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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Carmel to celebrate its Veterans this Friday

One fateful day

The REPORTER

The City of Carmel will hold its Veterans Day Ceremony from noon to 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 to honor veterans in the community. The event will take place at The Tarkington Theater at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts, 3 Carter Green.

The city-wide "A Legacy of Loyalty and Service" poster and essay contest winners will also be recognized. Winning posters will be displayed and students will read their winning essays at the ceremony.

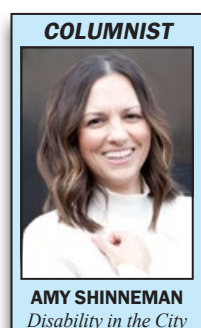
- Participants will include:
- Actors Theatre of Indiana
 - Cindy Ensign Baney and Lauren Baney
 - Dr. Michael Beresford, Superintendent, Carmel Clay Schools
 - Carmel Middle School Choir directed by Trisha Scheidies
 - Carmel VFW Post 10003



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- Honor Guard
- Reverend George Davis, Carmel Police Chaplain, U.S. Army Veteran
 - Harold "Rock" Effron, Carmel VFW Post 10003 Chaplain, U.S. Army Veteran, Vietnam War
 - Mayor Sue Finkam
 - John Govin, U.S. Air Force 1st Lieutenant, Carmel Police Department Sergeant
 - Dr. Tim Hannon, Retired U.S. Navy Captain
- This event is free and open to the public.

It felt like an out-of-body experience when my neurologist breezed in a little over six years ago, and casually tossed the genetic test on the counter on that fateful day. I remember thinking, "how can he be so nonchalant about something that has caused me so much pain and strife in my life?"



AMY SHINNEMAN
Disability in the City

I quickly realized that, of course, he did not feel what I was feeling. No one in my life did. They could not. They didn't know what it felt like to live for so long without answers. They couldn't comprehend the magnitude of mental exhaustion something like that has on a person. How crushing that is each day. How so much of my time was occupied by pondering that lingering mystery. How with each passing year, the power of the unknown becomes increasingly painful, heavier. The notion that "someday" I might have an answer was slipping out of my grasp.

Except suddenly, it was not.

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Sheridan First Christian Church's dine-in Noodle Dinner & Cookie Bazaar returns

The REPORTER

Sheridan First Christian Church will soon welcome the community to its annual Noodle Dinner & Cookie Bazaar from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16.

For the first time since the pandemic, this cherished event will return to its original indoor setting, hosted in the church's recently-refreshed ADA accessible basement at 107 W. Third St., Sheridan. Guests can enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal with both dine-in and take-out options available.

This year's menu includes

hearty servings of chicken and noodles or beef and noodles, green beans, creamy mashed potatoes, freshly baked yeast rolls, and a dessert. This is a freewill offering. The Cookie Bazaar will offer cookies for purchase by the pound, priced at \$6 per pound. Cash, Visa, Mastercard, American Express, and Discover are accepted for payment.

In addition to the meal,



Sheridan First Christian Church will collect donations of bras, cell phones, eyeglasses, hearing aids, and shoes to support community needs.

Sheridan First Christian Church looks forward to this festive gathering and the chance to bring neighbors together once more in person. All are invited to come for an evening of warm hospitality and support for community efforts.

About Sheridan First Christian Church

Sheridan First Christian Church is a God-centered and inclusive church. The mission of Sheridan First Christian Church is to provide a welcoming community to help anyone know, love and follow Jesus. The church is committed to helping their community and neighbors through service and celebration. Sheridan First Christian Church is inclusive and welcomes all ages, races, genders and abilities. Casual and friendly worship services occur every Sunday at 10 a.m.

Written by Dorothy Howard Adler 8/9/85

Was she 16? Or only 15? Maybe you should ask her. It was summer, the season for transparent apples and mowing.



RAY ADLER
Ray's Ramblings

Auntie had purchased a new home. Dad and I have volunteered our help.

Some weeks earlier I had purchased a length of material. It was predominantly red flowered with a scattering of blue and yellow flowers on a white ground. It lay neglected in a drawer-almost forgotten. On the eve of moving day Miss Sixteen asked if she might have the material. She was near enough to my size to use the same pattern, so she asked to borrow one I had recently used. The next request was to try on my dress so she could see where to alter the pattern.

Next morning bright and early Dad and I were off to Ft. Wayne. By noon we were all tired and hungry, so we went - as we were - to the mall. We lunched at MCL, and as is usual when one goes "as is" we saw several friends. They were too polite to mention our less than immaculate attire, so we decided to venture further afield. Patter-son Fletcher was the next stop.

There we saw the handsome brown wool suit. It was Dad's size. With a little arm-twisting he bought it. Then I found two pairs double knit pants, also his size. He protested but bought both pairs.

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Carmel Christkindlmarkt announces special events, entertainers & German artisans

The REPORTER

The Carmel Christkindlmarkt staff have announced the lineup of special events, entertainment acts, visiting German artisans, and general Market hours for the 2024 season.

The Market will be open from Nov. 23 through Christmas Eve. General Market hours for 2024 will be as follows:

- Monday & Tuesday: Closed
- Wednesday & Thursday: Open 4 to 9 p.m.
- Friday & Saturday: Open noon to 9 p.m.

Additionally, the Market will be open for special holiday hours:

- Wednesday, Nov. 27: Open noon to 9 p.m.
- CLOSED Thursday, Nov. 28 for Thanksgiving
- Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 16 & 17: Open 4 to 9 p.m.
- Monday, Dec. 23: Open 12 to 9 p.m.
- Christmas Eve: noon to 4 p.m.
- CLOSED for Christmas

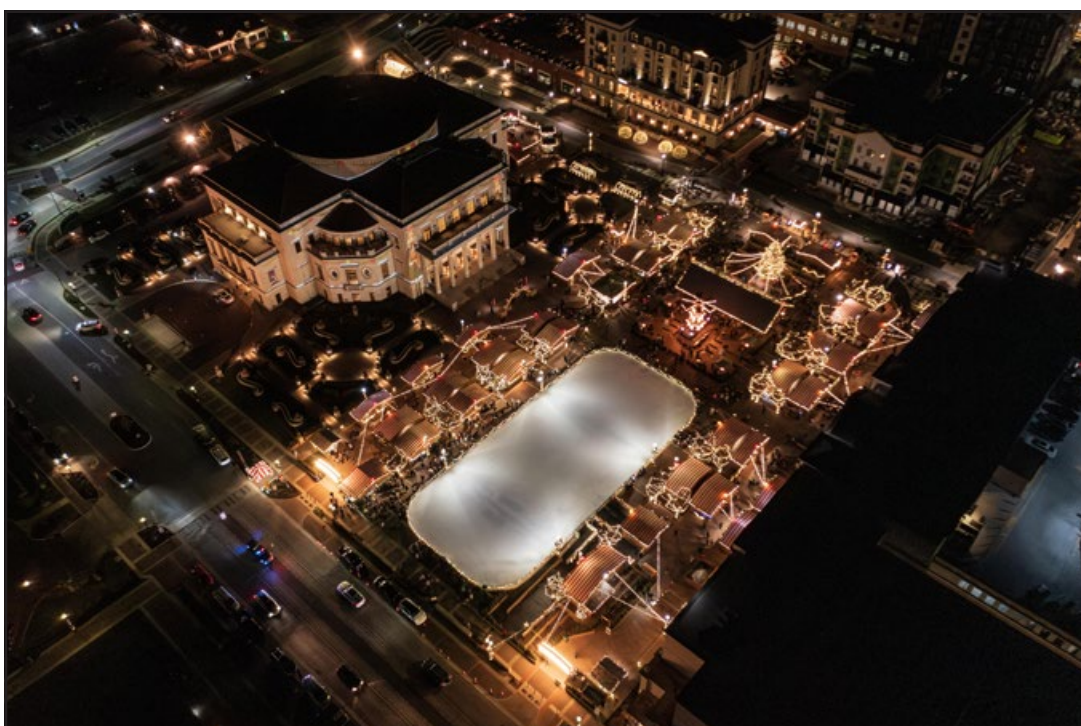


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Special events for the 2024 season will include some old favorites as well as several new offerings:

- Wundernacht - Nov. 20, 6 to 9 p.m.

- Opening Ceremony - Nov. 23, 11 a.m. to noon
- Sankt Martinstag - Nov. 30, 7 to 8 p.m.
- Indianapolis Colts Fest - Dec. 1, noon to 8 p.m.

- Christkind ChoralFest - Dec. 4, 4:30 to 9 p.m.
- Sankt Nikolaustag - Dec. 6, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

See *Artisans* . . . Page 2

Christmas nostalgia coming to Fortville

The REPORTER

Beginning Friday, Nov. 8, a new central Indiana holiday attraction rolls into the fir-scented fields of Piney Acres Christmas Tree Farm, 1115 E. County Road 1000 North, Fortville.

Young and old alike will love the new addition, Glimmer Lights presented by Gateway Hancock Health, with hints of a beloved classic featuring a magical 20-minute train ride to the North Pole. Guests will board the Piney Acres Express with a cup of signature hot cocoa and a freshly made holiday cookie as they travel into a glimmering wonderland of twinkling light displays nestled on the 73-acre Hancock County Christmas tree farm. It's sure to become a beloved family tradition.

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ARTISANS

• KulturFest – Dec. 7, 12:30 to 3 p.m.
• German Sing-Along and Ornament Exchange – Dec. 11, 7:30 to 9 p.m.

• StudentenFest – Dec. 13, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
• Glühwein Gallop 5K Walk/Run – Dec. 14, 9 to 11 a.m.

• Military Appreciation Day – Dec. 15, noon to 8 p.m.
• Carmel Christkindlmarkt Bier Competition –

Dec. 20, 5 to 6 p.m.

To learn more about all of these special events, please visit CarmelChristkindlmarkt.com/activities/events.

The Market will feature more than a hundred entertainment acts throughout the season as well, including the following:

• Jay Fox & Jammin Germans (Fort Wayne) – Polka – Nov. 23 & 30, Dec. 7

• Midwest Alphon Retreat (Michigan) – Traditional alphonms – Nov. 23 & 24

• Johnny Koenig (Pittsburgh & Philadelphia, Pa.) – Polka – Nov. 30, Dec. 1

• Jennie DeVoe (Indianapolis) – Soul/blues singer-songwriter – Nov. 29

• Duke Tumatoe & The Power Trio (Carmel) – Blues – Original guitarist for REO Speedwagon – Dec. 5, Dec. 20

• Matt Tolentino Trio (new this year) (Cincinnati, Ohio) – Polka – Dec. 5

• Alex Meixner Band (Texas) – Polka – Grammy-nominated musician & producer – Dec. 6 to 8

• Mollie B., Ted Lange, & The Squeezebox Band (Minnesota) – Polka – 2022 International Polka Association – International-Style Female Vocalist of the Year – Dec. 13 & 14

• Brasshaufen (new this year) – Polka / German & Czech brass band (St. Louis,

Mo.) – Dec. 15

• Mike Schneider Band (Milwaukee, Wis.) – Polka (25-year touring polka band) – Dec. 21 & 22

For the full entertainment schedule, please visit CarmelChristkindlmarkt.com/activities/winter-pavilion.

Finally, the Market will also welcome German artisans back into the Werkstatt (Workshop) this year, including:

• Ringo Müller – Nov. 23: Ringo Müller is a fourth-generation woodturner from Carmel's Sister City, Seiffen, Saxony. Müller's Schwibbogen and Christmas pyramids from the Erzgebirge have been a staple in German households and abroad for over a century.

• Markus Wagner – Nov. 23 to Dec. 1: Markus Wagner is the last remaining woodcarver at the Oberammergau Schnürlikasperl. His witty creations and masterful artwork come alive as delighted kids and adults pull the strings of the beloved jumping jacks. Oberammergau is a small village nestled at the foot of the Alps and is famous for its Passionsspiele ("passion play").

• Falk Bauer & Katrin Zapf – Dec. 4 to 8: Falk Bauer and Katrin Zapf are joining the Market from the historic glassblowing community of Lauscha in

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Thuringia. No Christmas tree is complete without glass baubles and intricate Baumschmuck from Lauscha. Come try your hand at glassblowing and marvel at the delicate detail these artists can coax out of molten glass.

• Holzspielzeugmacherschule Seiffen – Dec. 11 to 15: The Market will welcome the next generation of wooden toy makers from the Holzspielzeugmacher und Drechslerschule (BSZ1) from Carmel's Sister City Seiffen. These students will demonstrate their woodworking skills and enthrall your family with their handiwork and future outlook of the industry. (Translation of Holzspielzeugmacherschule und Drechslerschule: wooden toy maker and woodturner schools)

• Anja Werner – Dec. 16 to 24: Anja Werner is an instructor at the Kunsthochschule in Schneeberg – the region's most prestigious art institute – where she learned the art of woodcarving and furniture making from the old masters. Frau Werner took the old-world techniques and applied a modern twist to create her unique Holzgestalten ("wooden shapes").

You can learn more about the artisans at CarmelChristkindlmarkt.com/activities/werkstatt.



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FATEFUL

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Not expecting this, immediately I was flooded with a tingling sense of excitement, mixed with a little fear that I, of course, may be disappointed once again. I tried to play it cool because if I showed my true feelings it may scare him. I wanted to jump up and down (even though I cannot jump) scream and cry, but I did not. I simply said, “of course I will spit in the tube and send it off for genetic testing.” “What’s the cost?” I asked, which was laughable because even if he said “one million dollars,” I would have told myself, “Ok I will find a way to make that work.”

The thought of being able to answer someone with a solid answer when they asked, “what’s wrong with your legs?” was comforting to me. I would not have to fumble my words to try and produce something that did not sound made up or make me appear like I had no clue what was going on with my own body. It would be a simple answer. My whole life I had fumbled those words. Who even knows how many times I was asked that over 44 years? Feels like thousands. People are curious.

I would not have to wonder what may be coming next, because I would be able to read about what to expect once I had a firm diagnosis. I could study and learn about what was going on inside my body that was wreaking all this havoc and headache. I would not be left to wonder and live in fear of the unknown.

The days between when I spit in the tube and sent it off, and when I finally got the email notice – “your test results are in and ready for your doctor to review” – went by excruciatingly slowly. It was ALL I could think about! It consumed me. It felt close. It felt different. Someone knew, and I did not yet. That was hard. Patience. I had sure been conditioned to be patient over 44 years. I could wait another few days.

Exposing our pain and vulnerabilities to others can be difficult, but I have learned in doing so, how

healing it can be. When we witness and listen to others’ pain and their stories, we can gain valuable perspective and wisdom for our lives, and how we live. We become more appreciative for something we are taking for granted, or we can look at a difficult circumstance with a new perspective, after hearing someone’s story. It doesn’t have to be the same story as yours to be able to gain a new way of handling something in your own life.

I have personally never known anyone who has waited that long for a diagnosis. I know people do wait a long time, and that even a year or two of waiting is extremely difficult. I’m happy to be able to share my story now that I have reached the other side. My family did not understand exactly what I was going through, but what they did do was support me on my journey of the search. I am sure at times their hope wavered just like mine did. It was impossible for my hope not to be shaky at times, but I don’t think I ever totally lost it.

This week I will celebrate the six-year anniversary of my diagnosis day. The day my world got a whole lot brighter, and I could finally breathe. There were lots of tears that day six years ago. Mostly happy tears, but also a few tears for what lies ahead. I choose not to dwell there too often though, and just live each day as it comes the best I can. Some are good physically, but many are not, especially as I am getting older. There are glimpses of lost independence, but I will keep fighting, humbly courageously.

I will make myself a cupcake, place a No. 6 candle on top, say a prayer of thanksgiving, and blow it out. Forever grateful that I am not living the nightmare of the search anymore.

Until next time ...

Amy Shinneman is a former National Ambassador for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, disability blogger, wife, and mom of two boys. You can find her blog at humblycourageous.com and reach her on Instagram @ashinneman.

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Then it was back to the task at hand. By evening Auntie was fairly well settled so we headed for home.

Daughter had a nice surprise ready. She had cold packed a canner of applesauce. She had helped before, but this was a solo.

Then questions about her dress. Yes, she had started it. Would I try it on? I protested that, too, as it didn’t need to fit me. Her will prevailed – she just wanted to see how it is going to look. So on with the dress. It fit me perfectly! And was all finished except for the hem and sewing

cuffs on the sleeves. She wasn’t quite sure she had the correct length.

I wore the dress with a great deal of pleasure, and we enjoyed every bite of the sauce.

As a postscript. I might add that the dress was set off by my red “macaroni” belt, but that is another story. It was a perfect match.

Ray Adler is a longtime attorney with offices at The Adler Building, 136 S. 9th St., Downtown Noblesville. He is also one of the owners of The Hamilton County Reporter Newspaper.

PINEY ACRES

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“I like to create, share joy, and make people happy,” Piney Acres Farm Owner Rex Zenor said. “When I hear a train, it takes me back to my childhood, when we piled in my mom’s 1961 Mercury Comet and drove around to look at Christmas lights. They were nothing like they are today, but I thought they were the coolest, and they made us so happy. For me, the farm is all about creating memories for families. I always thought having my own train would be the cat’s meow! I’m living

my childhood dreams and getting to share it with our guests and that’s so very neat!”

Glimmer Lights is a timed ticketed event and runs Nov. 8 to Jan. 4, 2025, on Thursday through Sunday evenings. Also, Santa will be in his Piney Acres Cabin on select evenings ready for a visit with families. The trackless train seats both adults and children.

More information can be found at PineyAcresFarm.com/events and tickets can be found at [this link](#).

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Surveillance video captures Indiana State Police raid of Atlanta Town Hall

By **TIM SPEARS**
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Newly obtained surveillance video captures the **Indiana State Police raid** focused on a small-town official.

On Oct. 2, Indiana State Police, with Hamilton County prosecutors at the scene, searched the home of Atlanta Utility Superintendent and Building Commissioner Andy Emmert, as well as the Atlanta Town Hall.

There are no formal charges filed against Emmert.

I-Team 8 obtained security camera footage of the Town Hall raid. It includes two angles outside the building, from 9 a.m. to noon. The video shows officers talking to Emmert and handing over documents that he reviews. I-Team 8 requested copies of the search warrants executed that day, to learn what investigators were searching for, but those warrants on Wednesday remained under seal.

While the footage shows state troopers going in and out of the Atlanta Town Hall, Indiana State Police does not cart off large boxes, file cabinets, or any stacks



Photo capture provided by Atlanta Town Government

On Oct. 2, Indiana State Police and Hamilton County prosecutors searched the home of Atlanta Utility Superintendent and Building Commissioner Andy Emmert, as well as the Atlanta Town Hall and the Street Department.

of documents. The video shows Emmert spends most of the time during the raid on his phone, often taking calls inside a truck owned by the town government.

I-Team 8 requested call logs and texts on any government-issued cellphone that Emmert used on Oct. 2. The town's attorney said the town government never issued a phone to Emmert.

In the video, around 11 a.m., authorities hand Emmert another set of documents.

About 40 minutes later, an additional Indiana State Police cruiser arrives, picks up Emmert, and drives off.

Investigators also searched Emmert's home that day, hauling off a pair of cars.

Atlanta officials say it's their understanding the town government is not the target of the investigation, though authorities have not revealed the purpose of the search.

The Atlanta Town Council **unanimously voted** to place Emmert on paid leave

while the investigation unfolds. Staff from the nearby Hamilton County town of Arcadia are performing Emmert's duties, which includes running the community's water and sewer plants.

Atlanta, a town of about 750 people, is located north of Indianapolis on the border of Hamilton County and Tipton County.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/indiana-state-police-raid-atlanta-town-hall.



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See you Saturday for *Meet Me on Main* in Carmel's Arts & Design District

The REPORTER

Come to the Carmel Arts & Design District from 4 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 9 for Allied Solutions' *Meet Me on Main*.

Enjoy live music throughout the District, gallery and merchant specials and a variety of retail and restaurant options for shopping and dining. This month, welcome Lisa Pelo for a fun and creative event where you can make your very own glass pumpkin form. [Click here](#) to register for a hot glass workshop.

Live music

- **Frank Bradford** in the breezeway by Sub Zero Nitrogen Ice Cream, 111 W. Main St.

- **Aura Ray** at Indiana Artisan, 22 N. Range Line Road

- **Tege Holt** at Main Street and the Monon Greenway

Gallery Exhibits

Each month, local galleries and businesses will feature talented artists in an array of media.

- **CCA Gallery:** CCA is ushering in the holiday season with their annual Holiday Open House. Please come to enjoy refreshments in the gallery and shop for one-of-a-kind gifts before the holiday rush. You can also enter their raffle to win a \$25 gift certificate. (111 W. Main St., Suite 135)

- **Circle Gallery:** Create What You Crave (Ses-

sion 3) – 4 to 6 p.m. Come experience a high-energy event focused on socializing with other creatives and spotlighting local guest speakers who are living out their dreams ... and leave ready to conquer your own. [This link](#) takes you to the registration for Create What You Crave.

- **Indiana Artisan:** Visit the gallery and meet jewelry designer **Heidi Mandich** who will provide everything you need and step-by-step directions to create your own copper pendant at a free make-and-take workshop. (22 N. Range Line Road)

- **Magdalena Gallery:** You won't want to miss the seasonal Student Show at Magdalena Gallery. This event showcases the talents of artists ages seven to 16 years, each presenting a single piece of their work. Visitors are encouraged to attend, engage with the art, and vote for their favorite pieces. (27 E. Main St., #100)

Special offers

- **Fork & Ale:** Create your own burger for \$10 – lettuce, tomatoes, onion, pickle, and cheese are included. (350 Veterans Way #150)

- **Xchocol'Art:** Xchocol'Art is ready for the holidays! Stop by for samples to share and many local gifts for

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Carmel Christkindlmarkt nominated for *USA Today's* 2024 10Best Competition for Best Holiday Market

The REPORTER

The Carmel Christkindlmarkt has been nominated for Best Holiday Market in *USA Today's* 10Best Readers' Choice Awards for 2024.

The Market won No. 1 Best Holiday Market in this contest four years prior, in 2019, 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Contestants are nominated from all over the country by a panel of experts and 10Best editors. There are 20 nominees for each category. The public can vote for their favorites

in each category once per day from noon on Nov. 4 through 11:59 a.m. on Dec. 2. Winners will be announced at noon on Dec. 6.

"We are honored to be nominated for Best Holiday Market again this year," Carmel Christkindlmarkt CEO Maria Adele Rosenfeld said. "We pride ourselves on our commitment to providing an authentic, magical holiday experience, and it's humbling to know that so many visitors can see that and support us in winning this



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award. We appreciate each and every vote."

To learn more about this

competition, [click here](#). To vote, please go to 10best.usatoday.com/qr/43478.

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Lane restrictions & ramp closures on I-465 near Carmel

The REPORTER

Indiana Department of Transportation contractor Milestone Contractors LP plans for lane restrictions on Interstate 465 on the northeast side of Marion County.

Starting at 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7 through 6 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8, crews will reduce I-465 eastbound to a single lane between U.S. 31 and Keystone Ave. and

reduce I-465 westbound to two lanes between Westfield Boulevard and College Avenue. The U.S. 31 northbound to I-465 eastbound and U.S. 31 southbound to I-465 eastbound ramps will be closed.

Starting at 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 through 6 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, crews will reduce I-465 westbound to two lanes between Westfield Blvd. and Col-

lege Ave.

Starting at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 through 6 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, crews will reduce I-465 eastbound traffic to a single lane between U.S. 31 and Keystone Avenue. The U.S. 31 northbound to I-465 eastbound, U.S. 31 southbound to I-465 eastbound and I-465 eastbound to Keystone Avenue ramps will be closed.

These restrictions will allow crews to safely complete pavement restoration, bridge deck patching, and joint repairs.

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

CarDon & Associates unveils brand-new Copper Trace senior living expansion

The REPORTER

Senior living management company CarDon & Associates unveil the new expansion of its Westfield community, Copper Trace, during a public open house held Oct. 29. Tours, refreshments and door prizes were provided.

The Copper Trace expansion project began construction in late 2023 and added 37,500 square feet to the main campus building. Overall, the expansion has more than doubled the number of assisted living apartments by adding 40 new units consisting of 27 one-bedroom, six large one-bedroom and seven two-bedroom residences. Additionally, new amenities and renovations have upgraded the property, including a newly renovated dining room, cafe, fitness center, and lounge/activity area.

“This expansion will comfortably accommodate the growing needs of seniors in Westfield and surrounding communities,” CarDon President and CEO Kent Rodgers said. “It offers opportunities for seniors who want to remain



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(From left) Susan Bonner, Director of Marketing at CarDon & Associates; Nancy Pollock, Executive Director of Copper Trace; Victor McCarty, Westfield City Councilor; Jason Keene, Director of Facilities North at CarDon & Associates; Kent Rodgers, President & CEO of CarDon & Associates; Scott Willis, Westfield Mayor; Courtney Albright, President of the Westfield Chamber of Commerce; Zach Cattell, Chief Strategy and Legal Officer at CarDon & Associates; Gregg Gormal, Chief Operating Officer at CarDon & Associates; and Kendra Fauth-Edwards, Chief Growth Officer at CarDon & Associates.

self-sufficient with the assurance of assistance when needed, as well as individuals coming out of short-term rehabilitation who might benefit from assisted living care.”

In addition to providing a safe and welcoming environment for seniors to live, the Copper Trace expansion also brings new employment opportunities

to the city of Westfield. Copper Trace supports residents with a comprehensive continuum of care, and there are ample open job opportunities for skilled associates within assisted living, rehabilitation, long-term care and memory support services.

Architectural and interior design firm Studio Three Design developed

the look of the expansion while long-running renovation company Summit Construction oversaw the building process.

Copper Trace is located on the northeast corner of 146th Street and Ditch Road at 1250 W. 146th St. The new units are available now for reservation, and interested future residents can learn more [here](#).

MEET

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you to wow your family and friends. (228 W. Main St.)

For a complete directory of galleries, restaurants and businesses in the District, visit CarmelArtsAndDesign.com.

About the Carmel Arts & Design District

The Carmel Arts & Design District is the Midwest’s premier arts and design destination. Home to more than 200 business-

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The memorial will be on display at Cyntheanne Christian Church, 13151 Cyntheanne Road, Fishers from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7.

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WAYS TO WELLNESS: FOOD - FRIEND OR FOE?

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Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

Hamilton County Veteran Service Organizations

ACTIVE 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 12-12
 See their calendar here - <https://post155.org/2024-calendar>

Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc
 9091 E 126th St Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm \$25K
 Fishers, in 46038 Pool 2&4 Sa 4pm
 317-842-5944 Breakfast 1st & 3rd Sun 8-11
 See their calendar here - <https://legion470fishers.org/site/eventscalendar.php>

If you are a member of the Cicero, Sheridan, Noblesville Legions or the Carmel or Noblesville VFWs and you would like to see your Post activities in the paper, please speak at your next meeting to see if your Post would create or nominate an Outreach Coordinator to automatically send me your Post information weekly with a 14 day lead time before the event happens.

If you would like to step up in Hamilton County to assist your Military Veteran community to live a more connected and fulfilled life, please come to the Hamilton County Veteran Corp meetings the first Monday of the month 7pm at the Fishers American Legion Post 470 located at 9091 E 126th St. No annual fees, just a commitment to helping our Military Veteran community. Military, Veteran family members may also join. We are ready to make Hamilton County the leader in the country as we step into the future, caring for our Military Veteran community! Join us

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

317-776-9610 Hours – 9am-4pm Weekdays
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Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov
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robin.wilson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov
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COMPACT Act Program Coordinator:
 Mishelle Evans: 317-987-9026
 Business hours: M-F 0730-1600

Hamilton County Military Veteran ACTIVE American Legion Post & Restaurant Hours

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

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

VAU Fallen Heroes Memorial Nov 7 at Cyntheanne Rd Church 13151 Cyntheanne Rd Fishers, In



The Veterans & Athletes United Fallen Heroes Memorial will be on display at Cyntheanne Christian Church, 13151 Cyntheanne Road, Fishers, in the parking lot from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7. This Memorial is made from 7,065 dog tags of our Fallen Heroes and they create an image of the top half of the American flag. Please come out Nov 7th to Honor, Remember and pay your respects to those who gave their all for our safety and Freedom.

Indianapolis Veterans Day Parade Nov 11, 11am

2024 Veterans Day Service & Parade
 Monday, Nov. 11, 2024
 The Indiana War Memorial
 431 N. Meridian St.
 Indianapolis, IN 46204
Service: 11 A.M.

Save the Date!
 Parade step-off is at Noon and starts at Michigan & Pennsylvania St. The route is south on Pennsylvania Ave., west on New York St., and then north on Meridian St. The route is based around the Legion Mall and Indiana War Memorial. Parade ends at Meridian & St. Clair
Noblesville Veterans Day Ceremony, November 11



The public is invited and encouraged to attend the Veterans Day ceremony, coordinated by the American Legion Post 45 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6246 - Ralph Lehr Post, at 11am on Monday, November 11 on the west side of the courthouse square. The City of Noblesville would like to thank all Veterans for their service to our country.

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Activities & Events

Fishers Veterans Day Ceremony 11am Nov 11



The City of Fishers and Fishers Armed Services Commission invite residents to a Veterans Day Ceremony in the Fishers City Hall Theater (1 Municipal Drive) honoring our local heroes and their families. Keynote Speaker, author Doug Melville. The ceremony is free and open to the public, but registration is required due to limited seating. [Register to attend here.](#)

A live stream of the event will be broadcast on the [City's Facebook.](#)

Westfield Veterans Day Ceremony Nov 11, 745am

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 3535 E 161st Street
 Breakfast | 7:45 - 8:30 A.M.
 Ceremony | 8:30 A.M.
 Featuring live performances, keynote speakers, a gift for each attending veteran, and more!
 This event is free and open to the public.
 Scan here for more information!

Carmel Veterans Day Ceremony Nov 8 at 12pm



The City of Carmel and members of local Veterans organizations, work together to host an annual Veterans Day Ceremony, a community event in honor of our veterans. The ceremony pays tribute and thanks those who served our country in order for us to enjoy the freedoms that we have today. It is at the Tarkington Theater, 3 Carte Green.

Carmel American Legion Veterans Day Dinner

Carmel American Legion 155
 All Post 155 Veterans are cordially invited to a free
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Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre presents *A Christmas Story*, *The Musical* for the holidays

Popular movie-turned-musical opens Nov. 29

The REPORTER

The fictional town of Hohman, Ind., is recreated on stage at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre this holiday season as it presents *A Christmas Story, The Musical*. Opening Nov. 29 with an extended run through Jan. 4, this Tony Award-nominated musical features all the fun and iconic scenes from the popular movie.

Set in the 1940s, the musical follows nine-year-old Ralphie Parker and his quest for the Holy Grail of Christmas gifts – an Official Red Ryder carbine-action 200-shot Range Model air rifle. Ralphie plots numerous schemes to achieve the coveted BB gun, in spite of repeated refrains from the adults in his life.

Teddy Wiegand, an 11-year-old sixth-grader from Our Shepherd Lutheran School in Avon, makes his Beef & Boards debut in the starring role of Ralphie. Reprising their roles in this production are Eddie Curry as Jean Shepherd (the narrator), and Don Farrell (*Beautiful: The Carole King Musical, Mamma Mia!, Into*

the Woods) as The Old Man. Carrie Neal (*White Christmas, Beauty and the Beast*) plays Mother, Deb Wims (*Legally Blonde The Musical, White Christmas*) plays Miss Shields.

All the iconic scenes from the movie are featured, with a versatile score that ranges from gentle ballads to show-stopping full-ensemble numbers such as “Ralphie to the Rescue!,” “A Major Award,” “Sticky Situation,” “Up on Santa’s Lap,” “Somewhere Hovering Over Indiana” and the inevitable “You’ll Shoot Your Eye Out!”

A Christmas Story: The Musical is rated PG and is on stage for 39 performances through Jan. 4 in the intimate space of Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. A special New Year’s Eve celebration takes place on Dec. 31, including dancing to live music after the show and a champagne toast at midnight followed by a breakfast buffet.

Tickets range from \$55 to \$82 (\$112.50 for the New Year’s Eve event) and include Chef Larry Stoops’



Photo provided by Beef & Boards

holiday dinner buffet and select beverages. Children under age 3 are not admitted.

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

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

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre, Indiana’s only year-round professional dinner theatre, has been serving up exceptional entertainment since 1973.

The Addams Family musical on stage Nov. 21-23 at Noblesville High School

The REPORTER

Noblesville High School proudly presents its 2024 fall musical, *The Addams Family School Edition* at 7 p.m. Nov. 21, 22, and 23, and 2 p.m. Nov. 23 at Noblesville High School Auditorium, 18111 Cumberland Road.

This exciting production includes 86 cast, ensemble, and crew members, and 26 student musicians. Shantel Morris is the show’s director. John Neubauer is the music director, and Julianne Fowler is the choreographer, who together lead the NHS choral department. Connor Buhl is the show’s producer. David Hartman is conductor of the pit orchestra.

The community is warmly invited to attend this family-friendly performance. Concessions, \$10 goodie bags featuring treats for kids, and a VIP Experience (see below) will be available for purchase.

The Addams Family School Edition is a new musical by Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice, with music and lyrics by Andrew Lippa, and orchestrations by Larry Hochman. It is based on characters created by Charles Addams. The original award-winning musical opened on Broadway in April 2010 and featured Nathan Lane as Gomez and

Bebe Neuwirth as Morticia Addams.

The NHS cast features the following students:

- Nick Sizelove as Gomez Addams
- Jade Youree as Morticia Addams
- Kate Boice as Wednesday Addams
- Cutter Bechtel as Pugsley Addams
- Leo Kenley as Fester Addams
- Joshua Thurber as Lurch
- Charlotte Wiggins as Grandma
- Andy McGrew as Lucas Beineke
- Alaina Wadsworth as Alice Beineke
- Matthew Hunt as Mal Beineke

They are joined by an ensemble of 42 Addams Family ancestors playing such characters as a samurai, 1970s tennis player, sad mime, samba dancer, and many more.

Tickets range from \$10 to \$15 and may be purchased online at NoblesvilleChoirs.org/events/musical-2024.

NEW! VIP Experience

The Noblesville High School Choir Parent Organization is offering a kid-friendly VIP Experience at both Saturday performances. With limited



Photo by Kadin Bright, NHS Student Photographer
Members of the ensemble, who will perform as ghostly Addams ancestors, rehearse for *The Addams Family School Edition*.

tickets for both the matinee and evening show, this is a chance to enjoy the show like never before.

- Goodie bag full of surprises
- A photo opportunity with the cast after the show
- A themed cookie – a special treat just for you
- Join the cast on stage during intermission for an interactive dance

Add the VIP Experience to any new online ticket orders at checkout. Existing ticket holders can purchase the VIP Experience online or at the Saturday performances (while supplies last).

Show description

The Addams Family is a family-friendly comical, musical feast that embraces the wackiness in every fam-

ily. Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family – a man her parents have never met.

And if that weren’t upsetting enough, Wednesday confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he’s never done before – keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia.

Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday’s “normal” boyfriend and his parents. (*The Addams Family School Edition* has been adapted from the original Broadway production.)

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Voters send Shonkwiler to Indiana Statehouse

Submitted by Alaina for Noblesville

Noblesville Republican Alaina Shonkwiler has been elected as the next State Representative for Indiana House District 29. House District 29 is located entirely within Hamilton County, including the city of Noblesville, and a small portion of Fishers. Shonkwiler will fill the seat of retiring State

Representative Chuck Goodrich, and her term runs through 2026. "Over the past several months, the experiences we've shared the people we've met across Noblesville and beyond have inspired and encouraged me, and I am humbled to have earned



Shonkwiler

the support of District 29," Shonkwiler said. "This is the community where Jason and I were raised, where we've been proud to serve our neighbors, and where we're raising our family. We are lucky to live here, and it's our responsibility to keep

Hamilton County thriving. Our work is just beginning, and I am thankful for the opportunity to make a difference." Shonkwiler lives in Noblesville along with her husband, Jason, a Sergeant with the Noblesville Police Department and current High School Resource Officer, and their two school aged children, Hannah and Kyle.

Rep. Spartz: we must govern now

Submitted by Spartz for Congress

On Wednesday morning, Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.-04) submitted the following statement to The Reporter:

Last night, the American people sent a resounding message that they are tired of lawlessness, radicalism, elitism, identity politics, open borders, failed economic policies, and a government that is not serving them.

I am very honored and humbled to have the support of my fellow Hoosiers and will do my part to make my party deliver on our promises. We MUST govern!

May God bless our great Republic!



Spartz

Jim Banks ready to serve as Indiana's next U.S. Senator

Submitted by Banks for Senate

Congressman Jim Banks issued the following statement after a landslide victory in the United States Senate race.

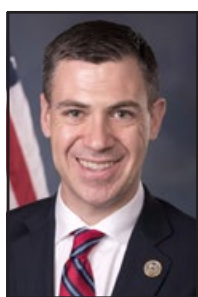
"I am grateful for the support of my family and the support I've had from Hoosiers across the state. I owe this victory to all who contributed to it.

"Only in America can a kid like me, who grew up in a trailer park in Columbia City and was the first in my family to go to college, go on to become a United States Senator. As your next

Senator, I will fight every day to protect that American dream for the next generation.

"We need true conservative fighters in Washington who are not afraid to cut reckless spending and fight to secure our border and end the Democrats' border crisis. I got in this race to champion working Hoosier families and put Indiana first, and that's what I plan to do on day one in the United States Senate.

"I am honored to have



Banks

the opportunity to fight for the things that matter most to Hoosiers."

Banks won quickly and decisively. The race was called at 7 p.m.

Banks also released a statement after the GOP gained the number of seats necessary to take control of the U.S. Senate.

"Tonight made it clear: Americans are sick and tired of literally and figuratively paying for Washington Democrats' radical agenda.

We took back the Senate, and in January we will take back our country. On day one, I will work with my colleagues in the Senate to secure our border, restore American strength, and bring down the cost of living for working class families."

Finally, Banks issued this statement once the presidential race was called for Former President Donald Trump.

"Kamala, you're fired! I'm excited to work with President Donald Trump in the Senate to Make America Great Again!"

ISBA congratulates Braun on his gubernatorial victory

Submitted by the Indiana School Boards Association

The Indiana School Boards Association congratulates Michael Kent Braun on his election as Governor of Indiana.

As he prepares to take office, ISBA stands ready to help on numerous issues of importance to school board members. Above all, we are committed to working with the new administration and

the Indiana General Assembly to achieve our common goals on improving education and student success.

Governor-elect Braun first appeared on the ballot 20 years ago in May 2004 when he was elected to the Greater Jasper School Board. He is the first former school board member elected Governor of the State of Indiana since Samuel Ralston in 1912.



Braun

Josh Lowry thanks supporters for their hard work in his race for Indiana House

Submitted by Lowry for Indiana

The Lowry for Indiana campaign submitted the following statement to The Reporter on Wednesday morning. Josh Lowry was the Democratic candidate for Indiana House District 24, which was won by Republican Hunter Smith.

Thank you, Indiana. From the bottom of my heart, I want to thank every single person who knocked doors, made phone calls, sent texts, put up a sign, wore a shirt, shared a social post, left a comment, liked a post, donated and voted for this campaign.

I know the results of this election were not what we wanted – on several levels – but we have to remember that it took longer than one election cycle to get into this situation and it will take longer than one election cycle to change it.

Watching our campaign manager, Raleigh Brown, and active volunteers like Evelyn Davis and Cary Fuller, turn their lives upside down for the promise of a better Indiana reinforced that it takes more



Lowry

than a supremely well-run campaign to bend the arc of the moral universe toward justice. It takes a lifetime of dedication. It takes sacrifice. It takes creating discomfort. It takes accountability. And, most of all, it takes all of us.

So, I want to thank every one of you again. But, I also want to ask you to stay with us because this is just the beginning.

Lowry for Indiana was more than a campaign. It became a community of

people who believe equality isn't a scary word. It became a family of people who gave a shoulder to cry on. It became true friendships. I'm not willing to give up on that, and I'm certain that you aren't either.

While I don't have the answer to what we're going to do next, I do know that we're not stopping. When we take that next step, I hope that you'll be there to take it with us. We're playing the long-game and this is just the beginning.

Use your voice. Make it count.

Submitted by Vote Baldwin

On Tuesday night, State Senator Scott Baldwin expressed deep gratitude and a renewed commitment to serving the residents of District 20 following his successful reelection.

I'm humbled to have once again earned the trust of our community and look forward to representing District

20 at the statehouse.

As we approach the upcoming legislative session, my focus remains clear: advocating for lower taxes, supporting strong schools and ensuring safe communities. These priorities are fundamental to keeping Indiana a great place to live, work and raise a family.

To everyone who supported me: Thank you for your trust and encouragement.



Baldwin

McCormick congratulates Braun on winning gubernatorial race

Submitted

Indiana Democratic gubernatorial nominee Jennifer McCormick released the following statement just after 10 p.m. Tuesday night after conceding the race for governor.

A few minutes ago, I called the Governor-elect and congratulated him.

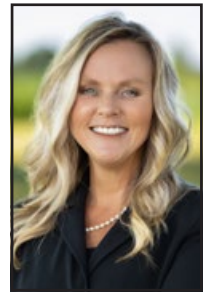
While tonight's outcome is disappointing, I know we waged a campaign based on hope and optimism, not one of fear and chaos.

I'm so incredibly thankful to the millions of Hoosiers who voted and made

their voices heard. Thank you to our supporters and volunteers for their energy and enthusiasm. Because

of all of you, I remain confident that Hoosier hospitality and ingenuity will ensure that Indiana's best days remain ahead of us. Simply put, Hoosiers define the Hoosier State, not the Governor.

For now, I'm confident the sun will come up tomorrow, as it has every day after the other 51 men were elected governor. Thank you so much, and God bless the great state of Indiana.



McCormick

Indiana Democratic Party issues statement on statewide races

Submitted by Indiana Democratic Party

The Indiana Democratic Party released the following statement Tuesday night from Chairman Mike Schmuhl on the results of the 2024 statewide elections in Indiana.

Tonight, the results were not what we hoped for, but we want to thank the millions of Hoosiers who made their voices heard in this election, and our statewide candidates Jennifer McCormick, Terry Goodin, Destiny Wells,

and Valerie McCray for running meaningful campaigns and connecting with Hoosier voters across our state.

We still believe Hoosiers deserve more balance in our state's politics and a party that works everyday to hold our state government to account, and fights for more freedoms and opportunity. That's what our party will continue to do



Schmuhl

in the coming weeks, months, and years.

Jennifer McCormick's campaign left no stone unturned and talked to Hoosiers in every county, bringing a message of hope, optimism, and a better future.

Destiny Wells ran a strong campaign to bring integrity back to the AG's office and fight for workers, women, and all Hoosiers.

Valerie McCray ran a historic race as the first Black woman to be a major party nominee for U.S. Senate in Indiana, on restoring Hoosiers' reproductive freedom, and being a Senator who would show up for Hoosiers.

Our state is better off for the campaigns they ran and we would like to also thank our candidates up and down the ballot, their teams, our supporters and allies, and the Hoosier voters who participated in this important election.



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Heartland Film's signature fundraiser 'Cinemanía' will celebrate dance films of the '80s

Submitted

Heartland Film's signature fundraising event, Cinemanía presented by F.A. Wilhelm Construction Co. returns for a second year on Friday, April 11, 2025, at The Crane Bay Event Center, 551 W. Merrill St., Indianapolis.

Last year's inaugural event was sold out with the theme "A Tribute to The Beatles in Film." The 2025 theme is "A Tribute to Dance Films of the '80s," and is inspired by classic films like *Flashdance*, *Purple Rain*, *Fame*, *Dirty Dancing*, *Footloose* and *Xanadu*. Attendees are encouraged to come out in eclectic '80s chic and get ready to cut loose with radical drinks, legit food, electric entertainment, and bitchin' activations.

F.A. Wilhelm Construction Co. is back as the Marquee Sponsor for Cinemanía 2025. Sponsorships are available at \$5,000, \$10,000, and \$25,000 levels and include benefits ranging from name and logo recognition to private studios. Sponsorship details can be found [here](https://www.heartlandfilm.org). Individual tickets (\$300) and Party Packs of 12 tickets (\$250 each) are available for purchase at [CinemaníaIndy.org](https://www.CinemaníaIndy.org).

Cinemanía 2025 has two dynamic couples leading the charge. Heartland Films is proud to announce that



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Mike and Kyra Epps are the Honorary Co-Chairs alongside Brian and Gigi Wilkes. Mike is a famous stand-up comedian and actor, and Kyra is an award-winning TV producer, and together they have an HGTV show called *Buying Back the Block*. Brian Wilkes has been the Chief Meteorologist at Fox 59 since 1995, and last year, he was the Cinemanía Red Carpet host. Brian and Gigi were the life of the party at the first Cinemanía and they say they are thrilled to return as the Honorary Co-Chairs.

The Cinemanía Committee is led by Committee Chair Vicki Bohlsen. The Cinemanía Committee includes Kelly Alexiou, Charla Booth, Terry Bowdell,

Beth Breymier, Denise Cook, Leslie Donchetz, Michael Durr, Lynda Goeke, Cori Korn, Fred Lockett, Katie Lory, Amy Pauszek, Lisa Sarbach, Ben Shine, and Neelu Sondhi.

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"Six days do your work, but on the seventh day do not work, so that your ox and your donkey may rest, and so that the slave born in your household and the foreigner living among you may be refreshed.

"Be careful to do everything I have said to you. Do not invoke the names of other gods; do not let them be heard on your lips.

Exodus 23:10-13 (NIV)

Meeting Notices

The Carmel Clay Schools Board of Trustees will hold a workshop session at 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11, 2024, at the Carmel Clay Schools Educational Services Center, 5201 E. Main St.

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11, 2024, in the Library/Media Center, Sheridan Middle School, 3030 W. 246th St., Sheridan.

The Hamilton County Plan Commission will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2024, in the Commissioners' Courtroom on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Board of Directors of the Hamilton Southeastern Consolidated School Building Corporation will hold a special meeting at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2024, at Hamilton Southeastern Schools' Central Office, 13485 Cumberland Road, Fishers.

The Hamilton County Commissioners will meet in an executive session at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024.

The purpose of said meeting is to consider (i) approving the form of a lease for the existing Fall Creek Intermediate School (the "Fall Creek Intermediate School Lease"), and (ii) conducting any and all other business as may properly come before said meeting. A copy of all of the documents which will be considered are available at the Hamilton Southeastern Schools' Central Office.

A regular meeting will follow at 1:45 p.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

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Football



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(ABOVE LEFT) Sheridan's Alex Cravens has rushed for 897 yards this season and has scored seven touchdowns. (ABOVE RIGHT) Guerin Catholic's Malcolm Houze has 27 passing touchdowns and 12 rushing scores this season.

Sectional championship previews: Classes 1A & 3A

Sheridan hosts Cloverdale; Guerin Catholic visits Tri-West

By **CRAIG ADKINS**
For The Reporter

The first two weeks of the football state tournament have flown by. Five of the eight county teams are still alive in hopes of hoisting the sectional championship trophy.

Sheridan and Guerin Catholic play in their respective sectional title games Friday night.

1A, Sectional 46: Cloverdale Clovers (5-4) at Sheridan Blackhawks (6-5)

Tomorrow's sectional championship game at Bud Wright Stadium will be just the second meeting between Cloverdale and Sheridan. The Blackhawks won the first time around in the first round of the sectional in

1998 on the Clovers' home field, 55-0. That season, Sheridan won the Class 1A state crown.

One hour and 17 minutes (70 miles) separates the two schools, so it's not the closest road trip for Cloverdale.

Last week's semifinal saw Sheridan win its second straight road playoff game 48-20 at Clinton Prairie. Through two tournament wins, the Blackhawks have outscored their two opponents 92-26.

Sheridan got off to a 21-12 lead in the first half. Rushing touchdowns from Owen Bell and Jon Barnes, along with Bell completing a 34-yard touchdown pass to Dayne Voege on the final play of the second provided a nine-point cushion.

The Blackhawks got a pair of second half touchdowns from Jacob Hall and another from Bell to pull away. Midway through the fourth, Ryker Ream picked up a fumble and returned it 36 yards for a touchdown, sealing the win.

Bell threw with precision against the Gophers, completing 9 of 14 for 180 yards, including three to Voege for 85 and two for 56 to Chance Spencer. Cravens ran for 115 on 19 rushes.

Alex Cravens now sits just 103 yards from 1,000 on the season with 897 on 199 carries and has seven touchdowns. With Bell and Hall each scoring twice, they both have five rushing scores.

Head coach Bud Wright has a state-best 463-218 record in his 60th season overall, leading Knox's Russ Radtke by 51 wins.

Cloverdale head coach Tyler Lotz is 8-21 in his third season. The Clovers won their lone sectional title in 1992.

Starting off 3-1, the Clovers rattled off three wins over Edinburgh, Brown County and Southside Homeschool by a combined

175-6, after a season-opening loss against Riverton Parke, 34-33. Cloverdale was 1-3 to end the regular season and beat Tindley in the sectional semifinal.

Landon Duncan leads at quarterback, going 73 of 115 (63.5 percent) for 1,390 yards, good enough for 22 TD passes and just four INTs.

Levi Johnson is the top rusher with 610 on 103 carries and five touchdowns. Tayt Jackson is Duncan's top target with 32 receptions for 697 yards and 11 TDs.

**If Sheridan wins, it will host Riverton Parke or play at South Putnam for the Regional on Nov. 15.*

3A, Sectional 29: No. 14 Guerin Catholic Golden Eagles (6-5) at Tri-West Bruins (7-4)

Friday night's sectional championship will be the third between the Golden Eagles and Bruins. Both games were played in Hendricks County. The first was in the 2016 sectional first round (35-3) and two years earlier in the regional matchup (23-15), both won by the Bruins.

Guerin will make the 40-mile trek to Lizton in

Hendricks County to battle Tri-West.

The Golden Eagles got to work quick last week at Hamilton Heights, scoring twice in the first four minutes. Malcolm Houze found Aiden Horn for a 28-yard TD pass and Dominic Elliott returned a blocked punt 28-yards for a score.

Heights answered with a TD run by Joey Sigler to cut it to 14-7. The Huskies tied it 14-14 when Sigler found Tyler Champion for a TD pass.

Houze would run 40-yards for the 21-14 lead, but Heights tied it 21-21 in the final minute of the half with another Sigler to Champion pass.

Houze made it 28-21 with another rushing score. Cam Fleming caught what would have been a game-tying score, but a missed extra-point kept it at 28-27.

It would be all Guerin in the fourth. The Golden Eagles started off with a safety, then Houze threw his second TD pass, this time to Elias Niccum. The senior standout QB then ran in for his third rushing score for the final of 44-27.

Houze passed for 189, completing 25 of 33. He now sits at 2,295 yards on the season, going 192 of 303 (63.4 percent) with 27 touchdowns. Malcolm also has 459 rushing yards and 12 TDs.

Jack Linden leads on the ground with 861 yards and nine TDs. Hayden Cler heads up the receiving corps with 781 yards and 10

touchdowns on 61 catches. Aiden Horn has 483 and eight TDs, along with Trevor Macey (403).

Guerin is looking for its first sectional crown since 2014, has four overall and two regional titles. The Golden Eagles also have two semi-state appearances (2010, 2011).

Tri-West head coach Jason Ward (52-18) is in his sixth season, winning two sectionals (2021, 2023). Last season, the Bruins lost to Gibson Southern in the regional and also lost to Gibson Southern in the 2021 semi-state.

Winning 14 sectionals, 10 regionals and six semi-states, Tri-West has four state championships (1996, 2003, 2004 & 2014), along with two runner-up finishes (1989, 1995).

Starting 2-1, the Bruins got wins over Western and Frankfort with a loss to Brebeuf Jesuit. They then lost three to Western Boone, Danville and Lebanon, all who are playing for a title this week.

The Bruins have won five in a row by a combined score of 246-58.

QB Jackson Sorgi has 1,242 yards with 15 TDs. Malachi Walden (570) and Derek Reid (550) are the top rushers with 19 touchdowns. Thaddeus Brown (538), Carter Cummings (351), Eli Morgan (331) and Nate Hiland (265) have 21 TDs between them.

**If Guerin Catholic wins, it will host Batesville or play at Lawrenceburg for the Regional on Nov. 15.*

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Noblesville football Coach Sharpe resigns

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Noblesville football coach Dave Sharpe has resigned.

Sharpe had just completed his fifth season as

the Millers coach, having joined the program during the 2020 season. More information will appear in a later edition of the Reporter.



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Girls Wrestling



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The Hamilton Heights girls wrestling team won its first-ever IHSAA sanctioned dual meet on Wednesday, beating Elwood 42-6.

Huskies complete their first IHSAA sanctioned dual meet

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights girls wrestling team competed in its first-ever IHSAA sanctioned dual meet on Wednesday.

The Huskies traveled to Elwood and won 42-6.

Heights won all seven of its official matches with first-period pins, including a nine-second fall from Zoe Pugh at 120 pounds. Other Huskies winners were Aubrey Baber at 115, Veronica Pruitt at 130, Cora Flack

at 135, Izzy Bailey at 155, Amelia Cordero at 170 and Natalie Head at 190.

Diana Galt won an exhibition match at 170 pounds. Heights forfeited the heavy-weight division, which gave the Panthers six points.

“Being one of the first sanctioned dual meets in Indiana was just thrilling,” said Huskies coach Gary Myers. “The girls had the most fun, from both sides, win or lose. They were just having a blast.”

Girls Basketball

Tigers cruise to first win of season

The REPORTER

The Fishers girls basketball team began its season Wednesday with a 48-29 victory at Ben Davis.

The Tigers, who are ranked No. 8 in the IBCA's pre-season poll, played to a 12-12 tie with the Giants in the first quarter. Senior Nevaeh Dickman scored seven points in that opening period. Fishers rolled to a 29-22 halftime lead, with freshman Riley Schellhammer pouring in nine points,

including a 3-pointer.

The Tigers then cruised through the second half, allowing Ben Davis only seven points. Senior Allison Scheu scored seven in the third quarter.

Dickman led the scoring with 18 points, followed by Schellhammer with 14 and Scheu with 12.

Fishers plays its first home game on Saturday, welcoming No. 5 Center Grove to the Tiger Den for a 7:30 p.m. contest.

FISHERS 48, BEN DAVIS 29

Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Riley Schellhammer	4	5-6	14	4
Alanna Anthony	0	1-2	1	1
Nevaeh Dickman	5	8-10	18	3
Allison Scheu	4	4-5	12	2
Natalie Thomas	1	1-2	3	0
Makayla Triplett	0	0-0	0	3
Ella Bureson	0	0-0	0	0
Akya Koenig	0	0-0	0	0
Nicole Ellison	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	14	19-25	48	13
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	12	17	11	8-48
Ben Davis	12	10	4	3-29

Fishers 3-pointers (1): Schellhammer.

Westfield's own Ellis Nichols commits to Taylor University

By RICHIE HALL
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Westfield High School senior Ellis Nichols has committed to play soccer for Taylor University.

The Trojans are getting a proven winner. Nichols plays for the Hoosier FC 2007 Elite Wolves team, and that squad has made the Indiana Soccer State Cup title game in its age group every year between its U11 and U17 seasons.

The streak began in 2018 and has continued through this year, although there was no title game in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The Wolves team finished as runner-up in the first two years of the streak, when they played in the U11 and U12 age divisions.

When the Cup resumed in 2021, the Wolves won the U14 age division, beating Indiana Elite FC 2007 Premier 3-0. The Wolves lost to ECU 2007 B Maroon 2-0 in 2022 for the U15 championship, but have won the last two years: in 2023 in the U16 division over Alliance Fire 2007B 2-1, and in 2024 in the U17 division over Indy Premier 07B Elite I 2-0.

“It’s definitely very exciting when we get to the finals every year,” said Nichols. “It’s always been

a big game. It’s challenged us as a team, got us strong, got us better as a whole.”

Nichols said he has been with the Elite Wolves since he was “really young,” although he had played rec soccer before. He said he had a great time playing for the Wolves.

“I love my coaches and I love my teammates and the whole environment of it,” said Nichols. “I ket playing there for all my years until now.”

Teams qualify for the State Cup based off of the rankings in their leagues. The qualifying teams first participate in pool play, with the top teams in each pool advancing to the semifinals. Those semifinal winners then play for the championship.

After their State Cup victory, the Elite Wolves earned a spot in a USYS National League P.R.O. event, where they won four games to earn a qualifying place at the national championships. Before nationals, the team played and won the 2024 USYS Midwest Regional event, then traveled to Orlando, Fla. for nationals, where they finished as runners-up.

Nichols will be heading to Taylor University next fall, where he is thinking about majoring



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Westfield senior Ellis Nichols, a Taylor University commit, is part of a Hoosier FC 2007B Elite Wolves I soccer team that is used to winning. The Elite Wolves has reached the championship game of the Indiana Soccer State Cup in their age group every year dating back to 2018.

in accounting – “anything business related,” he said. Nichols also got a chance to play with the team, and said he built a “really good relationship with the head coach there.”

“It was the first school I ever went to on an official visit out of all the colleges I went to,” said Nichols.

“Every time I’ve been to the campus, it feels like a really good environment.”

Nichols also said he was looking “for a place that would help me grow my faith and be a man of God.”

“I feel like Taylor met all my requirements,” he said.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, Nov. 7

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Sheridan at Bethesda Christian, 6 p.m.
Hamilton Heights at Pendleton Heights, 7:30 p.m.
Lawrence Central at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.
Lawrence North at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 8

FOOTBALL

Sectional 3 championship
Zionsville at Westfield, 7 p.m.
Sectional 4 championship
Fishers at Hamilton Southeastern, 7 p.m.
Sectional 29 championship
Guerin Catholic at Tri-West, 7 p.m.
Sectional 46 championship
Cloverdale at Sheridan, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 9

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Ben Davis at Hamilton Southeastern, 12:30 p.m.
Greenwood Christian Academy at Guerin Catholic, 12:30 p.m.
University at Lafayette Jefferson, 1 p.m.
Evansville Central at Carmel, 1:30 p.m.
Pendleton Heights at Westfield, 1:30 p.m.
Avon at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m.
Center Grove at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS WRESTLING

Hamilton Heights, Noblesville at New Palestine Invitational, 8:30 a.m.
Hamilton Southeastern, Sheridan at Alexandria Tournament, 9 a.m.

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