clearly see how their money is being spent and ensuring that rates are adjusted, if necessary, to match the actual costs of delivering services.

At the recent Twilight Town Hall, Mayor Fadness encouraged residents to stay "vigilant" and engage in local conversations. I encourage all residents to attend the City Council meeting on Monday, Oct. 7, 2024, at 7 p.m. in the Fishers Municipal Center Theater, where a public hearing on these proposed rates is anticipated to be held. If you can't attend, you can still submit comments to the Council through the City's website.

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Josh Huser
Fishers

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Single ramp closure at SR 32 & I-65 in Lebanon

The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Transportation has announced alternating single-lane closures and a ramp closure on Interstate 65 in Lebanon.

Beginning on or after Monday, Oct. 7, one lane at a time on I-65 northbound and southbound will begin over Prairie Creek, near mile marker 140. The northbound entrance ramp at mile marker 140 (from State Road 32) will also be closing. During the closures, crews will be doing bridge maintenance in the area.

Work is expected to last until mid-November but is weather-dependent and subject to change. INDOT encourages drivers to use caution in this and all work zones and to avoid distracted driving.



Graphic provided by INDOT

Indiana Democrats to launch Hoosier Freedom Tour in Westfield on Tuesday

Submitted

In the final weeks leading up to the election, the Indiana Democratic Party is launching its Hoosier Freedom Tour with its first stop at the Westfield Washington Public Library at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8.

The first stop will feature local leaders State Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn (District 32, Carmel, Fishers, Indianapolis), and candidates Josh Lowry (District 24, Westfield, Carmel, Sheridan) and Matt McNally (District 39, Carmel, Westfield).

“In her first term, Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn has shown how Statehouse Democrats are Indiana’s pragmatic problem solvers,” Indiana Democratic Party Executive Director Dayna Colbert said.

“She’s led on protecting our first responders and fought to expand gun safety measures like safe storage laws to keep Hoosier children safe. Hamilton County can send Matt McNally and Josh Lowry to

the Statehouse to join Rep. Wilburn and stand up for the rights and freedoms of Hoosier families. They will work to overturn Indiana’s near-total abortion ban, support our great public schools and educators in Hamilton County, and fight back against efforts to ban books.”

Statehouse Democrats and Democratic candidates are running across Indiana to protect the freedoms that Hoosiers hold dear and that they say have been under attack by Indiana Republicans. This includes the freedom for women to make their own decisions about their bodies, to live free from violence in our communities, schools, and places of worship, and the freedom

to read what you want. Candidates will sign the ‘Commitment to Freedom’ to pledge their support for Hoosiers’ basic freedoms when they get to the Statehouse.



Garcia Wilburn



Lowry



McNally

Latest Fishers road construction updates

The REPORTER

96th Street & Allisonville Road

Access to and from Allisonville Road from 96th Street is now open. 96th Street across Allisonville is still restricted, and there are no left turns. U-turns are not permitted on Allisonville Road.

- Northbound traffic on Allisonville Road can continue north or turn east onto 96th Street.

- Southbound traffic on Allisonville Road can continue south or turn west onto 96th Street.

- Eastbound traffic on 96th Street will have a right-turn-only option to travel southbound on Allisonville Road.

- Westbound traffic on 96th Street will have a right-turn-only option to travel northbound on Allisonville Road.

The roundabout is tentatively scheduled to be fully open to thru traffic by late October or early November, with contractors completing final details through Spring 2025. Please follow the new traffic patterns and drive carefully as construction continues. [Click here](#) for a detour map.

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 contin-

ue through October.

Find construction updates at [37thrives.com](#).

Florida Road reconstruction

Public Works has completed Phase 2 of the reconstruction of Florida Road between Southeastern Parkway and East 113th Street. There will be flagging operations on Monday, Oct. 7 to stone the shoulder. [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. Corydon Drive has opened to traffic, but proceed with caution as the contractor will be finalizing some details. 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 Oct. 7. 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

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Westbound SR 32 reopens

The westbound lane of State Road 32 through downtown Westfield was reopened Monday, Sept. 30 after utility work was done in preparation for the 2025 SR 32 project.

186th Street

There will be lane restrictions Thursday, Oct. 10 on 186th Street as accel/decel lanes are constructed for the Townes at Grand Park development.

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, 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 entire project will involve a single-lane restriction with traffic flaggers. CEG is hopeful to finish by the end of October.

Latest Carmel road construction updates

The REPORTER

Haverstick Road

Haverstick Road from East 96th Street to East 99th Street is open to southbound traffic only while work is underway in the northbound lane. This will re-open in November.

Veterans Way & Walnut Street

This approximately 30-day full closure of Veterans Way and Walnut Street for the construction of a roundabout at that intersection is underway.

Meeting Notices

The Carmel Plan Commission will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of the Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

The Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Board will meet in an executive session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024, at the HCPR Administration Building, 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville.

Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1-5.5, the Hamilton County Election Board will convene a public meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024, in the Clerk’s Office at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 106, Noblesville. The purpose of the meeting is to address any Election Day matters and other Election Board business.

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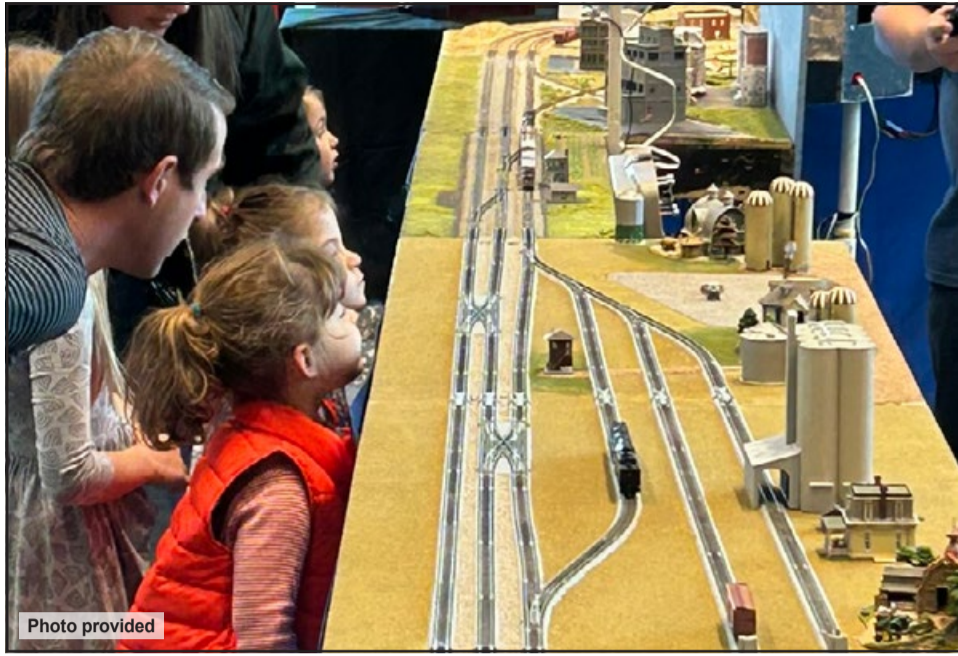
Carmel Clay Public Library to hold Model Railroad Meet

The REPORTER

The annual Model Railroad Meet returns to the Carmel Clay Public Library from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9. This special event is presented in partnership with the Central Indiana Division of the National Model Railroad Association.

Visitors will enjoy dozens of layouts with operating trains. They will also have a chance to speak with train hobbyists and learn about the crafting, wiring, and imagination that go into their pieces.

“This event is one that our library families look forward to every year,” said the library’s Youth Services Assistant Manager Jennifer Humphrey. “It’s a great opportunity to see these layouts up close and appreciate the detail while talking



to the people who created them. We’ve noticed that the grown-ups are just as fascinated as the kids.”

Last year’s event drew

in over 1,400 attendees. The annual Model Railroad Meet will take place at the Main Library at 425 E. Main St. Registration is

not required.

More details about Carmel Clay Public Library events can be found at carmelclaylibrary.org/events.

Get your tickets for Humane Society for Hamilton County’s Tinsel & Tails gala

The REPORTER

Humane Society for Hamilton County’s (HSHC) 18th annual Tinsel & Tails Gala will take place on Thursday, Nov. 21. The event is set for 6 to 9 p.m. at 502 East Event Centre, 502 Carmel Drive, Carmel. Tickets and tables are still available for purchase at TinselAndTails.com.

This event is HSHC’s largest fundraiser supporting the shelter’s annual operating expenses. The highlight of the evening is a video presentation, followed by the featured animals and their humans walking a runway that spans the ballroom. A silent auction, seated dinner, and

Golden Ticket Raffle are also part of the evening’s festivities. (Indiana Gaming License Number: 011664)

Thanks to RNDC, each guest age 21 and over will receive a complimentary glass of wine.

Those who are unable to attend can donate at TinselandTails.com. Early bidding on silent auction items will open at a later date.

About HSHC

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Jean Louise Thompson
July 8, 1942 – September 26, 2024



Jean Louise Thompson, age 82 years young, passed away peacefully on Thursday, September 26, 2024, at The Waters of Tipton. Her beautiful voice first rang out in Logansport on July 8, 1942, when her parents, the late Gerald and May (Otto) Reutebuch, welcomed her into their home. Among her blessings, God gave her a hopeful heart, steadfast spirit, and strong resolve that helped her survive childhood polio and saw her blossom into a talented young musician, both vocally and on any instrument she set her mind to play. She met her future husband, James “Jim” Everett Thompson at Indiana Academy. After graduation, she attended Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Mich., studying Music Theory and Education. She and Jim were married on August 27, 1961, and they shared 63 years of marriage before God laid her to rest.

During her lifetime, Jean composed a symphonic musical score; sang, yodeled, and performed as often as she could, spreading her love of music to everyone within earshot. She was a member of the Kinsmen Quartet which united her love of Christ and family with her musical abilities as they traveled throughout the United States proclaiming God’s love through their songs. She worked at the Cicero Seventh-Day Adventist Elementary for many years as a music and substitute teacher while co-owning J & J Construction with her husband. She was a member of the Cicero Seventh-Day Adventist Church and led services as a Sabbath School Teacher, was the Assistant Director of the Cicero district Pathfinder Youth group, and later an Area Coordinator for the Indiana Conference of SDA. After retirement, she worked for Timber Ridge Camp in Spencer, Ind., running the Nature Center alongside her husband and earning the affectionate nickname “Mother Nature.” Nothing pleased her more than caregiving to all in need, and as a faithful believer in God, she never missed an opportunity to witness to all who would listen.

She is survived by her husband, James “Jim” Everett Thompson of Cicero; son, Jim (Lori) Thompson, Jr. of Kirklin, Ind.; daughter, Sherri (William) Young of Glenwood, Ark.; adopted daughter, Sonja (Vincent) Lewis of Lawton, Okla.; granddaughter, Cindi (Douglas) McCaslin of Arcadia; granddaughter, Sandi (Damon) Hardy of Anderson, Ind.; grandson, Bernie (Alicia) Brandt of Tallahassee, Fla.; grandson, Bradley Thompson of Arizona; grandson, Jordan Wells of Indiana; grandson, Jacob Young of Glenwood, Ark.; brother, Gerald (Betty) Reutebuch of Arcadia; brother, Timothy (Joyce) Reutebuch of Cope, S.C.; and several nieces and nephews. God blessed her with great-grandchildren: Sylvanna Thompson, Gigi Thompson, Isaiah Hardy, Gage McCaslin, Mason McCaslin, Sophia McCaslin, Bradley Thompson, Jr., and Ezra Brandt.

She is preceded in death by her father, Gerald Reutebuch; mother, May (Otto) Reutebuch; sister, Beverly (Reutebuch) Brockway; and great-grandson, James Nicholas Andrew Thompson Harrison.

Although life was not always perfect for Jean, with many hardships, failures, and disappointments sent her way, she always modeled what loving her family and trusting in the Lord meant. We will mourn the absence of her beautiful voice and long for just one more deep conversation and tight hug. But we will also smile when our heart reminds us of the advice she would give in times like these: “Keep a song in your heart and trust that God will see you through.” And He will.

Visitation and funeral services were held Thursday, October 3, 2024, at the Cicero Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 24445 State Road 19, Cicero, with Charlie Thompson officiating. Directly following, burial took place at Crown Hill Cemetery, 7798 E. 256th St., Arcadia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cicero Seventh Day Adventist Church, where proceeds will be used for the Indiana Academy music department, student tuition sponsorship, or any other identified needs.

Online condolences can be given at hartleyfuneralhomes.com.

Arthur Otis “Bud” Miles
July 11, 1935 – October 1, 2024



Arthur Otis “Bud” Miles, 89, Arcadia, passed away on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at River-view Hospital. Born in Indianapolis on July 11, 1935, to the late Herschel and Mary (Totman) Miles, Bud lived a life full of love, joy, and passion.

On January 29, 1960, Bud married the love of his life, Carol C. (Cooper) Miles, with whom he shared 64 wonderful years.

Bud worked as a Pressman at Goss Press and *The Indianapolis Star*, and a Newspaper Supply Salesman at New England Newspaper Supply Company before retiring. He attended First Baptist Church of Indianapolis. Bud’s love for life was apparent in his many hobbies – boating, particularly his old 1957 Chris-Craft, working on old engines, and driving his 1985 Porsche. He was a handyman at heart and cherished his time puttering around his outbuilding, bird watching, and caring for his beloved dog, Abbott.

Bud enjoyed simple pleasures: being with family, striking up conversations with anyone (he never met a stranger), taking his dog on a daily “social call” to their favorite neighbors, working out at cardiac rehab, and listening to Frank Sinatra and big band jazz. One of his greatest joys was hearing his daughter and son-in-law make music. Bud overflowed with pride for his grandson, Isaac, and was thrilled that he found his perfect match in Zoë. Glenlivet and Dewar’s Scotch were Bud’s chosen beverages for social settings and his daily five o’ clock call with his sister-in-law, Linda.

Bud is survived by his daughter, Diana M. (John) Huntoon of Cicero, and his grandson, Isaac A. (Zoë) Huntoon of Noblesville, along with several nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Carol C. Miles, and his sister, Myra Jo Pendry.

Bud Miles’s legacy of love, kindness, and enthusiasm for life will forever be remembered by all who had the privilege to know him.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, October 26, with visitation at 11:30 a.m., at First Baptist Church of Indianapolis, 8600 N. College Ave., with a private burial to follow at a later date at Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Music Department at First Baptist Church of Indianapolis.

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TODAY’S BIBLE READING

JETHRO VISITS MOSES

Now Jethro, the priest of Midian and father-in-law of Moses, heard of everything God had done for Moses and for his people Israel, and how the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt.

After Moses had sent away his wife Zipporah, his father-in-law Jethro received her and her two sons. One son was named Gershom, for Moses said, “I have become a foreigner in a foreign land”; and the other was named Eliezer, for he said, “My father’s God was my helper; he saved me from the sword of Pharaoh.”

Jethro, Moses’ father-in-law, together with Moses’ sons and wife, came to him in the wilderness, where he was camped near the mountain of God. Jethro had sent word to him, “I, your father-in-law Jethro, am coming to you with your wife and her two sons.”

So Moses went out to meet his father-in-law and bowed down and kissed him. They greeted each other and then went into the tent. Moses told his father-in-law about everything the Lord had done to Pharaoh and the Egyptians for Israel’s sake and about all the hardships they had met along the way and how the Lord had saved them.

Jethro was delighted to hear about all the good things the Lord had done for Israel in rescuing them from the hand of the Egyptians. He said, “Praise be to the Lord, who rescued you from the hand of the Egyptians and of Pharaoh, and who rescued the people from the hand of the Egyptians. Now I know that the Lord is greater than all other gods, for he did this to those who had treated Israel arrogantly.” Then Jethro, Moses’ father-in-law, brought a burnt offering and other sacrifices to God, and Aaron came with all the elders of Israel to eat a meal with Moses’ father-in-law in the presence of God.

The next day Moses took his seat to serve as judge for the people, and they stood around him from morning till evening. When his father-in-law saw all that Moses was doing for the people, he said, “What is this you are doing for the people? Why do you alone sit as judge, while all these people stand around you from morning till evening?”

Moses answered him, “Because the people come to me to seek God’s will. Whenever they have a dispute, it is brought to me, and I decide between the parties and inform them of God’s decrees and instructions.”

Exodus 18:1-16 (NIV)

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Hamilton County High School Football, Week 7

HSE edges out Noblesville with last-second touchdown

By JAMES SEAY
For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE – Noblesville’s Beaver Stadium was rocking on Friday night as the Millers’ cross-county rival, Hamilton Southeastern, won a 28-21 game with a go-ahead touchdown in the final seconds of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference showdown.

The game featured all the drama that one looks for in October High School Football: long plays, lead changes, touchdowns, and crucial fourth-down conversions. In the end, the Class 6A No. 8 Royals were able to seal their fifth win of the season.

The game started with a bang as Noblesville senior halfback Brody Gump took off for an 80-yard TD run on the game’s opening play. With momentum on the Millers’ side, head coach Dave Sharpe dialed up a surprise onside kick, which caught HSE by surprise and slipped through the fingers of a Miller football player.

Coach Sharpe said, “The Millers were seeking to execute well, like one of the state’s top teams.”

The Royals quickly responded with some big runs by sophomore HB Carter Reed, who finished the night with 156 yards on the ground, setting Hamilton Southeastern in Miller territory three minutes after the opening touchdown. In the



Photos by Joshua Herd

(ABOVE) Hamilton Southeastern’s Graham Toner (14), Kendrick Pennybaker (4) and Carter Reed (5) celebrate after a big play during the Royals’ victory over Noblesville on Friday. (BELOW) Noblesville’s Brody Gump began the game with an 80-yard touchdown run.

drive, HSE could convert a crucial fourth down after a significant gain negated by a penalty. Junior quarterback Chandler Weston found his favorite target, junior wide receiver Kendrick Pennybaker, on a screen pass for their night’s first score. The drive was symbolic of how the game would unfold throughout the night.

The team exchanged defensive efforts during the following drives, but each offense was stymied as the Millers punted and the Royals were turned over on downs. After the HSE defense rose to the occasion at the beginning of the sec-



ond quarter, senior punter Mason Presits delivered a punting highlight, as one of his punts pinned the Royals onto their own two-yard line. The NHS defense re-

gained the ball after stellar play from the two-way player and Boston College commit, senior Israel Oladipupo.

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‘Hawks get going in third quarter to take down Delphi

The REPORTER

Sheridan got a rebound victory Friday night, coming back to win 21-7 at Delphi in a Hoosier Heartland Conference game.

The Oracles scored a first-quarter touchdown and held that 7-0 lead through halftime. But the Blackhawks held their own during the first half, forcing Delphi into turnovers on downs twice inside the 15-yard line.

Sheridan’s offense got going in the third quarter with two touchdowns on short runs. Alex Cravens took the ball three yards

into the end zone midway through the period and Owen Bell ran it in from two yards a few minutes later. Cravens completed the scoring with a 17-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter.

Bell kicked all three of the Hawks’ extra points, while Landon Moffatt made an interception. Cravens gained 237 yards to lead Sheridan’s rushing, with Jon Barnes totaling 109 yards.

The Blackhawks are 3-1 in the HHC standings and 4-3 overall. Sheridan returns home next Friday to play Eastern in a conference game.

SHERIDAN 21, DELPHI 7

Score by Quarters				Sheridan scoring	
Sheridan	0	0	14	7	21
Delphi	7	0	0	0	7
Team stats	SHER	DEL			
First Downs	27	10	Third Quarter		
By Rush	24	2	5:25 – Alex Cravens		
By Pass	1	8	3-yard run (Owen Bell kick)		
By Penalty	2	0	2:47 – Bell 2-yard run (Bell kick)		
Rushes-Yards	64-441	21-113	Fourth Quarter		
Passing Yards	10	228	4:20 – Cravens 17-yard run (Bell kick)		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	3-7-2-0	12-29-1-0			
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0			
Penalties-Yards	4-35	4-40			
Punts-Average	1-39.0	2-34.5			

Sheridan individual stats

Rushing: Cravens 35-237, Jon Barnes 8-109, Jacob Hall 16-83, Bell 4-9, Brock Hagan 1-3.
Passing: Hagan 3-7-10.
Receiving: Hall 2-7, Caleb Alexander 1-3.

Shamrocks soar past Avon

The REPORTER

A dominant second quarter sent Westfield to a 45-13 Hoosier Crossroads Conference and Homecoming victory Friday at River-view Health Stadium.

The Shamrocks led 14-7 after the first quarter. Deacon King made two short touchdown runs in that period. King kept things rolling to start the second quarter, punching the ball in from the one-yard line just 24 seconds into the period.

That was the start of a 31-point quarter for Westfield. Mikeah Webster turned an interception into a 27-yard pick six touchdown.

Broc Parker made a 23-yard run into the end zone, then Gabe Aramboles grabbed an 11-yard pass from Carsen Melvin and took it in to score.

Owen Wright finished the half with a last-second field goal from 34 yards. Wright also went 7-of-7 for extra-point kicks.

King totaled 108 yards rushing, while Melvin was 11-of-15 passing for 128 yards. Beau Braun had four catches.

Westfield is 4-1 in HCC play and 6-1 overall. The Shamrocks continue conference play next Friday at Fishers.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Westfield’s Gabe Aramboles caught a second-quarter touchdown for the Shamrocks during their Homecoming win over Avon Friday.

Fishers falls to Franklin Central

The REPORTER

Fishers dropped a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game at Franklin Central Friday 22-13.

The Flashes led 9-0 after the first quarter after making a safety and scoring on a one-yard touchdown run. JonAnthony Hall got

the Tigers on the board in the second period with a six-yard run. Jon Tangara made the extra-point kick and Fishers was within 9-7 at halftime.

Franklin Central went ahead 12-7 after a field goal,

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FRANKLIN CENTRAL 22, FISHERS 13

Score by Quarters				Fishers scoring	
Fishers	0	7	6	0	13
Franklin Central	9	0	3	10	22
Team stats	FISH	FC			
First Downs	14	20	Second Quarter		
By Rush	5	13	2:35 – JonAnthony Hall		
By Pass	7	5	6-yard run (Jon Tangara kick)		
By Penalty	2	2	Third Quarter		
Rushes-Yards	22-19	48-269	1:57 – Hall 17-yard pass from Caden Hill (pass failed)		
Passing Yards	167	90			
Comp-Att-Int-TD	13-28-1-1	12-16-1-0			
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0			
Penalties-Yards	5-39	5-56			
Punts-Average	3-44.0	3-42.7			

Fishers individual stats

Rushing: Hall 8-26, Ryan Thembulembu 12-19, Hill 1-1, Graham Imes 1-minus 27.
Passing: Hill 13-28-167.
Receiving: Hall 5-54, Denkota Fletcher 4-74, Thembulembu 3-25, Vincent Rozzi 1-14.

WESTFIELD 45, AVON 13

Score by Quarters				Westfield Scoring	
Avon	7	0	6	0	13
Westfield	14	31	0	0	45
Team stats	AVON	WFLD			
First Downs	16	22	First Quarter		
By Run	10	13	6:48 – Deacon King		
By Pass	6	8	5-yard run (Owen Wright kick)		
By Penalty	0	1	1:49 – King 2-yard run (Wright kick)		
Rushes-Yards	37-171	34-212	Second Quarter		
Passing Yards	137	128	11:36 – King 1-yard run (Wright kick)		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	8-17-2-1	11-15-0-1	9:59 – Mikeah Webster		
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	0-0	27-yard interception return (Wright kick)		
Penalties-Yards	9-83	5-51	4:17 – Broc Parker 23-yard run (Wright kick)		
Punts-Average	2-28.5	1-32.0	1:54 – Gabe Aramboles		
Westfield individual stats					
Rushing: King 20-108, Parker 5-73, Melvin 3-24, Karson Fitzpatrick 6-7.					
Passing: Melvin 11-15-128.					
Receiving: Beau Braun 4-60, Aramboles 3-26, Parker Knott 1-15, Preston Pakala 1-13, Parker 1-12, King 1-2.					

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Photo by Bob Cross

Hamilton Heights' Tyler Champion caught three touchdown passes for the Huskies in their win over Twin Lakes on Friday.

Huskies come away with Homecoming victory

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights had an enjoyable Homecoming on Friday, as the Huskies put together a 26-16 win over visiting Twin Lakes in a Hoosier Conference Big School Division game.

“This one feels good,” said Heights coach Jon Kirschner. The coach said it felt good because his players put a complete game together in running their division record to 2-1 for the season.

“We played a very physical football game in all three phases of the game,” said Kirschner. “We had a lot of guys step up and play very solid football.”

The Huskies got on the board first when Joey Sigler threw a 54-yard touchdown pass to Tyler Champion. That would be a continuing theme throughout the night.

The Indians tied the

game in the second quarter, and that sent the game into halftime at 6-6. Twin Lakes scored on its first drive of the third period to take a 13-6 lead.

But Heights answered back. Champion and Sigler teamed up for their second passing touchdown, a 30-yard throw with 5:07 left. Logan Hickman then ran a two-point conversion and the Huskies were up 14-13.

The fourth quarter began with an Indians field goal, which gave them a 16-14 lead. But Heights took the lead for good when Luke Davis made an interception and took it in to score from the 10-yard line.

The Huskies scored one more time with under a minute to go. Sigler threw a perfect pass to Champion, who turned it into a five-yard TD reception. That was the third touchdown for both players.

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 26, TWIN LAKES 16

Score by Quarters					Heights scoring	
Twin Lakes	0	6	7	3-16	First Quarter	
Heights	6	0	8	12-26	4:47 - Tyler Champion	
Heights team stats					54-yard pass from Joey Sigler (two-point attempt failed)	
Rushes-Yards	21-71		Third Quarter			
Passing Yards	255		5:07 - Champion 30-yard pass from Sigler (Hickman run)			
Comp-Att-Int-TD	17-28-1-3		Fourth Quarter			
Punts-Average	7-33.6		7:27 - Luke Davis 10-yard interception return (two-point attempt failed)			
Heights individual stats					0:57 - Champion 5-yard pass from Sigler (kick failed)	
Rushing:	Sigler 8-36, Nathan Flinders 11-25, Logan Hickman 2-10.					
Passing:	Sigler 14-23-237, Woodruff 3-5-18.					
Receiving:	Champion 10-222, Keaton Weaver 2-12, Cyrus Mason 2-7, Dre Chandler 1-7, Bichey 1-6, Justin Overton 1-1.					

Sigler completed 14 of 23 passes for 237 yards, while Champion totaled 10 catches for 222 yards. Nick Bichey made a third-quarter interception, and Cyrus Mason was outstanding on punts, including one that put

Twin Lakes inside its own five-yard line.

Heights improved to 2-5 overall. The Huskies take a break from division play next Friday, traveling to Tipton for their annual rivalry game.

FISHERS

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but the Tigers took the lead late in the third after Hall caught a 17-yard touchdown pass from Caden Hill. Fishers went into the fourth quarter leading 13-12, but the Flashes regained the lead with another field goal, then a late five-yard touchdown run sealed the game.

Hill finished the game 13-of-28 for 167 yards.

Hall made five catches and Denkota Fletcher had four receptions. Owen Folta and Josh Wilkins each got nine tackles, with Wilkins and Tyler Maynard both making one sack.

Fishers is 3-2 in conference play and 4-3 overall. The Tigers are back home next week and play Westfield.

HSE

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The ensuing drive ended with a touchdown run from sophomore running back Ty Holmes, who had two scores on the night, after the Millers methodically marched downfield on a 13-play, 75-yard march, which consumed nearly all the second quarter.

In the second half, Hamilton Southeastern responded with a long drive, moving its offense 80 yards and controlling the clock. With the score tied at 14 in the waning moments of the third quarter, Weston was able to convert a crucial third down in a run that saw him run from one sideline to the opposite sideline in a spectacular team effort to give the Royals a first down which led to the first of senior RB Vaughn Johnson's two touchdowns of the night.

“We had trouble getting Weston off of the field. He's a special player, but we will be better,” said Sharpe.

The Millers would tie the game again at 21 in the latter part of the fourth quarter, but Weston had other plans. He made plays with his feet and within the air to move HSE into scoring position with eight seconds left in the game.

“The only thing on my mind during the last drive was ball security, ball secu-

rity, ball security,” Weston said. “I just wanted to ensure we secured that ball and got into the end zone.”

Johnson delivered with his second run over the goal line to put HSE ahead 28-21 in front of the stunned Noblesville crowd.

“Our coach always says our last practice must be our worst. We look forward to taking that next step next week,” Weston said.


Royals coach Michael Kelly said, “[Noblesville] is a team you hate to see because they're so well coached and can grind the ball down. We told our kids at the beginning of the year that we will grow this year, and despite missing a slew of players, our coaches prepared our team for the game.”

The win opens the door for Hamilton Southeastern to compete for the Hoosier Crossroads Conference championship. This was Noblesville's fifth straight loss, but the team continued to compete as all games were within a score.

The Millers will travel to Brownsburg next Friday to face the Bulldogs, the state's top football team and fellow conference foe. The Royals will travel south to play conference rival Franklin Central. Both games will begin at 7 p.m.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 28, NOBLESVILLE 21


Score by Quarters					Scoring	
HSE	7	0	7	14-28	First Quarter	
NHS	7	7	0	7-21	11:49 - (NHS) Brody Gump 80-yard run (Caden Lydle kick)	
Team Stats					8:45 - (HSE) Kendrick Pennybaker 23-yard pass from Chandler Weston (Hugo Belmonte kick)	
First Downs	15		24		Second Quarter	
By Rush	14		17		0:58 - (NHS) Ty Holmes 2-yard run (Caden Lydle kick)	
By Pass	1		5		Third Quarter	
By Penalty	0		2		6:06 - (HSE) Carter Reed 2-yard run (Hugo Belmonte kick)	
Rushes-Yards	47-295		41-272		Fourth Quarter	
Yards Passing	42		121		11:50 - (HSE) Vaughn Johnson 19-yard run (Hugo Belmonte kick)	
Comp-Att-Int-TD	1-3-1-0		11-20-0-1		3:51 - (NHS) Holmes 3-yard run (Caden Lydle kick)	
Fumbles-Lost	0-0		0-0		0:06 - (HSE) Johnson 1-yard run (Hugo Belmonte kick)	
Penalties-Yards	1-10		3-30			
Punts-Average	3-39		1-40			
Hamilton Southeastern individual stats						
Rushing:	Reed 21-156, Johnson 11-93, Weston 8-26, Mason Alexander 1-3.					
Passing:	Weston 11-19-121.					
Receiving:	Liam Boyd 4-39, Pennybaker 3-39, Callen Okerson 1-21, Graham Toner 1-12.					
Noblesville individual stats						
Rushing:	Gump 12-177, Max Miller 8-35, Noah Shinkle 6-27, Holmes 8-27, Israel Oladipupo 7-21, Luke Hile 5-15, DJ Collier 1-7.					
Passing:	Miller 1-3-42.					
Receiving:	Shinkle 1-42.					



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Kolbe Klee carries the ball for the Golden Eagles during their Friday Homecoming game with Pike.

Pike's speed proves too much for Guerin Catholic on Homecoming & Senior Night

By CRAIG ADKINS
For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE – Guerin Catholic welcomed back alumni and families for what was a combined Homecoming and Senior Night for the Golden Eagles. A full yard of tailgating and pregame festivities set up a great environment. At halftime, seniors Ella Sumski and Luke Ross were named Homecoming Queen and King, respectively.

On the field, it would unfortunately be a night that belonged to the visiting Red Devils, as they found ways to use their speed on the way to a 42-3 win over the host Golden Eagles.

Pike worked quickly and took just two minutes and used four plays to get on the board in the opening drive. Dohnavin Ward ran in from 13 yards for a 7-0 lead.

Guerin's first drive took them all the way down deep in Pike territory, but they were forced to settle for a 21-yard Nick Wilson field goal to cut it to 7-3.

"I thought our offensive players and coaches had a really good plan and executed it well. That first drive was worthy of more than three points and we've got to finish that thing," said Guerin Catholic head coach Tom Dilley.

"I thought we still had some things that we were able to take advantage of from time to time, but they got some timely stops or we made some untimely mistakes and just kind of bogged us down," Dilley

continued.

The Red Devils added to their lead with Chase Shurn three-yard touchdown run to make it 14-3, which stayed as the half-time score.

To start the third, Pike forced Guerin to punt, setting the visitors up to add to their lead.

On the third play of the drive, running back Bobby Thomas sprinted 40-yards for the score, pushing it to 21-3.

"Our guys aren't going to give up. Our guys are going to fight, but there's no excuse for giving up big plays," added Dilley.

The Golden Eagles had three different opportunities to try and cut into the deficit, but the remaining three series in the third they turned the ball on downs at Pike's 33 and then their 40, before giving it back at their own 44 late in the third.

To begin the fourth, the Red Devils made a statement. They were faced with a fourth down and five at Guerin's 31. Quarterback Mychael Lewis found favorite target Kevin Tichenor III for the 31-yard strike, increasing it to 35-3.

Guerin would be forced to punt and Pike took over at midfield.

It didn't take long for the Red Devils to get into scoring position again. With the ball at the GC three, running back Bobby Thomas took the direct snap in the wildcat formation. He then stepped back and tossed a jump pass to tight end Pierce Collins for a three-yard TD for the fi-

PIKE 42, GUERIN CATHOLIC 3			
	Score by Quarters		
Pike	7	7	14
Guerin Catholic	3	0	0
Team stats	PIKE	GC	
First Downs	18	9	
By Rush	12	5	
By Pass	6	4	
By Penalty	0	0	
Rushes-Yards	27-238	34-107	
Passing Yards	138	62	
Comp-Att-Int-TD	14-25-0-2	6-18-0-0	
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0	
Penalties-Yards	9-51	4-25	
Punts-Average	2-33.5	4-32.5	

nal count of 42-3.

"And that's one way to play it, if you're a coach and have five minutes left and have a 35-3 lead. One way to play it is that cute little pass on the goal line. They executed it and we didn't stop it," Dilley stated on Pike's final score.

The Golden Eagles are listed in Class 3A as far as enrollment is considered, but they don't have a single 3A opponent on their schedule. They have one 6A, two 5A, four 4A and two 2A opponents that will help them in preparation for the Class 3A state tournament that starts on Oct. 25.

"We certainly played against a team that's well coached with good athletes tonight and hopefully it will pay off," Dilley said on playing a team of Pike's caliber.

Guerin Catholic's offense struggled to put together more than one consistent drive. They were

without standout wide receiver Hayden Cler for the second straight game. That gave opportunities for others down the depth chart to have passes thrown their way.

Malcolm Houze was on the move all night with the Red Devils' pass rush flushing him out. Houze was 6 of 17 for 62 yards, including completing three to senior Julian Melendez for 43 yards. Jack Linden ran 11 times for 35 yards, Kolbe Klee 12 for 33 and Aidan Horn four for 40.

Guerin Catholic (3-4) heads to Terre Haute next week and hopes to snap their four-game losing streak at Terre Haute North (2-5). The Patriots were 15-13 winners at home over Southport.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Carmel's Nate Williams caught two first-quarter touchdown passes during the Greyhounds' Friday game with Ben Davis.

Giants outpace 'Hounds at home

The REPORTER

Carmel dropped a high-scoring home game to Ben Davis Friday 58-30.

The Greyhounds got the first points of the contest after Nate Williams brought in a 45-yard touchdown pass from Anthony Coellner. The Giants responded with a long TD pass of their own to tie the game at 7-7.

Williams and Coellner teamed up again for another eight-yard touchdown reception, but Ben Davis answered with a 70-yard kickoff return, tying the game at 14-14.

Ben Davis opened the second quarter with a field goal to go up 17-14. Dominic Shockley took the ball in from the one-yard line to give Carmel a 20-17 lead, but the Giants scored twice in the final three minutes for a 30-20 halftime lead and

would stay in front for the entire second half.

A four-yard touchdown pass from Coellner to Jacob Bellin brought the Hounds within 30-27 late in the third before Ke'Sean Stone caught a six-yard TD throw with 29 seconds left, giving Ben Davis a 37-27 lead. Lukas Kristhanmoorthy kicked a 35-yard field goal early in the fourth, but Alijah Price's 84-yard kickoff return was the start of 21 unanswered fourth-quarter points for the Giants.

Coellner totaled 255 passing yards, going 23-of-42 from the air. Four Carmel players had at least five receptions: Bellin caught seven passes, Shockley had six receptions, and Williams and Liam Mann both had five.

The Greyhounds are 3-4 and play next Friday at Warren Central.

BEN DAVIS 58, CARMEL 30			
	Score by Quarters		
Ben Davis	14	16	7
Carmel	14	6	7
Team stats	BD	CAR	
First Downs	19	21	
By Rush	11	1	
By Pass	6	16	
By Penalty	2	4	
Rushes-Yards	35-224	18-16	
Passing Yards	184	306	
Comp-Att-Int-TD	11-15-0-3	28-48-0-3	
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0	
Penalties-Yards	9-121	4-35	
Punts-Average	2-25.5	3-20.7	

Carmel scoring	
First Quarter	8:43 – Nate Williams 45-yard pass from Anthony Coellner (Lukas Kristhanmoorthy kick)
Second Quarter	3:22 – Williams 8-yard pass from Coellner (Kristhanmoorthy kick)
Third Quarter	7:10 – Dominic Shockley 1-yard run (kick blocked)
Fourth Quarter	3:39 – Jacob Bellin 4-yard pass from Coellner (Kristhanmoorthy kick)
Fourth Quarter	11:45 – Kristhanmoorthy 35-yard field goal

Carmel individual stats

Rushing: Andrew Pemberton 4-13, Josiah Gilmore 6-8, Holden Mumau 2-7, Craig Kepler 1-3, Shockley 1-1, Kahlil Hardister 1-0, Coellner 3-minus 16.
Passing: Coellner 23-42-255, Kristhanmoorthy 5-6-51.
Receiving: Bellin 7-67, Shockley 6-31, Williams 5-91, Liam Mann 5-60, Pemberton 3-24, Gilmore 1-17, Carson Mace 1-16.

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Girls Golf State Championships

Noblesville set up well for Day 2, Westfield's Kooi leading after first day

By **RICHIE HALL**
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CARMEL – Every team from Hamilton County had something to be happy about during the first day of the IHSAA girls golf state finals Friday at Prairie View.

Noblesville used its customary consistency to hold a five-stroke lead over Zionsville, setting the Millers up well for today's second round of play. Westfield and Hamilton Southeastern finished the first day third and fourth respectively, putting them in the final group with the Millers and the Eagles.

Carmel finished the first round in eighth position

and the Greyhounds' senior leader made some history. Sophie Mock became the third girls golfer in history to make a hole in one during the state meet.

Noblesville finished the first round with a 310. Josie Kelley led the Millers with a 75, tying her for eighth place after the first round. Presley White had a solid round, scoring 76 to put her in a five-way tie for 10th place.

Kelley made four birdies in her round, while White had two. Karis Shields, Olivia Fowler and Olivia Anderson all had one birdie.

“We definitely had a good day,” said Noblesville coach Justin Werkley. “All

you want out of day one is a chance to be in position for day two and I think we did that.”

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Photo provided
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SPORTS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 5	
BOYS SOCCER	
Canterbury at Guerin Catholic, 1:30 p.m.	
CROSS COUNTRY	
Hamilton Heights at Bluffton Invitational, 10 a.m.	
Sheridan at Hoosier Heartland Conference meet, 10 a.m.	
Carmel, Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville, University, Westfield at Nike Valley Twilight meet, 6 p.m.	
GIRLS SOCCER	
Guerin Catholic at Pendleton Heights, 11:30 a.m.	
GOLF	
State finals, 8:30 a.m. at Prairie View	
UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL	
Sectional at Lawrence Central, 10 a.m.	
Fishers vs. Hamilton Southeastern	
Warren Central vs. Noblesville	
Hamilton Heights vs. Carmel	
Lawrence Central vs. Westfield	
Semifinals, 12:30 p.m.	
Championship, 2:15 p.m.	
VOLLEYBALL	
Fishers, Guerin Catholic at Greenfield-Central, 9 a.m.	
Hoosier Conference meet, 9 a.m. at Lafayette Central Catholic	
Hamilton Southeastern at Noblesville North vs. South Showdown, 10 a.m.	
Plainfield at Westfield, 11 a.m.	
Sunday, Oct. 6	
VOLLEYBALL	
Tournament draw date	
Monday, Oct. 7	
BOYS SOCCER	
Sectional 8 at Hamilton Southeastern	
Anderson vs. Richmond, 6 p.m.	
Sectional 9 at Carmel	
Noblesville vs. Westfield, 5:30 p.m.	
Zionsville vs. North Central, 7:30 p.m.	
Sectional 24 at Park Tudor	
Lapel vs. Western Boone, 6 p.m.	
Sectional 40 at Southmont	
University vs. Sheridan, 5 p.m.	
Bethesda Christian vs. North Putnam, 7 p.m.	
VOLLEYBALL	
Noblesville at New Palestine, 7 p.m.	
Sheridan at Tri-Central, 7 p.m.	
Tuesday, Oct. 8	
BOYS SOCCER	
Sectional 8 at Hamilton Southeastern	
Pendleton Heights vs. Hamilton Southeastern, 5:30 p.m.	
Mount Vernon at Muncie Central, 7:15 p.m.	
Sectional 24 at Park Tudor	
Tri-West vs. Hamilton Heights, 5 p.m.	
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CROSS COUNTRY	
University Invitational, 5:30 p.m.	
GIRLS SOCCER	
Sectional 8 at Noblesville	
Anderson vs. Noblesville, 6 p.m.	
Sectional 9 at Zionsville	
Carmel vs. Lawrence Central, 6 p.m.	
Sectional 26 at Brebeuf Jesuit	
Hamilton Heights vs. Brebeuf Jesuit, 6 p.m.	
Sectional 38 at Lafayette Central Catholic	
Rossville vs. North White, 6 p.m.	
Sectional 41 at Heritage Christian	
Cardinal Ritter vs. Covenant Christian, 6 p.m.	
TENNIS REGIONAL SEMIFINALS	
At Lebanon, 4:30 p.m.	
Crawfordsville vs. Parke Heritage	
Carmel vs. Brebeuf Jesuit	
At Noblesville, 4:30 p.m.	
Jay County vs. Delta-Yorktown winner (to be played Saturday)	
Noblesville vs. Frankton	
At Mount Vernon, 5 p.m.	
New Palestine vs. New Castle	
Fishers vs. Centerville	
VOLLEYBALL	
Indiana School for the Deaf at University, 6 p.m.	
Westfield at Hamilton Heights, 6:30 p.m.	
Zionsville at Guerin Catholic, 6:30 p.m.	
Hamilton Southeastern at Brebeuf Jesuit, 7 p.m.	
McCutcheon at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.	
Yorktown at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.	
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Mock made her hole-in-one on the 12th hole. It was Mock's second career ace; she said her first one came at the Newport Country Club when she was 13.

“A little more high stakes, for sure,” said Mock. “It's definitely a good feeling.”

Mock called making the walk from the tee to the green “truly surreal.”

“The heart rate's high, you're just grinning ear to ear,” said Mock. “It just was such a special moment, and to have so many loved ones watching it too, at such an incredible place, an incredible moment, it truly was just amazing.”

Mock also birdied the

10th hole, her first of the day, and finished with a 76, placing her in a tie for 10th after the opening round. (The Greyhounds began their Friday round from the 10th hole.) Maddie Headlee carded an 80, including two birdies. Allie Thompson and Georgia Murman both made one birdie.

Carmel tees off on hole No. 1 this morning, from 8:30 to 9:10 a.m.

Team scores: Noblesville 310, Zionsville 315, Westfield 326, Hamilton Southeastern 327, Franklin Community 328, Batesville 332, Center Grove 341, Carmel 344, South Bend St. Joseph 347, Castle 353, Rochester 356, DeKalb 365, Northridge 365, Homestead 365, Bedford North Lawrence 368, Lake Central 373, New Palestine 378, Evansville

Memorial 412.

Day 1 leaders: Addi Kooi (Westfield) 72, Paige Giovenco (Floyd Central) 72, Taylor Snively (Zionsville) 72.

Noblesville scores: Josie Kelley 75, Presley White 76, Karis Shields 78, Olivia Fowler 81, Olivia Anderson 89.

Other Westfield scores: Kelsey Haverluck 76, Lilley Ku 88, Kate Brown 90, Sophie Raines 90.

Southeastern scores: Sophie Roberts 80, Janelle Garcia 80, Laci Hart 83, Maya Cieply 83, Karolina Franssen 92.

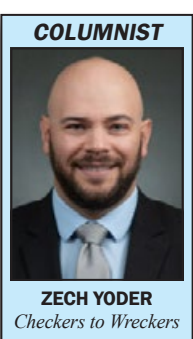
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Lack of trust breeds antitrust

For more than 75 years, NASCAR has been run by a single family, the France family. This week, the France family's iron grip on America's most popular form of auto racing has been challenged for the first time in nearly 60 years.

On Wednesday, Oct. 2, NASCAR Cup Series teams 23XI Racing and Front Row Motorsports filed a lawsuit in a North Carolina Federal Court alleging that the Frances' control over NASCAR and premier stock racing generally amounts to a monopoly. The antitrust lawsuit makes serious allegations against NASCAR and its control over the teams and the stock car racing industry.

The disagreement between NASCAR and 23XI Racing/Front Row Motorsports appears to have developed from the latest Charter Agreement between NASCAR and the Cup Series race teams. Prior to 2016, Cup Series teams were completely independent from NASCAR. Team earnings derived exclusively from sponsorship dollars



and prize money from races. The First Charter Agreement, implemented in 2016, provided 36 charters for the 36 full-time cars in the Cup Series. Each charter was provided a yearly stipend from NASCAR (which varied depending on results) and guaranteed a starting stop in each race of the season.

Make no mistake, the First Charter Agreement was not a permanent franchise agreement like in the NFL or the MLB. NASCAR and the France family still had exclusive control over nearly every aspect of the sport.

For the last two years, NASCAR and the race teams have been working toward a new charter agreement as the First Charter Agreement was set to expire at the end of 2024. By all accounts, the negotiations were difficult and, at times, contentious. With the steady decrease in available sponsorship dollars, race teams have been asking for more money from NASCAR.

Jeff Gordon, a former driver turned executive

for Hendrick Motorsports, suggested that Hendrick Motorsports, NASCAR's most successful team, had not turned a profit in years. Though, last Fall, NASCAR landed a new TV deal worth nearly \$8 billion.

Eventually, NASCAR made a final “take it or leave it” offer to the race teams and threatened to terminate the charter system altogether if it was not signed, a move that would bankrupt many of the Cup Series team. All but two teams signed the agreement, indicating that they had no choice. 23XI Racing and Front Row Motorsports were the holdouts. In the midst of potentially losing their charters, 23XI and Front Row filed the lawsuit.

The lawsuit centers around the France family's control of NASCAR. Unlike the NFL or the MLB, which is controlled by the team owners, NASCAR is controlled by a single family. Race teams are viewed as independent contractors, lacking any decision-making power. 23XI and Front Row contend that NASCAR has developed its business in such a way as to corner the market on premier stock car racing thereby forcing the

race teams to accept disparate terms. 23XI and Front Row point to NASCAR owning nearly half the tracks that it races on or requiring other track owners to sign non-compete agreements with NASCAR in order to host NASCAR events. 23XI and Front Row also point to NASCAR's recent acquisition of the ARCA Menards Series, the only other national stock car series outside of NASCAR's control.

The impact of this lawsuit is enormous. Particularly, because 23XI is co-owned by one of the most recognizable athletes ever, Michael Jordan. Michael Jordan is not used to being pushed around.

For the last 75 years, NASCAR had all the leverage and held all the cards. With this lawsuit, it feels that its grip on American stock car racing has loosened even if only by a little. This is uncharted territory. It would be a fool's errand to try to predict what happens next or what impact this may have on the sport. Stay tuned because the next six months will be a roller coaster.

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