

SATURDAY, DEC. 28, 2024

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TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Mostly cloudy. An isolated shower is possible.
 Tonight: Rain, especially after midnight.
 HIGH: 58 LOW: 46



Staff and students from Hamilton Heights gather for fellowship and service assembling and packaging 12,144 meals as part of the fourth annual IDES Meal Pack in partnership with the Noblesville-based nonprofit, International Disaster Emergency Service (IDES). The meals will be sent to Ukraine for families in need.

Heights' IDES Meal Pack yields 12,144 meals bound for Ukraine

The REPORTER
 The fourth annual International Disaster Emergency Services Team (IDES) Meal Pack, sponsored by the Hamilton Heights School Corporation Wellness Team, recently packed and boxed 12,144 meals for families in need in Ukraine. The annual event brought students, staff, and some of their families to pack and box meals for this special service project after school earlier this month.

Emily Beechler, Secondary Instructional Coach at Hamilton Heights Middle and High Schools and Wellness Coordinator for the district, has

helped spearhead the event since its inception. "It's a privilege and honor to support a local ministry that serves with heart, soul, and resources that make a life-changing impact around the world," she said.

IDES, based in Noblesville and founded in 1973, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that seeks to meet the physical and spiritual needs of suffering people throughout the world by partnering with Christian Churches / Churches of Christ and their missionaries. IDES serves in three focus areas around the world: Disaster Response, Development, and Disciple-Making.



Yvetta Naylor, a teacher at Hamilton Heights Middle School, helps pack meals at the fourth annual International Disaster Emergency Services (IDES) Meal Pack.

How I Broke This, ep. 10: Pizza Drone

COLD OPEN (actual recording of a Nov. 24, 2024 local radio WHCR live news dispatch): Ladies and gentlemen, this is Stu Clampitt again in downtown Fishers, Indiana. Well, I ... I hardly know where to begin ... the chaos ... the gunshots ... sirens ... screams ... panic ... murder! ... murder! ... murder!!! ... before me, a fallen unidentified object on Lantern Road right in front of The Well Coffee House which claims it can turn coffee into water ... the object itself doesn't look very much like a drone ... at least not like drones I've seen ... flat really ... not flying saucer shape ... pizza pan shape is more accurate ... 14-inch circumference ... bullet riddled ... smoke wafting from cracks ... a reptilian hiss ... an ooze oozing from the cracks ... a bubbling substance, a boiling goo spreading across Lantern Road ... a white, cheesy gunk ... a dairy-like lava ... mozzarella, I believe ... yes, molten mozzarella ... screaming pedestrians fleeing the cheesy flow specked with pepperoni and mushroom ... blood-like tomato sauce spatter everywhere ... I haven't witnessed downtown pandemonium so intense since IKEA's grand opening ...



GUY RAZZ: I'm Guy Razz, host of *How I Broke This*. Welcome to my narrative journey about business ineptitude and the failed leaders who failed to learn from their failures. Listen as my guests reveal what led to their crushed entrepreneurial spirits. Today's guest is Buzz Bezos, floundering founder of Pizza Drone, a pizza delivery service prematurely hailed as The World's Original Pizzeria of the Skies, home of the Mile High Pizza Pie.

BUZZ: Thanks, Guy. Huge fan.
GUY: I must admit I'm surprised to find Buzz Bezos on my podcast. The Pizza Drone concept seemed unsinkable. I mean, no one fails at pizza. Hamilton County loves its pizza. Opening a pizza shop is like shooting fish in a barrel.
BUZZ: Like I've always said, Guy, there are two markets one can depend on for the long run ... pizza parlors and funeral parlors. Everyone loves pizza; everyone dies. There's no two truer truths.
GUY: Why did you choose pizza over burial plots?
BUZZ: Drones fascinate me. Drones are our future, if not the onset of our apocalypse. I want to be part of that. Somehow, I don't think replacing hearses with drones would go over well with the general public.

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Jackson Township celebrates first Christmas light display thanks to Hamilton County Tourism grant

By ROBYN COOK
 Jackson Township Trustee

Jackson Township is excited to announce the successful launch of Fire and Lights, its first annual Christmas light display, made possible by a generous grant from Hamilton County Tourism. This festive event brought the community together for nights of holiday cheer, memorable experiences, and family-friendly fun.

The display featured a variety of interactive evenings, including:

- **A Visit from Santa Claus:** Families enjoyed meeting Santa, sharing their

Christmas wishes, and capturing the magic of the season.

- **A Night with the Grinch and Cindy Lou Who:** Characters from the beloved holiday classic delighted children and adults alike with their antics and holiday spirit.
- **Christmas Inflatable Night:** A dazzling lineup of inflatables, including Olaf from Frozen, dancing Christmas trees, and even a festive unicorn, lit up the night and brought joy to all attendees.

"We are thrilled with the community's response to this new tradition," said Nicole



Little Cindy Lou Who and The Grinch made an appearance at Jackson Township's Fire & Lights.

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New year brings opportunities for visual & performing artists in Fishers

The REPORTER
 Fishers Arts Council (FAC) announces opportunities for visual and performing artists in 2025.

Opportunities have been posted on FAC's website for musical acts from solos to trios—with the first performance coming up on Feb. 14, 2025. All musical performances are paid and indoors. Visit fishersartscouncil.org/post/2025-musicians for the details and how to submit your availability.



Visual artists can submit their work for several upcoming exhibits in both the Art Gallery at City Hall and the FAC Hub Gallery in the Hamilton County Community Foundation. The first submission deadline is Jan. 17, 2025, for "The Golden Age: Artists 50 & Better" exhibit. If you have difficulty filling out the online form, you can email the arts council at info@fishersartscouncil.org or call them at (317) 537-1670.

Exhibit callouts can be found at fishersartscouncil.org/blog.

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Carmel firefighters serenade 106-year-old woman on her birthday after false alarm

By HANNA MORDOH
 WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](https://www.wishtv.com)

A false alarm in Carmel ended with firefighters serenading a woman for her 106th birthday on Christmas Eve morning.

According to the [Carmel Fire Department's Facebook page](https://www.carmelindiana.gov), Station 346 was dispatched to a medical alarm on Tuesday morning. The alarm was accidental, but crews discovered it was a woman named Noella's 106th birthday.



Carmel Fire Department's Station 346 was dispatched to a medical alarm on Christmas Eve morning. The alarm was accidental, but the crews finding out it is Noella's birthday was fate! Born 106 years ago Dec. 24, Engine & Medic 346 sang their hearts out to make it special.

Photos provided by Carmel Fire Department via Facebook

The firefighters jumped into action and gave Noella a special birthday celebration, singing "Happy Birthday" as she smiled with gratitude. Her family caught the moment on camera and the crews posted the video on [social media](https://www.facebook.com/carmelfire).

The fire department said,

"Noella's family was able to capture the special moment and sent it to us for use. They are also on Facebook and will see the comments, so be sure to wish Noella a very happy 106th birthday below!"

By 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday morning, many people had

already wished Noella 'happy birthday' on the post.

Charlie Madewell Adams wrote, "Great job! Happiest Birthday #106, Ms. Noella."

Heather Barni said, "Happy Birthday!! How lucky you are to have CFD sing to you!"

Katie Ballew Haug post-

ed, "So glad it wasn't a real emergency, and you were able to help her celebrate! Cheers to 106, Ms. Noella!"

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/local-news/carmel-firefighters-birthday-celebration](https://www.wishtv.com/news/local-news/carmel-firefighters-birthday-celebration).

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The Maruchan Band (Jason Reinhardt and Tommy Icarus) plays the FAC Hub Gallery.



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The City of Fishers is partnering with FAC to find an artist to design the logo for the 2025 Geist Half Marathon race participant T-shirt. This shirt will be given to race participants and may also be available for sale following the race's completion. There will be a \$500 prize for the winning design.

Details on the design call out can be found at fishersartscouncil.org/post/geisthalf-tshirtdesign. The deadline to submit designs is Jan. 17, 2025.

More opportunities to participate in galleries, receptions, and events are coming in the new year.

About the Fishers Arts Council

Fishers Arts Council is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to support, advocate, and cultivate visual and performing arts opportunities that educate and/or enhance the lives of those who live, work, and visit Fishers. Visit the brand-new gallery space inside Fishers Municipal Center at 1 Municipal Drive. FAC also maintains the FAC Hub Gallery at the Collaboration Hub at Hamilton County Community Foundation, 11810 Technology Drive, Fishers. Check out FishersArtsCouncil.org or call (317) 537-1670 for more information.

Westfield Chamber celebrates another year of incredible growth

Submitted by Westfield Chamber

Thank you to everyone who attended the Westfield Chamber of Commerce's Annual Meeting & Holiday Luncheon.

This year has been a huge success, and the Chamber is so proud of what it and its members have been able to accomplish. Westfield is positioned for continued growth and success as the community of business leaders is committed to making the city the best place to live, work, and do business.

Congratulations to incoming Westfield Chamber and Young Professionals Board of Directors. Here's to another year of progress, prosperity, partnership, and to the next chapter for the Westfield Chamber of Commerce with the city's incredible local business community.

Thank you to Title Sponsor Union Bible College & Academy and supporting sponsors Meyer Najem, Hampton Inn Westfield, Community Health Network, Spanish for Entities, and Westfield Washington Township for celebrating the Chamber's last event of the year together.

The Chamber's offices will be through Jan. 5 in observance of the holidays.



Photos provided by Westfield Chamber

The Westfield Chamber and its members look forward to another year of success and prosperity in one of the fastest-growing cities in the country.

LIGHTS

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Live Music At Pasto Italiano
 Music every Wednesday & Friday
 1/2 Price Bottles of Wine On Wednesdays
 Reservations Recommended
317-804-2051
 3150 East State Rd. 32, Westfield
 Catering: PastoItalianoWestfield@gmail.com



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Duncan, Executive Director of Township Services. "This event truly embodies the spirit of the season and showcases the incredible support of Hamilton County Tourism in making it all possible."

Jackson Township plans to expand the Christmas light display each year, bringing even more holiday magic to the community.

Businesses interested in sponsoring a display are encouraged to reach out to the township at clerk@jackson-townshiptrustee.com.

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the first annual Christmas light display a glowing success. We look forward to continuing this tradition and spreading holiday cheer for years to come.



See you in the parks!
 MyHamiltonCountyParks.com
 317.770.4400

PIZZA DRONE

from Page 1

Pizza Drone was to be the world's first pizza delivery involving drone technology, allowing us to provide a guaranteed five-minute delivery – or your pie from the sky is free.

GUY: Now that's fast food.

BUZZ: The whole 30-minute-or-less delivery is so yester-century, Guy. Papa Johns, Pizza Hut, Domino's might as well deliver by stagecoach. With our Pizza Drone app, you could release one of our pizza-shaped drones at either a 12-, 14-, or 16-inch circum-

ference, pending your appetite. Each drone had brick oven technology to cook your pizza inflight.

GUY: Junk food meets the Jetsons! A pizza delivery revolution! What could go wrong?

BUZZ: Unfortunately, a lot, Guy. The radio news broadcast you shared up front summed up the whole mess. Global media headlined our marketing debacle PIZZAGEDDON!!! Had we taken note of the mass hysteria that was being reported regarding the recent alleged drone invasion in New Jersey, we probably would've stalled Pizza Drone's surprise launch until after the holidays. You know, allow time for the whole War of the Worlds and government conspiracy theories to fizzle out. But, instead, we stuck to our unannounced roll-out plan designed to catch our competition off guard. We launched our business by launching 50 pizza delivery drones over Fishers simultaneously. Talk about free brand awareness! We loaded each drone with our trademark Pepper-Droni and Mush-Zoom pizza. We also reserved a few drones for our Around-The-World specialty pizza, which would literally circumnavigate the globe before being delivered – for that one though, we had to offer a 15-minute-or-less delivery guarantee. Still beats Dominos though.

GUY: So, Pizza Drone's immediate demise was due to nothing but bad timing?



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All that remains of the Fishers Pizza Drone marketing fiasco.

BUZZ: Well, that and skipping an initial test launch. But how can you test launch 50 drones simultaneously over the town without ruining the surprise? Apparently, R&D miscalculated the weight of the oven bricks. Some drones crashed before the pizza parachutes could be released. But even those pizzas that had successfully dropped via parachutes apparently freaked out the public. People, caught up in the New Jersey scare, thought they were witnessing paratrooping Martians. The sky over Fishers took on the frenzy of a kicked hornet's nest. Parachuting pizzas. Crashing drones. A fever of fear filled Fishers! We first knew we were in trouble when someone posted on our Facebook page, "What the WKRP is happening!?????"

GUY: So, what's next for Buzz Bezos?

BUZZ: Earlier, your reference to "shooting fish in a barrel" made a light bulb go off in my head: a seafood-firearms fusion restaurant theme. It just might work in Hamilton County.

GUY: Glad to help, Buzz. Sounds like we will be talking again.

Pizza Drone contact: scottsualman@gmail.com

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GET AHEAD OF THE WEATHER

WINTER IS COMING... ARE YOUR PIPES PREPARED?

When temperatures start to drop, freezing pipes become a serious problem for Hoosiers at home. A frozen pipe can burst, prevent water from flowing, and even disrupt your heating system.

To combat this icy threat to your comfort and safety, always prepare your pipes for the upcoming cold weather. **The experts at Indiana American Water recommend taking the following precautions before the thermostat drops too low:**

1.



Check your pipes for cracks and leaks.

3.



Insulate pipes in unheated areas of your home.

2.



Turn outdoor faucets off for the season.

4.



Schedule seasonal maintenance on your plumbing and heating systems.



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At Indiana American Water, we work hard year-round to ensure our customers have reliable access to clean, fresh water no matter what weather extremes come their way. Contact us today to learn more about how to protect your home's water supply and infrastructure or for help with an already frozen pipe



Give a gift that transforms lives

The REPORTER

Civic Theatre's student matinees, workshops, and classes ignite a passion for the arts, and thanks to the Civic Scholarship Fund, students from low-income families can access these opportunities at no cost.

In 2024, Civic Theatre welcomed more than 6,800 students and teachers to experience live theatre – many for the very first time. Your support ensures these experiences remain accessible to the students who need them most.

Only half of Civic Theatre's annual operating expenses are covered by ticket sales and class



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tuition. The organization relies on the generosity of a dedicated audience – individuals like you – to help

bridge this financial gap. Please consider making your **tax-deductible gift** today.

From everyone at Civic Theatre, thank you for believing in the power of the arts.

Latest Fishers road construction updates

The REPORTER

Water Main project at 116th Street & Lantern Road

Citizens Water will be relocating a water main in 116th Street and along Lantern Road starting at 6 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11 through 5 a.m. Monday, Jan. 13. During this time there will be a street closure in place:

- Westbound traffic will be directed north and south on Lantern Road.
- Eastbound traffic will

be able to turn up Municipal Drive to North Street.

• Southbound Lantern Road will be closed between 116th Street and South Street between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. beginning on Monday, Jan. 13.

[Click here](#) to view the closure map.

146th Street & Allisonville Road

Beginning on or after Thursday, Jan. 9, the contractor will implement a traffic phase shift for eastbound

146th Street. Traffic will be shifted to the south and will use the bridge carrying eastbound 146th Street over the White River. The contractor will use construction barrels to delineate the driving area from the construction zone.

Use extreme caution when driving in this area and watch for flaggers during the phase shift.

Follow the 35 mph posted speed limit when traveling through the work zone. Left turns are prohibited in

all directions at the intersection. Please see the included intersection diagram here for the movements that are allowed. Periodic lane closures and intermittent stoppages may be necessary to complete certain work items. Please watch for flaggers and workers in and around the construction zone.

For additional project information, visit the 146th Street and Allisonville Road project page at [this link](#).

McCordsville brewery to close doors after New Year's Eve

By GREGG MONTGOMERY
WISH-TV | [wishTV.com](#)

A combination of factors has led to the closing of a McCordsville brewing company, with the final day on New Year's Eve.

Scarlet Lane Brewing Co., located on Depot Street just northwest of West Broadway beyond the

railroad tracks, opened in September 2014, according to information on its Facebook page.

Scarlet Lane's Beech Grove facility closed last week, and it's listed as "temporarily closed" online.

Eilise Lane, the owner, operator and head brewer, said in a [social media post](#) on Thursday that in-

terest has been expressed in the 4-acre site and its buildings and equipment in McCordsville. Lane said health changes, building needs, and the overall market led to the Scarlet Lane Brewing (SLB) team's decision to sell.

Lane wrote, "We will get more sentimental in our posts as we get closer to our final service, but we want you to know that McCordsville means so much to me and the SLB team that I can't put it all into words. Being a part of the town's explosive growth over the last 10+ years has been extraordinary and makes my heart happy

that we contributed to the town's next chapter."

The McCordsville building also contains **Trax BBQ**. The barbecue restaurant, which went on a break for the holidays earlier this week, plans to reopen Jan. 8.

The Hancock County town of McCordsville, which [state records show](#) has grown by 2,300 residents to more than 11,200 since the 2020 Census, is about a 25-minute drive northeast of downtown Indianapolis.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishTV.com/news/business/scarlet-lane-brewing-closing-mccordsville](#).

Hamilton County VSO has new flag retirement receptacle



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Hamilton County Veterans Service Officer Tom Logan has announced the availability of a new receptacle for retired United States flags. The receptacle was provided by the National Association of Counties and distributed to Indiana counties by the Indiana Association of Counties. The receptacle was presented to Logan by Hamilton County Surveyor Kenton Ward, who is a member of both the national and state association's boards of directors. The receptacle is located in the Veteran Service Office on first floor of the Government and Judicial Center in Noblesville. (ABOVE) Veteran Service Officer Tom Logan (left) and County Surveyor Kenton Ward stand beside new flag retirement receptacle.

College planning workshop set for Jan. 13 in Westfield

The REPORTER

Dreaming of college? The path to graduating with less debt starts here.

The Westfield Chamber of Commerce's newest member Thrivent Financial will offer a free College Planning 101 workshop:

- Learn how to save on the cost of college and avoid excessive debt.
- How choices made in high school can affect ad-

missions and financial prospects.

- The basics of college financial aid.
- Why it's not too late to have a plan.

This workshop will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13 at Westfield Washington Public Library. To reserve your spot or for more information, please call (317) 460-6140 or email [steve.wall@thrivent.com](#).

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Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

Hamilton County Veteran Service Organizations

American Legion Posts

Carmel Post 155 Kim Kilburn
852 West Main St Breakfast Sat & Sun 8-12
Carmel, In 46032 Treasure Hunt Fri 7p
317-846-0001 Tx Holdem Thurs & Sat

Cicero Post 341 Tye Anderson
50 Washington Ave Treasure Hunt Tues 7p
Cicero, In 46034 Weekly Draw Su 6p, W 7p
317-984-4441 Bingo Fri 6p, Weekly Draw 8p

Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc
9091 E 126th St Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm \$25K
Fishers, in 46038
317-842-5944 Breakfast 1st & 3rd Sun 8-11

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

Sheridan Post 67 Tom DeShon
406 E 10th St
Sheridan, In 46069
317-758-5007

VFW Posts

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

Noblesville Post 6246 Eric Behrends
654 S 9th St
Noblesville, In 46060
317-773-9956

If you are a member of our American Legions & 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

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

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

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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Admin Assistant – Christina Ellis
christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov

The Hamilton County Veterans Corp, Hamilton County Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities Coalition, All Our Partners and Friends, Are Wishing Our Active Military, Veterans and their Families a Very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Happy & Healthy New Year !!!

Whether you are home or away on this Christmas Day, or any day, we are thinking of you and we thank you for your commitment, dedication, service, sacrifice and bravery while protecting our Freedoms at home and overseas.



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Noblesville 2025 Meeting Notices

The Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety has released its meeting dates for 2025. Meetings will be held at 9 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Jan. 14	Jan. 28
Feb. 11	Feb. 25
March 11	March 25
April 15	April 29
May 13	May 27
June 10	June 24
July 15	July 29
Aug. 12	Aug. 26
Sept. 9	Sept. 23
Oct. 7	Oct. 21
Nov. 4	Nov. 18
Dec. 2	Dec. 16

The Noblesville Common Council Finance Committee has released its 2025 meeting schedule. Meetings will be held at 8:15 a.m. in Room A213 at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., except for the March 20 meeting, which will be held in the Planning Department Conference Room at City Hall.

Jan. 9	Jan. 23
Feb. 6	Feb. 20
March 6	March 20
April 10	April 24
May 8	May 22
June 5	June 19
July 10	July 24
Aug. 7	Aug. 21
Sept. 4	Sept. 18
Oct. 2	Oct. 16
Nov. 13	Nov. 26
Dec. 11	

The Noblesville Tree Board has released its meeting schedule for 2025. Meetings will take place at 5 p.m. in Room A213 at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Feb. 3	April 7
June 2	Aug. 4
Oct. 6	Dec. 1

The Noblesville Common Council has released its meeting dates for 2025. Meetings will be held at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Jan. 14	Jan. 28
Feb. 11	Feb. 25
March 11	March 25
April 15	April 29
May 13	May 27
June 10	June 24
July 15	July 29
Aug. 12	Aug. 26
Sept. 9	Sept. 23
Oct. 7	Oct. 21
Nov. 4	Nov. 18
Dec. 2	Dec. 16

The Noblesville Common Council Roads Committee has released its 2025 meeting schedule. Meetings will be held at 8 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Jan. 10	Feb. 7
March 7	April 4
May 2	June 6
July 11	Aug. 1
Sept. 5	Oct. 3
Nov. 7	Dec. 5

The Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals has released its meeting schedule for 2025. Meetings will be held at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., unless otherwise indicated.

Jan. 6	Feb. 3
March 3	April 7
May 5	June 2
July 7	Aug. 4
Sept. 2	Oct. 6
Nov. 3	Dec. 1

The Noblesville Firefighter Merit Commission has released its meeting schedule for 2025. Meetings will be held at 4 p.m. in the City Courtroom, 135 S. 9th St., Noblesville.

Jan. 15	Feb. 19
March 19	April 16
May 21	June 18
July 16	Aug. 20
Sept. 17	Oct. 15
Nov. 19	Dec. 17

The Noblesville Park Board has released its 2025 meeting schedule. Meetings will be held at 5 p.m. in the Overlook Room at the Forest Park Inn in Noblesville, with the exception of the March 5 meeting, which will be held at Forest Park Lodge.

Jan. 8	Feb. 5
March 5	April 9
May 7	June 4
July 9	Aug. 6
Sept. 3	Oct. 1
Nov. 5	Dec. 3

The Noblesville Plan Commission has released its meeting schedule for 2025. Meetings will be held at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Jan. 21	Feb. 18
March 18	April 21
May 19	June 16
July 21	Aug. 18
Sept. 15	Oct. 27
Nov. 17	Dec. 8

The Noblesville Tree Board Committee has released its meeting schedule for 2025. Meetings will take place at 3 p.m. in the upstairs conference room at the Noblesville Street Department, 1575 Pleasant St.

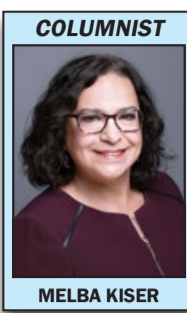
Jan. 13	Feb. 10
April 14	June 9
Aug. 11	Oct. 13

The Noblesville Redevelopment Commission has released its meeting schedule for 2025. Meetings will be held at 9 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

Jan. 16	Feb. 13
March 13	April 17
May 15	June 12
July 17	Aug. 14
Sept. 11	Oct. 9
Nov. 6	Dec. 4

Send Meeting Notices to: News@ReadTheReporter.com

During the Dec. 17 Noblesville school board meeting, staff made presentations on both the updated English Language Arts and the Multi-Lingual/English Language programs at Noblesville Schools.



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For the ELA program, the ELA committee members identified trends such as science or reading, intervention for struggling readers, and direct instruction in word recognition across all grade levels. Some of the practices included practicing fluency reading, writing, and reading together, as well as pairing multi-lingual students with monolingual students. They spoke to a recommendation to have teachers receive ongoing professional learning to work with all learners.

The rollout of the revised program will start with a snapshot of the strengths of the current program and identify areas for improvement. The next two years will involve revisions to the existing curriculum

followed by monitoring and implementation of recommendations.

Included in the curriculum will be classical novels so that there is a balance and blend of texts that are important to the student's understanding of the humanities and the community. In the middle school and high school level, they have included Shakespeare, traditional British literature and American literature, and a balance of contemporary literature.

Dr. Shelley Bethel gave a presentation of Multilingual Education. There are currently 23 educators serving students speaking more than 55 languages. ML student enrollment continues to grow having almost doubled since the 2018-2019 school year. Currently, there are 692 students enrolled. This growth poses a challenge for the program with almost double the number of students who score below proficiency (level 1) in the English language since the 2020-2021 school year.

The stated goal is to

“provide ML support so that students meet + exceed their full potential.” There are new initiatives to support the multi-lingual students two of which are technology-based such as pocket talk translators and translation support through a platform called Magic School.

While I believe and support all of the recommendations and practices that are being implemented in the ELA and ML programs, I believe that more out-of-the-box thinking is needed. As a multi-lingual speaker who arrived in this country knowing only a handful of words in English, I know firsthand how difficult it is to become proficient in the English language. For students, that process can take several years encompassing a large part of their school years.

Recognizing that fact is especially important given the two new bills that impact education, SB1 and SB6, that were passed into law during the 2024 legislative session. Those bills added summer school offerings and the ability to hold back a student if they do not demonstrate proficiency in English. Given the large

number of students in our schools who are enrolled in multi-lingual education programs, it is difficult to believe that educators and school staff alone will be able to supply all the additional support those students need to become proficient.

In both the ELA and ML/EL presentations there was talk of a collaborative community approach. The community extends beyond the school environment. Those students and their families have to be able to communicate in and out of the school environment, in other words, in the community. Why not include the community in supporting the multi-lingual students and their families by opening up the programs to include volunteers, such as retired teachers or multi-lingual speakers, who can assist in a small group environment for the enrichment of the programs as a whole?

Melba Kiser is an outspoken advocate for financial responsibility and transparency in government at all levels. Her column appears at least once each month in The Hamilton County Reporter Newspaper.

Rep. Spartz defends decision not to serve on committees in next Congress

By GARRETT BERGQUIST
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Congresswoman Victoria Spartz says her **refusal to serve on committees** in the new Congress won't impair her ability to work for her constituents.

Spartz has said she will not serve on any committees when the new Congress is sworn in on Jan. 3, nor will she take part in the House Republican conference. She said nothing gets done in the committees to benefit the American people.

In an interview with

News 8's Phil Sanchez for *All Indiana Politics*, Spartz said her decision actually frees her up to focus more on serving the needs of her constituents.

“I still enjoy working with my Republicans in the Senate and the House and a lot of them reached out to me personally and they want to deliver,” she said. “And I think that's something, but we need to create a system where people are actually able to legislate.”

Spartz said she plans to work closely with President-elect Donald Trump's

Department of Government Efficiency.

She said the Trump Administration will need federal legislation to give any of its changes to the federal bureaucracy the force of law. Otherwise, Spartz said it will be back to business as usual when Trump leaves office in January 2029.

In addition, she said she plans to continue filing legislation to bring down health care costs. She said consolidation and monopolization within the health care industry plays a big role in the prices consumers pay,

as does the involvement of pharmacy benefit managers and insurance companies.

“I think that's something that can be done at the federal level and it will save a lot of money for the consumer,” she said. “It will save money for the federal budget. But it will also help innovation and remove barriers of entry in health care.”

All Indiana Politics airs at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

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Peanut Butter & Jam: Singing, Rhythm, and Movement with Sarah Scharbrough

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The Studio Theater

Delight in singing, rhythm, and movement with Indiana musician Sarah Scharbrough. She is a world-class performer, songwriter, and worship leader, whose music has taken her around the globe. She has released six original studio albums, been featured on two Emmy-award winning shows, and collaborated with artists around the world. As a mom to five children, she is no stranger to incorporating music and art into a family-friendly experience. This performance will be fun, thoughtful, and inspire creativity.

Designed for children ages 1 to 7, Peanut Butter & Jam sessions encourage young children to become engaged in the arts. Please plan to attend these informal Saturday concerts.

Mac McAnally

Friday, Jan. 10 at 8 p.m.
The Palladium

A longtime member of Jimmy Buffett's Coral Reefer Band, songwriter, singer, and instrumentalist Mac McAnally has written dozens of hits for artists including Alabama, Kenny Chesney, and Sawyer Brown and has recorded with such names as Toby Keith, Linda Ronstadt, George Strait, and Dolly Parton. He has won the Country Music Association's Musician of the Year title a record-setting 10 times and has been inducted into the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame, the Mississippi Musicians Hall of Fame, and the Alabama Music Hall of Fame. His solo recording career began with the Top 40 single "It's A Crazy World" and has grown to 14 album releases.

Special guest: Local blues-rock singer-songwriter Jon Strahl will open the show with an acoustic set.

Let's Sing Taylor: A Live Band Experience Celebrating Taylor Swift

Saturday, Jan. 11 at 2 & 8 p.m.
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Let's Sing Taylor: A Live Band Experience Celebrating Taylor Swift is the ultimate tribute to the music of Taylor Swift. We can show you incredible things, including the most faithful and lively covers of Queen Taylor's expansive and sacred catalog. Taking the country by storm, the Center is bringing the communal experience of celebrating Taylor's music in a live setting to Swifties near and far. So, let the games begin. Calling all Swifties to sing your hearts out and sport your Taylor-inspired attire. You can show up at our party any time.

Yesterday and Today: The Interactive Beatles Experience

Saturday, Jan. 18 at 8 p.m.
The Palladium

Yesterday and Today is a unique and innovative tribute to the Beatles. Led by brothers Billy, Matthew, and Ryan McGuigan, the band members perform as themselves and leave the song choices completely in the hands of the audience. Concertgoers are invited to

fill out request cards listing their name, their favorite Beatles song, and the reason that song is important to them, which creates a narrative for the evening. Every show is different, every show is interactive, and every show proves that the Beatles' music truly is the soundtrack to our lives.

Songwriting: Melody and Lyrics

Jan. 21 to Feb. 18 at 6 p.m.
The Palladium

Spark your songwriting craft and connect with other local artists through this five-week course, Songwriting: Melody and Lyrics. Aimed at seasoned writers and fresh voices alike, the course explores the elements of songwriting and provides opportunities for participants to co-write and collaborate with other musicians. Each session will include instruction, songwriting breakout sessions, peer/instructor feedback and an opportunity to share work. The course will culminate with a "songwriters in the round" performance in which each participant will share a song and a personal story about the work. (Participants can choose to perform their own song or have one of the class instructors perform it for them.)

The Evolution of Joni Mitchell: Starring Lauren Fox

Friday, Jan. 24 at 8 p.m.
The Tarkington

Inspired by Reckless Daughter, David Yaffe's biography of legendary songwriter Joni Mitchell, performer Lauren Fox created this captivating and enlightening journey through Mitchell's life and music. Throughout the performance, Fox and pianist/narrator Jon Weber use excerpts from the book to tell the stories behind classic songs including "Both Sides Now," "Big Yellow Taxi," "Chelsea Morning," "Woodstock," "The Circle Game," "A Case Of You," "Free Man in Paris," "Hejira," "Night Ride Home," and "Turbulent Indigo." From early folk to folk-rock, jazz and pop, Mitchell continually evolved and pushed the envelope, defying critics and blazing a trail



Photo provided

See Heart of Afghanistan and the Fanoos Ensemble on Saturday, Jan. 25 at The Tarkington.

for women in music for decades to come.

Heart of Afghanistan featuring the Fanoos Ensemble

Saturday, Jan. 25 at 8 p.m.
The Tarkington

With music banned in their home country, Heart of Afghanistan carries the flame of the nation's rich and complex cultural heritage, from its pre-Islamic Buddhist period to the modern era. The Fanoos Ensemble features Afghan singer and TV star Ahmad Fanoos on vocals and harmonium, his sons Elham Fanoos on piano and Mehran Fanoos on violin, and Sohail Karimi on tabla. The program will include Afghan folk music, traditional odes based on Sufi poetry, and the iconic hits of Afghan pop singer Ahmad Zahir. Heart of Afghanistan is a production of American Voices.

Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis with special guest the Noblesville High School Jazz Band

7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26
The Palladium

Dedicated to preserving America's jazz heritage, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra returns to the Palladium with more than a dozen of the finest soloists, ensemble players and arrangers in jazz music today. Founded in 1988 and led since 1991 by world-renowned trumpeter and artistic director Wynton Marsalis, the big band spends over a third of the year on tour, performing a vast repertoire that ranges from new commissioned compositions to rare historic works, including compositions and arrangements by Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Thelonious Monk and other

greats. Opening the show will be the Noblesville High School Jazz Band under the direction of Peter Luttrell.

Luminaries: The Music and Lives of African American Classical Composers

Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 2 p.m.
The Palladium

African American composers have made important contributions to the world of classical music. These include blending lush harmonies originating from jazz, hymns and spirituals into classical form. Along with their beautiful pieces, they also have their lives, stories and accomplishments to tell as well. Join saxophonist Trevor Conerly and pianist Andrew Brown as they perform several rich musical pieces while highlighting the lives, challenges and stories of their composers. Don't miss this unique pairing of musical performance and musical history.

Live at the Center: Jennie DeVoe

Wednesday, Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m.
The Palladium and online

Jennie DeVoe is a soul-blues-Americana singer-songwriter and a longtime pillar of Indiana's original music scene. She has released several studio and live albums on her own Rubin the Cat Records label, including three produced by John Parrish (PJ Harvey, the Eels, Tracy Chapman). She has performed across the country, opening for artists including Bonnie Raitt, Joe Cocker, Lucinda Williams and Ray Charles. Her music has been licensed for TV shows and national ad campaigns. DeVoe also provides voiceovers for local advertisers and often performs the National Anthem for major public events.

Robert Owen Higgs

January 12, 1959 – December 27, 2024

Robert Owen Higgs, 65, Noblesville, passed away on Friday, December 27, 2024, at his home. He was born on January 12, 1959, to Dalton and Robbie (Gray) Higgs in Dearborn, Mich.



Robert grew up in Greenville, Ky., and eventually made his way to Indiana. He was an avid golfer, loved the Kentucky Wildcats and Colts, and was a member of North Suburban Club.

Robert liked traveling with Pam, especially to their favorite spot in the Smoky Mountains. He enjoyed getting together with family and friends, especially during the holidays. Robert liked to spend time outdoors and having breakfast at Ginger's with his buddies. He was a dog lover and loved being with his dog, Mort.

He is survived by his wife, whom he married on June 17, 2017, Pamela McGee-Higgs; daughters, Leslie (Daniel) Kelley and Kendra (John) Stewart; sisters, Lynndonna (Larry) White and Melissa McGehee; grandchildren, Leo Robert Dennison, Titan Stewart, Franklin Stewart, Trace Owen Kelley, and Kennadie Rea Kelley; several aunts, uncles, and cousins; and his canine buddy, Mort.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Deborah Earle Higgs Noffsinger.

The Higgs family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Home with Robert's care. His wishes were to be cremated.

Memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, IN 46038 (hamiltonhumane.com).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Cynthia Haydock Roeder

October 7, 1956 – December 21, 2024

Cynthia Haydock Roeder, 68, Westfield, passed away on December 21, 2024. She was born in Lakewood, Ohio, to John and Mary Lou Haydock on October 7, 1956.



Cindy was a 1975 graduate of Carmel High School. She went on to earn a B.S. in Restaurant, Hotel, and Institutional Management from Purdue University, where she met her husband, John Roeder. They married in 1979.

Cindy's greatest passion was for children and dogs. She enjoyed working in preschools and daycares throughout the years, even running her own summer camp for the neighborhood when her daughters were young. She transformed many new houses into homes as the family moved several times, including overseas to Malaysia. Perhaps her most cherished role was that of "Nana." She delighted in spoiling her grandchildren with her thoughtful creativity, love of a good theme, elaborate birthday cakes, and gift of listening.

In addition to her parents, Cindy was preceded in death by her brother, Greg Haydock (Jennifer Haydock).

Survivors include her husband, John Roeder; three children, Lindsey Roeder (Craig Finnegan), Sarah Collins, and Katie Heath (Craig Heath); seven grandchildren, Audrey, Jack, Joey, Killian, Rory, Trent, and Samantha; brothers, Tom Haydock (Wendy Haydock) and John Haydock (Cindy Haydock).

Services will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider directing donations to Child Advocates of Indianapolis, 8200 Haverstick Road #240, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

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The Carmel Plan Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, has been canceled due to a lack of agenda items.

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CICERO/JACKSON TOWNSHIP PLAN COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held at the Cicero / Jackson Township Plan Commission meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, at 7:00pm at the Red Bridge Park Community Building located 25 Red Bridge Park/697 W Jackson Street, Cicero, IN 46034. The public hearing concerns amending the Cicero / Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance to establish the US 31 Jackson Township Overlay District.

The proposal, Ordinance 01-21-2025-01, establishes the US 31 Overlay District, defines its boundaries, and sets forth the development standards for non-farming and non-single family residential uses within the US 31 Overlay District. Ordinance 01-21-2025-01 does not alter the permitted uses of property, or set forth additional uses or use restrictions.

A Draft of Ordinance 01-21-2025-01 can be found at www.cicero.in.gov. A hard copy of this application is on file and available for your review at the Cicero / Jackson Township Planning Department located at 331 East Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034.

If you have any comments concerning this matter, you may appear at the public hearing. Public comments and input will also be accepted in writing via mail or email. Comments must be received by 3:00 PM on the date of the hearing. Copies of all written comments received in advance of the hearing will be distributed to the members of the Cicero / Jackson Township Plan Commission for their review and consideration.

Letters concerning Ordinance 01-21-2025-01 may be submitted by mail to Frank Zawadzki, Cicero / Jackson Township Planning Department, 331 East Jackson Street, Cicero, Indiana 46034 or via email to fzawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov. Comments must be received by 3:00 PM on the date of the hearing. If you have questions regarding the proposed ordinance, public hearing procedures, or anything else relating to this matter, please contact the Cicero / Jackson Township Planning Department by phone at 317-984-5845 or by email at fzawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov.

The hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.

After the Hearing, the Plan Commission may take action on the proposed ordinance. The hearing identified above is the opportunity to express concerns and ask questions on the proposed ordinance.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

CONSECRATION OF THE PRIESTS

"Take the other ram, and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands on its head. Slaughter it, take some of its blood and put it on the lobes of the right ears of Aaron and his sons, on the thumbs of their right hands, and on the big toes of their right feet. Then splash blood against the sides of the altar. And take some blood from the altar and some of the anointing oil and sprinkle it on Aaron and his garments and on his sons and their garments. Then he and his sons and their garments will be consecrated.

Exodus 29:19-21 (NIV)

Eva A. Grinstead

February 26, 1940 – December 26, 2024

Eva A. Grinstead, rural Sheridan, passed away peacefully at home on December 26, 2024, after an extended illness. She was born on February 26, 1940, in Kokomo to Richard and Bernadine (Thompson) Cowell and graduated from Michigantown High School in 1958.

Eva dedicated 45 years to her career as a beautician, running her own Country Charm Beauty Shop, where she touched the lives of countless clients with her skill and kindness. Beyond her professional life, she found joy in the outdoors, spending hours tending to her yard, trimming bushes, and caring for her beloved roses and lilies. Eva enjoyed walking the Monon Trail in Carmel with friends and had a deep appreciation for travel, visiting 18 countries over the years.

She was a devoted member of the Sheridan United Methodist Church during her younger years, and her faith remained a central part of her life.

Eva is survived by her loving husband of 65 years, Barton Grinstead; her children, Andrew (Vickie) Grinstead and Bethanie (Gus) Trometer; her grandchildren, Lindsey (Brendan) Pearsall, Brock (Jen) Grinstead, Bond Trometer, and Lyric Trometer; and her sister, Mona Ruby.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Bernadine (Thompson) Cowell; her brother, Jeffery Cowell; and her sister, Connie Langston.

The family would like to express their gratitude to her private caregivers – Aleta, Bethanie, Tami, Terra, Wanetta – and the compassionate team from Home Sweet Home, including Amber, Heather, and May. Special thanks are extended to the Brighton Hospice nurses, Brei, Jeanie, and Leah, for their exceptional care and support.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, December 31, 2024, at the Sheridan First United Methodist Church, 207 E. Second St., Sheridan, with visitation from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Pastor John Meunier will be officiating. Eva will be laid to rest at Spencer Cemetery in Sheridan.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Eva's memory may be made to the Sheridan United Methodist Church, 207 E. Second St., Sheridan, IN 46069.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kercheval Funeral Home in Sheridan. Condolences: kerchevalfuneralhome.com.

Jonathan Andrew Allee

December 9, 1971 – December 26, 2024

Jonathan Andrew Allee, 53, Indianapolis, passed away on Thursday, December 26, 2024, at St. Vincent Carmel Hospital. He was born on December 9, 1971, in Indianapolis.

Jon was a 1991 graduate of Greenfield Central High School and received a bachelor's degree in Pastoral Theology from World Harvest Bible College. In his younger years, he worked as an EMT in Hancock County. Jon served his country in the United States Army. He worked as a real estate broker and was an associate pastor, youth pastor, and chaplain at several churches within the community. Jon was very active in his children's lives and activities. He volunteered with the Hamilton County 4-H and was an honorary member of the Hamilton Heights FFA. Jon was gifted with a servant's heart, always willing to help others day or night.

He is survived by his father, Lawrence Eugene Allee Jr.; mother, Nancy Marie (Fosso) Allee; children, Josiah and Grace; brothers, Marc Allee and Matthew Allee; sister, Heather Allee; as well as several aunts, uncles, and other extended family members.

Jon was preceded in death by his grandparents, Anthony Joseph & Mae N. Fosso, and Lawrence & Helen Alley; and his uncle, James Fosso.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, January 3, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 4, 2025, at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Indianapolis.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Evelyn Lhe Simpson

June 24, 1931 – December 22, 2024

Evelyn Lhe Simpson passed away on December 22, 2024, at the age of 93. She was born on June 24, 1931, in Louisville, Ky., as Evelyn Lhe Erdmann, daughter of Linton and Isla May Erdmann, and was one of two children with her brother Linton Erdmann.

Ev was a 1953 graduate of Hanover College with a degree in Music Education. Later she married Robert Simpson, and they were blessed with three sons.

Ev worked as the Reference Librarian at the Carmel Clay Public Library, before retiring in 1996. As a member of Orchard Park Presbyterian Church, Ev sang in the choir as well as belonging to the Sentimental Sounds choir. She also was a member of Phi Mu Sorority as well as various bridge clubs and organizations. After retirement, Ev volunteered at the Carmel Clay Public Library and the Carmel Historical Society.

An honor was presented to Ev as being one of the first to receive the Range Line Pioneer award in 1992. Ev was a big fan of many different types of sports and an avid collector of various items.

In addition to her parents, Ev was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Simpson, and son, Bart Simpson. Survivors include her sons, Bob (Gale) Simpson, and Wally (Julie) Simpson, and Bart's wife Moira Simpson.

Family and friends will gather at 4:30 p.m. Friday, January 3, 2025, at Castleview Church, 8601 Hague Road, Indianapolis, where the funeral service will begin at 6 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, and in memory of Ev, donations can be given to the Disabled American Veterans (dav.org).

Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family in arrangements. Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com.

Margarita Johanna Olson van der Stok

April 11, 1949 – December 22, 2024

Margarita Johanna Olson van der Stok, Carmel, was born on April 11, 1949 in Jakarta, Indonesia (while it was a Dutch colony, prior to Indonesia's independence). Her family moved back to Holland when she was eight years old. Her father (Frank van der Stok) and mother (Margot Smit) had four boys (Johan, Wouter, Erik Jan, and Frank) and Margarita – who was the fourth of five children, and the only daughter. She adored her family and often told stories of their youth growing up in Holland.

Margarita studied nursing after high school but ultimately redirected her service into a life of religion, faith, and devotion instead. She became a missionary in her early twenties, where she met and married her husband, Christopher Olson, in 1975. Their 50th wedding anniversary will be on February 8, 2025, during which we will celebrate the love and support they cultivated for one another throughout the beautiful life they built together.

Margarita's adventurous and religious spirit led her to travel, serve, and live in several countries. Along the way, she gave birth to her five children: Maniyer (1981) and Heidi (1982) in Auckland, New Zealand, Christopher (1984) in Santiago, Chile, and Channa (1986) and Jenneke (1990) in Bogota, Colombia. Margarita and her husband completed their missionary life in Cuernavaca, Mexico, in 1993, after which they settled with their family in the San Francisco Bay Area, Calif. As part of settling into this new stage of her life, she founded and managed a successful business, Jacaranda Handcrafts, where she imported jewelry from Mexico to sell to stores throughout California and Oregon. Independent and disciplined, Margarita was proud to be her own boss.

Margarita had two passions in life, her missionary work and, most importantly, her family. She was a dedicated wife, mother of five, and grandmother of eight (Maaik, Isla, Hendrik, Luuk, Nikolaas, Cara, Wesley, and Andy). Margarita was a "no-nonsense" mother who infused tenderness and love into her parenting. She ensured that all her children graduated college and stood on their own two feet in this world – strong, educated, and self-sufficient. Above all else, she imparted her kindness to each member of her family.

Margarita will be remembered by friends and family through her favorite activities: reading, piano playing, singing, cooking, knitting/crocheting, puzzling, hiking, plants, and gardening. And every time her family sits down together for a cup of coffee, the memories will abound of her joy, sense of humor, and appreciation for togetherness.

Family and friends gathered Friday, December 27, 2024, at Bussell Family Funerals, 1621 E. Greyhound Pass, Carmel. On Saturday, December 28, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., the funeral service for Margarita will be held at the Indianapolis Family Church, 6202 Michigan Road, Indianapolis, with visitation one hour prior to the funeral service beginning at 9:30 a.m. Burial will follow in Carmel Cemetery.

Arrangements entrusted to Bussell Family Funerals. Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com.

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Girls Basketball



Photo provided

The Hamilton Southeastern girls basketball team won the Henry Community Health Hall of Fame Classic on Friday, beating Lawrence Central 52-50 on a buzzer-beating layin. The victory kept the Royals unbeaten for the season at 15-0.

Southeastern gets last-second victory at Henry Community Health Hall of Fame Classic

By **RICHIE HALL**
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NEW CASTLE – The first option was the winning option for the Royals.

With the Henry Community Health Hall of Fame Classic championship on the line, the game was tied at 50-50 with 1.6 seconds remaining. That was all the Hamilton Southeastern girls basketball team needed, as Kayla Brinley threw an inbound pass to a waiting Addison Van Hoesen under the basket.

Van Hoesen made the layin as the buzzer sounded, and the Royals were

celebrating a 52-50 victory over No. 1-ranked and defending Class 4A state champion Lawrence Central. Southeastern's win kept it undefeated at 15-0 for the season and ended the Bears' 39-game winning streak.

It was an incredible finish for the Royals, who led for most of the game. Southeastern got up by double digits twice in the first half and was able to hang on in the face of LC's inevitable comeback and relen-



Stidham

winning

Bears were making their runs, Satterfield credited his team with sticking together and playing together as a unit, having "different people step up at different times."

Van Hoesen certainly stepped up at the end, getting in the right place at

less pressure.

"It was a true team effort," said HSE coach Brian Satterfield. "What we did defensively was really good, holding them to 20 points in the first half."

the right time to make the game-winner. Satterfield said Brinley "made a beautiful pass right to her."

"As we drew it, we had three options," said Satterfield. "That was the first option, knowing that they're probably going to be hugging Maya (Makalusky). I got to give Maya credit for setting the screen."

Makalusky scored the first basket the game off a steal, the first of five that the senior Indiana University commit made during the contest. Lawrence Central took a 4-2 lead, but it

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Trailblazers win two, face Lewis Cass today for Carroll Holiday Tournament trophy

The REPORTER

University's girls advanced to the championship game of the Carroll Holiday Tournament with a pair of wins Friday.

The Trailblazers cruised to a 53-38 win over Western in the opening game and rallied from an early deficit to defeat Heritage Christian 47-39 in the semifinals.

University led wire to wire against Western. Taylor Seay opened the scoring with a three pointer off a Mack Feeney offensive rebound. Feeney scored off a Leah Norvell steal and Sydney Culp's three pointer gave University an 8-2 lead. The Blazers led 18-12 after the first. Norvell hit a pair of three pointers for a team-high six points in the quarter.

Scoring slowed in the second quarter but a quick burst of four points in 20 seconds by Seay helped University maintain a 26-21 lead at halftime.

The Trailblazers took control in the third quarter outscoring the Panthers 11-1 in the first 4:40 of the second half. Two baskets by Seay, two by Gabby Culp and one by Feeney gave University a 37-22 lead midway through the quarter. The Blazers led 42-27 after the third.

University pushed the lead to 49-27 early in the third. Sydney Culp scored

off a Feeney assist, Meg Rohloff buried a three pointer and Feeney scored off a Seay still to remove any doubt.

Seay had a double-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds and a team high eight steals. Norvell had 11 points and seven rebounds. Gabby Culp had nine points and Feeney eight. Rohloff and Sydney Culp each had five.

The Trailblazers fell behind 10-2 against Heritage Christian before outscoring the Eagles 45-23 to hold a 47-33 lead with less than two minutes remaining.

University narrowed the Eagles lead to 12-11 by the end of the first quarter before Sydney Culp's three pointer beat the halftime buzzer to put the Blazers up 24-18 at the break.

University outscored Heritage Christian 12-8 in the third quarter to push the lead to 36-26 and held a double-digit lead for most of the final quarter. Heritage Christian scored the last six points of the game to narrow the final margin.

Feeney had a career-high 13 points to lead the Blazers. The junior pulled down a team high 12 rebounds. Seay had a dozen points. Gabby Culp had an all-around game with ten points, seven rebounds and four assists.

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Photo by Dwight Casler

The Sheridan girls basketball team won its own holiday tournament on Friday, getting two easy victories over Seeger and Eastern Hancock.

Sheridan gets two easy wins at own holiday tournament

The REPORTER

The Sheridan girls basketball team took care of business at its own holiday tournament on Friday, getting two easy wins for the trophy.

The Blackhawks beat Seeger 68-46 in their semifinal game. Sheridan blasted out to a 23-7 lead after the first quarter, then rolled to a 43-15 halftime advantage.

Kenzie Garner poured in 12 points in the first period and had 16 for the half. Shelby Eaton added seven in the second quarter.

The Patriots played even with the 'Hawks in the second half, but Sheridan's large lead was too much to overcome. Garner scored seven more in the third quarter and finished with a game-high 25 points. Eaton

totalled 11 points and Cecilia Timme scored 10.

The Blackhawks beat Class 2A No. 9 Eastern Hancock 57-36 in the championship, a re-match of last season's 2A South semi-

final game. Sheridan outscored the Royals 18-9 in the first period, with Mackenzie Smith getting six points.

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Boys Basketball

University falls in first game at Lebanon Holiday Classic, set to play two consolation games today

The REPORTER

The University boys dropped their opening game in the Lebanon Holiday Classic, losing a hard fought 65-61 game to Evansville North.

The contest was a two-possession game for 30 of the 32 minutes. The Trailblazers rallied from a 53-46 deficit with four minutes left to knot the game at 53 on a Faisal Mohamud free throw with 2:33 left and again at 55 with 1:44 left on a Mohamud jump shot from the foul line before North ran off seven straight points.

Max McComb made two straight baskets to pull University withing 62-59 with 23 seconds left but the Huskies made enough free throws down the stretch to hold on.

The first quarter was a back-and-forth affair with

North leading 16-15. The Blazers held a 21-18 lead early in the second on a pair of Noah Cortez free throws off a DJ Willis steal. University held their last lead of the game at 25-23 on a Mohamud bucket. North closed the half with a 30-28 lead after the Blazers' Peter Morales hit a three pointer from the left corner with two seconds remaining.

The teams traded baskets throughout the third quarter with University forcing one tie at 33 and North led 43-39 entering the final quarter.

Mohamud finished with a team high 19, including nine in the fourth quarter before fouling out in the final minute. McComb had 18 and Cortez 10.

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More Friday basketball results will appear in the Monday, Dec. 30 edition.

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EASY

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The 'Hawks would out-score Eastern Hancock in each quarter, leading 28-18 at halftime and 44-25 after three periods. Garner went off in the second half for 19 points and four 3-pointers;

she finished with 24 points. Timme and Smith each scored eight.

Sheridan is 12-1 for the season. The Blackhawks are off until Jan. 8 when they play at University.

SHERIDAN 68, SEEGER 46				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Nova Cross	3	0-0	8	3
Kenzie Garner	10	3-3	25	3
Cecilia Timme	3	4-4	10	3
Brielle Garner	4	0-0	9	2
Sadie Timme	1	0-0	2	2
Shelby Eaton	5	1-3	11	2
Mackenzie Smith	0	3-6	3	1
Totals	26	11-16	68	16
Score by Quarters				
Seeger	7	8	19	10-46
Sheridan	23	20	16	9-68
Sheridan 3-pointers (5) Cross 2, K. Garner 2, B. Garner.				

SHERIDAN 57, EASTERN HANCOCK 36				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Nova Cross	3	0-0	6	1
Kenzie Garner	8	3-4	24	2
Cecilia Timme	4	0-2	8	3
Brielle Garner	2	0-0	5	2
Sadie Timme	1	0-0	2	3
Shelby Eaton	2	0-0	4	3
Mackenzie Smith	4	0-1	8	0
Totals	24	3-7	57	14
Score by Quarters				
Eastern Hancock	9	9	7	11-36
Sheridan	18	10	16	13-57
Sheridan 3-pointers (6) K. Garner 5, B. Garner.				

UNIVERSITY

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North won the game at the charity stripe, making 15 of 23, while University was 7 of 8 at the line.

The loss was fifth in a row for University after two season-opening wins. The Huskies are 3-4.

University will play twice in the Consolation bracket on Saturday. University will play Faith Christian at noon and will conclude play against either Perry Meridian or Indianapolis Metropolitan at 3:30 p.m.

EVANSVILLE NORTH 65, UNIVERSITY 61				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Zien Bland	0	0-0	0	1
Max McComb	8	0-0	18	4
Blake Gray	3	0-0	7	1
Faisal Mohamud	8	3-4	19	5
Cooper Cammack	1	0-0	2	4
Noah Cortez	3	2-2	10	0
DJ Willis	0	2-2	2	2
Peter Morales	1	0-0	3	2
Totals	24	7-8	61	19
Score by Quarters				
University	15	13	11	22-61
Harrison	16	14	13	22-65
University 3-pointers (5) McComb 2, Cortez 2, Gray.				

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VICTORY

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was all Royals after that, as they made a 13-1 run to go up 15-5 late in the quarter. Five different HSE players scored, with Makaluskus and Antonette Green both hitting 3-pointers.

The Bears roared back with an 8-0 spurt to cut the Royals' lead to 15-13 by the end of the quarter. Southeastern began the second period with its own 8-0 run; Brinley drained a triple and Kennedy Holman scored on a layin and 3.

The Royals led 26-20 at halftime, but LC came back again, tying the game at 28-28 when Jaylah Lampley made a layin. Another Lampley basket gave the Bears a 33-32 lead, which Kayla Stidham erased with a 3, then Abby Brown hit two free throws.

Lampley ended the quarter with a triple to get Lawrence Central within 37-36, and a Lola Lampley basket pushed the Bears ahead 38-37. Southeastern managed to stay in front of LC for most of the fourth, with a Makaluskus triple and Holman and-1 putting the Royals up four on separate occasions. Aniyah McKenzie tied the game with under 20 seconds left by making a layin, but Southeastern would have the final say.

Makaluskus was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player and joined Stidham on the All-Tournament team. Holman scored 15 points and dished out four assists, with Stidham scoring 12 and Makaluskus 11. Stidham led the re-

bounds with six and Holman pulled five.

The Royals halted two undefeated seasons at New Castle, as they beat Class 2A No. 1 South Knox 67-59 in their afternoon semifinal. The Spartans held an early 4-0 lead on Southeastern, but Makaluskus broke the game open with a personal 11-0 run that spanned the first and second quarters.

The Royals were up 12-10 at the start of the run and finished it up 23-10. South Knox continued to play Southeastern tough for the remainder of the game, but the Royals were able to stay ahead by double digits for the most part. HSE led 35-23 at halftime,

with Makaluskus scoring 23 points in the half.

Makaluskus finished with 35 points, nine rebounds and five steals.

"That's the one thing about her game that I think has blossomed and grown for her is, she's doing some other things and got some steals to get a bucket in transition, do things like that," said Satterfield. "It's also in the context of what we're trying to do in the offense."

Holman scored 12 points and dished out seven assists, while Stidham scored 11 and handed out six assists.

Southeastern is off until next Friday when it plays at Carmel.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 52, LAWRENCE CENTRAL 50				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maya Makaluskus	3-9	2-4	10	2
Kayla Brinley	2-5	0-0	5	2
Kennedy Holman	4-10	6-7	15	0
Kayla Stidham	5-9	0-2	12	1
Addison Van Hoesen	2-3	1-1	5	1
Antonette Green	1-3	0-0	3	2
Abby Brown	0-1	2-2	2	1
Maine Hooks	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	17-40	11-16	52	9
Score by Quarters				
Lawrence Central	13	7	16	14-50
Southeastern	15	11	11	15-52
Southeastern 3-point shooting (7-18) Stidham 2-5, Makaluskus 2-4, Brinley 1-3, Green 1-3, Holman 1-2, Brown 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (19) Stidham 6, Holman 5, Makaluskus 4, Brinley 2, Van Hoesen 1, Brown 1.				

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 67, SOUTH KNOX 59				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maya Makaluskus	13-20	6-6	35	1
Kayla Brinley	0-2	0-0	0	2
Kennedy Holman	6-11	0-1	12	2
Kayla Stidham	3-8	2-2	11	2
Addison Van Hoesen	2-3	0-0	4	0
Abby Brown	1-2	1-2	3	3
Antonette Green	0-1	0-0	0	4
Maine Hooks	0-0	0-0	0	0
Abby Orme	0-1	2-2	2	1
Ava Kashani	0-0	0-0	0	0
Abi Clayton	0-1	0-0	0	1
Totals	25-49	11-13	67	16
Score by Quarters				
South Knox	10	13	20	16-59
Southeastern	19	16	19	13-67
Southeastern 3-point shooting (6-15) Stidham 3-6, Makaluskus 3-5, Brinley 0-2, Orme 0-1, Green 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (32) Makaluskus 9, Holman 5, Stidham 4, Brinley 4, Hooks 2, Green 2, Van Hoesen 1, Brown 1, team 4.				

BLAZERS

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University committed just four turnovers in the game and handed out 13 assists on 21 made baskets.

The pair of wins pushed University's record above .500 for the first time this season at 6-5. Heritage Christian

falls to 5-9.

The Trailblazers will play Lewis Cass (11-2) for the tournament championship at 2 p.m. Satur-

day. Cass advanced to the championship with wins over Carroll (50-27) and Northside Home School (42-40).

UNIVERSITY 53, WESTERN 38				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Sydney Culp	2-11	0-0	5	2
Taylor Seay	5-14	4-4	15	3
Leah Norvell	4-13	1-2	11	2
Mack Feeney	4-8	0-0	8	2
Gabby Culp	4-6	0-0	9	4
Meg Rohloff	2-4	0-0	5	2
Totals	21-56	5-6	53	15
Score by Quarters				
Western	12	9	6	11-38
University	18	8	16	11-53
University 3-point shooting (6-14) Norvell 2-4, S. Culp 1-5, Rohloff 1-2, Seay 1-2, G. Culp 1-1.				
University rebounds (37) Seay 10, Norvell 7, G. Culp 6, Rohloff 4, Feeney 4, S. Culp 2, team 4.				

UNIVERSITY 47, HERITAGE CHRISTIAN 39				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Sydney Culp	3-10	0-2	8	2
Taylor Seay	5-8	2-3	12	3
Leah Norvell	1-10	0-4	2	4
Mack Feeney	6-8	1-2	13	0
Gabby Culp	5-8	0-0	10	4
Meg Rohloff	1-2	0-0	2	0
Anyah Turley	0-2	0-0	0	1
Totals	21-48	3-11	47	14
Score by Quarters				
Heritage Christian	12	6	8	13-39
University	11	13	12	11-47
University 3-point shooting (2-8) S. Culp 2-6, Norvell 0-1, G. Culp 0-1.				
University rebounds (28) Feeney 8, G. Culp 7, Norvell 3, Rohloff 1, Turley 1, S. Culp 1, Seay 1, team 6.				

FROM MONGOLIA TO CARMEL, ONE LIFE LIVED IN ART

“ My father was an artist and I grew up seeing him painting and sketching and drawing. I was stunned how the paintings were coming to life – seeing the progress of them. This was really the first passion that I developed, when I was sort of watching and being part of his progress. ”

—Dr. Urchanchimeg (Orna) Tsultem



Swimming



The Carmel swim teams showed off their brand-new natatorium Friday at the Carmel Winter Invitational.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

Greyhounds show off new natatorium, sweep invite

By **RICHIE HALL**

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CARMEL – The Carmel swim teams opened their new natatorium in style on Friday.

The Greyhounds hosted the Carmel Winter Invitational at their beautiful brand-new pool, a facility worthy of the 38-time defending girls state champions and the 10-time defending boys state champions. The ‘Hounds won both meets easily, with the girls team scoring 742 points and the boys team totaling 662.5 points.

“It’s a great way to break in this new pool and have great energy, have a giant scoreboard, fast swimming,” said Carmel coach Chris Plumb. Since this was the first-ever meet, every first-place swim at the meet is officially a pool record.

The Greyhounds welcomed several good team from around the Midwest, with Zionsville, Homestead and Fort Wayne Carroll competing, along with Upper Arlington from Ohio and St. Charles Preparatory, a boys school from Illinois. Plumb said it was a “great opportunity to see what the state competition is going to be like and run through the lineup.”

“I think by having so many teams here, we had a lot of great races,” said Plumb.

Carmel’s girls won nine of the 11 events at the meet. Olympic gold medalist Alex Shackell picked up two individual victories in the 200 freestyle and the backstroke, while Molly Sweeney won the butterfly and breaststroke. Ellie Clarke was first in the individual medley, Lexie Ward won the 500 free and the Greyhounds swept all three relays.

Carmel won five events in the boys meet. Trent Allen was a double winner in the 200 and 500 freestyles with Aaron Shackell finishing first in the butterfly. The Greyhounds also won the medley and 200 free relays.

GIRLS MEET

200 medley relay: 1. Carmel “A” (Ellie Clarke, Molly Sweeney, Faith Gorey, Maryn Sims) 1:42.22, 4. Carmel “B” (Sophia Floyd, Lucy Enoch, Kayla Barr, Priscilla Smith) 1:46.41, 6. Carmel “C” (Natalie Powers, Savannah Irizarry, Samantha Powers, Lily Clark) 1:49.29.

200 freestyle: 1. Alex Shackell 1:44.24, 2. Lexie Ward 1:49.96, 7. Sims 1:56.87, 12. Katie Daily 2:00.60.

200 individual medley: 1. Clarke 2:01.04, 2. Gorey



Carmel’s Molly Sweeney won the girls breaststroke event.

Reporter photo by Richie Hall

2:02.42, 4. Enoch 2:03.95, 6. Leah DeBosch 2:04.26.

50 freestyle: 4. Smith 24.13, 7. Floyd 24.80, 10. L. Clark 25.16, 14. Tiffany Neff 25.75.

100 butterfly: 1. Sweeney 53.42, 3. Gorey 54.86, 6. Barr 57.89, 9. S. Powers 59.89.

100 freestyle: 2. Addy Czarnicki 51.75, 6. Floyd 53.58, 7. Sims 54.41, 12. Alexis Sereno 55.27.

500 freestyle: 1. Ward 4:50.47, 2. Barr 4:54.00, 3. Sabrina Ledwith 4:59.00, 6. Alexandra Clark 5:06.11.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel “A” (Gorey, Sweeney,

Shackell, Clarke) 1:31.92, 3. Carmel “B” (Smith, L. Clark, Ward, Sereno) 1:37.59, 6. Carmel “C” (Avery Aiello, A. Clark, Irizarry, Daily) 1:40.13.

100 backstroke: 1. Shackell 53.23, 2. Clarke 54.20, 4. DeBosch 57.01, 8. Ledwith 59.57.

100 breaststroke: 1. Sweeney 1:02.60, 3. Czarnicki 1:04.24, 4. Enoch 1:04.26, 6. Payton Clark 1:06.76.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel “A” (Shackell, Sims, Czarnicki, Ward) 3:25.76, 3. Carmel “B” (Floyd, Barr, A. Clark, Sereno) 3:33.23, 8. Carmel “C” (N. Powers, S. Powers, Madison Conley, Aiello) 3:46.74.

BOYS MEET

200 medley relay: 1. Carmel “A” (Anderson Kopp, Yi Zheng, Andrew Shackell,

Michael Gorey) 1:29.27, 4. Carmel “B” (Carter Hadley, Cory Han, Luke Pugh, Donald Zhao) 1:34.60, 10. Carmel “C” (Jack Street, Luke Feller, Bryce Lowe, Larry Kong) 1:38.76.

200 freestyle: 1. Trent Allen 1:39.07, 3. Ethan Zhang 1:39.77, 4. Lewis Zhang 1:41.38, 5. Lukas Biller 1:44.02.

200 individual medley: 3. Zheng 1:49.99, 6. Han 1:52.46, 7. Noah Moeller 1:55.47, 20. Freddy BruBaker 2:06.08.

50 freestyle: 2. Shackell 20.30, 4. Gorey 21.18, 6. Hadley 21.59, T10. Pugh 22.12.

100 butterfly: 1. Shackell 47.77, 7. Pugh 51.91, 11. Eddy Zhu 52.52, 12. Biller 52.55.

100 freestyle: 2. Hadley 45.96, 6. E. Zhang 47.32, 8. Zhao 47.88, 9. William Lathrop 48.00.

500 freestyle: 1. Allen

4:27.80, 3. Kopp 4:32.93, 4. L. Zhang 4:33.95, 5. Drew DuBois 4:34.64.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel “A” (Shackell, Allen, Hadley, Gorey) 1:22.59, 3. Carmel “B” (L. Zhang, Lathrop, Zheng, Pugh) 1:26.33, 6. Carmel “C” (Kong, Zhao, Aaron Trinh, Zhu) 1:29.05.

100 backstroke: 2. Han 50.86, 3. Kopp 50.93, 8. Moeller 52.66, 9. Lathrop 53.11.

100 breaststroke: 2. Zheng 56.08, 3. Gorey 57.40, 12. Luke Feller 1:00.96, 17. Tyson Haynes 1:04.06.

400 freestyle relay: 3. Carmel “A” (Allen, E. Zhang, L. Zhang, Lathrop) 3:07.98, 7. Carmel “B” (Biller, Lowe, Moeller, Zhu) 3:13.45, 9. Carmel “C” (Reilly Sweeney, Cameron Harrell, DuBois, Ethan Johnson) 3:18.21.

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6:00 pm Consolation | Game 3 | Noblesville Boys Holiday Tourney | HCTV Sports
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10:00 am Norwell vs **Noblesville** | Game 1 | HCTV Sports
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Macias commits to IU-Indianapolis



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Noblesville’s Chloe Macias has committed to the Indiana University Indianapolis women’s volleyball team. (Front row, from left) Rosa Macias (mother) and Chloe Macias. (Back row, from left) Noblesville Girls Volleyball Assistant Joe Marcum and Noblesville Girls Volleyball Head Coach Annie Poulson.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Football

Saturday, Dec. 28

BOYS BASKETBALL

Westfield at Richmond, 7:30 p.m.

Henry Community Health Hall of Fame at New Castle

Fishers vs. Warsaw, 11 a.m.

Greenfield-Central vs. Jeffersonville, 12:45 p.m.

Consolation game, 6 p.m.

Championship game, 7:45 p.m.

Homestead Holiday Tournament

Hamilton Southeastern vs. Fort Wayne Carroll, 11:30 a.m.

Placement game TBD (3 or 4:30 p.m.)

Lebanon Holiday Tournament

University vs. Faith Christian, noon

Placement game TBD

Paul Loggan Invitational at North Central

Carmel vs. Evansville Reitz, 11:45 a.m.

Ray Furney Classic at Lawrenceburg

Guerin Catholic vs. Whiteland, 1 p.m.

Placement game TBD

Rider Realty Switzerland County Holiday Classic

Hamilton Heights vs. Trinity Lutheran, 2 p.m.

Sheridan Blackhawk Holiday Tournament

North White vs. Sheridan, noon

Hagerstown vs. Fountain Central, noon

Consolation game, 5 p.m.

Championship game, 5 p.m.

BOYS WRESTLING

Fishers at Connersville Spartan Classic, 8 a.m.

Carmel, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern at

Mooreville Holiday Classic, 9 a.m.

Sheridan at Eastern Holiday Classic, 9 a.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Carroll Holiday Tournament

University vs. Lewis Cass, 2 p.m.

Interra Classic at Northridge

Westfield vs. Penn, 11:30 a.m.

Placement game, TBD (2:30 or 4 p.m.)

Noblesville Invitational

Norwell vs. Noblesville, 10 a.m.

Fort Wayne Snider vs. Valparaiso, 11:45 a.m.

Consolation game, 6 p.m.

Championship game, 7:45 p.m.

Walt Raines Classic at Franklin Community

Jennings County vs. Carmel, 10 a.m.

South Bend Washington vs. Franklin Community, noon

Consolation game, 4 p.m.

Championship game, 6 p.m.

GIRLS WRESTLING

Carmel, Hamilton Southeastern at Mooreville Holiday Classic, 9 a.m.

Thursday, Jan. 2

BOYS BASKETBALL

Fishers Invitational

Game 1: Fishers vs. South Dearborn, 10:30 a.m.

Game 2: Chesterton vs. Evansville Bosse, 12:15 p.m.

Game 3: Portage vs. Lawrence Central, 2 p.m.

Game 4: Bloomington North vs. Fort Wayne Wayne, 3:45 p.m.

Game 5: Loser Game 2 vs. Loser Game 1, 5:30 p.m.

Game 6: Loser Game 4 vs. Loser Game 3, 7:15 p.m.

BOYS WRESTLING

Hamilton Heights, Noblesville at North Montgomery Holiday Duals, 9 a.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Guerin Catholic at University, 6 p.m.

Please email schedule changes or corrections to sports@readthereporter.com.



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Reporter names JonAnthony Hall 2024 Player of the Year

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Reporter has named Fishers senior JonAnthony Hall as its 2024 Football Player of the Year.

A standout three-sport athlete for the Tigers, Hall helped Fishers to its first football sectional championship since 2017. He finished his senior season with 91 catches for 1,432 yards and 12 touchdown receptions. Hall also made 39 carries for 104 yards and three touchdowns. The Stanford commit was named as the Mr. Football Position winner for wide receivers.

Hamilton County All-County Football, First Team

Name	School	Grade	Position
Mason Alexander	.Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	.DB
Tyler Champion	.Hamilton Heights	Senior	.WR
JonAnthony Hall	.Fishers	Senior	.WR
Malcolm Houze	.Guerin Catholic	Senior	.QB
Deacon King	.Westfield	Junior	.RB/DB
Carsen Melvin	.Westfield	Senior	.QB
Evan Parker	.Carmel	Senior	.OL
Ryan Thembulembu	.Fishers	Senior	.RB
Owen Treitsch	.Sheridan	Senior	.DL
Mikeah Webster	.Westfield	Senior	.LB
Chandler Weston	.Hamilton Southeastern	Senior	.QB

Hamilton County All-County Football, Second Team

Name	School	Grade	Position
Alex Aramboles	.Westfield	Junior	.DL
Gabe Aramboles	.Westfield	Senior	.WR
Aiden Brewer	.Noblesville	Senior	.TE
Hayden Cler	.Guerin Catholic	Senior	.WR
Alex Cravens	.Sheridan	Junior	.RB
Carsen Eloms	.Fishers	Junior	.DB
Jev Hutton	.Fishers	Senior	.LB
Avery Huggins	.Westfield	Senior	.OL
Kian Kelly	.Hamilton Southeastern	Junior	.DB
Elias Niccum	.Guerin Catholic	Senior	.DL
Nathan Williams	.Carmel	Senior	.DB

Honorable mention: Brody Gump, Noblesville; Chance Spencer, Sheridan

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Basketball

Mad Ants start regular season with double-digit win

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The Indiana Mad Ants returned home Friday night to take on the Salt Lake City Stars. The game marked the official start of the regular season. The Mad Ants entered Friday with a three-game win streak highlighted by a sweep at the Winter Showcase. Cameron McGriff's 24 points and Jahliil Okafor's 17 rebounds helped pave the way for a Mad Ants victory.

On the first possession of the night, Dakota Mathias was fouled while attempting a mid-range field goal. He made the one-for-two free throw to score the first points of the night. Cameron McGriff made the first field goal for the Mad Ants with a contested layup. Mathias and Tristen Newton combined for five points on back-to-back possessions for Indiana.

Coming out of a timeout, Kyle Mangas brought the Mad Ants to within two points with a layup. On the next possession, a technical

foul from Salt Lake City resulted in a made free throw from Mathias. The former Purdue connected from downtown a minute later. Newton scored his second basket at the five-minute mark. Indiana trailed 19-16.

In the final minutes of the first quarter, Mangas drew a foul and converted the one-for-two free throw. De'Vion Harmon scored his first points of the night on the following possession. Ishmael Lane, off the pass from Mangas, absorbed contact for the close-range floater. Trailing 28-25, Mathias made a long-range two-pointer to bring it to a one-point lead. A late field goal from the Stars made it a 29-27 deficit after one quarter. Mathias led the Mad Ants with nine points.

To start the second quarter, Mangas, off the outlet pass from Newton, tried to throw it down with force. He was fouled on the play and made the one-for-two free throw. Newton made

the first field goal of the quarter for the Mad Ants with an off-balance floater in the lane. McGriff brought it to a two-point deficit with a left-handed slam off a pass from Newton. Salt Lake City turned the ball over and McGriff gave the Mad Ants the lead after knocking down a three-pointer. Indiana took a 36-35 lead. Mangas extended the lead with a three-ball on the next possession.

Halfway into the quarter, Mangas and McGriff made three-pointers on consecutive possessions to give the Mad Ants a 51-40 advantage. Mathias brought his point total to 10 after making a layup with Okafor getting the assist.

Down the stretch in the second quarter, Newton added to the lead with a corner three off the pass from Josiah-Jordan James. With under a minute to go, Mathias made a mid-range jumper with Mangas getting the assist. On the next possession, Mangas scored an

easy layup off the feed from Newton. The Mad Ants went into halftime with a 63-56 lead. Mangas led the team with 14 points.

McGriff scored the first of the second half for the Mad Ants. Mangas found him slicing through the paint and McGriff finished the layup. Minutes into the third quarter, Indiana had a 65-60 lead. Nearly a minute later, the former Oklahoma State Cowboy made three points the hard way after making a basket, getting fouled and converting the free throw.

Six minutes into the second half, Mathias continued his hot shooting with a corner three off the James pass. Halfway through the third quarter the Mad Ants had a 76-66 lead. A minute later, McGriff added to his point total with a pullup jumper from the free throw line. That field goal gave him 19 points on the night.

In the final minutes of the third quarter, Harmon connected on a three-point-

er off the assist from James. 30 seconds later, Harmon dashed through the lane for a left-handed layup. On the next possession, Lane cleaned up a miss from Newton with a contested layup. With 16 seconds remaining, Newton added to the lead with a three-pointer. At the end of the third quarter, the Mad Ants had a 95-88 lead. McGriff and Newton were tied for the team-high with 19 points each.

Newton scored the first points of the fourth quarter for the Mad Ants. Off a pass from James, he knocked down a three-pointer. On the next possession, Okafor found Mathias for another three-point field goal. Early in the quarter, Indiana had a 103-97 lead.

With six minutes left to go in regulation, head coach Tom Hankins called a timeout with the Mad Ants holding a 109-105 lead. Out of the timeout, McGriff cleaned up a miss from Mangas for a layup to increase the lead for Indiana.

With two minutes remaining, the Mad Ants had a 121-112 lead. Mathias extended the lead with a three-pointer off the pass from Mangas. Mathias had 23 points and Mangas had seven assists. Down to 35 seconds left, Mangas made one of his two free throw attempts to make it a 125-116 game. Okafor put the game away with two free throws down the stretch. Indiana defeated the Stars by a final score of 127-116.

The Mad Ants will host the Salt Lake City Stars at 6 p.m. tonight, Dec. 28. The team will take the floor wearing custom Dinosaur-themed uniforms for Dino Night. These jerseys will be auctioned off with the proceeds going to Grace Community Care Center Foundation in Noblesville. To place a bid on one of those jerseys, [click here](#).

Indiana finishes 2024 with a road game against the Westchester Knicks on Monday, Dec. 30.