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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Father-son duo win Westfield's Lifesaving Citizen Award

The REPORTER

Westfield Mayor Scott Willis and the City Council honored David Fisher and his son, Felix, with the Lifesaving Citizen Award at Monday's council meeting.

The Fishers were honored for their courageous actions in rescuing a 19-year-old man and a dog who had fallen into icy waters on Dec. 14, 2024.

The rescue began when Felix heard a man yelling for help and alerted his father. The two rushed into action by pulling the man and the dog to safety with ropes. After the rescue, the Fishers took the man and the dog into their home to warm themselves and wait for first responders to arrive.

"I've always known that Westfield is filled with brave, kind-hearted people, but what David and Felix did is abso-



Photo provided by City of Westfield
 (From left) Mayor Willis, David Fisher, Felix Fisher, and Chief Gaylor.

lutely remarkable," Mayor Willis said. "Their courageous actions are the definition of what it looks like to care for your neighbor. We are proud to

honor them with this well-deserved award."

Westfield Fire Chief Rob Gaylor added, "Stories like these don't always have a pos-

itive outcome. My department and I are extremely grateful to David and Felix for their quick-thinking and selfless actions that day."

CTA, BOI & FinCEN fears, oh my

By **SETH WILSON**
Adler Attorneys

Starting Jan. 1, 2024, almost every business entity that was created through a state filing service in the United States was required to report the Beneficial Ownership Information (BOI) to the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Financial Crime Enforcement Network (FinCEN). Failure to file may result in up to two years in prison and a fine of \$10,000. Exceptions are limited.

Beneficial owners include individuals who directly or indirectly exercise substantial control over the reporting company, or who owns or controls 25 percent or more of the company. Substantial control is broadly defined to include senior officers, those who have the ability to appoint or remove senior officers, or a majority of the board of directors, those who have substantial influence over important decisions, and those who have

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Westfield Washington Schools announces leadership transition

Submitted by Westfield Washington Schools

After an extraordinary 44-year career in education, Dr. Paul Kaiser, Superintendent of Westfield Washington Schools (WWS), has announced his retirement, effective July 1, 2025.

Dr. Kaiser's tenure has been marked by his steadfast leadership, guiding the organization with a dedication to student success and an unwavering commitment to the Westfield community. He has served as Superintendent for the past four years, collaborating closely with the Board of School Trustees, dedicated educators, and staff to guide the district through a period of significant growth and achievement.

Reflecting on his time at WWS, Dr. Kaiser expressed deep gratitude:

"Westfield Washington Schools has been more than a workplace – it's been a family.

I've had the privilege of leading a district where students, staff, and the community come together to prioritize excellence. Our accomplishments will leave a lasting legacy for generations to come."

Dr. Kaiser plans to spend his retirement enjoying quality time with his three daughters and grandchildren, fishing, boating, wading in rivers for smallmouth bass, and embracing his passion for the outdoors.

The WWS Board of Trustees announced that Dr. John Atha, currently the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Learning, will step into the role of Superintendent following Dr. Kaiser's retirement. Dr. Atha brings over 30 years of educational leadership experience to his new position. During his tenure as Assistant Superintendent, he has championed academic excellence through initiatives



Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools
 Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Learning Dr. John Atha (left) is ready to take the helm upon Superintendent Dr. Paul Kaiser's retirement in July.

such as Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) and Collaborative Team Leaders (CTL), fostering teacher lead-

ership and innovation across the district.

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Westfield comes together to feed hungry neighbors

The REPORTER

Last weekend, Bengé's ACE Hardware and CrossRoads Church at Westfield partnered on a community food drive to the food pantry located outside the church at 191st Street and Grassy Branch Road. The "Food Our Neighbor" food drive proved to be a big success, which you can see in the photos at the top of Page 2 of today's edition.

You can learn more about the program at FeedOurNeighbor.org.



Photo provided by Hamilton County Sheriff's Office
 Chief Deputy John Lowes (left) has been appointed by Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush (right) to lead the new local Immigration Commission.

Three out of four mayors agree, this breakfast was the place to be!



Photo provided

At Prevail, Inc.'s Celebration of Hope Gala held last August, one of the live auction items was an opportunity for "Breakfast with the Hamilton County Mayors." The winner was Bondry Consulting President Oscar Gutierrez, and he decided to use his winnings as an opportunity for young professionals to connect with local leaders. Last week, this idea came to fruition as a few young professionals got together for breakfast with Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam, Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen, and Westfield Mayor Scott Willis. Prevail Executive Director Tami Wanninger attended as well for a morning of great conversation and connection. (From left) Wanninger; Sarah Sullivan, Prevail Advocate/City of Noblesville; Mayor Finkam; Mayor Jensen; Rachel Nelson, City of Westfield; Carlton Anker, City of Carmel; Amanda Mumphrey, City of Noblesville; Mayor Willis; Bradley Kelley, City of Fishers; and Gutierrez.

Sheriff joins forces with ICE

Hamilton County joins federal program to combat criminal illegal immigrants

By **GREGG MONTGOMERY**
 WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Hamilton County has joined a federal program that gives deputies the ability to identify and remove illegal immigrants who are criminals, the sheriff said Monday afternoon.

The federal Delegation of Immigration Authority Section 287(g) Immigration and Nationality Act of 1996 allowed U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to delegate state and local law enforcement officers the authority to perform specific functions as immigration officers. Two versions of the Section 287(g) program exists, and it was not immediately known which version Hamilton County was joining. The sheriff says ICE will be training deputies to ID people posing threats to public safety and act swiftly to protect the community.

As of December, ICE reported Section 287(g) agreements for jail enforcement with 60 law enforcement agencies in 16 states, and for warrant service officers with 75 law enforcement agencies in 11 states. No Indiana agencies had Section 287(g) programs.

Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush issued a news release Monday afternoon about joining the federal program. The release said the Republican sheriff appointed Chief Deputy John Lowes to lead a new Immigration Commission as part of the "groundbreaking initiative."

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Benge's Ace Hardware helps CrossRoads in effort to help their neighbors in need



Photos provided by Jay Skinner

The [FeedOurNeighbor.org](https://www.feedourneighbor.org) food drive concluded last weekend, held Jan. 24 to 26. Benge's ACE Hardware – East Westfield and CrossRoads Church at Westfield partnered for the food drive to stock the 24/7 Yellow Food Pantry located at 191st Street and Grassy Branch Road. "It was a good start considering it was the first time here," Benge's ACE Store Manager Bob Dosland said. According to CrossRoads Lead Pastor Eric Lohe, "Our food pantry people are thrilled for this contribution and thank Benge's ACE Hardware for working with us." (ABOVE RIGHT) Dr. Becky Personett (center) and her two children Aaron and Roxanne, as well as Lincoln, showed up to contribute to the food drive.

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any other form of substantial control over the company.

The requirements for the report will be as follows:

1. The entity's legal name and trade names including D/B/A's;
2. The address of the business;
3. The jurisdiction in which it was formed or first registered; and
4. The business' Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

Additionally, each beneficial owner within each company will need to provide in the report:

1. The beneficial owner's legal name;
2. The beneficial owner's date of birth;
3. The beneficial owner's address; and
4. The beneficial owner's identifying number – such as a driver's license, passport, or other approved document – as well as an image of the document that the number is from.

All businesses that have

been created or registered before Jan. 1, 2024, were supposed to have filed by Jan. 1, 2025. Companies created or registered after Dec. 31, 2023, must file within 30 calendar days of formation. Reports were accepted for filing beginning Jan. 1, 2024.

Additionally, any updates or changes within the company will require the company to file a report of changes within 30 days of the change occurring. If there are any inaccuracies within a filed report, a company will have 30 days to report such an inaccuracy. There are no safe harbor provisions for filing an incorrect report.

As you can imagine, this law has caused quite a stir among business owners, prompting several different lawsuits in various jurisdictions. The main issue is with the constitutionality of requiring that this information be reported to the federal government. Just prior to the deadline to report, a Federal

Court in Texas issued a nationwide injunction "pausing" the requirement to report.

In recent weeks, we've seen a lot of activity surrounding this law and the reporting requirement, causing business owners who haven't yet report some understandable concern. It's been an on-again / off-again situation.

Most recently, one case made it all the way to the United States Supreme Court. On Jan. 23, 2025, the U.S. Supreme Court "unpaused" the reporting requirements in one of the cases. This would lead you to believe that the reporting requirements are in place again.

However, a visit to the FinCEN website reveals that there is another case in which a judge has issued a nationwide injunction ("pause") against the reporting requirements. Because of that case, the website* advises:

On January 23, 2025, the Supreme Court granted the government's motion to stay a nationwide injunction

Alert: Ongoing Litigation – Texas Top Cop Shop, Inc., et al. v. McHenry, et al., No. 4:24-cv-00478 (E.D. Tex.) & Voluntary Submissions [Updated January 24, 2025]

In light of a recent federal court order, reporting companies are not currently required to file beneficial ownership information with FinCEN and are not subject to liability if they fail to do so while the order remains in force. However, reporting companies may continue to voluntarily submit beneficial ownership information reports.

On January 23, 2025, the Supreme Court granted the government's motion to stay a nationwide injunction issued by a federal judge in Texas (*Texas Top Cop Shop, Inc. v. McHenry*—formerly, *Texas Top Cop Shop v. Garland*). As a separate nationwide order issued by a different federal judge in Texas (*Smith v. U.S. Department of the Treasury*) still remains in place, reporting companies are not currently required to file beneficial ownership information with FinCEN despite the Supreme Court's action in *Texas Top Cop Shop*. Reporting companies also are not subject to liability if they fail to file this information while the *Smith* order remains in force. However, reporting companies may continue to voluntarily submit beneficial ownership information reports.

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Shop. Reporting companies also are not subject to liability if they fail to file this information while the Smith order remains in force. However, reporting companies may continue to voluntarily submit beneficial ownership information reports.

To file or not to file, that is the question. With the alphabet soup of acronyms and on/off nature of this potential obligation, it's definitely an unsettling time for

business owners. One thing is clear: this is a difficult question with nationwide implications. It appears the Courts are interested in resolving the legal questions involved in this case for the benefit of all citizens, but the U.S. Supreme Court seems interested in having the lower courts finish the appeal before weighing in on all the legal issues involved.

*Available at fincen.gov/boi

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Board President Mike Steele praised Dr. Atha's vision and expertise:

"Dr. Atha is a strong leader who cares about education and helping students succeed. He is the perfect person to lead WWS into the future. He understands the curriculum and how to inspire, making him stand out as a leader who makes a difference."

Dr. Atha shared his excitement for the future of WWS:

"I am honored to lead a district committed to preparing students to excel in the classroom and beyond. By prioritizing continuous improvement and innovation, we ensure WWS students are Life Ready. I look forward to supporting our talented educators, mentoring school leaders, and collaborating with the com-

munity to make this vision a reality."

A long-standing member of the Westfield community, Dr. Atha and his wife, Mary, have six children and are deeply connected to the district's success. His leadership philosophy reflects his commitment to collaboration, cultivating a welcoming educational environment for students and staff, and ensuring that every student has access to opportunities to thrive.

As WWS embarks on this leadership transition, the district remains steadfast in its mission to deliver exceptional learning experiences and opportunities for all students. The Board of Trustees extends its heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Kaiser for his exemplary leadership and congratulates Dr. Atha on his new role as Superintendent.

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Quakenbush said in a statement in the release, "Our top priority is the safety and security of Hamilton County. By joining the 287(g) program, we gain critical resources and authority to tackle the serious issue of criminal illegal aliens. With Chief Deputy Lowes' proven leadership, this commission will operate with the utmost efficiency, integrity, and transparency."

Lowes said in a statement in the release that the partnership with ICE will "address criminal activities linked to illegal immigration and foster a safe environment for Hamilton County residents."

The sheriff's release says the Immigration Commission will collaborate with federal agencies to ensure strict compliance with immigration laws; streamline processes for identifying and removing individuals involved in criminal activities; and engage with the community to build trust, understanding, and transparency around immigration enforcement efforts.

The American Immigration Council noted, in a report issued Jan. 20, that Section 287(g) programs across the nation have resulted in widespread racial

profiling; led to immigration arrests of people with minor criminal histories; threatened community safety and hinder community policing; and increased law enforcement expenses for localities. The American Immigration Council report also says ICE has failed to provide sufficient training or supervision to local police agencies in Section 287(g) programs.

In Monday's release from Hamilton County, Quakenbush wrote that the Section 287(g) program will respect diversity: "We celebrate diversity and the contributions of legal immigration, but we will not tolerate those who break the law and jeopardize the safety of our neighborhoods. This initiative reinforces our commitment to ensuring all residents – regardless of background – can live in a secure and thriving community."

Police in some of Indiana's major cities have voiced opposition to enforcing federal immigration laws since President Donald Trump took office Jan. 20. Trump has taken numerous steps regarding immigration during his first week in office.

Chief Chris Bailey of Indianapolis said Friday

on social media, "Local law enforcement, including the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD), does not have the authority to enforce federal immigration laws. IMPD has not been asked to take part in immigration sweeps, nor do we have any intention of doing so – that is not our role."

Bailey also said officers don't ask about a person's immigration status during routine investigations as part of its goals to foster positive police-community partnerships and ensure the safety of people in Indianapolis.

Also on Friday, the leader of the Indianapolis Fraternal Order of Police, Rick Snyder, issued a similar statement: "Officers have strong concerns about illegal entry into our country especially as it relates to violent criminals, drugs and human trafficking that are ravaging our communities. However, enforcement of federal laws must be enforced by federal officers/agents and federal courts not local/state police and courts. As steps are taken by federal authorities, clear constitutional delineations must be maintained."

Editor's note: A bill is currently in the Indi-

ana House that, if passed, would require that, "in the event that law enforcement officer arrests an individual for a felony or a misdemeanor and has probable cause to believe that the individual is not lawfully present in the United States, that the officer's law enforcement agency shall notify the county sheriff of the probable cause during the individual's intake process. Provides that a law enforcement officer shall arrest an individual in lieu of issuing a summons for a misdemeanor if the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that the individual is not lawfully present in the United States. Requires the county sheriff to notify the proper authority. Provides that a law enforcement agency, including a county sheriff, or a law enforcement officer or other employee of a law enforcement agency is immune from civil liability if there is reasonable belief that the notification requirements under this statute have been fulfilled."

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Phi Beta Psi of Sheridan looking forward to busy 2025

Submitted by
Tina Vawter

The Sheridan chapter of Phi Beta Psi, Theta Alpha Alpha, finished 2024 having assisted 17 local individuals who had been diagnosed with cancer. Our gift cards to those individuals can be used for fuel to and from appointments or

treatments, medications, or food for them and their families to help ease some of their expenses.

Our annual holiday celebration of an Italian dinner, games, and gift exchange was enjoyed by 22 of our 30 members in December. It was a fun night

of food and fellowship for all who were able to attend. We look forward to this gathering every year.

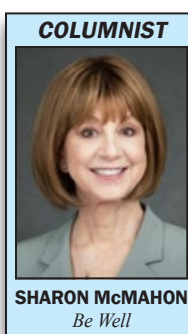
We are preparing for an already busy 2025 by hosting our annual Euchre Night at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22 at The Studio on Main in Sheridan. The

cost to play is \$20. Bring one-dollar bills to pay the pig!

Phi Beta Psi's Community support is cancer research, Sheridan senior scholarships for students pursuing a career in medicine, and assisting community members facing cancer.

Use your common sense when taking health supplements

"Judgment would seem to be seated in that part where all the senses meet; and this is called common sense..."
— Leonardo Da Vinci, *the Codex Windsor*



I recall years ago (many!) when my grandmother in North Carolina would comment, "He/She does not have any common sense!" She could have been referring to a neighbor, an actor on television – even a relative! Most of us have our own understanding of "common sense" and truthfully there is no one definition as it can be subjective, although Merriam-Webster tells us that it is "sound and prudent judgment based on simple perception of the situation or facts." Works for me!

Moving past Da Vinci and even Thomas Paine for the purpose of this column, let's talk about common sense as it relates to the multi-billion supplement industry.

Like clockwork we are bombarded immediately after the holidays with ads for vitamins and weight-loss supplements. Astoundingly, Americans spend nearly \$50 billion annually on supplements.¹ And, truly, why would we need vitamin supplements? A possible reason might be that we are not eating nutritionally as we know we need certain vitamins and minerals in order to be our healthy personal best. Particularly, after the holiday "goodies" consumption, our

bodies crave good, nutritious food which will enable us to feel better, look better, and think better. Remember that your brain is also craving good nutrition!

There are some vitamins and nutrients that can be helpful, such as Vitamin D and fish oil, folic acid, and others. However, these should be considered after your annual wellness visit with your physician and any follow-up bloodwork. Some supplements can interfere with any medications you may be prescribed. Commercial, magazine articles, and coupons cannot analyze your personal nutritional needs. Full disclosure – I do take some nutritional supplements which work well for me and are reported to my physician on my annual visit.

Weight-loss supplements are a significant portion of that multi-billion supplement industry. Obviously, maintaining a healthy weight is quite important as it relates to diabetes, heart health and other factors. Before you spend significantly on these supplements, I challenge you to "get down to basics" and make sure your daily food intake is predominantly vegetables, complex carbohydrates, fruits, and clean protein. Adding additional activity along with a healthy eating plan will enable you to feel better, look better, and THRIVE in '25!

¹ health.harvard.edu
Sharon McMahon, CNWC

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Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police name State Rep. Garcia Wilburn as 'Legislator of the Year'

The REPORTER

State Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn (D-Fishers) was honored as a Legislator of the Year by the Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) at its annual Mid-Winter Conference on Tuesday. The mission of the IACP is to promote professionalism, training and networking for the law enforcement executive and to enhance public awareness of law enforcement and public safety issues.

Garcia Wilburn released the following statement thanking the IACP for the honor:

"I'm so grateful to receive this recognition from the Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police for my work advocating for police chiefs and law enforcement

at the Statehouse. I will always support law enforcement, and continuing to earn your trust is a priority for me. A question I always ask myself before writing legislation is 'How does this impact law enforcement?' The profession is always at the top of my mind.

"In fact, a priority for me this session is ensuring that the first responder mental health training passed in my 2023 legislation is funded into the future through **House Bill 1092**, which I've authored and am advocating for with my fellow lawmakers. It's a privilege to advocate for my local police chiefs and their departments, as well as law enforcement statewide, at the Indiana House of Representatives."



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Letter to the Editor

Rowland applauds Sheriff's move on ICE collaboration

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to Sheriff Dennis Quakenbush on the new initiative to keep Hamilton County a safe place to live, work, and play.

I am very pleased as I know the entire citizenship of Hamilton County will be to learn of this top priority initiative.

Mary Sue Rowland
Former Noblesville Mayor

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Noblesville asks Indiana Bond Bank for 'HELP' with first responder vehicles

The REPORTER

Indiana Treasurer Daniel Elliott announced Monday that the Indiana Bond Bank assisted the City of Noblesville with financing essential equipment through its Hoosier Equipment Lease Purchase (HELP) Program.

From Ford Police Interceptor SUVs to ambulances, the \$5,027,743 purchase of essential equipment was made possible through this program.

"The HELP Program is super simple with just a one-page form, helping cities and towns score great rates with flexible terms," Elliott said. "Without it, many places might not afford the gear they need to keep things running smoothly."

The HELP program assists Indiana communities in obtaining essential equipment through a standardized and efficient lease-purchase process. It provides standard-term leases with flexible repayment options at competitive rates. By effectively securing competitive bids from various financial institutions statewide, the

program ensures the lowest financing costs, thereby saving taxpayer money.

Since its inception, the HELP program has financed over \$471 million in essential equipment for Indiana communities.

About the Indiana Bond Bank

The Indiana Bond Bank (IBB) was established as a self-supporting quasi-government entity by the Legislature in 1984. A seven-member board oversees the Bond Bank, with the Treasurer serving as the chair of the board, the Public Finance Director of the Indiana Finance Authority is statutorily appointed, with the remaining five members being appointed by the Governor. The Bond Bank assists local governments in the process of issuing debt and provides the following programs: the Advance Funding Program, Community Funding Resource Program, Hoosier Equipment Lease Purchase (HELP) Program, Fuel Budgeting Program, and Interim Loan Program.



Photo provided by Peggy Furniss

(From left) WPA Vice President Diane Roy, Board member Lisa Pawlak, WPA Secretary Vicky Hime, Board member Donna Van Huis, WPA President Patrick May, Managing Director and Co-owner of The Picklr franchise Dave Gilreath, and the WPA Treasurer Marlene Weatherwax. Board members not present include Christine Best, Cindy Kinney, and Linda May.

Westfield Pickleball Association holds first meeting, welcomes The Picklr franchise owner

Submitted

The newly formed Westfield Pickleball Association (WPA) held its first general membership meeting last Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Westfield Washington Township Building.

The WPA is established

as a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote the sport of pickleball within the greater Westfield community as a healthy recreational activity by providing accessible and inclusive year-round playing opportunities for all ages and

skill levels.

The WPA board of directors was pleased to have Dave Gilreath in attendance, co-owner of The Picklr indoor pickleball facility.

WPA membership is open to all pickleball enthu-

siasts in the greater Westfield area who are 18 years of age or older. For more information about becoming a member, email Peggy Furniss at peggy.furniss@gmail.com or Linda May at lindamay@talktucker.com.

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 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

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Welcome to the annual Community Integration Survey!
 This survey aims to understand how communities can best support veterans, service members, families, and caregivers of veterans or military personal to enhance their quality of life and prevent veteran suicide. We seek your valuable input to improve local services and appreciate your participation in this important effort.

Who Can Take the Survey?: Veterans and service members. However, family members, caregivers, and community advocates may participate.

Click here to take the survey -
<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8145625/IW/P2025>

[America's Warrior Partnership](#) is administering this survey in partnership with community-based organizations and we need your input.

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Activities & Events

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Noblesville Legion
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Restaurant M 6-8pm wings, Tu-F 530-830p,
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Chatham Home relocating to Carmel

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After 13 years in downtown Indianapolis, Chatham Home, a beloved family-run home goods store, will soon move to Main Street in Carmel.

Since opening its doors in August 2011, the store has become a destination for those seeking unique, hard-to-find items at fair prices. With its new location, the business is paring down its larger furniture options and expanding its smaller offerings to include a curated selection of gifts and gift baskets, making it the go-to destination for every occasion.

"Indianapolis has been our home for more than a decade, and we've cherished the relationships we've built with our customers there," Owner Faith Felder said.

Her daughter, Hope Harsin, COO, added, "This move to Carmel represents an exciting new chapter for our business. We look forward to bringing the same relaxed shopping experience and carefully chosen products that our customers love, along with a renewed focus on gifts."

The new location is

located on Main Street in the former Carmel Music Center.

The Grand Opening is yet to be determined since they plan to do a bit of renovating to the building. The new space will be warm and inviting to reflect the store's charm and commitment to quality. Customers can expect an expanded inventory of home goods and décor alongside thoughtfully selected gifts, all tailored to meet the needs of local residents and visitors.

Customers are invited to follow the business on Facebook for updates on the old location moving sale, renovation progress, and grand opening details.

About Chatham Home

Chatham Home takes pride in being a small, family-owned business where every customer is treated like family. Whether it's a unique piece for your home or the perfect gift for a loved one, the store is dedicated to making every shopping experience special. For more information, visit ChathamHomeIndy.com, follow on Facebook @chathamhome, or call (317) 917-8550.

Westfield Democrats Club has impressive turnout for annual January meeting



Photos provided by Cary Fuller

Last week, over 50 people gathered to attend the Westfield Democrats Club's annual January event. It was an impressive turnout for a non-election year, especially considering the bitterly cold weather. The theme this year was "Building Blue," and the club was joined by outgoing Indiana Democratic Party Chair Mike Schmuhl. He spoke about what he believes needs to be done at both a federal and state level to move towards positive political change for all Hoosiers, encouraging attendees to get involved with their time, talent, and treasure. The Westfield Democrats Club hosts many events throughout the year to help build community and to support quality candidates and progressive legislation.

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Meeting Notices

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees will meet in an executive session at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2025, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5). To receive information about and interview prospective employees. A special meeting will follow at 5:30 p.m. at Sheridan Middle School, 3030 W. 246th St.

Send Meeting Notices to:
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The Hamilton County Plan Commission will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025, in the Commissioners' Courtroom on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) the Hamilton County Commissioners meeting scheduled for Friday, Feb. 7, 2025, has been canceled.

Special Olympics Indiana Polar Plunges coming to Fishers & Indianapolis

The REPORTER

Special Olympics Indiana's Polar Plunge returns to Butler University on Saturday, Feb. 8, and then to Wolfies Grill at Geist in Fishers, 11699 Fall Creek Road, Indianapolis, on Saturday, Feb. 22, as participants dare to Be Bold and

Get Cold.

This bucket-list event, now in its 26th year, challenges individuals and teams to make a difference in the lives of more than 19,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities across the state by taking an icy dip to demonstrate their

commitment to the cause.

The 2025 Polar Plunge season is Jan. 31 through March 1 with 19 events across Indiana. More than 3,400



Special Olympics Indiana

plunge at two sites receive VIP treatment at the final event of the season as well as special fundraising prizes.

All funds raised during

Polar Plunges raised \$1.16 million last year to benefit 19,000 athletes across the state.

The event at Butler kicks off at 11 a.m. at the Health and Recreation Complex. Prizes include honoring the top fundraiser and a costume contest. A post-event celebration begins afterward inside the complex.

As Special Olympics Indiana's signature fundraising series, participants must raise at least \$99 for the opportunity to plunge. Plungers who raise at least the minimum earn a commemorative Polar Plunge T-shirt and a cup. For those who reach higher fundraising levels, additional incentive prizes are available.

Additionally, the Super Plunger program recognizes the bravest souls with the warmest hearts. Those who raise \$4,000 or more and

Polar Plunge events help ensure an ever-growing number of children and adults with intellectual disabilities can participate in the state's sports, health, education, and leadership programs at no cost. To date, the Polar Plunge has generated more than \$12 million for Special Olympics Indiana.

The 2025 Polar Plunge series is brought to you by the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Indiana and presented by Coca-Cola Consolidated. Thank you to these other top sponsors: Duke Energy, Steel Dynamics, and Taft. Additionally, individual events are supported locally by community organizations and businesses.

Visit PolarPlungeIN.org to learn more about the 2025 Polar Plunge events, register, and donate to participants.

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Making memories, one symphony at a time



Reporter photos

“Breakin’ Classical,” with Guest Conductor Mélisse Brunet leading the Carmel Symphony Orchestra, took place at The Palladium at the Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday evening, Jan. 25. Upcoming events for CSO include “Moonlight & Lanterns” on Feb. 8, “Carmel Artist Showcase” on Feb. 23, “Appalachian Spring” on March 16, and “Easter Parade” on April 19. Learn more and get tickets at CarmelSymphony.org.

Pence Media Group adds director of marketing services

Megan Benish of Carmel joins growing local consultant agency

Submitted

Pence Media Group (PMG) recently welcomed **Megan Benish** as the new Director of Marketing Services. She has more than 20 years of marketing and project management experience working across industries such as interior design, corporate event venues, and luxury private communities.

A passionate storyteller and talented photographer, Benish has already made a major impact since joining the PMG team by participating in several production shoots and social media marketing activations. She led PMG team members in creating compelling social media content for Conner Prairie’s Headless Horseman and A Merry Prairie Holiday events. The reels they created to showcase the holiday celebrations garnered more than 44,000 views and increased total reach by more than 70 percent over the two events.

“Megan’s dynamic leadership and fresh perspective are exactly what we needed to take our marketing services to new heights,” PMG Owner Nicole Pence Becker said. “Her positive energy, strategic mindset, and ability to create impactful deliverables have raised our bar to serve clients at the highest level.”

This new addition rounds out PMG’s growth at the director level, with Director of Client Success Melissa Sunsdahl, Director of Brand Strategy Molly Shreve, and Director of Public Relations Anna Carrera already serving in their roles. This dedicated leadership team, under the direction of PMG Owner Nicole Pence Becker, supports the members of the consultancy on a holistic level, works to foster stron-



Benish

ger client relationships, and establishes a unified strategy across each vertical.

About Pence Media Group
Pence Media Group (PMG) is a full-service public relations, branding, and marketing consultancy working with public, private and nonprofit clients. **Nicole Pence Becker** established PMG in 2017, which has grown to become a dynamic, award-winning team. For the second year in a row, PMG was selected as a **MUSE Creative Best Small Agency of the Year in 2024**. Last year, PMG also won two Awards of Honor at the Hoosier PRSA Pinnacle Awards Program, a Silver ADDY Award for Website Excellence, and four Telly Awards, which highlight PMG’s expertise in storytelling.

PMG is made up of professionals who are experts in public relations, marketing, strategic communications, and brand development. A certified **Women’s Business Enterprise (WBE)** in the state of Indiana, PMG’s team is proud to serve a wide range of clients with unparalleled expertise and creativity.

PMG’s client roster includes start-ups, small to medium businesses and Fortune 500 companies, including Anthony’s Chophouse, Church Church Hittle + Antrim, Conquer Paralysis Now, Crystal Signature Events, He Knows Your Name, Indiana Fire Chiefs Association, Indiana Golf, Lucas Oil Products, National FFA, Pluie, Riley Children’s Foundation, Rohrman Automotive Group, and Tiffany Skilling Interiors.

To learn more about PMG and PMG’s services, visit pencemediagroup.com.

Indiana Senate resolves to put term limits on Congress

The REPORTER

On Monday, the Indiana Senate passed Senate Joint Resolution 21 (**SJR 21**), which notifies Congress that Indiana seeks to participate in an amendment convention for the sole purpose of proposing a congressional term limits amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

The effort, led by State Sen. Andy Zay (R-Huntington) and spearheaded by the nonpartisan nonprofit U.S. Term Limits, passed 31 to 18.

According to the **latest RMG Research poll**, 84 percent of likely Hoosier voters support term limits on Congress, including strong support among Republicans, Democrats, and Independents alike.

U.S. Term Limits President Philip Blumel commended the Indiana state senators who voted “yea” on the resolution.

“The people of Indiana are lucky to have public servants who see what is going on in D.C. and are willing to take action to fix it,” Blumel said. “They know that Congress won’t set term limits on

itself. Therefore, it is the obligation of the states to do so.”

Once SJR 21 passes the House, Indiana will join other states in the call to convene the states for the exclusive purpose of proposing term limits on the U.S. Congress. Once 34 state legislatures pass similar resolutions on the topic and approve the term limits amendment, it must be ratified by 38 states to become part of the U.S. Constitution.

About U.S. Term Limits

U.S. Term Limits is the largest nonpartisan, nonprofit organization advocating solely on term limits. The organization’s mission is to improve the quality of government with a citizen legislature that closely reflects its constituency and is responsive to the needs of the people it serves. USTL does not require a self-limit on individuals. USTL’s aim is to limit the terms of all members of Congress as an institution. Find out more at termlimits.org.

U.S. Term Limits does not endorse candidates. Candidates who sign the pledge endorse term limits.

Governor Mike Braun directs numerous Indiana agencies to cooperate with federal government on illegal immigration control

Submitted by Office of the Governor

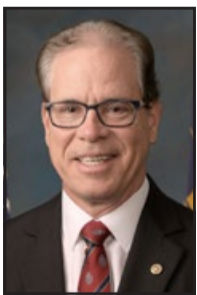
Governor Mike Braun signed an executive order on Tuesday aimed at protecting the public from the potential threats posed by illegal immigrants in the state. The action also assists the Trump administration by offering full cooperation with the federal government.

“Over the last four years, the increase in illegal aliens flooding our country has created a significant threat to public safety for Hoosiers and allowed bad actors to abuse American generosity, costing taxpayers at every level. That ends now,” Braun said. “Indiana will cooperate fully with the federal government, offering the assistance of the Indiana National Guard while strengthening our own efforts at home to keep

illegal aliens with criminal histories out of our communities.”

Gov. Braun said this executive order delivers on his promise to place public safety operations at the forefront of collaboration with the Trump administration to manage immigration in Indiana.

The Indiana Department of Administration and all agencies exercising contracting authority shall require state vendors, prior to entering any contract with the state, to certify their use of E-Verify to ensure their workforce is lawfully permitted to work in the United States and the State of Indiana. Taxpayer money will not fund the contracts of illegal immigrants.



Braun

Indiana’s law enforcement agencies will report to the Indiana Intelligence Fusion Center credible evidence of illegal aliens with a prior criminal history and/or are suspected of committing a felony, suspected of engaging in terror or espionage, or who present a significant threat to national security or public safety. The Indiana National Guard will make available to the federal government the state resources of the Indiana National Guard and cooperate fully with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

A full list of executive orders signed by Gov. Braun can be found at in.gov/gov/newsroom/executive-orders.

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Westfield to pursue Professional Sports Development Area near Grand Park

The REPORTER

The Westfield City Council heard an ordinance on Monday evening to pursue a Professional Sports Development Area (PSDA) in the Grand Park District.

This strategic initiative aligns with city officials' vision to create a dynamic district that supports professional and youth sports, hospitality, and community-driven projects while generating economic growth and enhancing the quality of life for residents.

A PSDA is a special district that allows local governments to capture new tax revenue – generated by sports facilities, hotels, and other commercial properties within the dis-

trict – to fund infrastructure improvements and new sports facilities. This district enables communities to capture state income, sales, and specific local taxes, including income and innkeepers' taxes, from designated parcels within a one-mile radius of a new development that serves one or more professional sports teams.

"Westfield has long been a hub for professional sports, and this initiative positions us to strengthen our economic future and tourism potential," Mayor Scott Willis said. "The PSDA will enhance our status as a destination for world-class sports events and boost the local and state economy."

The decision to pursue a PSDA stems from the city's ongoing efforts to build upon the success of Grand Park, which has already become a premier location for sports and tourism in the country. Grand Park is home to the Indianapolis Colts training camp and the training facilities for both the Indy Eleven men's and women's soccer teams. Additionally, the city recently announced a new Grand Park District Master Plan, which



Willis



Tamm

includes the development of a new 10,000-seat stadium to anchor the district and bring the Indy Eleven women's soccer team to Westfield.

City officials says the PSDA is expected to generate \$92 million in new tax revenue for both the city and the state over the next 32 years. Importantly, the PSDA will not divert existing tax revenue from other city or state resources; instead, it captures new tax revenue generated by the dis-

trict's development. State officials has set a cap of \$2 million per year for tax revenue captured by the local municipality, ensuring that the program remains sustainable and benefits both Westfield and Indiana.

This annual revenue will be reinvested into the district to fund additional sports infrastructure, hotels, restaurants, and commercial properties. This will create jobs, drive tourism, and attract new businesses, contributing to Westfield's long-term economic growth.

"We are building on our past successes to establish a vibrant sports district that will benefit our residents, attract tourism dollars, and strengthen the economy of

both Westfield and Indiana," City Council President Patrick Tamm said. "The PSDA will be a key element in transforming this area into a thriving, dynamic district that draws professional teams, events, and visitors from around the world."

Mayor Willis added, "We are uniquely positioned to leverage our assets, including Grand Park, to create an ecosystem that supports professional sports, tourism, and economic development. With the PSDA, we are taking a forward-thinking approach to planning and development that will benefit not just Westfield but the entire region and the state of Indiana."

Works of six area student artists featured in new IU Kokomo Gallery exhibition

The REPORTER

The artwork of nearly 50 Indiana University Kokomo new media, art, and technology (NMAT) students is showcased in a new exhibition in the campus Art Gallery.

Select Student Works, which includes digital, drawing, printmaking, painting, sculpture, and more, opens today, Jan. 29, in the Gallery, with an

opening reception from 4 to 6 p.m. It continues through Thursday, Feb. 20 during Gallery hours.

"The purpose of the Select Student Works exhibition is for faculty to select and showcase artworks that were created in the past year and that represent an assortment of projects from the NMAT program," Art Gallery Coordinator Car-

rie Baxter said.

The Art Gallery, located in the IU Kokomo Library Building at 2300 S. Washington St., is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and is closed Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Admission and parking are free.

For more information about the IU Kokomo Art Gallery, visit kokomo.iu.edu/gallery.

Participating artists are listed by hometown. They include:

- Carmel: Alexandra Reiff
- Fishers: Kylee Dicken
- Noblesville: Sofia Huffman
- Sheridan: Avery Matthews
- Sharpsville (Tipton County): Olivia Parsenow
- Windfall (Tipton County): David Trujillo

Hamilton County Tourism's culinary series returns with new restaurant features

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Tourism has launched its second set of "Around the Table" videos and stories to promote the diverse culinary experiences available in the county. This digital initiative invites residents and visitors to learn how local restaurants, cafes, and bakeries are creating community around food.

Hamilton County is home to more than 500 locally-owned restaurants with cuisine that spans regions around the world. From fresh baked doughnuts to handmade pasta, authentic fish and chips or craft burgers, chefs throughout the county are crafting dishes for all palates.

"Hamilton County, Indiana, offers a truly unique culinary experience that combines the sophistication of big-city flavors with the charm of Hoosier hospitality," Hamilton County

Tourism Director of Marketing and Promotions Ashley Ledford said. "Whether you're craving a classic comfort dish or bold new flavors, Hamilton County has something to satisfy everyone. Our destination is a place where people can disconnect from the hustle of daily life and find connection around great food."

The first iteration of "Around the Table" launched in 2024 featuring video profiles of Angelo's Italian Market, Big Hoffa's Smokehouse BBQ, Eggshell Bistro, and 9th Street Bistro.

This year, the campaign includes new Q&A-style blogs with local restaurants, as well as four new video features:

• **Convivio and Caffè Buondì:** Experience sister restaurants Convivio and Caffè Buondì in Carmel, owned by Italian-born Andrea Melani. Diners can start their day at Caffè

Buondì, which features artisan coffee creations and an elevated brunch menu. Then for dinner, Convivio combines fresh ingredients with traditional Italian cooking techniques, offering handmade pasta, wood-fired pizzas and seasonal dishes.

• **DeLullo's Trattoria:** In Northern Hamilton County, find DeLullo's Trattoria serving classic Italian comfort food in a relaxed, family-friendly setting. Known for its hearty pastas, fresh seafood, and signature sauces, this charming trattoria in Downtown Cicero proudly offers a little something for everyone.

• **Mochi Joy:** Mochi Joy Donuts, open in its new brick-and-mortar location in Fishers as of Feb. 1, offers a unique twist on traditional donuts with soft, chewy mochi-based treats. Made fresh daily, their donuts come in a variety of delicious flavors, blending Asian-inspired

ingredients with classic sweetness for a one-of-a-kind dessert experience.

• **Yafa Golden Coffee:** Yafa Golden Coffee in Noblesville offers an inviting space to enjoy expertly crafted coffee and pastries. With late night hours and a variety of seating options, it's the ideal spot to meet with friends or to work remotely. Yafa brews its coffee in-house from beans that are farmed in Yemen.

To learn more, go to VisitHamiltonCounty.com/Table.

About Hamilton County Tourism
Hamilton County Tourism Inc. is a nonprofit, destination management organization that promotes tourism growth through strategic marketing, hospitality and development initiatives providing hospitality to more than five million visitors to Hamilton County each year.

Obituary

Marilyn Thomas

February 21, 1923 – January 24, 2025

Marilyn Thomas, 101, Carmel, passed away on January 24, 2025, one month before her 102nd birthday. She was a beloved teacher, friend, mother, and grandmother who was born on February 21, 1923, in Whitcomb, Ind., daughter of Alpheus and Nora (Updike) Sampson.

Marilyn has become known in Carmel for her beautiful flowers which can be seen from the library. At one time Marilyn belonged to a seed exchange group that sent each other seeds all over the United States. Marilyn also helped start Citizens for Green Space, a group that promoted planting trees in Carmel, as well as started the Carmel Parks Department and planted flowers in the various parks. She taught elementary students the importance of trees, learning to grow and care for all types of plants.

Marilyn moved to Carmel in 1953. She designed and oversaw the building of her home in 1957 and '58. She dedicated her home to the glory of God and held a weekly Bible study until the pandemic. Groups such as Youth for Christ and Cru met in her home because of its close proximity to Carmel High School.

After the first junior high school was built, Marilyn formed the "Gray Ladies," a group of mothers who took special training from Red Cross to staff the nurse's office if the nurse who served three buildings was in another location.

As a founding member of the Carmel Clay education Foundation, Marilyn worked with that group for several years. She was also a founding member of the Carmel Clay Historical Society. She volunteered at Conner Prairie Settlement when the many craft programs were just beginning. Marilyn enjoyed learning the various pioneer crafts and demonstrating them to classes of children and various other groups. She was the leader of a 4-H Club called the Carmel Mainliners because most of the members lived close to Main Street.

Marilyn returned to college in 1969 and earned her bachelor's degree in education. She taught third grade at the new Mohawk Trails Elementary School, but as she was earning her master's degree, she moved to Carmel Elementary for the last 17 years of her teaching career. She would take her second-grade classes to her front yard for a science/nature lesson and ice cream bars! Marilyn worked on curriculum for a number of classes, but her favorites were the "outdoor environmental curriculum" and Indiana history curriculum. Various parts of these have been used by Carmel Clay Schools as well as schools all over Indiana for several years.

The joy and delight for Marilyn were her grandchildren as she would often take one of them on a short trip. She loved entertaining and playing games with her great-grandchildren. Her various dogs and cats were beloved family members, too.

Marilyn served as a picker to several antique shops by going to garage sales and estate sales for 25 years following her retirement. She was an avid reader, often reading six or seven books a week. She enjoyed playing games, especially Hand and Foot. She loved going to craft sales and creating all types of crafts. Her favorite crafts were rug hooking and basketmaking, but over her lifetime she did a great variety of crafts including spinning, weaving, and painting. Each week for several years, she hosted a group of ladies to work on crafts.

Marilyn was a charter member of Faith Missionary Church. She attended Carmel Friends Church for several years.

In addition to her parents, Marilyn was preceded in death by her brother, Gareth Ward Sampson.

Survivors include her daughter, SaraBeth (Sally) Rushmore and husband Charles of Carmel; son, David Thomas of Jeffersonville; grandchildren, Michael Rushmore and wife Julie, Timothy Rushmore, and Rebecca Rushmore and husband Jesse Patrick; great-grandchildren, Shelby Rushmore and Addison Rushmore; and great-great-grandchildren, Aubrey Fellick, Samantha Fellick, Cassidy Fellick, and Ezekiel Fellick.

Family and friends will gather at 10 a.m. Friday, February 7, 2025, at Faith Church, 9125 N. College Ave., Indianapolis, where the Funeral Service will begin at 11 a.m. Burial will take place in Union Chapel Cemetery.

In memory of Marilyn contributions may be given to Samaritan's Purse. Envelopes will be available at the service.

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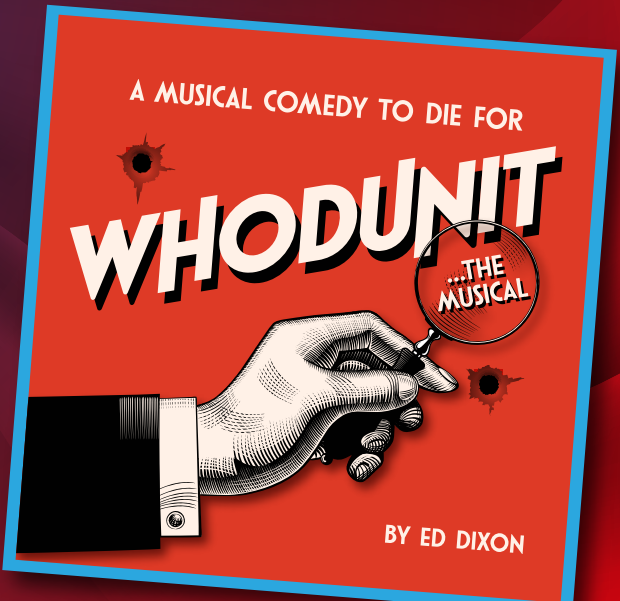
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BY ED DIXON

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Leave this place, you and the people you brought up out of Egypt, and go up to the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I will send an angel before you and drive out the Canaanites, Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. Go up to the land flowing with milk and honey. But I will not go with you, because you are a stiff-necked people and I might destroy you on the way."

When the people heard these distressing words, they began to mourn and no one put on any ornaments. For the Lord had said to Moses, "Tell the Israelites, 'You are a stiff-necked people. If I were to go with you even for a moment, I might destroy you. Now take off your ornaments and I will decide what to do with you.'" So the Israelites stripped off their ornaments at Mount Horeb.

Exodus 33:1-6 (NIV)

Beverly Joyce Smiley

February 1, 1936 – January 25, 2025



Beverly Joyce Smiley, 88, Fishers, passed away on Saturday, January 25, 2025, at Community Hospital North in Indianapolis. She was born on February 1, 1936, to Robert Carl and Eileen (Dodd) Wade in Indianapolis.

Joyce graduated from Indianapolis Washington High School. She was a devoted mother who worked multiple jobs to raise her two daughters. She took pride in her work as an office manager for Dr. Ralph Streeter, OB/GYN, for over 30 years. Joyce joined a monthly Bridge club with her seven good friends in the 1970s and was playing to the present day. She was an avid Indiana University Basketball and Bobby Knight fan and would ignore phone calls when a game was on TV. Joyce looked forward to a week on Dale Hollow reservoir fishing with her husband Enoch during many summers. She took great pride in the success of her daughters and grandchildren. Her Beef Stew and Chicken Noodle soup were the best gifts she could give. As a member of Geist Christian Church, Joyce loved her Bible study group. She enjoyed meeting and talking to everyone, including her neighbors in Whisper Knoll, the Kroger staff, her doctors and their staff, her church congregation, and sometimes total strangers. In recent years, Joyce was known for the bling in her wardrobe, her silver hair, and how she sparkled everywhere she went.

She is survived by her daughters, Carla (Kirk) Bidwell and Stacy (Vince) Salupo; grandchildren, Patrick Bidwell (Clarissa Johnson), Kelsey Bidwell, Nicholas (Ellyn) Salupo, and Andrew Salupo (Kaylin Worthington); and great-grandchildren, Lincoln and Salvatore.

In addition to her parents, Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Enoch C Smiley, Jr.; brother, Robert W. Wade; and sister, Sharon Gail Wilson.

Visitation will be from 3 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, January 30, 2025, immediately followed by a funeral service with Pastor Kyle Brown officiating. Visitation will be held at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, Fishers. A short graveside service and burial will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, January 31, 2025, at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, 9700 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Geist Christian Church, 8550 Mud Creek Road, Indianapolis, IN 46256 (secure.myvanco.com/L-ZCWB/home).

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Dennis Herschel Justice

February 12, 1946 – January 24, 2025

It is with heavy hearts and joyful memories that we announce the passing of Dennis Herschel Justice, 78, Anderson, who left us on Friday, January 24, 2025. Dennis was born in Noblesville on February 12, 1946, to the late Herschel and Ethel (Ridge) Justice.



Dennis lived a life full of passion, laughter, and love. He met his match in Jeanne (O'Connor) Justice, and on August 24, 1985, they tied the knot, embarking on 40 wonderful years of marriage together. Their shared journey was filled with love, humor, and countless memories.

Dennis worked at Industrial Dielectrics, retiring in 2010 after years of dedicated service in Data Processing. Beyond work, Dennis's true passion lies in his family, his community, and his hobbies. Dennis was a lifelong fan of classic cars and car shows, only to be matched by his love for Purdue sports and the Colts. He was known for his sense of humor, and many found themselves on the receiving end of a great story or two – often with a twist that only Dennis could provide.

Dennis was also a devoted coach, teaching and guiding young athletes in Little League. He grew up on a farm in Arcadia near Roberts Settlement, and that love of nature stuck with him throughout his life. Whether it was fishing, boating, or simply spending time with his family, he cherished those moments.

Dennis is survived by his beloved wife, Jeanne Justice of Anderson; his son, Nicholas (Christi) Justice of San Juan, Puerto Rico; his daughter, Abigail Justice of Indianapolis; his granddaughter, Madison Justice; and his nephew, Alan (Andi) Brown of Zionsville; brothers-in-law, Philip O'Connor, Kerry (Tina) O'Connor, Patrick (Joyce) O'Connor, and Daniel (Becky) O'Connor; and sisters-in-law, Laura (Dan) Pitcock, Harriett (Martin) Russel, Janice (Tony) Martin, and Karen (Andy) Brock.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Herschel and Ethel Justice; his sisters, Luella Hodges and Judy Justice; and many friends who will miss his warmth and wit.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, January 30, 2025, at Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. A Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 31, 2025, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Cicero, with Father Sean Pogue officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Disabled American Veterans Association and Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

For online condolences, please visit [hartleyfuneralhomes.com](https://www.hartleyfuneralhomes.com).

Dennis lived life to the fullest and will be remembered fondly for his humor, love, and the lasting mark he left on all who knew him. He'll be deeply missed, but never forgotten.

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Tickets & booth space going quickly for Taste of Carmel's 'Dine at the Disco'

The REPORTER

Get ready to "Dine at the Disco" while supporting Carmel Clay Schools at the 2025 Taste of Carmel, happening Friday, March 7 at 502 East Event Centre.

This annual event features a dazzling lineup of food, drinks, and entertainment – all while raising funds for scholarships, classroom grants, and programs that empower Carmel students.

"We are so grateful for the incredible support of our community," Carmel Education Foundation Executive Director Jennifer Penix said. "Taste of Carmel is a celebration of the partnerships that make a real difference in the lives of our students. We're excited for an unforgettable evening together!"

The First Taste VIP Party will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by Reserved Table Entry at 6:30 p.m. Entry for the main event will start at 7 p.m.

Tickets selling quickly
Reserve your spot now at tasteofcarmelindiana.com before it's too late.

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Girls Basketball



Photo by Allison Waitt

The Sheridan girls basketball team clinched the Hoosier Heartland Conference championship on Tuesday by beating Clinton Central 54-29.

Sheridan Blackhawks, now conference champs

Hawks outscore Clinton Central in every quarter

The REPORTER

The Sheridan girls basketball team officially clinched the Hoosier Heartland Conference championship on Tuesday, beating Clinton Central 54-29 at Larry Hobbs Gymnasium.

The Class 2A No. 11 Blackhawks outscored the 1A No. 14 Bulldogs in each quarter. Sheridan led 16-9 after the first period; Brielle Garner made two 3-pointers. The 'Hawks then went up 28-17 by halftime.

Sheridan expanded its lead to 44-25 after three quarters. Kenzie Garner scored nine points in the third and would finish as the leading scorer with 17 points and reached double-double status with 12

rebounds. She also had four assists and four steals.

Brielle Garner added 13 points and totaled three 3s, making her third triple in the second quarter. She also

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Reporter photo by Richie Hall

University's Anyah Turley scored 11 points for the Trailblazers during their Tuesday game with Decatur Central.

Decatur Central gets the best of University

By RICHIE HALL

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CARMEL – The University girls fell to Decatur Central 51-37 Tuesday at the U Center for the Trailblazers' Senior Night game. The Class 4A Hawks gradually built a 19-11 halftime lead over 2A University. The 'Blazers stayed in the game thanks to one of their seniors: Anyah Turley scored seven points in the first half. (University's other senior, Taylor Seay, was injured and unable to play.)

"We just looked like we were out of it a bit," said 'Blazers coach Lisa Pryor. "A little disjointed, which I'm not sure where that came from. It's disappointing because we had a couple of good practices. We've also been off and haven't played since the PAAC championship a week and a half ago, and I think that probably contributed."

Decatur Central led 32-22 after three quarters, although the Trailblazers kept the Hawks' lead in single digits for most of the period. Turley scored four points in the early stages of the third,

with Culp making a 3-point-er late in the period.

Leah Norvell opened the fourth quarter by hitting a jumper, but Decatur Central answered with back-to-back layins. The Hawks kept their lead over 10 points from that point forward, but University didn't go away: Norvell totaled seven points in the quarter and Sydney Culp hit two 3s.

"They bust their butts," said Pryor. "They work, they do what we ask them to do. They have good attitudes for the most part. I can't be mad at their effort, right? I'm not mad at them anyway. We have to learn how to handle certain situations a little bit better. It's not even just adversity. We get a packed gym and then I think they got a little anxious."

The Trailblazers had only six players available, but all six of them scored at least one point. Turley led the way with 11 points, while Sydney Culp and Norvell both scored eight points.

University is 8-11 and finishes the regular season Thursday at Speedway. That game starts at 6 p.m.

Greyhounds get tough, bounce back after first half to beat Cathedral

The REPORTER

The Carmel girls toughed out a win at Cathedral on Tuesday, 42-39.

The Irish led 7-4 after the first quarter and 19-16 at halftime. Sydney Bonds and Mackenzie Woods each scored five points for the Greyhounds in the second period. Carmel then surged ahead in the third quarter for a 31-29 advantage, with Woods getting six points and Mallory Bourquein scoring five.

The fourth quarter was

close, but the 'Hounds edged out Cathedral 11-10 in that period to get the victory. Maddy Wallace drained two 3-pointers, then Bonds made two free throws with 4.5 seconds left to clinch the win.

All seven Carmel players that took to the floor scored at least one point. Woods finished with 13 points, followed by eight for Wallace and seven for Bonds.

The Greyhounds are 10-11 and finish the regular season Friday at Ben Davis.



Reporter photo by Julie Brown

Carmel's Sydney Bonds made two free throws with 4.5 seconds left to seal a 42-39 win for the Greyhounds Tuesday at Cathedral.

CARMEL 42, CATHEDRAL 39				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Mackenzie Woods	5	3-3	13	1
Maddy Wallace	3	0-0	8	1
Lauren Perry	2	0-0	4	2
Mallory Bourquein	2	1-1	5	1
Sydney Bonds	1	5-7	7	3
Bella Ramsey	2	0-0	4	1
Taylee Fisher	0	1-4	1	2
Totals	15	10-15	42	11
Score by Quarters				
Carmel	4	12	15	11 - 42
Cathedral	7	12	10	10 - 39
Carmel 3-pointers (2) Wallace 2.				

DECATUR CENTRAL 51, UNIVERSITY 37				
University	FG	FT	TP	PF
Anyah Turley	4	2-6	11	2
Sydney Culp	3	0-0	8	3
Leah Norvell	3	2-5	8	2
Mack Feeney	0	1-2	1	5
Gabby Culp	1	4-6	7	4
Meg Rohloff	1	0-0	2	3
Totals	12	9-19	37	19
Score by Quarters				
Decatur Central	11	8	13	19 - 51
University	6	5	11	15 - 37
University 3-pointers (4) S. Culp 2, Turley, G. Culp.				

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IBCA girls basketball poll – Week of Jan. 27

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Hamilton Southeastern (21)	439	21-0
2	Lawrence Central (1)	419	21-1
3	Homestead	375	21-2
4	South Bend Washington	372	20-1
5	Warsaw	351	20-1
6	Greensburg	327	19-0
7	South Knox	302	21-2
8	Noblesville	277	17-3
9	Brownsburg	255	18-4
10	Center Grove	233	17-3
11	Northridge	200	19-4
12	Silver Creek	182	17-2
13	Washington	149	19-2
14	Plainfield	145	16-5
15	Bloomington South	130	19-2
16	Pike	127	15-4
17	Columbia City	92	17-4
18	McCutcheon	77	20-3
19	Penn	42	17-5
20	Evansville Central	31	18-4

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records

Alexandria (21-1), Bellmont (18-2), Castle (14-6), Corydon Central (16-5), Danville (17-5), Fishers (13-7), Floyd Central (18-4), Fort Wayne Northrop (15-5), Franklin Central (14-8), Lawrence North (11-8), Pendleton Heights (15-6), Rensselaer Central (18-2).

IBCA boys basketball poll – Week of Jan. 27

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Fishers (22)	440	16-0
2	Crown Point	409	12-0
3	Westfield	382	12-1
4	Greenfield-Central	370	13-2
5	Lawrence North	342	12-3
6	Anderson	293	13-1
7	Cathedral	274	11-4
8	Avon	254	13-2
9	South Bend St. Joseph	239	13-2
10	Ben Davis	223	12-4
11	Warsaw	215	14-3
12	New Palestine	170	13-2
13	Brownstown Central	145	12-0
14	Northridge	136	11-2
15	Guerin Catholic	112	14-2
16	New Albany	107	10-2
17	NorthWood	98	14-2
18	Jeffersonville	93	10-5
19	Evansville Reitz	82	11-1
20	Silver Creek	52	15-2

First place votes are in parentheses.

Other schools receiving votes, with records

Bishop Luers (12-2), Blackhawk Christian (12-3), Carmel (8-6), Crispus Attucks (10-5), Evansville Memorial (11-2), Fort Wayne Wayne (11-4), Homestead (13-4), Manchester (14-1), Noblesville (11-4), North Central (10-6), Northview (15-1), Penn (9-6), Princeton Community (13-1), South Bend Riley (11-3), South Ripley (15-0), Terre Haute North Vigo (14-2), Wapahani (14-1), Warren Central (8-6).

CHAMPS

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Photo by Allison Waitt

Brielle Garner hit three 3-pointers during the game.

collected five rebounds. Cecilia Timme scored eight points and pulled seven rebounds. Mackenzie Smith scored six points and collected five rebounds. The Blackhawks are 7-0

in the conference with one league game left to play; second-place Rossville finished 6-2 in the HHC. Sheridan is 19-1 overall and travels to Southmont tonight.

SHERIDAN 54, CLINTON CENTRAL 29				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Nova Cross	0	0-0	0	4
Kenzie Garner	5	6-6	17	2
Cecilia Timme	4	0-2	8	2
Brielle Garner	5	0-0	13	2
Sadie Timme	1	3-4	5	2
Shelby Eaton	2	0-0	5	1
Mackenzie Smith	2	2-2	6	1
Brooklynn Conley	0	0-0	0	0
Kelsey Sedwick	0	0-2	0	0
Sophie Schlogl	0	0-0	0	0
Carla Gonzalez Calvo	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	19	11-16	54	14
Score by Quarters				
Clinton Central	9	8	8	4-29
Sheridan	16	12	16	10-54
Sheridan 3-pointers (5) B. Garner 3, K. Garner, Eaton.				

Boys Basketball

Sccecina proves to be no match for Golden Eagles

The REPORTER

The Guerin Catholic boys basketball team took care of Sccecina 60-23 Tuesday at the Eagles Nest.

The Class 3A No. 3 Golden Eagles outscored the Crusaders in each quarter, leading 12-8 after the first period and 26-11 at halftime. Guerin Catholic then cruised through the

second half, outscoring Sccecina 34-12.

Bryson Cardinal led the Golden Eagles with his usual double-double, 16 points and 10 rebounds. Jake Grissom and Ryne Paris both scored 10 points. Grissom also made five steals.

Guerin Catholic is 15-2 and plays at Lafayette Central Catholic on Friday.

GUERIN CATHOLIC 60, SCECINA 23				
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jake Grissom	4-11	0-0	10	2
Ryne Paris	2-3	4-6	10	4
Hayden Rogers	1-3	0-0	2	0
Bryson Cardinal	5-13	6-7	16	1
Carter Murans	2-4	1-2	5	1
Jack Toles	2-6	2-2	6	0
Andrew Reithman	1-2	0-0	3	0
Julian Melendez	4-6	0-0	8	1
Jackson Carey	0-3	0-0	0	0
RJ Hill	0-0	0-0	0	1
Totals	21-51	13-17	60	10
Score by Quarters				
Sccecina	8	3	8	4-23
Guerin Catholic	12	14	17	17-60
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (5-13) Grissom 2-5, Paris 2-2, Reithman 1-1, Melendez 0-1, Rogers 0-1, Carey 0-1, Cardinal 0-1, Murans 0-1.				
Guerin Catholic rebounds (32) Cardinal 10, Murans 4, Paris 3, Melendez 3, Rogers 3, Toles 3, Carey 3, Reithman 2, team 1.				



Photo by Mike Navarro

Guerin Catholic's Jake Grissom scored 10 points for the Golden Eagles during their win over Sccecina on Tuesday.

Girls Basketball

50th annual girls basketball sectional pairings announced

By CRAIG ADKINS

For The Reporter

On Sunday evening, the IHSAA announced the sectional pairings show for the 50th annual IHSAA girls basketball state tournament.

Throughout the four classes, 391 schools have their sights set on the ultimate prize of a state championship.

For the second time in three years, Noblesville will host the Class 4A Sectional 8, welcoming Carmel, Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern, Westfield and Zionsville to The Mill.

Hamilton Heights heads down to play in Class 3A Sectional 24 at Connersville. That six-team field playing at the historic Spartan Bowl includes the host Connersville, along with Delta, Jay County, Yorktown and New Castle.

Guerin Catholic will also play in 3A, but in Sectional 25 at Lebanon. Aside from the host Tigers, the seven-team sectional also

features Brebeuf Jesuit, Tri-West, Frankfort, Crawfordsville and Danville.

Sheridan hosts the 2A Sectional 39 field that brings in Frankton, Lapel, Elwood, Tipton and Taylor to Larry Hobbs Gymnasium.

University heads down to Monrovia in 2A Sectional 42. The Trailblazers' potential opponents are the host Bulldogs, Park Tudor, Cardinal Ritter, Indianapolis Riverside and Covenant Christian.

Below are the pairings for the nine Hamilton County schools. Sectional play starts on Tues. Feb. 4 and Wed. Feb. 5 with the semifinals on Friday, Feb. 7 and the championship games on Saturday night Feb. 8.

Class	Sectional	Day	Pairings
Class 4A	Sectional 8	Tuesday	Fishers (13-7) vs. Hamilton Southeastern (21-0)
			Carmel (9-11) at Noblesville (17-3)
		Friday	Zionsville (9-11) vs. Winner of Fishers/HSE

Westfield (14-8) vs. Winner of Carmel/Noblesville

Saturday

Championship game, 7 p.m. **Class 3A Sectional 24 at Connersville**

Tuesday

Yorktown (13-6) vs. New Castle (5-15)

Friday

Connersville (14-7) vs. Yorktown/New Castle winner

Saturday

Championship game 7:30 p.m. **Class 3A Sectional 25 at Lebanon**

Tuesday

Tri-West (11-9) vs. Frankfort (0-20)

Wednesday

Danville (17-5) vs. Crawfordsville (2-17)

Friday

Guerin Catholic (10-9) vs. Tri-West/Frankfort winner

anon winner

Saturday

Championship game, 7 p.m. **Class 2A Sectional 39 at Sheridan**

Tuesday

Taylor (5-16) vs. Lapel (14-8)

Friday

Elwood (12-8) vs. Taylor/Lapel winner

Saturday

Championship game, 7 p.m. **Class 2A Sectional 42 at Monrovia**

Tuesday

Monrovia (13-7) vs. Park Tudor (10-8)

Friday

Indianapolis Riverside (6-8) vs. Monrovia/Park Tudor winner

Saturday

Championship game, 7:30 p.m.

Royals relish in perfect regular season

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern girls completed an undefeated regular season on Tuesday, winning 76-64 at Pike.

The Class 4A No. 1 Royals led 14-8 after the first quarter, then held a 28-21 advantage at halftime. Southeastern turned up its offense even more in the second half, pouring in 48 points. The Royals led 51-

38 after three periods.

Maya Makalusky scored 30 points for Southeastern, also collecting six rebounds. Kennedy Holman added 20 points, five rebounds and four assists.

The Royals finished their regular season with a 22-0 record and play Pike next Tuesday in the first game of Class 4A Sectional 8 at Noblesville.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 76, PIKE 64				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maya Makalusky	10-17	8-11	30	5
Kayla Brinley	3-4	2-2	8	5
Kennedy Holman	5-11	10-11	20	4
Addison Van Hoese	1-3	0-0	2	1
Kayla Stidham	2-8	4-4	9	4
Maine Hooks	1-2	2-2	5	0
Abby Brown	1-3	0-0	2	1
Abby Orme	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ava Kashani	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	23-48	26-30	76	20
Score by Quarters				
Southeastern	14	14	23	25-76
Pike	8	13	17	26-64
Southeastern 3-point shooting (4-18) Makalusky 2-8, Stidham 1-6, Hooks 1-2, Brinley 0-1, Van Hoese 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (22) Makalusky 6, Holman 5, Stidham 4, Hooks 4, Brinley 3, Van Hoese 3, Brown 3, Orme 1.				

Shamrocks swipe Ben Davis to finish regular season

The REPORTER

The Westfield girls basketball team finished its regular season with a 44-31 win over Ben Davis Tuesday at CSI Gymnasium.

The Shamrocks led 21-8 at halftime. Sam Price scored 15 points for Westfield, while Lindsey Van

Dyke scored 10 points.

The 'Rocks are 15-8 for the season. Westfield drew a bye in the first round of Class 4A Sectional 9 at Noblesville; the Shamrocks will play the winner of Tuesday's game between Carmel and Noblesville in the semifinals next Friday, Feb. 7.

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Girls Basketball

Tigers fall to Lawrence North in overtime

The REPORTER

The Fishers girls dropped an overtime game to Lawrence North Tuesday at the Tiger Den, 67-60.

The Wildcats led 13-11 after one quarter and 27-24 at halftime. Riley Schellhammer scored eight points in the first half for the Tigers, including a 5-of-5 effort from the free-throw line in the second quarter. Natalie Thomas scored six points in the first quarter, while Allison Scheu added six in the second period.

Lawrence North led 41-38 after three periods, with Nevaeh Dickman scoring

seven points. Fishers came back to tie the game at 55-55 by the end of regulation. Scheu scored eight points in the fourth and Thomas added five. But the Wildcats outscored Fishers 12-5 in the extra period.

Four Tigers players reached double figures in scoring. Scheu led with 23 points, including four 3-pointers. Thomas totaled 13 points, with Schellhammer and Dickman both adding 12 points.

Fishers is 13-8 and hosts Franklin Central on Friday to finish Hoosier Crossroads Conference and regular-season play.

LAWRENCE NORTH 67, FISHERS 60 (overtime)				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Riley Schellhammer	2	7-7	12	3
Olivia Brookshire	0	0-0	0	2
Nevaeh Dickman	4	4-9	12	5
Allison Scheu	8	3-4	23	4
Natalie Thomas	5	3-4	13	0
Makayla Triplett	0	0-0	0	3
Alanna Anthony	0	0-0	0	2
Totals	19	17-24	60	19
Score by Quarters				
Lawrence North	13	14	14	14
Fishers	11	13	14	17
Fishers 3-pointers (5) Scheu 4, Schellhammer.				

Millers go hard on Anderson

The REPORTER

It didn't take long for Noblesville to make its presence known to the visiting Anderson Indians. Scoring early and often, the Class 4A No. 6 Millers cruised to a 59-27 home win on Tuesday.

Senior Meredith Tippner would score 12 and junior Ally Hutchinson eight in the first on the way to a 25-5 lead.

The second was somewhat similar with a 17-10 advantage on the visitors and Noblesville took a 42-15 score into the locker room at halftime.

The Millers eased throughout the second half, narrowly outscoring the Indians (17-12). Noblesville won its 14th game in a row and 16th in their last

17 outings.

Meredith Tippner led all with a game-high 23 points. The Miss Basketball candidate also hauled in 10 rebounds, dished out eight assists and had seven steals.

Ally Hutchinson scored 13 while shooting 5-for-7, including 3 of 5 from three-point land. The junior also had seven rebounds. C.C. Quigley added nine and six boards, along with three steals. Freshman Maia Blower had eight and four rebounds. Kate Rollins also had four points and three steals.

Noblesville (18-3) hosts Pendleton Heights (16-6) Thursday night in the regular-season finale. The Arabians blew out Shelbyville on Tuesday, 74-13.

NOBLESVILLE 59, ANDERSON 27

Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ally Hutchinson	5-7	0-0	13	1
Maia Blower	3-7	0-0	8	2
Meredith Tippner	9-18	5-6	23	0
Kate Rollins	2-8	0-0	4	2
C.C. Quigley	4-7	0-2	9	1
Ellie Motz	0-1	0-0	0	1
Norah Vctor	0-5	0-0	0	1
Bri Gray	0-3	0-0	0	0
Brookelyn Grayson	0-1	0-0	0	0
Devyn Johnson	0-1	0-0	0	0
Nyla Young	0-0	0-0	0	0
Aleah Magee	1-1	0-0	2	0
Totals	24-59	5-8	59	8
Score by Quarters				
Anderson	5	10	3	9-27
Noblesville	25	17	15	2-59
Noblesville 3-point shooting (6-20) Hutchinson 3-5, Blower 2-3, Quigley 1-1, Rollins 0-4, Tippner 0-3, Vctor 0-2, Gray 0-2. Noblesville rebounds (39) Tippner 10, Hutchinson 7, Quigley 6, Grayson 4, Blower 4, Gray 3, Vctor 2, Motz 1, Young 1, team 1.				

The Millers have won 13 consecutive over Pendleton Heights and hold a 13-5 record in the series.

Boys Basketball

Huskies win their own Invite

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights sixth-grade boys basketball team wrapped up their season last Saturday by playing host to and winning the annual Husky Invite.

"The first round was a rematch against a very good Western team that had beat Heights just a couple of weeks prior," Head Coach Eric Heuer said. "The boys came out on fire and jumped to a quick 16-6 first quarter lead and led by 13 at halftime. The smothering defensive press fueled the offense which took Western by surprise. The second half remained more competitive as Western began to figure out the press. However, in the fourth quarter our Huskies kept their composure and made enough plays down the stretch for the win 42-37."

Coach Heuer added, "For the championship game against the Carmel



Photo provided

The Hamilton Heights sixth-grade boys basketball team closed out its season by a come-from-behind win against the Carmel Greyhounds at the Husky Invite last Saturday.

Greyhounds, the Huskies started off slow with a 9-5 second quarter, the Huskies never looked back and took home the championship with a 49-38 win. It was a great season for the sixth-grade boys team. They improved greatly and the team played as one."

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Jan. 29	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Sheridan at Southmont, 7:30 p.m.	
Thursday, Jan. 30	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
University at Speedway, 6 p.m.	
Hamilton Heights at Heritage Christian, 7:30 p.m.	
Pendleton Heights at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m.	
GYMNASTICS	
Fishers, Lapel, Westfield at Noblesville, 6 p.m. at Hollywood Cheer and Tumble	
Friday, Jan. 31	
BOYS BASKETBALL	
Anderson Prep Academy at University, 7:30 p.m.	
Ben Davis at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.	
Franklin Central at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.	
Hamilton Heights at Tipton, 7:30 p.m.	
Noblesville at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:30 p.m.	
Sheridan at Taylor, 7:30 p.m.	
Westfield at Avon, 7:30 p.m.	
Guerin Catholic at Lafayette Central Catholic, 8 p.m.	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Guerin Catholic at Lafayette Central Catholic, 6 p.m.	
Sheridan at Taylor, 6 p.m.	
Carmel at Ben Davis, 7:30 p.m.	
Franklin Central at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.	
Saturday, Feb. 1	
BOYS BASKETBALL	
Noblesville at Guerin Catholic, 2:30 p.m.	
Carmel at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.	
Covenant Christian at Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.	
Hamilton Southeastern at Pendleton Heights, 7:30 p.m.	
University at Indianapolis Lutheran, 7:30 p.m.	
BOYS WRESTLING SECTIONALS	
Carmel, Fishers, Hamilton Southeastern, Sheridan, Westfield at Frankfort	
Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Heights, Noblesville at Elwood	
GYMNASTICS	
Noblesville at Bloomington South Invitational, noon	
Westfield at Shelbyville, 10 a.m.	
SWIMMING	
Noblesville, Westfield at Hamilton Southeastern Reserve Championships, 9 a.m.	
Monday, Feb. 3	
BOYS BASKETBALL	
University at Bishop Chatard, 7:30 p.m.	
Please email schedule changes or corrections to sports@readthereporter.com .	

Boys Wrestling

Heights JV wrestlers win Tiger Invite

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights Middle School wrestling team traveled to a varsity tournament at Lebanon last Saturday. They returned home as the Tiger Invite Champions with a 5-0 record for the day beating Lutheran (105-9), Taylor (106-10), Guion Greek (108-10), Lebanon (98-15) and Carmel (78-26).

The undefeated wrestlers included Colton Millikan, Landon Sisson, Greyson Cain, Zeke Rice, Kase Powell, Lucas Powers, Braxtyn Baber, Seth Van Hook, Sam Van Hook, and Thiago Zuniga. Those with one loss included Branson Collins, Luke Nichols, Lucas Case, Jameson Mullins, and Co-



Photo provided

The Hamilton Heights Junior Varsity Wrestling Team went undefeated 5-0 to win the 2025 Tiger Invite in Lebanon on Saturday.

per Canada. record," Head Coach Rodney Case said. "We were also able to get in over 30 JV matches throughout the tournament! "It was a great day to be a part of Husky wrestling!"

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