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# See “Dance of the Planets” at Carmel High School Planetarium

**Submitted**  
The Carmel High School Planetarium has announced its next show.  
Come explore the visible planets and beyond of the winter of 2025. Attendees will also investigate some of the moons of the Solar System. The presentation will also include the use

of the star projector to point out bright stars, starforming nebulae, and more.  
“Dance of the Planets” is suitable for audiences of all ages, so bring the entire family.  
[Click here](#) to buy tickets.  
The presentation will take place at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28 in the Carmel High

School Planetarium and will last approximately 45 minutes. Enter through the main entrance of the school on Main Street, walk past the Dale Graham Auditorium, and turn right. Doors will open 30 minutes before show time. *No one will be admitted after the program begins.* Children

aged 12 years and younger should be accompanied by an adult. Recommended for children aged 5 and up.  
[Click here](#) to learn more or call Planetarium Director Keith Turner at (317) 846-7721 ext. 7446, or email [wktur@ccs.k12.in.us](mailto:wktur@ccs.k12.in.us). You can also follow along on X at [@CCSPlanetarium](https://twitter.com/CCSPlanetarium).

# HOPE Family Care Center offers three walk-in medical & flu shot clinics this month

**The REPORTER**  
HOPE Family Care Center, 509 N. Peru St., Cicero, offers free medical, dental, counseling, women’s health, mammography, and diabetes education services to uninsured and medically under-served patients from Hamilton, Tipton, Madison,

and Boone counties.  
As part of its services, HOPE offers free walk-in medical and flu shot clinics, as well as sports physicals, every month. In addition, dental care, counseling, women’s health services, and diabetes education are offered at no charge by ap-

pointment.  
If you are in need of HOPE’s services this month, please visit the clinic at one of the times listed below, or contact HOPE to schedule an appointment.  
• Tuesday, Feb. 11: 6 to 8:30 p.m.  
• Saturday, Feb. 15: 9 to

11:30 a.m.  
• Tuesday, Feb. 25: 6 to 8:30 p.m.  
HOPE Family Care Center is a faith based non-profit free health clinic. For more information, or to ask about an appointment, call (317) 984-3444 or email [hfcicero@gmail.com](mailto:hfcicero@gmail.com).

# Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance announces promotion & welcomes new director of talent management

**The REPORTER**  
Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance welcomes Roz Jester as the company’s director of talent management.  
Jester comes to Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance with a wealth of experience in human resources. Most recently, she was manager of global employee data at Salesforce and before that, she was manager of human resources at GEICO. As the director of talent management at Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, she hopes to foster a culture of growth and empowerment by developing and supporting others.  
“What excites me most about this role is the opportu-

nity to work closely with people again after spending the last three years in the world of systems,” Jester said. “I am deeply passionate about coaching and supporting others in achieving their career goals.”  
Jester lives in Noblesville and holds a bachelor’s



Jester

degree in music from the University of Oklahoma and is a Senior Certified Professional accredited by the Society for Human Resource Management. Outside of work, Jester enjoys reading and traveling with her husband, Ty, and their two children.



## Hello, Hamilton County!

This geezer right here is named Paul Poteet

**Click to play video**

## Community News

Sheridan’s Phi Beta Psi Sorority invites you to . . .

### Euchre Night

Saturday, Feb. 22  
Check-in/dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
Game 7 p.m.  
Cost \$20 (\$5 food + \$15 game)  
Bring \$ to pay the pig  
Located at The Studio on Main  
302 S. Main St., Sheridan

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# COMMUNITY ART EXHIBITION

presented by

## Westfield Mayor’s Council on Disabilities

The Westfield Mayor’s Council on Disabilities (WMCD) in partnership with the City of Westfield is launching a Community Art Exhibition program where individuals with varying disabilities can submit artwork in any form to the council. **Please submit artwork to one of the following locations:**

**Westfield City Services**  
2728 E. 171st Street

**Westfield Washington Township**  
17400 Westfield Blvd.

You can submit artwork at any time to be displayed in the community throughout the year. However, if you’d like your artwork to be featured at the Westfield Sensory Day event at the Westfield Washington Public Library, be sure to submit it by February 24!

Visit [westfieldin.gov/wmcd](http://westfieldin.gov/wmcd) to learn how to get involved!

Westfield  
mayor’s council on disabilities

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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 Mene  
9091 E 126<sup>th</sup> St Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm \$25K  
Fishers, in 46038 Trivia Wed 6pm  
317-842-5944 Breakfast 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 8-11

**Noblesville Post 45** Gil Soria  
273 S 8<sup>th</sup> St Fri 645pm Treasure Hunt  
Noblesville, in 46060  
317-773-9985 Trivia every 1 & 3 Sat 7pm

**Sheridan Post 67** Tom DeShon  
406 E 10<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> St  
Noblesville, In 46060  
317-773-9956

### Non-Profit Veteran Orgs

#### Hamilton County Veterans Corp

P.O. Box 503  
Noblesville, in 46061  
[secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com](mailto:secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com)  
Meets 7pm the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday Monthly at the Fishers American Legion. Our website <https://www.hamiltoncountyveterans.com/> has 40 pages of resources for our Military Veteran community

**Navy Club Ship 29**  
Noblesville, In  
[president@hamiltoncountyveterans.com](mailto:president@hamiltoncountyveterans.com)  
Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs 630pm at Gingers 1804 Conner St Noblesville

## Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers

317-776-9610 Hours – 9am-4pm Weekdays  
CVSO – Tom Logan  
[Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)  
Assistant CVSO – Robin Wilson  
[robin.wilson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:robin.wilson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)  
Assistant CVSO – Caroline Franz  
[caroline.franz@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:caroline.franz@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)  
Admin Assistant – Christina Ellis  
[christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov)



**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.

## Hamilton County Military Veteran

Join the Indy Vet Center for “The Weekly Grind” Every Thursday 10am-noon



We are starting a new coffee time open to ALL veterans weekly here at the Vet Center. This is not counselor led or directed in anyway, it is just an open invitation to have some coffee with your community.

Started February 6<sup>th</sup> and happening every Thursday afterwards from 10am till 12pm (noon)  
Located at the Vet Center  
6330 West 71st St  
Indianapolis, IN 46278  
317-423-1680

Christina Owens  
Veteran Outreach Program Specialist

Indianapolis Vet Center  
317-749-9357- Cell  
317-423-1685- direct  
317-423-1680- main  
6330 W 71<sup>st</sup> St  
Indianapolis, IN 46278

## FREE PGA HOPE Golf for Veterans at Barla Golf Academy in Noblesville - Sign Up NOW!

**PGA HOPE**  
DESIGNED TO INTRODUCE GOLF TO VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL TO ENHANCE THEIR SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING. THIS INCLUSIVE PROGRAM WELCOMES INDIVIDUALS OF ALL AGES, BRANCHES, SERVICE ERAS, GENDERS, AND MILITARY POSTING CAMPAIGNS AND ENJOYMENT ON THE GOLF COURSE. NO GOLF EQUIPMENT IS REQUIRED, BUT IF PARTICIPANTS HAVE THEIR OWN CLUBS OR SPECIALIZED GEAR, THEY ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING THEM.

- NO PRIOR GOLF EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED
- NO VA DISABILITY RATING REQUIRED
- VETERANS DO NOT NEED TO HAVE COMBAT EXPERIENCE OR DEPLOYMENTS TO PARTICIPATE
- ALL EXPENSES RELATED TO PGA HOPE ARE COVERED
- MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 15

**BARLA GOLF ACADEMY**  
14660 HERRIMAN BLVD #600, NOBLESVILLE, IN 46060

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER**

**DATES**

February 22	2:00pm - 3:30pm
March 1	2:00pm - 3:30pm
March 8	2:00pm - 3:30pm
March 15	2:00pm - 3:30pm
March 22	2:00pm - 3:30pm
March 29	2:00pm - 3:30pm

**QUESTIONS?** PLEASE CONTACT INDIANA GOLF DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT, ANDREW JENT  
317.739.3012 [A.JENT@INDIANAGOLF.ORG](mailto:A.JENT@INDIANAGOLF.ORG) [HTTP://INDIANAGOLF.ORG/](http://INDIANAGOLF.ORG/)

## Fishers American Legion Breakfast Buffet...

**9:00am to 12:00pm**

Fishers American Legion Post 470  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC / KID FRIENDLY

**Breakfast Buffet at the Legion!**

Join us the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month!

\$13.00 - Adult / \$7.50 Kids up to 13  
EGGS / SAUSAGE / BACON / HASH BROWNS  
BISCUITS & GRAVY / PANCAKES

## Activities & Events

NARCAN Training Feb 12, 6-730pm  
Juvenile Svcs Ctr 18106 Cumberland Rd

**NARCAN SAVES LIVES TRAINING**

ATTEND A FREE TRAINING SESSION HERE:

JUVENILE SERVICES CENTER  
18106 CUMBERLAND ROAD  
NOBLESVILLE, IN 46060

FEBRUARY 12, 2025  
6:00 P.M.-7:30P.M.



## American Legion & VFW Bar & Restaurant Hours

### Carmel Legion

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

### Carmel VFW

Su-Sa 11a-11p. **Restaurant - Breakfast 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sa 8a-11a, Lunch 11a-2p & food service till 8p daily**

### Cicero Legion

M-Th 3-10p, F-Sa 12-11p, Su 12-10p.  
**Restaurant Tu, W, F 4-8pm, Public P/U Tu-W, F eat in or carry out**

### Fishers Legion

M 3-10p, Tu-Su 12-10pm or when empty.  
**Restaurant Breakfast 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 9-12, Food 12-8 Tu, 5-9 W, 12-9 Th, F 3-8 Sa, 12-5 Su**

### Noblesville Legion

M-Th 11a-10p, F 11a-12p, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p  
**Restaurant M 6-8pm wings, Tu-F 530-830p, Sat 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12 Breakfast 730-930a Dinner 530-830p, Su 12-8p**

### Noblesville VFW

M-Th 11a-10p, F 11a-12a, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p  
**Restaurant M-F 6-9p**

### Sheridan Legion

M 3-9p, Tu-Th 11-9p, F Sa 11-10p, Su 1-6p  
**Restaurant Lunch Tu-F 11a-2p, food service till close**



**In The Eller House**  
7050 E 116th St, Suite 100  
Fishers, IN 46038

**Contact**  
[recoverycafehcn@gmail.com](mailto:recoverycafehcn@gmail.com)  
<https://recoverycafehcn.com>

**Hours**  
Mon, Wed, Thurs: 4pm-8pm  
Fri: 10am - 3pm

**SUPPORT WITH:**

- Substance Use Recovery
- Mental Health Challenges
- Trauma, Loss, Grief
- Life Transitions

### BENEFITS

Free Membership  
Coffee, Snacks, Meals  
Weekly Recovery Circle  
Monthly Social Events  
Community Resources



## Purple Star School Program – Invite Your School to Join

Purple Star Schools are public or charter schools who have shown a commitment to supporting the unique academic and social-emotional needs of military-connected children and their families during times of transition.

Purple Star Schools. Take the Step.



**Tuesdays at Pasto**  
**1/2 price appetizers**  
**AND \$2 off specialty cocktails**  
*Dine-In Only On Any Tuesday*

**317-804-2051**

**3150 East State Rd. 32, Westfield**

**Catering: [PastoItalianoWestfield@gmail.com](mailto:PastoItalianoWestfield@gmail.com)**



# Summit empowers Indiana students to make a difference as Black leaders

By MELEA VanOSTRAND  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

A group of young leaders on Friday made an impact in central Indiana.

Fishers High School's Future Black Leaders student organization hosted its seventh annual Black Leadership Summit in Shelton Auditorium at Butler University.

Jayden Rucker, a senior who is president of Fishers High School's Future Black Leaders, said, "This isn't really an experience I get a lot, and I think that's also a feeling that a lot of people here share, and I think that's one of the reasons why we do this, to give people that experience they typically don't have. It's really empowering and inspiring."

He hopes to see more Black students across Indiana become empowered to get out and take to help within the community. "After I leave (the yearly summits), I just feel really motivated to go out and do something in my community."

Over 350 students from 16 predominately white central Indiana schools gathered at the private university in Indianapolis. The students had discussions and workshops on leadership, career readiness, and social justice.

Gianna Fowler from



Fishers High School has come to the last few Future Black Leaders summits and now helps organize it as a co-chair. "Not everybody gets this type of opportunity, so to be able to not only be a part of this event, but help with it and just be a person that someone can look up to is just amazing, and that's what I want to take away."

A group of students at Fishers High School started Future Black Leaders in 2016, and it's grown to include other predominantly white schools. The group's goal is to promote racial equality and make a difference.

Khalilah Marbury, vice president and chief diversity officer at Butler University, says many students have concerns as they see several changes with diversity,



(TOP) Fishers High School's Future Black Leaders student organization on Feb. 7 hosted its seventh annual Black leadership summit in Shelton Auditorium at Butler University in Indianapolis. (ABOVE) Jayden Rucker, a senior, is president of Fishers High School's Future Black Leaders.

equity and inclusion in the workplace and at schools. "It is part of our founding mission to ensure access and equity for all, and this is just one example of the support that we will continue to

offer to our community."

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/multi-cultural-news/fishers-high-school-future-black-leaders-summit-2025](http://wishtv.com/news/multi-cultural-news/fishers-high-school-future-black-leaders-summit-2025).

# Special Olympics Indiana Polar Plunges coming to Fishers & Indianapolis

## The REPORTER

Special Olympics Indiana's Polar Plunge returns 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 Plungers 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 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 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](http://PolarPlungeIN.org) to learn more about the 2025 Polar Plunge events, register, and donate to participants.

# Motown, metal & magnificent pups coming to Paramount Theatre in Anderson in 2025

## The REPORTER

The historic Paramount Theatre, alongside Presenting Sponsor Community Hospital Anderson, announces the addition of four new shows to the 2025 calendar – The Drifters, The Platters, & Cornell Gunter's Coasters, That Arena Rock Show, Puppy Pals Live, and Jim Curry: A Tribute to the Music of John Denver. Tickets are on sale now at [AndersonParamount.org](http://AndersonParamount.org).

**The Drifters, The Platters & Cornell Gunter's Coasters**  
**Friday, Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m.**

It's not a concert, it's a party. Spend a nostalgic evening saluting three of the world's most beloved musical groups who were instrumental in creating the rock 'n' roll and doo wop sound.

The Drifters ("This Magic Moment"), The Platters ("Only You"), and Cornell Gunter's Coasters ("Yakety Yak") have been associated with more than 40 of the top classic songs in rock 'n' roll history, delivering their hits the same way you remember hearing them on the radio. Tickets start at \$25.

**That Arena Rock Show**  
**Thursday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m.**

That Arena Rock Show is the ultimate high-energy, theatrical tribute to classic rock 'n' roll. The band performs legendary rock anthems that ruled the airwaves in the '70s and '80s, featuring artists like Led Zeppelin, Aerosmith, AC/DC, Bon Jovi, and Guns N' Roses. This rock show is more than just music – it's an experience. Tickets start at \$20.

**Puppy Pals Live: The Action-Packed Comedic Stunt Dog Show**  
**Saturday, Oct. 18 at 7:30 p.m.**

As seen on *America's Got Talent*, Puppy Pals Live is a family fun action-packed show where adopted and rescued dogs perform spectacular stunts and breathtaking feats. Watch as Puppy Pals Live leads the puppies and audience through challenging and comical tricks as the pooches show everyone who is really boss. Full of canine stunts and laugh-out-loud canine comedy, it is no surprise this show has been a hit all over the USA. Tickets start at \$15.

**Jim Curry: A Tribute to the Music of John Denver**  
**Thursday, Nov. 6 at 7 p.m.**  
Celebrate the timeless

music of John Denver with Jim Curry, a talented singer and performer who brings the legendary artist's songs to life. With his uncanny resemblance to Denver and a voice that captures the essence of the beloved singer, Curry showcases Denver's most iconic hits, including "Country Roads," "Rocky Mountain High," and "Sunshine on My Shoulders." Tickets start at \$19.

**Current Paramount Theatre Lineup**

- FOREVER SEGER – Saturday, Feb. 15
- Marshall Charloff & The Purple xPeRience – Saturday, March 8
- Tommy James and The Shondells – Saturday, March 29

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## Letter to the Editor

# Corbett responds to Aaron Smith

Dear Editor:

Aaron Smith, I'm sorry but I can't resist the urge to respond any longer. The hypocrisy of your recent letter is too much to let go without a challenge.

You rhapsodize about the human touch of the courthouse square and criticize another community for out of scale development while our city makes the same mistakes here with the often-unanimous blessing of our city leaders, including you.

Consider:

- Just a few weeks ago you and all of your City Council colleagues voted to demolish a building right on the courthouse square that was a perfect example of the small-scale development you claim to support. It is now gone, leaving an empty lot.

- The city consistently subsidizes blockbuster buildings like the Levinson, Federal Hill and East Bank, that are completely out of scale with what you claim to be the appeal of our downtown. Many of their storefronts are empty because they are so impersonal.

- The city demolished an entire intersection of a walkable, mixed-use neighborhood and replaced it with a roundabout desert just a few blocks from the square as part of the poorly designed Pleasant Street bypass.

None of these projects foster human connection. So, forgive me for questioning your commitment to human-scale details and enhancing the fabric of our community. I agree those are laudable goals. The problem is the city, of which you are a part, isn't putting its money where its mouth is. It talks a good game but doesn't deliver. The prospect of our city leaders putting their mark on the courthouse square is absolutely frightening when you consider what they've done so far.

Several years ago, the mayor asked my opinion on the new streetscape plan for downtown. I suggested he leave the square alone and focus on the areas that need work, like Logan Street west of the bridge, and the riverfront. Obviously, he didn't care for my suggestion as the city has done nothing on either front. And now the streetscape plan seems to be back on the agenda.

Aaron, if you truly embrace the human scale of our courthouse square, then start envisioning how you can preserve it and expand its footprint. Stop voting to tear down buildings that contribute to it. Stop voting to subsidize buildings that detract from it. Study what makes the square appealing and vote to make more spaces like that. Very few communities are doing that these days and Noblesville can distinguish itself if we start.

Mike Corbett

Noblesville

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## Meeting Notices

The Carmel Plan Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2025, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

The Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Hamilton County Airport Authority Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2025, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Noblesville Common Council will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025, in the Council Chamber at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

## — CICERO/JACKSON TOWNSHIP —

### Legal Notice

#### Board of zoning appeals

The Cicero/Jackson Township Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on February 20th, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the Cicero Town Hall located at 70 N Byron Street, Cicero, Indiana 46034, in order to hear the following petitions:

#### Docket No. BZA-0225-08-A-G

A Land Use Variance application has been submitted regarding the property located at 2860 and 3124 East 266th Street, Arcadia IN, 46034 to allow an Agritourism Ranch and Winery with retail sales and outdoor seating in the "AG" district. Whereas: Article 3.1 of the Cicero/Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance does not list Agritourism Ranch and Winery with retail sales and outdoor seating as a Permitted Use or a Special Exception Use in the "AG" district.

Project Address: 2860 E 266th Street / 3124 E 266th Street, Arcadia, IN 46030  
Legal Description: Acreage 23.49 Section 18, Township 20, Range 4  
Parcel number: 03-02-18-00-00-0000

The petition may be examined at the office of the Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, 331 E. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034.

Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing. Comments may be mailed to Cicero/Jackson Planning Commission at P.O. Box 650 Cicero, IN 46034. Comments may also be dropped off in the Cicero Utilities payment drop box located at 331 E. Jackson St. Cicero, IN. Comments may also be emailed to [fzawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov](mailto:fzawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov) Comments must be received by 3:00 pm on the date of the hearing. Written comments will be read aloud during the public hearing and entered into the record of the Hearing.

The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.  
Petitioner's Name: Christopher & Catherine Lammer  
Date: January 22nd, 2025

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#### Docket No. BZA-0225-04-DC

A Development Standards Variance Application has been submitted concerning Article 10 of the Cicero/Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance – Permanent Projecting Sign Standards in order to: allow a projecting sign taller than fifteen (15) feet; to allow two (2) projecting signs and to allow a projecting sign to protrude more than eighteen (18) inches from the wall it is attached. Whereas Article 10 states that a projecting sign shall not be taller than fifteen (15) feet; that the maximum quantity shall be one (1) per tenant and shall not protrude more than eighteen (18) inches from the wall it is attached.

Project Address: 109 W Jackson Street, Cicero, IN 46034  
Legal Description: Acreage 00.00 Section 1, Township 19, Range 4  
Parcel number: 05-06-014-02-05-003.001

The petition may be examined at the office of the Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, 331 E. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034.

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The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.  
Petitioner's Name: Stettin Cicero, LLC  
Date: January 15th, 2025

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2/8/25, 2/10/25

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#### Board of zoning appeals

The Cicero/Jackson Township Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on February 20th, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the Cicero Town Hall located at 70 N Byron Street, Cicero, Indiana 46034, in order to hear the following petitions:

#### Docket No. BZA-0225-07-R1

A Development Standards Variance application has been submitted for 87 Cedar Lane, Cicero IN, 46034 regarding Article 7.5 of the Cicero Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance to: allow an accessory structure to extend in front of the primary structure. Whereas Article 7.5 Accessory Structures (AS-02) of the Cicero Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance states that an accessory structure shall only be to the side or rear of the primary structure.

Project Address: 87 Cedar Lane, Cicero, IN 46034  
Legal Description: Acreage 6.20 Section 11, Township 19, Range 4  
Parcel number: 03-06-11-03-02-008.000

The petition may be examined at the office of the Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission, 331 E. Jackson St., Cicero, IN 46034.

Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing. Comments may be mailed to Cicero/Jackson Planning Commission at P.O. Box 650 Cicero, IN 46034. Comments may also be dropped off in the Cicero Utilities payment drop box located at 331 E. Jackson St. Cicero, IN. Comments may also be emailed to [fzawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov](mailto:fzawadzki@townofcicero.in.gov) Comments must be received by 3:00 pm on the date of the hearing. Written comments will be read aloud during the public hearing and entered into the record of the Hearing.

The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.  
Petitioner's Name: Ben & Carrie VanAlstine  
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# High expectations welcome at Booth Tarkington Theatre

By CARRIE NEAL  
*A Seat on the Aisle*

With Valentine's Day fast approaching, it's the perfect time to present a classic love story – and what a love story!

*Pride & Prejudice* has become so beloved as to have almost become ubiquitous, and all fans have their favorite version. Many viewers of a certain age fondly recall the iconic moment when Colin Firth removed his shirt to dive into the lake in the BBC adaptation, and my daughter has watched the Kiera Knightley version more times than I can count. Then there are the contemporary takes on the story, such as *Bridget Jones's Diary*, starring Renee Zellweger and you guessed it, Colin Firth.

As with any revered piece of art, people will come in with high expectations, and happily, Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre and director Emily Rogge Tzucker are able to meet those expectations handily. One feels a sense of familiarity as the lights come up: in addition to the well-known material, the jewel-toned colors on the backdrop, the spare set pieces,

and the transition by a string quartet playing modern pop songs have been used before on the Civic stage to great effect and are very impactful here, as well.

Costume design by Adrienne Conces is ingenious, with smart jackets for daytime buttoned over the ladies' gowns, which can be removed onstage when they go to a ball (this happens fairly often). The gentlemen wear the appropriately Regency-styled clothing with panache.

The story, of course, revolves around the spark between Elizabeth Bennet and Mr. Darcy, and in Carly Kirby and Tanner Brunson, director Tzucker has found her perfect match. The tempestuous nature of their relationship entertains from the moment of their first encounter, and becomes truly moving by the time of the show's denouement. As the secondary leads, Julia Ammons is a simply lovely Jane Bennet and is well-matched with Louis Soria, who is a delightful Mr. Bingley.

Standouts within a strong cast: as Mr. Collins, Matt Anderson delights as always, with over-the-top gestures and physicality that somehow seem just



Photo provided by Civic Theatre  
**Tanner Brunson as Mr. Darcy and Carly Kirby as Elizabeth Bennet.**

right. Kelsey VanVoorst, usually cast in comedic roles, is humorous here as well but also has some wonderfully touching moments in their portrayal of Charlotte Lucas. And finally, Daniel Wilke is a debonair breath of fresh air as Mr. Wickham.

I have only one quibble with this darling production, and that is the bells. I've been told that they're part of the script, but all of the characters ringing little bells throughout the course of the play proved to be quite a distraction, particularly during act two; every time I was swept away on a wave of emotion (and I did tear up at least twice),

the bells would start ringing again and kill the mood, sometimes even obscuring dialogue. Very interesting choice by author/adapter Kate Hamill.

But this is still a stellar production and a must-see for both fans of Jane Austen and those yet to become familiar with her work. And it goes without saying, this would be an ideal choice for a Valentine's date night.

*Pride & Prejudice* runs Feb. 7 to 22 at the Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre on the Knebel Stage. Tickets are available online at [civictheatre.org](http://civictheatre.org).

Read more great play reviews from *A Seat on the Aisle* at [asota.wordpress.com](http://asota.wordpress.com).

# Mayor talks of how South Korea hotel developer came to find Westfield

By REYNA REVELLE  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

Big changes are on the horizon for Westfield as one of South Korea's most prominent hotel developers looks to invest a remarkable \$50 million in the Hamilton County city.

Republican Mayor Scott Willis is optimistic that the new South Korean

hotel will have amenities including meeting spaces to help attract more business to Westfield.

**"As Samsung started taking off in Kokomo,** we started seeing more of their employees either staying temporarily on contract or settling here in Westfield to make it home from Korea. It probably has to do with our school districts,



Willis

and it's a great place to live and raise kids," Willis said.

Westfield city government aims to establish international ties with South Korea through a Sister Cities program. Willis and key city officials will travel to South Korea in March. Talks will focus on a cultural exchange to enhance education, tourism, and economic growth.

The mayor said, "We are starting to get a lot of interest from Korea in Westfield thanks to many investments in Kokomo with Samsung. A city there is considered the 'sports city' for them, with many sport-type businesses and opportunities that mirror not quite like Grand Park but the same type of synergy. Westfield is a bedroom community; we're trying to change that landscape. We're courting several corporate headquarters right now and showing we can have a hotel like this."

**WISHTV.com first reported about the hotel earlier this week.**

*This story was originally published by WISH-TV at [wishtv.com/news/politics/south-korea-hotel-westfield-indiana-mayor-interview](http://wishtv.com/news/politics/south-korea-hotel-westfield-indiana-mayor-interview).*

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# Governor Braun keeps the promises he makes

Every year, as State Treasurer, I visit all 92 counties to hear directly from Hoosiers about their concerns and what our state government can do to improve their lives. And everywhere I travel across the state, there is Mike Braun, listening to Hoosiers talk about their concerns.

In just a few short weeks in office, Governor Braun has made it clear that the complex challenges our state faces will no longer be an excuse for state government inaction. As a small government conservative, I fully support his vision for a streamlined, accountable, responsive government that allows Hoosiers to keep more money in their pockets and his desire to reduce unnecessary regulations that stifle growth and drive up costs for Hoosier families and businesses.

I come from Martinsville, so I know the importance of supporting the



DANIEL ELLIOTT  
Indiana Treasurer

hard-working men and women of our rural communities. They face unique challenges. Governor Braun and I are committed to being their voice at the Statehouse. Any statewide elected official who spends time with their constituents has heard that property taxes are one of the biggest concerns for Hoosiers across our state. However, few politicians have been courageous enough to step forward with reforms that protect the funding of local government's essential needs, like public safety and infrastructure, while also providing relief to taxpayers. Governor Braun's clear support for property tax reform proves he has the strength and will to do what is right for Hoosiers.

What's most refreshing is that Governor Braun's approach is the opposite of many in Washington. He wants to get things done and make government accountable. His executive

orders will lead to 5 percent savings across state agencies, cut 25 percent of regulations across the board, and bring government workers back to the office. He understands that every dollar saved, every reform enacted, and every barrier removed translates directly to a better quality of life for Hoosiers. Unlike in Washington, where gridlock often prevents real solutions, Indiana has the opportunity to lead with a results-driven agenda.

As State Treasurer, I work every day on managing the funds for two of Indiana's newest school choice programs, and I could not be more excited to work with a governor dedicated to ensuring that all Hoosier families have access to the highest quality education. The Governor's support for programs our office manages, like Indiana Education Scholarship Accounts (INESA) and Career Scholarship Accounts (CSA), shows he is serious about revamping our state's approach to education to put parents back in the driver's seat and sets our next gener-

ation up for success. I look forward to working with Governor Braun to make education in our state the best in the nation.

These important issues – property taxes, government efficiency, and education – are only the tip of the iceberg. Governor Braun's time in business and at all levels of government has given him the experience necessary to address issues that families talk about at their kitchen tables across our state.

One thing that has become evident through the Governor's successes in business, the Statehouse, and Washington, D.C., is that a promise made by Mike Braun is a promise kept, and our state could not be in better hands going forward. As State Treasurer, my office will continue to partner with Governor Braun to ensure no Hoosier is forgotten. By listening to people over politicians, Governor Braun will lead Indiana to its best future.

*Daniel Elliott serves as the Indiana Treasurer of State.*

# Indiana must protect employer-driven health care choices

Across Indiana, businesses of all sizes work hard to provide quality, affordable health benefits for their employees and their families. But recent efforts – both at the state and federal levels – threaten to take those choices away.

Legislation like **Indiana Senate Bill 140** and **House Bill 1606** introduced last month, along with misguided proposals being considered in Congress, unfairly target pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) under the guise of reform. These efforts would strip employers of the tools they rely on to offer quality prescription drug coverage at an affordable price, ultimately raising costs for businesses and workers.

Employers and their employees are the first ones to feel the growing costs of health care, and they depend on PBMs to push back against those increases. PBMs play a critical role in our healthcare system, helping health plan sponsors offer the pharmacy benefits their employees need at a price the employees can afford. On average, PBMs save employers and families **\$1,040** per person each year by leveraging their scale to negotiate lower prices and rebates. As a result, PBMs make it possible for businesses to offer high-quality, affordable benefits while keeping premiums and out-of-pocket costs in check. PBMs give employers flexibility and a wide range of choices so that each health plan sponsor can design the benefits that best suit their needs. A national **survey** of nearly 700 employers found that “88 percent of survey respondents expressed satisfaction with their PBMs’ ability to provide the lowest costs for employees at the pharmacy counter.”

The value of PBMs extends far beyond employers and those who rely on prescription medications. The University of Chicago Economics Professor Casey Mulligan found that PBMs create an annual \$145 billion value for society. Mulligan's research highlights that PBMs' impact goes beyond the employer-PBM-patient relationship. They benefit the entire healthcare system – including drug manufacturers, pharmacies, and government programs – by introducing cost-saving mechanisms and competition that help lower prices.

However, lawmakers are targeting PMBs and creating a spider web of regulations to disable them. Proposals



GUEST COLUMNIST  
JIM MERRITT

like spread-pricing bans, government-mandated pass-through pricing, and “delinking” policies would strip away these cost-saving mechanisms, leaving businesses with fewer choices and higher expenses. These misguided policies claim to help patients, but in reality, they would increase healthcare costs by over **\$26 billion** annually – a devastating hit for small businesses, workers, and families.

Legislation like SB 140, considered in Indiana, would add a \$10.64 tax on many prescriptions filled in the state and even ban employers from offering specific lower-cost pharmacy options, such as mail-order. Mail-order is a convenient and affordable option that helps patients stay on the medicines they need by ensuring they get their prescriptions delivered right to their doors.

As someone who spent years in the Indiana legislature, I know the importance of allowing businesses to operate with flexibility and market-driven solutions. Employers – not government mandates – should decide how to structure their health benefits. When companies have the freedom to choose the best options for their employees, they can better control costs, improve coverage, and provide stability for their workforce.

Weakening PBMs would force businesses to make difficult decisions – either absorb higher healthcare costs, shift those costs to employees through higher premiums and out-of-pocket expenses, or reduce their benefits altogether. None of these outcomes help working families.

Instead of interfering with employer-driven health plans, policymakers should strengthen the private market and ensure businesses retain the tools to keep health care affordable. Indiana's workers and employers deserve policies that protect their benefits, not those that make coverage more expensive and complicated to access.

Legislators should reject harmful policies undermining employer choice and free-market competition in health care. The right approach is straightforward: support businesses, protect the private market, and preserve the flexibility that keeps prescription drug costs under control for Hoosier families.

*Jim Merritt is a former member of the Indiana State Senate, serving 30 years.*

# New year, new recalls

## Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita warns consumers about products recalled in January

**The REPORTER**

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is alerting Hoosiers to important consumer protection concerns for products recalled in January. The office is encouraging consumers to take advantage of opportunities available to them to return, fix, dispose, or replace a purchased recalled item that could be harmful to their families.

“Hoosiers shouldn't have to worry about faulty or dangerous items in their own homes,” AG Rokita said. “Indiana residents deserve protection from products that, for whatever reason, are not reliable or may even cause injury. If you have one of the recalled products, stop using it and pursue resolution from the manufacturer.”

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the following consumer products were recalled in January:

- **Pearhead** Recalls Infant Learning Toy Sets Due to Choking Hazard; Violation of Federal Regulations for Rattles
- **AMX Global** Recalls Portable Folding Stadium Seats Due to Fall and Injury Hazards
- **Cozchique Tebbis**, and **Beeziac Girls** Pajamas Recalled Due to Burn Hazard; Violation of Federal Flammability Regulations; Sold Exclusively on Amazon by Tupop
- **AliExpress** Recalls Multi Styler Hair Dryers Due to Electrocution or Shock Hazards; Sold on AliEx-

press.com

- **Greater Goods** Recalls Digital Kitchen Scales Due to Ingestion Hazard; Violations of Reese's Law Federal Safety Regulations for Consumer Products with Coin Batteries and Child Resistant Coin Battery Packaging
- **Cabinet Health** Recalls 4 oz. Refillable Medicine Bottles Due to Failure to Retain Child-Resistance; Risk of Child Poisoning
- **Johnson Health Tech** North America Recalls Matrix-Brand Training Cycles Due to Fall Hazard
- **SHEIN Distribution Corporation** Recalls Teckwe Hair Dryer Brushes Due to Electrocution or Shock Hazard
- **ChrisDowa** Roller Window Shades Recalled Due to Strangulation and Entanglement Hazards; Violation of Federal Regulations for Window Coverings; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com by Shaoxingkeqiao Nenghaozhengfang
- **GiantMouse** Recalls GM12 and GMP12 Folding Knives Due to Laceration Hazard
- **Duluth Trading Company** Recalls Children's Holiday Pajama Sets Due to Burn Hazard; Violation of Federal Flammability Regulations for Children's Sleepwear; Sold Exclusively by Duluth Trading Company
- **NQDTPBOR** Helmets Recalled Due to Risk of Head



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Injury; Violation of Federal Regulations for Bicycle Helmets; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com by TP-BOR

- **Vornado** Air Recalls VH2 Whole Room Heaters Due to Electric Shock and Fire Hazards; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com
- **Veyer** Recalls WorkPro Office Chairs Due to Fall Hazard
- **Ivy City** Recalls Children's Pajamas Due to Burn Hazard; Violation of Federal Flammability Regulations; Sold Exclusively by Ivy City
- **Three61** Recalls Samurai Mini Smoke Alarms Due to Failure to Alert Consumers to a Fire; Sold Exclusively by HSN
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- **Yaomiao** Children's Jewelry Sets Recalled Due to Risk of Lead and Cadmium Poisoning; Violations of the Federal Lead Content Ban and Federal Hazardous Substances Act; Sold Exclusively on Amazon by LordRoads
- **Eueqee Wintergreen** Essential Oils Recalled Due to Risk of Poisoning; Violation of the Poison Prevention Packaging Act; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com by DLWL-US

If you recently purchased a recalled product, stop using it and check its recall notice. Then follow the notice's instructions, including where to return the product, how to get the product fixed, how to dispose of the product, how to receive a refund for the product, or what steps must be taken to receive a replacement product.

For more details and to see recalls issued prior to January, visit **CPSC.gov/recalls**.

# Indiana American Water launches water & environment grant program

**The REPORTER**

Indiana American Water has launched the **American Water Charitable Foundation** 2025 Water and Environment Grant Program. The Foundation invites community partners to apply for grants that promote clean water, conservation, environmental education, climate variability, and water-based recreation projects.

In 2024, the American Water Charitable Foundation awarded a combined total of \$1 million to 59 organizations in 11 states, supporting organizations located in communities served by American Water.

Last year in Indiana, Friends of Sugar Creek in

Crawfordsville requested funding to help promote their community-wide water quality program titled, “MOCO Adopt a Storm Drain.” The program seeks to engage community members to continuously monitor, and clear storm drains from litter, yard waste, and other debris. Clearing street drains reduces pollution that enter waterways like nearby Sugar Creek.

“The American Water Charitable Foundation is proud to work collaboratively Indiana American Water and launch the Water and Environment Grant Program, supporting impactful initiatives and programs across the nation,” said Carrie Williams, Pres-

ident of the American Water Charitable Foundation. “Our charitable focus to Keep Communities Flowing empowers communities to learn how every drop counts while engaging local organizations on the importance of protecting this vital resource.”

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TODAY’S BIBLE READING

THE RADIANT FACE OF MOSES

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the Lord had given him on Mount Sinai.

When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. But whenever he entered the Lord’s presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord.

Exodus 34:29-35 (NIV)

Frank John Kriz

January 19, 1951 – January 31, 2025

Frank John Kriz of Noblesville passed away on January 31, 2025, at Copper Trace nursing home at the age of 74 surrounded by family and loved ones. Born on January 19, 1951, in Chicago, Ill., Frank was the son of Frank and Lillian (Ceferin) Kriz, who preceded him in death.

He dedicated his early career to serving others as both a firefighter and paramedic. His later pursuits led him into emergency management and he retired as a consultant for Homeland Security. His commitment to education was evident in the multiple master’s degrees he earned, including time spent studying in seminary. A devout Christian, Frank was always eager to share his faith with those around him.

Frank found joy in life’s simple pleasures, from playing solitaire to indulging in sweet desserts. Above all, he cherished time spent with his family. He is survived by his loving wife, Shirley Cecil-Kriz; brother, John (Ursula) Kriz; twin daughters, Shawna (Patrick) and Johanna (Mario); grandchildren, Noah, Emily, and Gabriel; niece, Tracey (James); and several cousins.

Additionally, Frank embraced his role as parent and grandparent to Shirley’s three children, John, Donald, and Sunrise (Jason), as well as their children, Chelsea (David), Ryder, Sophia (Ryan), River, and Jacob. He was also blessed as a great-grandparent to Lily, Colton, and Hallie.

Frank’s legacy of service, faith, and love for family will be remembered by all who knew him. May his memory bring comfort to those he leaves behind.

Memorial Services will be held at Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 4850 E. Main St., Carmel, on February 22, 2025, with visitation at 10 a.m. and memorial service at 11 a.m.

Condolences: [randallroberts.com](http://randallroberts.com)



Theresa Anne Mickler

July 20, 1948 – February 1, 2025

Theresa Anne Mickler, 76, passed away peacefully in her sleep on February 1, 2025, at 7:05 p.m. at Baptist Hospital Floyd in New Albany, Ind. Born on July 20, 1948, in Indianapolis, Theresa was proud of her 30 years of service at the Army Finance Center, Ft. Benjamin Harrison.

A devout Catholic, Theresa attended Christ the King and Our Lady of Mount Carmel parochial schools, Chataud High School, and Indiana University. She was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church until moving to Sellersburg to be closer to her son, having previously lived in Greenfield, Wis.; Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire, and College Park, Md.

A nature lover, Theresa enjoyed the many beautiful Indiana State Parks throughout her life and took full advantage when Fort Harrison State Park opened near her home, finding peace and joy there. From a young age her interests included art, literature, creative writing, and music, ranging from jazz and blues to folk and classical. Theresa also appreciated some of the “finer” things in life, including fruit cake, soda, and black jelly beans. An avid sports fan, she enjoyed watching any sport on TV, especially horse racing and the Indy 500.

Theresa was preceded in death by her former husband, Robert Mickler, and her parents, Dr. John R. Kenney and Jo Anne Kenney-Salb. She is survived by her twin sons, Chris Mickler-Lemelle (Sam) of Austin, Texas, and Patrick Mickler (Daniel) of Louisville, Ky.; her sister, Kathleen McCrillis (Steven); her brothers, Brendan Kenney and Kevin Kenney; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews; and cousins.

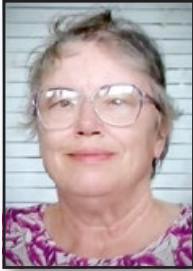
Theresa will be remembered for her love of family, her devotion to her faith, and her appreciation for the beauty of the natural world.

Visitation was held on Friday, February 7 at Randall and Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, February 8 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church, 4650 Shadeland Ave., Indianapolis. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Cemetery, 9700 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis, after the Mass.

Memorial contributions may be made in Theresa’s name to Susan G. Komen ([search.app/cCDatBGiVxbjgkuY8](http://search.app/cCDatBGiVxbjgkuY8)), and the National Alliance to Mental Illness (NAMI) Indiana ([namiindiana.org](http://namiindiana.org)).

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## Girls Basketball

# Rocks learn lesson, upset Millers to advance

By **RICHARD TORRES**  
For The Reporter

**NOBLESVILLE** – Westfield senior Aubrey Crockett hauled in her 12th defensive rebound Friday night, and fittingly the 5-foot-9 guard dribbled out the clock in celebration.

Unable to beat Class 4A No. 10 Noblesville at the Mill during the regular season, 53-51, on Dec. 21, Crockett and the unranked Shamrocks learned their lesson and applied it in the rematch during the Sectional 8 semifinals.

The Shamrocks (16-8) jumped out to a quick 18-point lead in the first quarter, which put the host Millers (19-5) in a deep hole, and the defense held strong, as Westfield upset Noblesville, 61-52, to advance into tonight's sectional title game at 7:05 p.m. against No. 1 Hamilton Southeastern (24-0).

Westfield ran out to a 7-0 lead after winning the opening tip and led 21-3 before the Millers could attempt to mount a comeback in the final three quarters.

Crockett finished with a modest four points, but her additional contributions were difficult to match including 13 rebounds, a block and a game-high nine assists.

One of the many Rocks to benefit from Crockett's decisive distribution was junior Audra Parker, a 5-10 forward, who converted 4 of 4 jumpers from beyond the arc en route to a team-high 17 points.

In their first meeting this season, the Shamrocks held a double-digit lead against the Millers, but the margin dissipated resulting in a one-possession loss.

Not this time. "We were just more confident this time. Last time, we weren't as confident, and we got scared. This time, we were like, 'No, we can do this.' We just believed in ourselves," Crockett said.

The Rocks, who drew the first-round bye, were

more than prepared for Noblesville's 1-3-1 zone and press. The solution was rapid ball movement and high-percentage shooting, which they displayed to net the program's first win over the Millers since 2021-22.

"We talked a lot about moving the basketball against them. Obviously, when anyone plays a zone, you want to try to shift it as much as you possibly can and get them moving, get the ball moving," Westfield coach Kelsey Steele said. "Aubrey does that for us. It's a lot of things. Sometimes, it's a lot of things that don't show up in the stat sheet."

Crockett quarterbacked an offensive attack that shot 63 percent from the field, 43 percent from 3-point range (6 of 14) and out rebounded the Millers 30-15.

Westfield led 34-25 by halftime and never let the Millers get any closer than five points in the second half.

"If you look back at our last game, we went up by about 15, and they ended up scoring 16 points off of our 19 turnovers, so we talked a lot about that this week," Steele said. "We still weren't perfect at it, and it's really hard when Meredith Tippner is running around up top, and she's creating turnovers, but I felt like our kids responded to that."

Westfield had 16 turnovers with four steals by Tippner, who put the Millers on her back with a 12-point second quarter and 11-point third to finish with a game-high 33 points and five rebounds.

Tippner cut the Millers' deficit to six points behind a 5-0 run she engineered to end the third quarter. She had five points in the fourth quarter before fouling out in the game's final 32.3 seconds as the program's single-season scoring record holder.

The Miami (Florida) commit ended her senior season with 623 points through 24 games, one bet-



Photos by Julie Montgomery

(ABOVE LEFT) Westfield's MaKayla Hatcher scored 12 points for the Shamrocks during their Sectional semifinal win over Noblesville on Friday. (ABOVE RIGHT) Meredith Tippner scored 33 points for Noblesville, finishing her senior year as the Millers' single-season scoring record holder.

ter than Ashlynn Shade (622 in 26 contests in 2020-21). Overall, Tippner amassed 1,779 career points behind Courtney Cox (1,869 from 1986-89).

"It was tough tonight. You go on a run, but you're still down. It's tough to get back, but you always leave everything on the court. That's never been a problem with this group. I know we would fight to the end, and that's what made this season so special and made the feeling we all feel right now hurt a little bit more," Tippner said.

"This community, this town, it's meant a lot to me. I'm super excited to see what college brings, and if I can have a group that supports me as much as this group did, then I'll be so lucky. I'm super grateful to have been a part of this."

Junior C.C. Quigley had 11 points and seven rebounds. She buried the Millers' final bucket with 39.4 remaining to narrow the gap, 58-52, but Westfield junior MaKayla Hatcher and

senior Lindsey Van Dyke combined to shoot 3-for-4 from the foul line to end the game.

Hatcher had 12 points, and Van Dyke added 13 points. Senior Samantha Price provided 10 points and nine rebounds.

"We kind of felt like we let one slip out of our hands when we were here the last time, so it was one of those things where we knew we were capable, and they showed up and performed tonight," Steele said. "We talk to our kids about how they're not really losses, they're lessons. How can we learn from them? I know that's a cliché, but there's a lot of truth to it. We wanted to find a way not to lose the same way twice, so we knew we needed to be composed."

The Millers and Tippner refused to go quietly behind an 8-0 run to start the second quarter to bring the score within 10 points and a 5-0 run to open the third made it 34-29.

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WESTFIELD 61, NOBLESVILLE 52				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Meg Hamilton	1-5	1-2	3	2
Aubrey Crockett	1-1	2-6	4	2
MaKayla Hatcher	3-4	6-8	12	1
Lindsey Van Dyke	5-9	2-2	13	2
Sam Price	3-3	3-4	9	4
Mia Crask	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ellen Wheeler	1-1	0-0	3	0
Audra Parker	6-9	1-2	17	2
Olivia Murray	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	20-32	15-24	61	13
Westfield 3-point shooting (6-14) Parker 4-6, Van Dyke 1-5, Wheeler 1-1, Hamilton 0-2.				
Westfield rebounds (30) Crockett 13, Price 9, Hatcher 2, Wheeler 2, Van Dyke 1, team 3.				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
Ally Hutchinson	0-1	0-0	0	4
Maia Blower	2-5	2-4	6	4
Meredith Tippner	13-30	7-9	33	5
Kate Rollins	1-5	0-0	2	5
C.C. Quigley	3-8	5-6	11	2
Brooklyn Grayson	0-1	0-0	0	0
Norah Vetr	0-0	0-0	0	1
Ellie Motz	0-0	0-0	0	0
Aleah Magee	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	19-50	14-19	52	21
Noblesville 3-point shooting (0-9) Tippner 0-4, Quigley 0-2, Hutchinson 0-1, Blower 0-1, Rollins 0-1.				
Noblesville rebounds (15) Quigley 7, Tippner 5, Blower 2, team 1.				
Score by Quarters				
Westfield	21	13	12	15 – 61
Noblesville	5	20	15	12 – 52

# Top-ranked Royals rout Zionsville, move on to title game

By **CRAIG ADKINS**  
For The Reporter

**NOBLESVILLE** – Last night's first Sectional 8 girls basketball semifinal at The Mill in Noblesville was the first of two matchups that featured Hoosier Crossroads Conference teams. The Hamilton Southeastern Royals got down to business quickly and cruised to a 59-40 win over the Zionsville Eagles.

The Royals wasted no time at all. HSE jumped out to an early 5-0 lead from Maya Makalusky three and Addison Van Hoesen basket on a backdoor pass from Makalusky.

Zionsville's McKenzie Chapman got the Eagles on the board with a three that

made it 5-3, but the Royals would run from there to finish the first.

Southeastern went on a 16-4 spurt to end the first quarter. Kennedy Holman started it with a top of the key three. Van Hoesen scored two buckets in a row, followed by a Kayla Stidham triple for a 15-4 lead, forcing Zionsville to burn its second timeout.

Just out of the timeout, Makalusky was fouled in the right corner on a three-point attempt. The senior All-State candidate converted all three at the foul line to make it 18-4.

Senior Abby Brown scored the final two baskets of the first to give the Royals a 22-4 wide margin.

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Photos by Lauren Kutoloski and Leah Zaradich for Southeastern Media Network

(ABOVE LEFT) Hamilton Southeastern's Maya Makalusky jumps for the ball during tip-off of the Royals' Sectional 8 semifinal game with Zionsville Friday at The Mill in Noblesville. (ABOVE RIGHT) Hamilton Southeastern coach Brian Satterfield talks with a referee during the game.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 59, ZIONSVILLE 40				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Maya Makalusky	6	9-10	23	1
Kayla Brinley	2	1-2	6	0
Kennedy Holman	3	2-3	9	1
Kayla Stidham	3	0-2	9	1
Addison Van Hoesen	4	0-0	8	3
Maine Hooks	0	0-0	0	0
Antonette Green	0	0-0	0	4
Abby Brown	2	0-0	4	2
Abby Orme	0	0-2	0	0
Ava Kashani	0	0-0	0	0
Abi Clayton	0	0-0	0	1
Totals	20	12-19	59	13
Score by Quarters				
Zionsville	4	9	14	13 – 40
Southeastern	22	13	19	5 – 59
Southeastern 3-pointers (7) Stidham 3, Makalusky 2, Brinley, Holman.				

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## Boys Basketball

# Tigers pounce in fourth quarter to beat Rocks

## The REPORTER

The Fishers boys got their toughest test of the season Thursday, when the Class 4A No. 1 Tigers traveled to CSI Gymnasium to play 4A No. 4 Westfield.

The Shamrocks led by double digits at halftime before Fishers made a huge comeback in the fourth quarter to win the Hoosier Crossroads Conference game 67-64. The Tigers are still perfect for the season at 19-0 after getting through their closest game thus far.

Westfield led 19-18 after the first quarter. Justin Kirby scored six points for Fishers, while Drew Haffner had five points for the 'Rocks, including a 3-pointer. Haffner nailed two more triples in the second quarter, helping Westfield to outscore the Tigers 15-6 in that period.

The Shamrocks led 34-24 at halftime and enjoyed a 48-39 advantage after three quarters; Jalen Malone scored seven for Westfield in the third, including a 3. Josh Sigler helped keep Fishers within striking dis-

tance with five points, also making a triple.

Jason Gardner Jr. started the Tigers' comeback early in the fourth. He scored the first eight points of a 10-2 run that took place during the first two minutes of the quarter. A dunk from Jon-Anthony Hall brought Fishers back to within one point, 50-49.

Malone scored for Westfield, then Cooper Zachary hit a 3 to tie the game at 52-52. Sigler scored off a Hall assist with 4:10 left, and Fishers held a 55-54 lead.

The lead went back and forth until the 2:34 mark, when Gardner found Kirby on the right wing for a 3. That gave the Tigers a 60-57 lead, and they would stay in front for good. Kirby finished the game by going 4-for-4 from the free-throw line during the last 12.2 seconds.

Gardner finished the game with 22 points, including 11 in the fourth. Kirby scored 18 points, while Sigler added 12. Haffner and Malone each scored 15 points for Westfield, with

FISHERS 67, WESTFIELD 64				
Fishers	FG	FT	TP	PF
Millen McCartney	0	0-0	0	2
Cooper Zachary	1	4-4	7	3
Jason Gardner Jr.	9	3-7	22	2
Justin Kirby	6	5-6	18	3
Jon-Anthony Hall	3	0-2	6	5
Tommy Williams	1	0-0	2	0
Logan Sigler	4	3-3	12	3
Jean-Claude L'Homme	0	0-0	0	1
Totals	24	15-22	67	19
Fishers 3-pointers (4) Zachary, Gardner, Kirby, Sigler.				
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Will Harvey	1	0-0	2	4
Drew Haffner	5	1-1	15	3
Jalen Malone	4	6-10	15	2
Rylan Rauch	1	0-0	3	0
Durante Morton	3	0-2	6	5
Brock Detamore	4	1-1	12	2
Ryan Hunsucker	2	6-6	11	4
Luke Vandegriff	0	0-0	0	1
Totals	20	14-20	64	21
Westfield 3-pointers (10) Haffner 4, Detamore 3, Malone, Hunsucker, Rauch.				
Score by Quarters				
Fishers	18	6	15	28-67
Westfield	19	15	14	16-64

Haffner draining four 3s. Brock Detamore made three 3s while scoring 12 points.

Fishers is 6-0 in HCC play and travels to O'Fallon, Ill. on Saturday to play

Peoria Manual in the Bank O'Fallon Shootout. The Shamrocks are 3-3 in the conference and 12-3 overall; they host Mooresville Saturday afternoon.

## Millers hold off MV, win 9<sup>th</sup> straight

## The REPORTER

Noblesville's boys ran their winning streak to nine on Thursday by holding off Mount Vernon 50-46 at The Mill.

The Marauders led 17-14 after one quarter and 30-26 at halftime. Adam Fine kept the Millers close by making three 3-pointers in the first half; he also hit two free throws in the second quarter for a total of 11 first-half points.

Noblesville clamped down on defense in the second half. The Millers outscored Mount Vernon 18-9

in the third period for a 44-39 lead; Justin Curry made two 3s on his way to eight points in the third, while Fine also drained two more 3s. The fourth quarter was all defense, but Noblesville held on for the win. Curry made a triple for the Millers in that period.

Fine and Curry both finished with 19 points. Fine made five 3s for the game, while Curry drained four triples. Curry and Aiden Brewer led the rebounding with five each.

Noblesville is 14-4 and hosts Anderson Tuesday.

NOBLESVILLE 50, MOUNT VERNON 46				
Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF
T.J. Davidson	0-2	0-0	0	0
Adam Fine	5-7	4-4	19	2
Justin Curry	6-12	3-3	19	3
Aiden Brewer	0-4	0-0	0	1
Baron Walker	4-7	1-2	10	3
Ryan Vetur	1-1	0-0	2	1
Max Flanagan	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	16-33	8-9	50	10
Score by Quarters				
Mount Vernon	17	13	9	7-46
Noblesville	14	12	18	6-50
Noblesville 3-point shooting (10-18) Fine 5-6, Curry 4-10, Walker 1-2.				
Noblesville rebounds (17) Curry 5, Brewer 5, Fine 4, Vetur 1, Walker 1, team 1.				

## Royals beat Flashes for season's first HCC win

## The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern's boys picked up their first Hoosier Crossroads Conference win of the season on Thursday, beating Franklin Central 72-56 in a home game.

The Royals got off to a good start, leading 23-12 after one quarter. Southeastern led 34-23 at halftime, then took further control of the game with a 23-point third period, holding its largest lead late in the third at 57-34.

Four Royals reached double digits in scoring.

Braeden Totten and Lucas Weemer both had 15 points, with Totten making three 3-pointers and Weemer draining two. Landon Osswald scored 14 points and led the rebounds with eight, while Maverick Young scored 10 points.

Weemer collected seven rebounds. Jack Jacobs and Osswald both dished out five assists, and Totten blocked two shots.

Southeastern is 1-5 in HCC play and 10-10 overall. The Royals play at Metropolitan on Tuesday.

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 72, FRANKLIN CENTRAL 56				
Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Jacobs	3-8	0-0	6	0
Maverick Young	4-7	1-2	10	1
Braeden Totten	4-7	4-5	15	1
Landon Osswald	7-12	0-0	14	3
Lucas Weemer	5-6	3-4	15	0
Varschon Clark	3-5	1-1	7	1
Kian Kelly	0-1	0-0	0	1
Kallen Hoeft	1-1	0-0	3	3
Zachary Tansel	0-2	0-0	0	2
Jaxon Wanza	1-1	0-0	2	0
Maksim Radovich	0-1	0-0	0	0
Alexander Weber	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	28-51	9-12	72	12
Score by Quarters				
Franklin Central	11	12	13	20-56
Southeastern	23	11	23	15-72
Southeastern 3-point shooting (7-16) Totten 3-3, Weemer 2-2, Young 1-3, Hoeft 1-1, Tansel 0-2, Osswald 0-2, Kelly 0-1, Jacobs 0-1, Radovich 0-1.				
Southeastern rebounds (32) Osswald 8, Weemer 7, Jacobs 4, Young 4, Totten 4, Kelly 1, Weber 1, Clark 1, team 2.				

## LN's fast start stops Hounds

## The REPORTER

Carmel was stunned by a fast start from Lawrence North on Thursday, and that propelled the Wildcats to a 61-37 win over the visiting Greyhounds.

Lawrence North led 19-4 after the first quarter, then extended its lead to 37-14 at halftime. Carmel

played even with the Wildcats in the second half, but was unable to gain ground on LN.

Liam Mann finished with a double-double of 17 points and 11 rebounds for the 'Hounds.

Carmel is 9-8 and hosts Hamilton Southeastern on Friday.

LAWRENCE NORTH 61, CARMEL 37				
Carmel	FG	FT	TP	PF
Aiden Dickerson	0-2	0-0	0	5
Jamichael Fountain	2-8	0-0	5	3
Ben Bremer	0-2	2-2	2	2
Evan Harrell	2-7	3-5	7	0
Liam Mann	5-9	6-8	17	1
Miles Wiley	0-5	0-0	0	0
Zach Michaels	2-4	0-0	4	2
Jamie Whack	0-1	0-0	0	0
Delacy Fant	0-1	2-2	2	1
Vince Nover	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	11-39	13-17	37	14
Score by Quarters				
Carmel	4	10	11	12-37
Lawrence North	19	18	11	13-61
Carmel 3-point shooting (2-10) Fountain 1-7, Mann 1-1, Whack 0-1, Harrell 0-1.				
Carmel rebounds (25) Mann 11, Harrell 5, Whack 2, Dickerson 2, Bremer 2, Michaels 1, Fountain 1, Wiley 1.				

## ADVANCE

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However, the Rocks countered when pressed.

"We just did not play well in that first half, and credit to Westfield. They came out and just put it to us. Parker came out averaging about three points per game and just went off,"

Noblesville coach Donna Buckley said. "Everything was falling for them. When you get down big against a really good team that defends well, it takes all your energy to get back into it, and credit to our kids. They fought."



Photo by Allison Waitt

Sheridan's Damon Winston scored 26 points for the Blackhawks during their Thursday win over Herron.

## Sheridan Senior Night brings massive victory

## The REPORTER

Sheridan's boys scored a huge Senior Night win on Thursday, beating Herron 80-42 at Larry Hobbs Gymnasium.

The Blackhawks blasted through the first quarter to lead 28-6. Damon Winston and Carson Wright both scored nine points.

The Achaeans came back in the second period to cut Sheridan's lead to 34-

21 by halftime, but the 'Hawks soared through the second half, outscoring Herron 46-21.

Winston poured in 26 points for Sheridan, with Trey Page making four 3-pointers on his way to 23 points. Caleb Wright scored 12 points.

The Blackhawks are 13-4 and travel to Carroll on Friday for a Hoosier Heartland Conference game.

SHERIDAN 80, HERRON 42				
Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF
Dayne Voege	0	2-2	2	0
Caleb Wright	5	0-0	12	1
Damon Winston	9	7-12	26	1
Carson Wright	4	1-1	9	2
Trey Page	7	5-5	23	2
Devon Hamilton	3	0-0	6	0
Owen Bell	0	0-0	0	0
Jax Peerman	0	0-0	0	1
Brayden Whisman	1	0-2	2	0
Jackson Stoneking	0	0-0	0	0
Jake Hall	0	0-0	0	0
Brock Hagan	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	29	15-22	80	7
Score by Quarters				
Herron	6	15	12	9-42
Sheridan	28	6	24	22-80
Sheridan 3-pointers (7) Page 4, Cal. Wright 2, Winston.				

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