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TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy.
 Tonight: Cloudy, with late evening showers possible. Showers likely overnight.

HIGH: 60 LOW: 51



Even Batman showed up to support 2024 Heroes Run

New way to eat a banana appeals to him

Submitted by HCSO

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) Community Foundation held its fourth annual Heroes Run on Nov. 2 at Strawtown Koteewi Park.

The race involved a 5K, one-mile family stroll, and a virtual opportunity. This year's race honored EMS (Emergency Medical Services)! The event was a tremendous success!

Three hundred and thirty brave men, women and children registered for the race. Their ages ranged from 2 to 85. Additionally, many participants brought their super cute canine companions to walk in support of the cause. The courageous group embraced the great outdoors and showcased the importance of



He may not be Commissioner Gordon, but Hamilton County Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush (left) apparently knows where the Bat-Signal is stored.



Photos provided by HCSO

a healthy lifestyle.

Special thanks to Hamilton County Parks & Recreation, the White River Township Fire Department, Riverview Health,

Ascension St. Vincent Hospital, and the HCSO Citizens Academy Alumni Association for graciously supporting the event.

The HCSO Community

Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization which creates opportunities for the community

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Westfield Library is beginning to look a lot like Christmas

By AMY ADAMS
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A row of beautifully decorated Christmas trees lines the large wall of windows in the atrium of Westfield Washington Public Library.

The Westfield Library Foundation unveiled the trees Saturday, Nov. 2, as part of the launch of its annual Christmas Tree Raffle.

Executive Director Erin Downey, who has a background in interior design, has been decorating trees for the raffle every year since she began the foundation six years ago.

"One of the things I thought I could do that would merge my worlds was a Christmas tree raffle," Downey said. "It's just grown from there."

For one, the new library building at 17400 Westfield Blvd., which opened in May 2024, allows space to display more trees than the previous building on Hoover St. The number of Christmas trees offered in the raffle has doubled from last year.

Six trees, which seems appropriate for the sixth year of the fundraising raffle, are each designed and executed by Downey and her business partner Angie Bratton who have started A & E Christmas Tree Designs. Sponsored by local businesses or organizations, the trees range from more traditional to a Taylor Swift-themed creation.

Sponsored by Grand Maple Dental Care, the white-flocked "Taylor Swift's Christmas Era" tree boasts pink disco balls and blue sparkly cowgirl boots. Medallion Partners sponsored "A Vintage Christmas" tree with deep burgundy and gold ornaments and ribbon. Moyer Fine Jewelers sponsored the "Diamonds and Pearls" tree, which is trimmed in shimmering gold and silver. "Letters to Santa," sponsored by the Dean Ballenger Agency, shows off its traditional red and green. The City of Westfield sponsored "The Patriotic Nutcracker" tree, which features wooden nutcrackers of police, firefighters, and members of the armed services. Finally, "The Polar Express"



Photo provided by Erin Downey
 Six decorated trees were recently unveiled at Westfield Washington Public Library for the annual Westfield Library Foundation's Christmas Tree Raffle.

tree, sponsored by The Farmers Bank, is filled with trains, clocks, tickets, and a traditional popcorn and cranberry garland.

In addition to opening ticket

sales for the raffle on Nov. 2, the Westfield Library Foundation, along with The Farmers Bank,

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COLUMNIST
 SCOTT SAALMAN
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My father-in-law died. Tom Tappan. Down in Athens. Heart issues. A time bomb ticker.

He was an ideal father-in-law. Super nice. Good sense of humor. Our politics matched.

He was the sensitive type, like me, unafraid to display vulnerabilities in full view. A lover of life, though at peace with the letting go.

He liked to make people laugh, much like I do. Therein lies the danger, perhaps.

He was old-school enough for it to be important when I sought the hand of his baby daughter. Granted Brynne was 45 at the time. I was 53. A bit long in the tooth, too. Me, not Brynne . . . god, not Brynne, my blushing young bride (I'm not a cradle robber by any stretch of the imagination, but I'm not stupid either . . . Brynne, my middle-aged trophy wife).

I sought permission from Tom over the phone. Assured him it wasn't a shotgun wedding (I'd present vasectomy papers upon request). Said I loved his daughter. Tom approved. He appreciated the gesture, even though he knew I would be Brynne's third husband. Old hat by that time. Possibly.

Christ, there's enough of us for a police lineup now. Did the other two ask for Tom's permission, too? I hope not. The suck-ups. A trio of the usual husband suspects. At family gatherings, I'm called "Number Three," which sounds better than "Number Two." It's easier for people to keep score.

I didn't get to spend much time with Tom Tappan, but at least it was long enough for him to teach me how to flip a banana and proceed to peel it from the bottom, not from the stem's end like normal people. At 50-something, I assumed I had the whole fruit thing figured out. No one had ever corrected me on the art of banana biting before.

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AG Rokita puts labor traffickers, hospitals & disciplinary commission on notice

The REPORTER

On Thursday, Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita invited representatives from several media outlets to his office to talk about his office's priorities for the next four years. The three main areas he outlined were labor trafficking, healthcare costs, and integrity of the legal profession.



Rokita

AG Rokita won his election with more votes than any other state office candidate, and at press time the totals show him within a small margin of the number of votes cast for U.S. Senator-elect Jim Banks. This newspaper finds that notable in part because Rokita did not run negative campaign ads.

"The voters rejected the division that my opponent tried to produce, and they appreciated a positive campaign," Rokita said. "I didn't run one negative ad. We talked about what this office did, and what we're going to do for Hoosier, and I think that really resonated. I'd like to thank the people of the state, voters and taxpayers of the state, for everything that they've done, and their trust and confidence."

Labor trafficking

AG Rokita said he will be investigating "labor trafficking" in Indiana.

The AG's office has issued several Civil Investigative Demands (CIDs) to businesses and nonprofit organizations in Evansville, Logansport, and Seymour.

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Heights High School Drama Department to present *The Groom Has Cold Feet*

The REPORTER

Members of the Hamilton Heights High School Drama Department cordially invite the community to attend its live production of the murder mystery *The Groom Has Cold Feet* by Martin A. Follose.

With all the fun characters of a western and the twists and turns of a murder mystery, this family-friendly show is a real hoot. When the reviled Albert Webster turns up murdered the morning of his wedding to local sweetheart Kayla May Blossom, there's no shortage of suspects in the sleepy town of Pine Grove. Luckily, there's also no shortage of town gossips, each with her own

theory acted out in hilarious slow-mo fashion for the audience to see.

Could it have been saloon girl Darleen, the last one to see Albert and the girl he dumped for Kayla May? Was it Virgil, the reluctant best man and ex-boyfriend of Kayla May? Maybe it was lonely Harley, who snuffed out Albert to steal his bride? How about Hazel, the about-to-be-evicted mother of the bride? It's going to take all of Sheriff Tickle's investigative skills, along with his sidekick daughter Sarah and extra help from the audience, to solve this animated mystery.

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Photo provided

The Groom Has Cold Feet is a cross between a western and a comedy murder mystery. Hamilton Heights students Hudson Holt (Milton), Maddy Pouch (Hazel Blossom), and Millie Inman (Darlene Steep) are pictured rehearsing a scene as they prepare for the opening performance on Friday, Nov. 15.

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Photo provided

The cast and crew of Hamilton Heights Fall Play, *The Groom Has Cold Feet*. Three shows only – Nov. 15, 16, and 17 – at Hamilton Heights High School auditorium.

This production is led by the theatre class students under the direction of Brooks Myers, Hamilton Heights Theater Arts Teacher. Students contribute to all aspects of the production of the show. They have a voice in choosing the show, creating sets and costumes, creating the programs and posters, and acting on stage or working backstage to make the show complete to perform for an audience.

“Students chose this play because the setting is in the 1800s Old West,” said Brooks Myers, Hamilton Heights Theater Arts Teacher, of this year’s fall play. “This is the first time performing a western, which intrigued the students. It is also an audience-participation murder mystery with comedy – always a big hit

Get Your Tickets

Title: *The Groom Has Cold Feet* by Martin A. Follose

When: Friday, Nov. 15 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 16 at 7 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 17 at 2:30 p.m. in high school auditorium

Tickets: \$5. Available at the door 30 minutes before each performance (cash or check)

with audiences.”

Plan to take in a show and enjoy local talent live on stage. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold at the door starting 30 minutes before each performance (cash or check). All proceeds benefit the High School Drama Department. Hamilton Heights High School is located at 25802 State Road 19, Arcadia.

Cast (in order of appearance)

Mabel Mayfield.....	Mary Rogers
Sheriff Tickle.....	Charles Wedmore
Milton.....	Hudson Holt
Harley Stuber.....	Liam Shaffer
Della Tisdale.....	Katelynn Bishop
Beverly Hall.....	Lillie Hooper
Caroline Pickens.....	Ella Smith-Reynolds
Albert Webster.....	Alexander Davis
Virgil Buckley.....	Payton Vandergraff
Sarah Tickle.....	Sage Dugger
Darleen Steep.....	Millie Inman
Kayla May Blossom.....	Rory Craig
Gladys Clark.....	Brinly Flaherty
Hazel Blossom.....	Maddy Pouch
Sam.....	Ester Martin

Townspeople

Mason Rogers and Chance Williams

Crew

Stage Managers.....	Addison Webb & Ricky Munoz
Lights.....	Stacia Anderson
Sound.....	Logan Delahr
Backstage.....	Braylee Parker & Braydon Ridge
Director.....	Brooks Myers

APPEALING

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How many years did Tom have to wait before getting the opportunity to see a son-in-law actually pull a banana from the bunch and peel it? Had he planted it there in the fruit basket to finally make it happen?

“You’re peeling wrong,” he said.
“Huh?”

He took my banana. Flipped it. Taught me the alternative. It seemed weird, like talking on a phone upside down. My first thought was, “Man, what am I marrying into? This man was truly bananas.”

He handed the banana back to me, albeit upside down – the banana, not Tom. I must admit that the Tom Tappan technique did seem like a more efficient way to strip a banana.

It didn’t taste any different, mind you. It tasted like ... well, a banana. There was also the same amount of offal to deal with once it was eaten.

Who taught Tom to shake up societal order and treat a banana differently? Was the 180-degree flip influenced by a jungle documentary? Did he witness wild howler and spider monkeys and capuchins demonstrate this during his Peace Corps years in Nica-

ragua and Honduras?

Do monkeys even peel bananas? And what do they do with the Dole stickers pulled from the peel?—stick them on the back of other monkey heads as a prank?

I have eaten bananas the Tom Tappan way ever since, even though no one else in the family apparently got the memo. I’ve never seen Brynne peel a banana her “daddy’s way.” Brynne is banana normal. Had she demonstrated such an odd duck way of peeling a banana on our first date, I doubt there would’ve been a second date. A deal-breaker to the undisciplined.

As I write this, I can’t help but wonder if I was the victim of a father-in-law’s practical joke. It’s something he might do. I should’ve inquired at some point, for anytime I’m around fruit now, I seem to carry a complex. Am I chewing an apple right?—peeling an orange right?

A secret taken to the grave, I guess.

I will continue to eat a banana the Tom Tappan way. Practical joke or not, I’m sure he appreciates it. Bottom’s up, Tom.

Email Scott at scottsaalman@gmail.com.

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hosted its first-ever raffle kickoff event. More than 100 library patrons enjoyed activities including a Polar Express-themed photo booth as well as story times with Jack Russell, OneZone Chamber president and CEO and WLF vice president, dressed as the Polar Express conductor. Jeff Loser, of Deliberate Deceptions, performed magic, and Foodies Rock from Westfield High School provided Christmas cookies.

Raffle tickets go for \$10 apiece and can be purchased at the WWPL front desk and dropped into the boxes for the various trees. Additionally, tickets for each tree are available online at WestfieldLibrary-Foundation.com

under Christmas Tree Raffle.

“We use the funds for special programming and other library needs,” Downey said. “If there’s a program the library wants to do that they don’t have a sponsor or the funds for, we will fund that.”

Among other programs, the raffle money helps add to the Spanish collection, fund the English Language Learners program, and continue to expand offerings in the Annie Gotwald Maker-space and STEM Lab.

The raffle ends Dec 1, and winners will be pulled at noon on Dec. 2 on Facebook Live. Trees will then be shrink-wrapped for pickup by their proud new owners.



Photos provided

(ABOVE LEFT) Hamilton Heights seniors Brinly Flaherty (Gladys Clark) and Rory Craig (Kayla May Blossom) are pictured bringing their characters to life as Blossom’s groom has been found dead on her wedding day in the student-produced fall production of *The Groom Has Cold Feet*. (ABOVE RIGHT) Charles Wedmore (Sheriff Tickle), Sage Dugger (Sarah Tickle), Hudson Holt (Milton), juniors at Hamilton Heights High School, share their theories about who may have killed Albert Webster.

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Amid health & safety concerns, AG Todd Rokita investigates potential labor trafficking networks in three Indiana cities

Submitted by Office of the Attorney General

As residents and elected officeholders continue reporting concerns about the largescale influx of illegal aliens and “legal migrants” into their cities and towns, Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is launching investigations into this growing issue in Evansville, Logansport, and Seymour.

The entities receiving civil investigative demands

(CIDs) are the Cass County Health Department, Logansport Community School Corporation, Berry Global Group Inc., Tent Partnership for Refugees, God is Good, and Jackson County Industrial Development Corporation.

“Illegal immigration caused by ‘border czar’ Kamala Harris’ perversion and misapplication of federal law has made every state a border state and imposed un-

sustainable costs on Logansport and other cities across the nation,” AG Rokita said. “It has also created serious sex and labor trafficking risks in all communities. I’m creatively trying to use every tool in the law to stop the Left’s intentional destruction of Indiana.”

AG Rokita is investigat-



Rokita

ing coordinated efforts among international and local nonprofit “refugee resettlement” organizations and employers to bring large numbers of migrants to Indiana communities. The rapid growth of alien populations in certain communities has caused overcrowding in housing facilities as multi-

ple families and sometimes dozens of individuals reportedly share space in structures intended to be single-family dwellings. It also has raised concerns about potential labor trafficking.

The Attorney General’s office is conducting these investigations pursuant to its authority under Indiana’s Deceptive Consumer Sales Act and indecent nuisance statute.

“The influx of these il-

legal aliens, which are coming from over 150 different countries, have strained our schools and the children of taxpayers are suffering as a result. It has caused unneeded stress on law enforcement, local hospitals and healthcare facilities, and our housing and labor markets,” AG Rokita said. “It also raises serious questions about how these individuals’ arrival in Indiana is being facilitated.”

HEROES

and law enforcement to support each other. The funds generated help reach the following goals throughout the year:

- Provide financial aid and help for those in need in the community, particularly children.
- Support hard-working employees at the Sheriff’s Office.
- Build stronger relationships between deputies, correctional officers and staff with all members of the community.

Thank you to everyone who signed up for the race. You are a HERO! Please save next year’s tentative race date of Nov. 1, 2025. In the meantime, check out



Photos provided

(ABOVE) Look! These runners are already amped up for next year’s run. (RIGHT) Four members of the White River Township Fire Department.

HCSO’s Facebook page and go to [hcsogivesback.org](https://www.facebook.com/hcsogivesback) for upcoming exciting events.

Lace up those shoes and we’ll see you at the park ... especially Strawtown Kottewi Park!



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“Those are like subpoenas, they have to be answered under oath and under law,” Rokita said. “What we suspect is that businesses, in conjunction with non-profit entities, are incentivizing – acting like magnets – for these illegal aliens as they come over the border to place them in low-paying work or otherwise engaged in labor trafficking. So we suspect the questions we ask and other initiatives we may have to take based on the answers to those questions will determine if that’s the case.”

According to AG Rokita, even if the current administration is misapplying or misinterpreting federal immigration law, that does not make illegal immigrants into legal ones.

“They are still illegal aliens who cross the border illegally,” Rokita said. “I look forward to working with President Trump to make that stop or even send them back to their home countries.”

Healthcare costs

AG Rokita said he is looking forward to working with Governor-elect Mike Braun on addressing the increase in healthcare costs across Indiana.

“It’s getting out of hand,” Rokita said. “Recently, the General Assembly, another client of mine, have given this office the authority to inspect – to review hospitals. We’ve already started on that because when you combine hospitals, the danger is that you get some antitrust or monopolistic behavior. And what this office does is enforce Indiana’s antitrust law. I can already see that we’re going to need to look at broadening that antitrust – that monopolistic enforcement authority – that we have and build on it.

The AG’s office is also looking into whether or not the healthcare provider for state employees is providing service in the most efficient and affordable way possible, especially since those costs are paid by Hoosier taxpayers.

“I haven’t been able to get that data from our own state government – from my own client – from this current administration,” Rokita said. “I would hope and expect, if our governor-elect really wants to focus on healthcare, and

knowing that the state of Indiana, being one of the largest employers in the state and nation, we should be able to see our own healthcare numbers and I should be able to help determine if we’re getting a good deal or not.”

Integrity for the legal profession

Another area AG Rokita said he would focus on is integrity for the legal profession.

“Nine out of 51 former Indiana governors were attorneys,” Rokita said. “Fifteen percent of the General Assembly are lawyers. Ninety-one prosecutors around the state. We also have judges around the state – hundreds of them. And we have seen tremendous weaponization and lawfare being practiced out of the Attorney Disciplinary Commission and a similar commission that exists for judges, all run by the same staff. They meet in secret. They’re not accountable to anybody.”

Rokita has faced complaints from the Attorney Disciplinary Commission during his first term in office, which he says were filed by political opponents on that commission.

“One who filed three [complaints] literally got Democrat Activist of the Year, an award bestowed upon him in 2018, before I even became Attorney General,” Rokita said. “Do you think he’s got some bias in this? Yes, of course. And I want to ensure that Indiana’s legal professionals are safeguarded against these frivolous, politically driven complaints. So look for something in my second term to address some of those. Again, not necessarily for me or just for me, but we need to set a high standard.”

Rokita said he will take action to help ensure lawyers, when representing clients, and judges, when administering cases, are free to speak about political and controversial issues without potential repercussions.

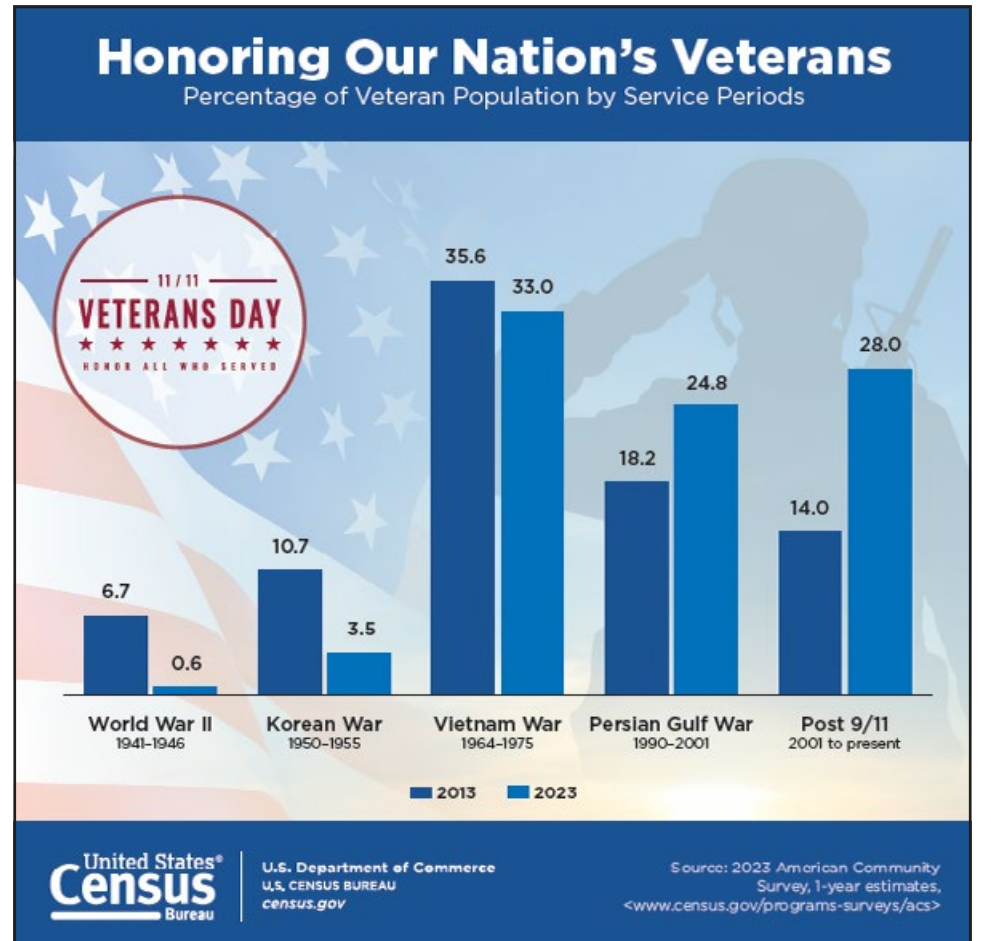
“I was hindered from doing that in my first term because of a lawfare going on at the Indiana Disciplinary Commission,” Rokita said. “The chairman, while he was investigating me, literally endorsed my opponent, and the press

never picked up on it. The chair of the Disciplinary Commission endorsed my opponent while he’s investigating me.”

Rokita also took a moment to thank voters and his staff.

“The people of this state in record number had the confidence in me to represent them again,” Rokita said. “So I thank them again, I thank them for that. I thank them for that vote of confidence and for putting me in office again. I want to thank the staff of this office. They’re amazing people. We are 400 in number with 200 attorneys. By several measures we are the state’s largest law firm. We are the most diverse law firm in terms of the issues that we’re able to tackle. The staff and the leadership office has done a great job in the last four years, and I look forward to just the same kind of thing in the next four years.”

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Carmel to unveil new AED station

The REPORTER

The City of Carmel will cut the ribbon on its newest AED station at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at the Monon Greenway Rohrer Road Trailhead.

Join Carmel City Councilor Jeff Worrell and representatives from OrangeTheory Fitness and Bolt for

the Heart to celebrate the unveiling of this newest Automated External Defibrillator.

An AED is used to help those experiencing cardiac arrest and is a complex but easy-to-use medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock

(or defibrillation) to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm. More AED stations will be added along Carmel's trail network and at Carmel Clay Parks' facilities and grounds.

The funds to install this AED were donated by OrangeTheory Fitness and Bolt for the Heart.

(ABOVE) The roundabout at 106th Street and Hazel Dell Parkway. (BELOW) The roundabout at 3rd Ave SW and Walnut Street.

Carmel provides update on all 2024 construction projects

Submitted by City of Carmel

The City of Carmel has provided this update on upcoming and ongoing construction projects taking place this fall.

All construction timelines are affected by weather and utilities; the dates and duration of the projects detailed here are estimates. Your patience is appreciated while these improvements are underway.

For any questions or additional support, please contact Engineering Administrator Joshua Kirsh in the Carmel Engineering Department at jkirsh@carmel.in.gov.

College Avenue

Initial stormwater work by contractors has been completed to make way for continued utility relocations through the remainder of 2024 and into 2025. The road contractor will be back on site in the spring of 2025 to begin work on the roundabout at East 96th Street and North College Avenue.

The reconstruction of College Avenue includes updates to utilities, stormwater collection, safe pedestrian connectivity, landscaping of the right-of-way and new road design with intersection improvements.



106th Street & Hazel Dell Parkway roundabout

Construction of this new roundabout is expected to be substantially complete by Thanksgiving. Raised pedestrian crosswalks will be added in a future phase of construction for enhanced pedestrian connectivity with the new pedestrian bridge over the White River.

West 116th Street Multi-Use Path

On or after Nov. 18, the westbound lane of West 116th Street between Shelborne Road and Michigan Road will be closed to traffic while contractors work on the new pedestrian path on the north side of West 116th Street. This lane closure is anticipated through December. The eastbound lane of West 116th Street will remain open during this phase of work. Any remaining work on the trail will take place in the spring of 2025.

West Walnut Street & Veterans Way roundabout

The completion of the roundabout at Veterans Way and West Walnut Street is expected to be completed

and open for traffic by the end of November.

Pennsylvania Parkway & Liberty Fund Drive roundabout

Construction continues on this roundabout and is expected to be complete by Thanksgiving.

3rd Avenue SW

3rd Avenue SW is expected to be open to traffic by the end of the year with finishing touches expected to take place in 2025 once utility relocations are complete.

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.

Lowes Way

Now through Nov. 13, there will be work in the median on Lowes Way, south of the roundabout at Lowes Way.

111th Street

On or after Thursday, Nov. 14, the eastbound lane from Spring Mill Road to Spring Mill Lane will be closed for repair work for two days.

Latest Fishers road construction updates

The REPORTER State Road 37 & 141st Street

As of Thursday, Nov. 7, traffic has gone back to two lanes open both northbound and southbound along State Road 37.

On Wednesday, Nov. 13, the contractor will sweep a southbound lane of State Road 37 in the evening beginning at 8 p.m.; this will take a few hours from start to finish.

Find construction updates at 37thrives.com.

96th Street & Allisonville Road

The 96th Street and Allisonville Road roundabout is now open and accessible in all directions. Please proceed through with caution as this is still an active construction site.

A huge thanks to the dedicated construction crews and the Fishers Engineering team for their hard

work in bringing this project to completion. Please note that some lane restrictions will remain as crews wrap up the final touches. Thank you for your patience throughout this project.

116th Street lane restrictions

Beginning Tuesday, Nov. 12, traffic restrictions will be in place for westbound traffic on 116th Street in front of Cafe Patachou to allow for sidewalk installation. These restrictions will be in place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. until Friday, Nov. 15.

136th Street lane restrictions

As of Nov. 1, there will be periodic lane restrictions on 136th Street between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. These restrictions will be in place to allow for tree clearing to take place in advance of utility work from Southeastern Parkway to Cyntheanne Road.



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Noblesville Revolutionary War patriot to be honored

The REPORTER

Horseshoe Prairie Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), will commemorate the life and patriotic service of Eli Coverdale with a program and plaque at the Bethel Church Cemetery at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16. The cemetery is located east of Noblesville at the intersection of Boden Road and State Road 38.

The public is invited to the commemoration at the cemetery, as well as the re-

ception at Hamilton East Public Library immediately following the event.

Eli Coverdale served his country in the Revolutionary War at age 15. Born in Sussex, Del., he would later become a resident of Hamilton County. He died of burns having fought a brush fire on his farm in Wayne Township when he was over 96 years old. Several of Coverdale's descendants still live in the area.

About NSDAR

The National Society Daughters of the Ameri-



can Revolution (DAR) is a women's service organization whose members can trace their lineage to an individual who contributed to securing American independence during the Revolutionary War. Today's DAR is dynamic and diverse, serving the community through service, education, and historical preservation.

If you are interested in learning more about DAR membership, visit dar.org or contact Shirley Hunter Smith at shirley1776@yahoo.com.

Kroger honors Veterans with special 10 percent discount on Veterans Day

The REPORTER

In appreciation of their service, Kroger announced on Thursday a 10 percent discount to honor active duty and former members of the military.

On Monday, Nov. 11, current and retired members of military service can receive the discount by presenting a valid military ID when shopping in-store.

"Veterans Day is a time to reflect on the bravery, dedication and patriotism of those who have served our nation," Kroger Central Division President Colleen

Juergensen said. "We have deep admiration and gratitude for Americans in today's military and those in uniform before them. Kroger offers this extra discount as an example of our appreciation."

Note: This discount excludes alcohol, tobacco products, fuel, money orders, taxes, postage stamps, gift cards/certificates, lottery, promotional tickets, CRV, prescriptions, and guest or customer services/fees. Must use Rewards Card or Shopper's Card to earn reward.

Hamilton County voter turnout: record-breaking or run-of-the-mill? Yes.

By **SCOTT SANDER**
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Depending on which number catches the eye, Hamilton County either smashed a voter turnout record or fell well short in this year's election.

According to the count from county election officials, the record-setting number comes from the raw total: 199,679 people cast a ballot in Hamilton County Tuesday. That's almost 5,000 more than in any other election, topping even the 195,652 following the hotly-contested races of 2020.

That's only part of the story, though.

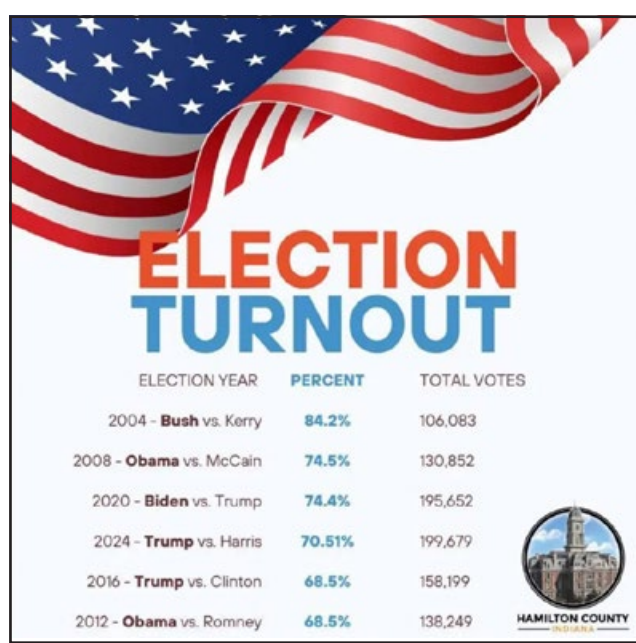
Viewed in terms of percentages, this was not even a "Top 3" election. Hamilton County's population has soared in recent years,

adding thousands more registered voters to the rolls in the four years between each presidential election. Voter turnout has not kept the same pace, leading to lower percentages.

The county reports 70.51 percent of registered voters cast a ballot this year. That trails 2004 (84.2 percent), 2008 (74.5 percent), and 2020 (74.4 percent).

The percentage drop still puts Hamilton County far ahead of most every other county in the state. It consistently outperforms the rest of Indiana when it comes to turnout. By the calculations of the Indiana Secretary of State's office, Hamilton topped the state by 10 percent in 2012 and 2016, and 9 percent in 2020.

Voters in Wells, Whitley and Adams counties have



Graphic provided

also consistently turned out the vote, matching Hamilton's overperformance by similar margins in those election years.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/election/hamilton-county-voter-turnout-2024.

Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Election Board will convene a public meeting at 10 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 15, 2024, in the Clerk's Office at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 106, Noblesville, pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1-5.5. The purpose of the meeting is to review Provisional Ballots. The Election Board will also certify Final Election Results for the Nov. 5, 2024, General Election.

The Carmel Plan Commission will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2024, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

The Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety will meet in an executive session at 8:45 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7) For discussion of records classified as confidential by state or federal statute.

The regular meeting will follow at 9 a.m. in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Noblesville Common Council will meet in an executive session at noon on Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(4)(I). Interviews and negotiations with industrial or commercial prospects or agents of industrial or commercial prospects by a governing body of a political subdivision.

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

The Hamilton County Airport Authority Board will meet in an executive session at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2024, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D) purchase or lease of real estate.

A public meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

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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.

Non-Profit Veteran Orgs

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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

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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.
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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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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

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Allied Solutions Center wins Clean Air Award

National honor recognizes diligent work by Facilities team

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Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts has earned national recognition for the quality of the air inside its flagship venue, the 1,500-seat Palladium concert hall.

Only 58 buildings nationwide received the National Air Filtration Association's Clean Air Award for 2024. The Clean Air Award is presented each year to building owners and managers who take steps to significantly improve the quality of their indoor air by increasing the level or efficiency of their HVAC air filtration system in 10 specific categories.

"As our members and their clients continue to navigate the evolving landscape

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The Facilities team at Allied Solutions Center includes (front row, from left) Director of Facilities Operations Ryan Gray, Vice President of Facilities Ed Penman, Director of Facilities Management Andrew Taylor, and (second row) Marquis Commercial Solutions employees Ines Temozhui, Efrain Vaca, Joe Arbuckle, Elisa Aguilar, Freeman Coates, and Andrea Perales.

Visit Hamilton County & Visit Indy launch Holiday Adventure Pass

Pass users collect points to redeem branded items

The REPORTER

Visit Indy and Visit Hamilton County have announced the launch of the Holiday Adventure Pass, designed to encourage residents and visitors to explore holiday attractions throughout Marion and Hamilton counties.

The free pass is available now through Christmas Eve.

"The Holiday Adventure Pass provides visitors with an engaging way to explore a wide range of holiday attractions in both counties while earning prizes to commemorate their visit," said Chris Gahl, executive vice president and chief marketing officer of Visit Indy. "This initiative is timely and will help drive additional visitors into central Indiana, ultimately driving additional spending to support the hospitality industry."

To earn points, users must enable location services to check in via GPS or PIN at participating locations, including:

- Athenaeum Christkindmarkt
- Carmel Christkindmarkt
- Children's Museum: WinterFaire
- Civic Theatre
- Conner Prairie: A Merry Prairie Holiday
- Eiteljorg Museum: Jingle Rails
- Indiana Historical Society: Festival of Trees
- Indiana Repertory Theatre
- Indiana State Museum: Celebration Crossing
- Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra

- Indianapolis Zoo: Christmas at the Zoo
- Monument Circle: Circle of Lights
- Nickel Plate Express: Holiday Train
- Newfields: Winterlights
- The Palladium

"This partnership allows both destinations to create an enriching holiday experience for residents and visitors," said Ashley Ledford, marketing and promotions director of Hamilton County Tourism. "From beloved annual traditions to fresh new high-lights, each stop celebrates our communities' unique charm and spirit, creating memories that will last well after the holiday season."

Simply visiting a participating venue allows users to accumulate points, which can be redeemed for exclusive holiday-themed prizes such as commemorative stickers, ornaments, and holiday beanies. Some of the participating venues are ticketed attractions; the Holiday Adventure Pass does not cover entry fees, so guests must purchase tickets directly for admission.

Once users accumulate enough points to claim a prize, they can visit The INDEX at Pan Am Tower in downtown Indy or the Carmel Christkindmarkt, each with specific operating hours for prize collection.

For more information or to sign up for the Holiday Adventure Pass, visit visitindy.com/events/holidays/holiday-adventure-pass or visithamiltoncounty.com/holidays/holiday-pass.

Heights names eight October Coffee Bean Award recipients

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights High School recognizes the following students who were named as Coffee Bean Award recipients for the month of October. They include Emma Blanton, Savannah Deetz, Macy Jones, Alaina McCann, Aleah Trump, Leah Waldron, Payton Vandergraff, and Aidan Unger.

The name and award, inspired by *The Coffee Bean*, a book written by Jon Gordon and Damon West, delivers a simple, yet powerful message on positive change.

All students nominated receive a certificate of recognition. At the end of the month, the names of the students who were nominated during the month are included in a drawing where the first five to seven names drawn are called down to the office to enjoy a hot chocolate or coffee and a donut.



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(From left) Aidan Unger, Macy Jones, Payton Vandergraff, Savannah Deetz, Leah Waldron, and Aleah Trump. Not pictured: Emma Blanton and Alaina McCann.

The monthly award objective is to encourage more acts of kindness, positivity, school spirit, and

help foster a closer sense of community at the high school. Students and staff can nominate students. You

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of indoor air quality, the nominated facilities have demonstrated a remarkable commitment to providing healthier, cleaner environments," NAFA Executive Director Emily Bardach said. "Their innovative approaches to filtration and system hygiene showcase the power of proactive measures in creating a more sustainable and well-being-focused built environment."

Ed Penman, Vice President of Facilities for Allied Solutions Center, credited team members Ryan Gray and Andrew Taylor – as well as the center's cleaning contractor, Marquis Commercial Solutions – for their diligent attention to detail. Regular maintenance of the building's HVAC systems includes frequent inspections and the use of high-

grade air filters.

"I'm very proud to see our people earn this recognition for their work," Penman said. "A big part of it is just how clean we keep the building. We do the ABCs really well."

Candidates are nominated for the award by NAFA members and must submit detailed and specific steps taken toward cleaning the indoor environment through "best air filtration practices" and system hygiene. Nominees are judged by the NAFA Clean Air Award Committee, and each recipient receives a custom-designed award, building signage and recognition for their efforts. Award-winning buildings must submit inspection data each year to retain the NAFA Clean Air Award.

Lauth Group, Inc. announces major leadership changes

The REPORTER

Carmel-based Lauth Group, Inc. announced on Thursday the promotion of Adam Broderick to President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Dan Mallon to President of Lauth Communities, the company's multi-family acquisition and development division.

This transition follows the announcement that current CEO Mike Jones will step aside and assume a consulting role with the company for the next several years leading up to the company's 50th anniversary.

Chief Financial Officer and 19-year Lauth veteran Jon Goodburn will remain in his role.

Broderick, Mallon and Goodburn are set to lead the company into its next chapter of growth and innovation.

"I am honored to be chosen to lead Lauth Group into its next chapter of growth," Broderick said. "The legacy of excellence and innovation that Bob Lauth, Mike Jones and the entire Lauth team have built provides a strong foundation for our future. As we look at the exciting opportunities ahead, I will reinforce our commitment to delivering exceptional value to our clients and partners while fostering a culture of creativity, collaboration and fun within our team."

Jones, who has been



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(From left) Jon Goodburn, Chief Financial Officer; Mike Jones, Adam Broderick, President & CEO; and Dan Mallon, President of Lauth Communities.

with Lauth since 2000, and President and CEO since 2012, played a significant role in leading the company to multiple major milestones, including participating in or directing approximately \$2 billion in new projects and the creation of Lauth Communities. Recent highlights include 1st on Main mixed-use development in downtown Carmel, the redevelopment of the 150-acre Ford Visteon site at Shadeland and English Avenue, the 500 acre 70 Connect Industrial Park as well as multiple other office and industrial developments and multifamily acquisitions.

"The past 25 years with Lauth have been incredibly rewarding both professionally and personally," Jones said. "I'm proud to have played a key role in our continued success and carrying forward the Lauth legacy. I could not be more optimistic for the future of the company and look forward to collaborating with Adam, Dan and Jon as they lead Lauth into the future."

Robert Lauth, Lauth Group, Inc. Chairman, expressed his enthusiasm for the new leadership.

"Succession planning has always been crucial to our long-term success, and we could not have accomplished so much were it not for the contributions of the entire Lauth team," Lauth said. "The company is positioned for continued success in the coming years under the next generation of leadership and beyond."

Since 1977, Lauth has been a national leader in developing and constructing business facilities for lease or ownership, serving clients across the U.S. For more information, visit lauth.net.

Indianapolis law firm Craig, Kelley & Faultless recognized by Best Law Firms 2025

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Craig, Kelley & Faultless has once again been recognized for their outstanding work and skill as personal injury attorneys.

The firm is honored to be recognized in the world's oldest and most esteemed peer-reviewed legal awards publication, *Best Lawyers*. It has been named a Tier 1 firm in Indianapolis for Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs in the 2025 edition of *Best Law Firms*.

To qualify for Best Law Firms, a firm must have at least one lawyer recognized in the current edition of *Best Lawyers*. In August, five Craig, Kelley & Faultless attorneys – David Craig, William (B.J.) Kelley, Scott Faultless, Alexander Craig, and Christopher Barry – were included in *The Best Lawyers in America*. Samantha Stevens and Whitney Coker were listed as *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America*.

Peer review is the basis of Best Lawyers' analysis. Being named in Best Law Firms requires feedback from clients and professional references, lawyer evaluations, and industry leader interviews. Firms are scored on these criteria and ranked by tiers.



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Craig, Kelley & Faultless is ranked as a tier-one firm in Indianapolis for its success in the field of Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs. This is the fifth consecutive year in which the firm was named in Best Law Firms.

The firm limits its practice to representing people who have been seriously injured or killed by the carelessness of others. The firm handles cases involving semi-trucks, wrongful death, and other catastrophic injury cases throughout the United States.

David W. Craig and Scott A. Faultless, two of the firm's founding partners, are nationally recognized in Truck Accident Law. David is the author of *Semitruck Wreck: A Guide for Victims*

and *Their Families*, which is available on Amazon, and the host of the podcast, *After the Crash*, which is free to watch on YouTube.

About Craig, Kelley & Faultless

Craig, Kelley & Faultless is headquartered in Indianapolis and has several offices in Indiana and an office in St. Louis, Mo. The firm handles semi wrecks and other commercial motor vehicle accidents throughout the country and has attorneys licensed in Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, Ohio, Iowa, and Tennessee.

Craig, Kelley & Faultless can be contacted at 1-800-746-0226, and additional information can be found at ckflaw.com, and on Facebook and LinkedIn.

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 First-place winner, *Edinburgh Bus* by Skye VanWinkle (above left); second-place winner, *Superposition* by Jennifer Hoard (above right); and third-place winner, *Neural Vine Synopsis* by Daniel R. Stanley (below).

Three artists from Noblesville Creates' 'Prized Possessions' exhibit awarded

Voting for People's Choice Award continues through end of November

The REPORTER

"Prized Possessions" is Noblesville Creates' (NC) annual competitive exhibit, where NC asks the Artist of the Year, awarded at the 2024 Anniversary Gala in September, to judge each piece and award cash prizes. The exhibit showcases artists' best pieces from the preceding year.

"Prized Possessions" consists of both a physical exhibit and online exhibit. The physical exhibit is held in the Judge Stone House on the Noblesville Creates on 8th campus from Nov. 2 to 16. The online exhibit runs through Nov. 30 and consists of a Facebook Album containing digital versions of each image in

the show.

Boxx the Artist, the 2024 Artist of the Year award recipient, determined the first, second, and third place winners for "Prized Possessions" on Nov. 6.

- 1st Place: *Edinburgh Bus* by Skye VanWinkle
- 2nd Place: *Superposition* by Jennifer Hoard
- 3rd Place: *Neural Vine Synopsis* by Daniel R. Stanley

Honorable Mentions

- *Quiet Moments* by Tresa Steenberg
- *Waiting for Lobster Fishers* by Michael Jack
- *A Flower and a Gem* by Amanda Russo
- *Rodeo Queen* by Brinton Farrand
- *Kinship* by Angelita



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NC is still accepting votes for the "Prized Possessions" People's Choice Award, which will be given to the artist who receives the most in-person votes and likes on Facebook. Votes for this award will be

collected through the end of November.

Click here to check out the "Prized Possessions" photo album on Facebook and vote for your favorite.

All works from this exhibit are for sale; you can check them out at [this link](#).

WNBA star Caitlin Clark to join David Letterman for public conversation at Ball State University

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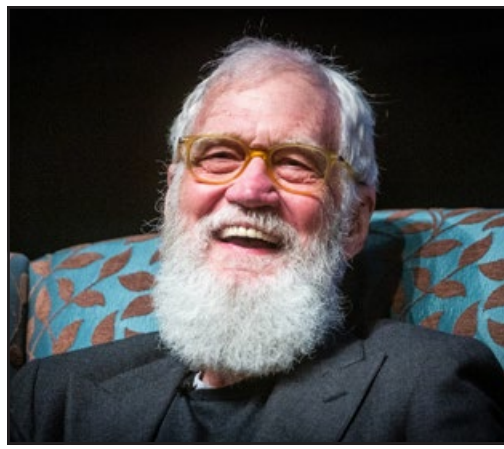
WNBA Rookie of the Year Caitlin Clark will be on stage at Ball State University's Emens Auditorium for a conversation with distinguished Ball State Alumnus David Letterman at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 2.

The conversation is part of the David Letterman Distinguished Professional Lecture and Workshop Series, which was established by the university in 2008.

The former *Late Show* host will interview Clark, who made her WNBA debut with the Indiana Fever in May. After finishing her college basketball career for the Iowa Hawkeyes as the NCAA Division I all-time leading scorer, Clark was the WNBA's No. 1 draft pick.

"David Letterman is our University's most famous graduate," Ball State University President Geoffrey S. Means. "He is a native Hoosier and a national icon, and Caitlin Clark has quickly become a beloved Hoosier and national star. I anticipate their conversation will be very special. On behalf of Ball State, we are honored to host them."

In August, Letterman attended an Indiana Fever



Photos provided by Ball State University

WNBA Rookie of the Year Caitlin Clark will be interviewed by late night legend David Letterman at Ball State University on Dec. 2.

game at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis to cheer on Clark during her WNBA rookie season. He later shared on social media photos of the two of them after the game.

Regarded as one of the greatest college athletes of all time, Clark ended her first year in the WNBA as the league's Rookie of the Year, setting multiple records and helping elevate the WNBA's popularity. The rookie records she set during her 2024 season include: most points scored (769), most assists (337), and most 3-pointers (122). Her assists were also a WNBA single-season record.

Over the years, Letter-

man has given back generously to Ball State, most notably through the lecture series that bears his name. Previous guests of the series include media mogul Oprah Winfrey, TV host Rachel Maddow, and entrepreneur Biz Stone.

Letterman last returned to Ball State in May 2023 for a screening of *Clear Reception with David Letterman*, a documentary about the art of glass produced in collaboration with Ball State students in the Department of Media, Center for Emerging Media Design & Development, and Schools of Art and Music. After the documentary debuted, Letterman invit-

ed students who worked on the project to join him on the Emens stage for a conversation with Academy Award-winning director Morgan Neville, who worked with Letterman on the Disney+ documentary *Bono & The Edge*.

Information about ticket distribution for Letterman's conversation with Clark will be announced at a future date.



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Joan Blakeslee Hyndman

October 7, 1932 – October 30, 2024

Joan Blakeslee Hyndman, 92, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, October 30, 2024. She was born on October 7, 1932, to Raymond Douglas and Margaret (Sutton) Blakeslee in Sewickley, Pa.



Joan was a renaissance woman full of intellectual curiosity and tremendous creative talent. She mastered every artistic endeavor she attempted. As a young woman she was a ballerina, singer, and actress who performed in the Baltimore area on the stage, television screen, and radio. A lover of the written word, she wrote wonderful poetry and was the author and illustrator of a children's book. Her family was treated to incredible meals as she honed her skills as a gourmet chef, and candles and flowers graced the table at every meal.

However, it was when she first picked up a paintbrush that Joan found her true gift. She created museum quality artwork in several mediums. Her most astonishing work was in trompe l'oeil and magical realism which she learned as a student of Ernest Land. Guests in her home would tell her that the clock on the shelf had stopped. She would gently tell them the clock and the entire shelf of knickknacks it was sitting on were all a painting. Whether she was attending an art exhibit, listening to the latest Broadway musical recording, or simply humming in the kitchen as she cooked, Joan's love for music and art brought joy and color to the lives of her family and those around her.

Joan was devoted to her husband, Jerry, holding down the fort while he was putting his life on the line for his country as a United States Marine and standing lovingly by his side for 69 years. She loved her children fiercely and was the kind of mom who ran the latest fundraiser, became the Scout Troop leader, sewed costumes for the school musical, and made a yellow dress overnight because her daughter needed one. Her grandchildren were the joy of her later years. They all were treated to her special hallway concerts at bedtime, shopping trips, vacations in the Florida condo, and they all basked in the special kind of love that only a grandmother can give.

Beyond all these wonderful gifts and her beautiful family, what Joan treasured most was her faith in Jesus. At a young age, she walked to a Catholic Church near her home and gave her life to Christ. Her deep and abiding faith was the focus and anchor of her life. She had a true servant's heart, and generously gave both her time and finances to the church, most recently to Our Lady of Grace in Noblesville, which she attended as long as her health permitted. Her family mourns her loss but rejoices in knowing that she is with her Savior, reunited with Jerry and experiencing the beauty and music of heaven that called to her soul here on Earth.

Joan is survived by her children, Peggy (Rick) Naylor, Spencer (Kitty) Hyndman, and Grace (Jerry) Sell; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald Henry Hyndman.

Services will be held at a later date. Burial will be at Marion National Cemetery in Marion.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 8430 W. Bryn Mawr Ave, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60631 (alz.org/indiana).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Doreen Hillock

September 19, 1953 – October 29, 2024

Doreen Hillock, 71, Sheridan, passed away Tuesday morning, October 29, 2024, at River-view Hospital in Noblesville. Born on September 19, 1953, in Lebanon, Ind., she was the daughter of the late William Charles "Bill" and Mariam Jane "Mick" (Haughey) Hillock.



She was a 1971 graduate of Sheridan High School, a member of the Sheridan Junior Women's Club, and a member of the Sheridan First United Methodist Church.

Doreen worked for BIMCO in Sheridan for a short time before opening her own business, Alterations Unlimited, on Main Street in town. For 20 years, she would take in, let out, shorten, lengthen, and do just about anything you could possibly need done to your clothing. If Doreen couldn't fix the problem, it was time for a new outfit. She took pride in her work and loved helping her customers (even teaching them how to fix it themselves sometimes), and never fussed about how big or small the job was going to be. She loved working with her hands. In addition to her seamstress abilities, she was also a very gifted at crocheting.

Creative people like Doreen also need a creative outlet (or several) to help keep their lives in balance. She always enjoyed heading out to the shop to do a little woodworking, or sitting down for a crafting session, but what a select number of longtime Sheridan residents remember are the years she taught piano lessons out at her house. Helping people, no matter the situation, was just part of Doreen's DNA.

She was an avid reader and never missed a chance to host a Home Interior Party, but her favorite thing in the whole world was spending time with her family. When Doreen became a grandma, life couldn't get much better ... but then she discovered Alabama football. She absolutely loved watching Alabama games with her son-in-law, John. To the casual observer the enthusiasm in the room was, let's just say ... a bit much, but to John and Doreen, there wasn't any other way to do it. ROLL TIDE!!!

Doreen is survived by her son, Matthew David Barrick (Molly) of Sheridan; daughter, Kelly Jane Barrick (John Steiner) of Sheridan; eight grandchildren, Shelby Merriam-Hicks (Christian), Lexey Merriman (David King), Dezare Hubner, Orion Steiner (Haley), Lars Steiner, Clark Barrick, Emmett Barrick, and Rosalyn Barrick; seven great-grandchildren, Daymien, Hinder, Devlin, Temperance, Kimberlynn, Archer, and Zander; sister, Sarah Dian McKinley of Sheridan; sister-in-law, Vickie Hillock of Sheridan; former husband, David Curtis Barrick; and by her feline furbaby, Binx. He is so lost without his momma.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William Charles "Bill" and Mariam Jane "Mick" (Haughey) Hillock; two brothers, William Dean Hillock and Dale Hillock; and by her brother-in-law, Leroy Clark McKinley.

A celebration of Doreen's life will take place at noon on Saturday, November 9, 2024, at the Sheridan First United Methodist Church, 207 E. 2nd St., Sheridan, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Pastor John Meunier will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be presented to Roxie's Pet Food Pantry, 602 Bow St., Sheridan, IN 46069. This was a cause that Doreen held near and dear to her heart.

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Hamilton County High School Football Sectional Finals

Fishers wins shootout over Southeastern for first sectional title in seven years

By **CRAIG ADKINS**
For The Reporter

FISHERS – A game of this magnitude has a lot on the line. Bragging rights with neighbors, friends and family are at stake. When Fishers and Hamilton Southeastern get together, it's assumed that it will be a battle of epic proportions.

Friday night's Class 6A Sectional 4 championship game would be no different. It was a game of momentum shifts and it all came down to who had the ball last and what they did with it. The Tigers had the ball last and drove all the way down the field, scoring with 0.7 seconds left to win, 44-41. The victory gave Fishers its first sectional title since 2017 and fourth overall.

In that final drive, the Tigers had great time management and took it all the way down to the final seconds. They went 80 yards in 11 plays and used every bit of the final two minutes on the clock. Hill threw three consecutive incompletions, bringing up fourth down and goal from the Royals' four.

On fourth down, Caden Hill found Jase Ruggles for the game-winning four-yard touchdown pass. Jon Tangara added the extra point for the final count of 44-41.

"Players made the plays and our players did what it took on that final drive," said Fishers coach Curt Funk.

The Tigers used eight plays and 66 yards and struck first on a JonAnthony Hall rushing TD for a 7-0 lead on the first possession.

HSE responded with a methodical drive, marching 80 yards in 13 plays. AZ Wallace ran in from four yards for the 7-7 tie.

Fishers came right back to grab the lead on a Ryan Thembulembu run. Tyler Maynard ran in the two-point conversion and it was 15-7.

Southeastern grabbed some momentum with two

straight touchdowns. Chandler Weston hooked up with Liam Boyd for a 42-yard touchdown pass and AZ Wallace ran in his second score, this time from 22 yards out for a 20-15 lead for the Royals.

Hill connected with Hall with 1:34 left in the second. Thembulembu ran in the two-point try for a 23-20 slight edge.

But that would be too much time on the clock for HSE. Weston found Boyd once again, a 20-yarder with 36 seconds left that gave the Royals a 27-23 halftime advantage.

"Playing a rival like HSE, we know each other well. We scout each other well and knew there would be adversity to overcome. There were lots of ups and downs and our kids responded," said Funk.

The third quarter had just one score, a four-yard run from Thembulembu that pushed it to 30-27. It was a crucial score and made a difference in the end.

"Ryan ran hard all night. I'm proud of our line up front for creating opportunities for him," said Funk.

Hill guided Fishers to its largest lead at 37-27 on a 73-yard pass and catch to Hall.

The Royals crawled right back into the game. AZ Wallace made his presence known, scoring with 7:25 left and again with 2:03 remaining in the fourth for a 41-37 HSE lead.

Just like in the first half, there was too much time left. This time, Fishers had the ball.

Funk and his staff had quite the message prior to the final drive.

"Every week, we do two-minute drills in practice. It's been the same scenario since Aug. 5," said Funk.

"In practice, we told them that there's going to be a game we're going to have to use this. We're built for



Photo by Joshua Herd

The Fishers football team won an exciting Sectional 3 championship game at Hamilton Southeastern on Friday. The Tigers scored a literal last-second touchdown to get past the Royals 44-41.

this," said Funk.

The two teams combined for 929 yards of total offense. HSE had 508 and Fishers 422. There were 130 offensive plays and 50 combined first downs.

"If you're a fan of football, it was one of the best games I've coached," said Funk. "We both dialed things in at the right times."

AZ Wallace led the Royals with 165 yards on 35 carries and four TDs in his final game. Chandler Weston went 13 of 21 for 251 yards and two TDs. Both of those scores were to Liam Boyd, who caught eight for 171. Callen Okerson also hauled in four for 82.

Hamilton Southeastern finishes its season at 7-4.

The Tigers were led by Thembulembu's 150 on the ground in 23 rushes and two scores. Caden Hill had a solid night in the pocket. Hill was 15 out of 23 for 238 yards and three TD passes. Stanford commit Hall showed his worth, catching

11 of Hill's throws for 194 yards and two touchdowns.

Fishers (7-4) is riding a three-game winning streak and hosts No. 2 Westfield (10-1) for the regional on Friday.

This will be the third consecutive Hoosier Crossroads Conference opponent in the playoffs for the Tigers.

"I have so much respect for our conference.

Top to bottom, we have the best conference in the state. We're going to enjoy this one tonight, but we're looking forward to getting to work for next week," said Funk.



Photos by Joshua Herd

(ABOVE) Fishers quarterback Caden Hill (16) threw for three touchdowns, including the game-winner with 0.7 seconds left. (BELOW) Hamilton Southeastern's AZ Wallace (33) ran for four touchdowns.



FISHERS 44, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 41

Score by Quarters			Scoring			
Southeastern	7	20	0	14	— 41	First Quarter
Fishers	7	16	7	14	— 44	FISH, 7:57 – JonAnthony Hall 6-yard run (Jon Tangara kick)
Team stats	FISH	HSE				HSE, 2:25 – AZ Wallace 4-yard run (Hugo Belmonte kick)
First Downs	21	30				Second Quarter
By Rush	9	16				FISH, 10:56 – Ryan Thembulembu 4-yard run (Tyler Maynard run)
By Pass	11	9				HSE, 6:50 – Liam Boyd 42-yard pass from Chandler Weston (Belmonte kick)
By Penalty	1	5				HSE, 5:11 – Wallace 22-yard run (kick failed)
Rushes-Yards	34-185	37-176				FISH, 1:34 – Hall 24-yard pass from Caden Hill (Thembulembu run)
Passing Yards	238	146				HSE, 0:35 – Boyd 20-yard pass from Weston (Belmonte kick)
Comp-Att-Int-TD	15-27-1-3	8-13-2-2				Third Quarter
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0				FISH, 1:57 – Thembulembu 1-yard run (Tangara kick)
Penalties-Yards	8-71	1-5				Fourth Quarter
Punts-Average	1-57.0	3-22.3				FISH, 8:44 – Hall 73-yard pass from Hill (Tangara kick)
						HSE, 7:25 – Wallace 3-yard run (Belmonte kick)
						HSE, 2:03 – Wallace 1-yard run (Belmonte kick)
						FISH, 0:01 – Jase Ruggles 4-yard pass from Hill (Tangara kick)

Fishers individual stats

Rushing: Thembulembu 23-150, Brady Griffiths 4-15, Hall 4-10, Hill 1-6, Denkota Fletcher 2-5.

Passing: Hill 15-26-238, team 0-1-0.

Receiving: Hall 11-194, Ruggles 3-31, Fletcher 1-13.

Southeastern individual stats

Rushing: Wallace 35-166, Weston 10-67, Brennan Baker 1-18, Vaughn Johnson 1-4.

Passing: Weston 13-21-253.

Receiving: Boyd 7-154, Callen Okerson 4-82, Graham Toner 1-19, Wallace 1-2.

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Golden Eagles fall to Tri-West

The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic fell in the championship game of Class 3A Sectional 29 Friday at Tri-West by the score of 21-12.

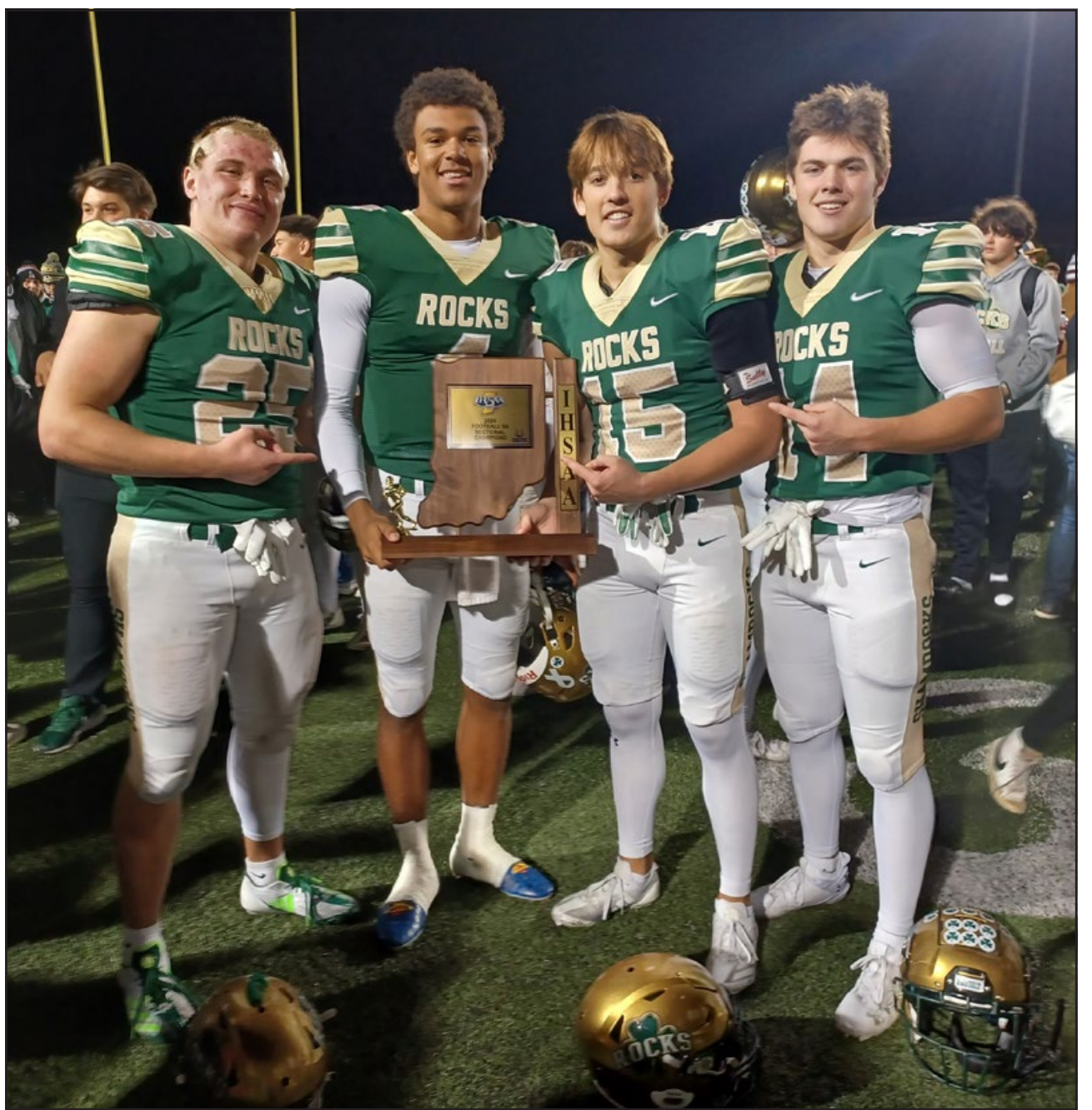
The Bruins scored the only points of the first quarter on a one-yard run by Jack Sorgi, giving them a 7-0 lead. Nick Wilson kicked a field goal in the second period, bringing the Golden Eagles within 7-3 at halftime.

Another Wilson field goal cut Tri-West's lead to 7-6, but the Bruins pushed their lead to 14-6 after another one-yard TD run by Sorgi.

Malcolm Houze punched in the ball from the one-yard early in the fourth quarter for Guerin Catholic's lone touchdown of the game. Tri-West's Derek Reid made a long run later in the fourth to seal the Bruins' victory.

Houze completed 19 of 37 passes for 193 yards, with Hayden Cler catching eight of those throws. Jack Linden led the rushing with 99 yards.

The Golden Eagles finished their season 6-6.



Westfield senior captains Mikeah Webster, Carsen Melvin, Beau Braun and Parker Knott show off the Sectional 4 trophy after the Shamrocks beat Zionsville 35-13 to claim their fifth consecutive sectional title.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

TRI-WEST 21, GUERIN CATHOLIC 12		Guerin Catholic scoring	
Score by Quarters		Second Quarter	
Guerin Catholic	0 3 3 6-12	5:51 - Nick Wilson field goal	
Tri-West	7 0 7 7-21	Third Quarter	
Team stats	GC TW	10:33 - Wilson field goal	
First Downs	21 22	Fourth Quarter	
By Rush	8 18	8:07 - Malcolm Houze 1-yard run (two-point conversion failed)	
By Pass	13 4		
By Penalty	0 0		
Rushes-Yards	32-148 56-278		
Passing Yards	193 78		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	19-37-2-0 7-16-1-0		
Fumbles-Lost	1-1 0-0		
Penalties-Yards	3-22 4-52		
Punts-Average	3-32.7 3-31.3		
Guerin Catholic individual stats			
Rushing: Jack Linden 20-99, Houze 9-44, Matthew Hennie 4-10, Kolbe Klee 1-4, Aiden Horn 1-2, team 1-minus 1.			
Passing: Houze 19-37-193.			
Receiving: Hayden Cler 8-19, Linden 5-38, Horn 2-29, Julian Melendez 2-25, Elias Niccum 1-16, Adam McNeany 1-12.			

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 9

GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Ben Davis at Hamilton Southeastern, 12:30 p.m.
 Greenwood Christian Academy at Guerin Catholic, 12:30 p.m.
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 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.

Monday, Nov. 11

GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Sheridan at Carroll, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 12

GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Guerin Catholic at Yorktown, 7:30 p.m.
 Hamilton Heights at Frankton, 7:30 p.m.
 Lebanon at Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.
 Noblesville at Bishop Chatard, 7:30 p.m.

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Rocks take control early to secure fifth consecutive sectional championship

By **RICHIE HALL**
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WESTFIELD - Westfield football coach Josh Miracle had a lot of positive things to say to his Shamrocks minutes after they won their fifth consecutive sectional championship.

One of those things was, "don't take them for granted." Second-ranked Westfield certainly didn't take Friday's Class 6A Sectional 3 title game for granted, blasting through the first half on its way to a 35-13 victory over visiting Zionsville at Riverview Health Stadium.

"I think sectionals are hard to come by," said Miracle. This is first year as the Shamrocks' head coach, but he was an assistant coach for several years before, getting to enjoy those sectional triumphs as well.

Westfield was in control from the beginning. Zionsville got the ball first, but the Shamrocks held firm, making the Eagles come up empty. It was different for Westfield when it finally got the ball: the Rocks scored on their first offensive play, with senior quarterback

Carsen Melvin taking off on a 79-yard touchdown run.

"We did an inside zone," said Melvin. He kept the ball, then got a "great block on the outside and just took it all the way."

Melvin also credited the Shamrocks' defense for making that initial stand at the beginning of the game.

"I think it definitely gave us some momentum," said Melvin. "Our defense is playing really great. Any more momentum that we can give them is great. They do a lot for us, we do a lot for them. That's why we're playing so well. We play for each other."

Westfield turned up the heat in the second quarter with three touchdowns. Deacon King found the end zone on the first play of the period with a 14-yard run. Melvin then took a six-yard run to score his second TD of the evening. Broc Parker finished things off with an eight-yard sprint for the Rocks' fourth touchdown of the game.

"Carsen's doing a good job of just getting the ball where it needs to go to," said Miracle. "All of these guys are capable of making

WESTFIELD 35, ZIONSVILLE 13		Westfield Scoring	
Score by Quarters		First Quarter	
Zionsville	0 0 6 7-13	7:00 - Carsen Melvin 79-yard run (Owen Wright kick)	
Westfield	7 21 7 0-35	Second Quarter	
Team stats	ZION WFLD	12:00 - Deacon King 14-yard run (Wright kick)	
First Downs	13 10	9:59 - Melvin 6-yard run (Wright kick)	
Rushes-Yards	28-53 24-202	2:57 - Broc Parker 8-yard run (Wright kick)	
Passing Yards	257 70	Third Quarter	
Comp-Att-Int-TD	18-26-2-2 3-4-0-0	11:58 - Parker 92-yard kickoff return (Wright kick)	
Fumbles-Lost	2-1 0-0		
Penalties-Yards	2-10 4-2		
Punts-Average	2-58.0 2-24.5		
Westfield individual stats			
Rushing: Melvin 2-85, King 10-73, Parker 5-35, Karson Fitzpatrick 6-5, Aiden Grabowski 1-4.			
Passing: Melvin 3-4-70.			
Receiving: Gabe Arambales 1-49, Nick Fero 1-11, Parker Knott 1-10.			

plays and I think that's what makes us dangerous on offense, too. When it's their time to step up, they will. Nobody gets selfish in between those times, either."

The Shamrocks led 28-0 at halftime. Westfield added another touchdown just seconds into the second half when Parker took the opening kickoff 92 yards to the end zone. Owen Wright made the extra point kick, just as he did with all four first-half scores, making him 5-for-5.

The remainder of the contest was played with a running clock. Zionsville scored one touchdown each in the third and fourth quarter, but Westfield had the game in hand by then.

Melvin finished with 85 yards rushing, followed by King with 73 yards.

The Shamrocks won their 13th sectional title in program history and improved to 10-1 with the victory. Westfield will travel to Fishers next Friday for the Regional 2 championship.

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That's three in a row for Sheridan

Coach Bud Wright: "One of our better ball games of the year"

The REPORTER

Friday night at Sheridan's Bud Wright Stadium, the Blackhawks played what their Hall of Fame coach said was one of "our better ball games of the year."

Sheridan's reward was its third consecutive sectional championship. The Hawks cruised past Cloverdale 42-14 to claim the Class 1A Sectional 46 crown.

"We've been playing the last two weeks like we should've been playing all year," said Wright.

Jacob Hall made a five-yard touchdown run early in the first quarter to get Sheridan on the board. The Clovers came back to tie things up with a 64-yard passing touchdown, making the score 7-7.

But the Blackhawks took back control right away thanks to Jon Barnes; he took a 26-yard run into the end zone to put Sheridan back on top. The Hawks intercepted Cloverdale later in the quarter, and that led to a seven-yard TD run for Barnes.

"Defense did a heck of a good job," said Wright. After Sheridan gave up the

long pass in the first quarter, Wright said the team got that corrected.

"We made a couple adjustments and they picked up on it and did a nice job with it," said Wright.

The Blackhawks led 21-7 after the first quarter and added a touchdown in each of the next three quarters. Barnes took another touchdown trip in the second period, scoring on a seven-yard run. Owen Bell and Dayne Voege then teamed up for two passing touchdowns in the second half, starting with a 29-yard TD throw from Bell to Voege in the third period.

Early in the fourth quarter, Bell sent a 34-yard pass to Voege, who turned it into Sheridan's sixth touchdown of the game. Bell kicked the extra point, as he had for all the previous TDs, to go a perfect 6-of-6 on the night.

Barnes led the rushing with 116 yards, while Alex Cravens ran for 106 yards.

Sheridan won its 22nd sectional title in program history. The Blackhawks are 7-5 and play at South Putnam next Friday for the Regional 23 championship.



Photos by Allison Waitt

(TOP) The Sheridan football team claimed its third consecutive sectional championship on Friday, beating Cloverdale 42-14 at Bud Wright Stadium. (ABOVE) Sheridan's Dayne Voege caught two touchdown passes in the second half.

SHERIDAN 42, CLOVERDALE 14

Score by Quarters				Sheridan scoring		
Cloverdale	7	7	0	0	14	First Quarter
Sheridan	21	7	7	7	42	8:06 - Jacob Hall 5-yard run (Owen Bell kick)
Team Stats	CLO	SHER				
First Downs	13	19	6:03 - Jon Barnes 26-yard run (Bell kick)			
By Rush	3	14	3:09 - Barnes 7-yard run (Bell kick)			
By Pass	10	4	Second Quarter			
By Penalty	0	1	2:16 - Jon Barnes 7-yard run (Bell kick)			
Rushes-Yards	19-96	53-284	Third Quarter			
Yards Passing	225	94	3:21 - Dayne Voege 29-yard pass from Bell (Bell kick)			
Comp-Att-Int-TD	15-35-2-1	4-6-1-2	Fourth Quarter			
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1	9:16 - Voege 34-yard pass from Bell (Bell kick)			
Penalties-Yards	3-35	4-30				
Punts-Average	3-40.7	1-46.0				
Sheridan individual stats						
Rushing: Barnes 20-116, Alex Cravens 24-106, Jaylen Arnold 3-48, Hall 4-9, Bell 2-5.						
Passing: Bell 4-6-94.						
Receiving: Voege 4-94.						

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