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TODAY'S WEATHER





New Carmel police officers now ready for solo patrol



Photo provided by City of Carmel

Several Carmel Police Department officers have successfully completed the Field Training Program and are now ready to hit the streets on solo patrol. The city is proud of these new officers and thankful for their commitment and service to the safety of the community. Visit the Carmel Police Department Facebook page to see more photos.

Hamilton County Community Foundation names Danielle Stiles-Polk as new president

The REPORTER

Hamilton County Community Foundation (HCCF) has nity Founannounced the appointment of dation into Danielle Stiles-Polk as its new president.

Stiles-Polk, who previously served as HCCF's Vice President of External Strategy & Development, has been serving as Interim President and played a critical role in guiding the foundation through its **new** strategic plan and rebrand launch in January.

Her leadership has been instrumental in shaping the foundation's next chapter, ensuring HCCF is positioned to address Hamilton County's most pressing challenges and drive transformative community impact.

"I am honored to step into

ton County Communext chapter of growth and impact,' Stiles-

Polk said. "Hamilton

ty to shape a future where evforward to working alongside ers, nonprofit partners, and



Stiles-Polk

have an incredible opportuniery resident can thrive. I look our board, donors, fundholdresidents to foster innovation, strengthen partnerships, and drive meaningful change in our community."



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attracted a County is evolving, and we highly qualified pool of candidates, reflecting the depth of leadership and talent within Hamilton County.

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"Danielle has already demonstrated remarkable leadership through the development and launch of HCCF's strategic plan," HCCF Board Chair Eddie Rivers said. "Her deep understanding of the HCCF's Board of Directors community, her commitment this role and lead the Hamil- led the search for a new pres- to collaboration, and her stra-

af- tegic vision make her the ideal leader for HCCF's next chappresident ter. We are thrilled to have her at the helm as we work toward a more inclusive and thriving Hamilton County.

Under Stiles-Polk's leadership, HCCF launched its new strategic plan, effective Jan. 1, 2025. Rooted in insights from a county-wide needs assessment, the plan outlines a bold roadmap for addressing Hamilton County's most critical challenges.

The assessment, which analyzed over 2,000 data points and included community conversations, revealed a contrast in access to essential resourcthriving, others face barriers to

See HCCF...Page 2 cuisine on Saturdays.

Taste of community: a celebration of culture, connection & food

Food is more than nourishment - it's a bridge between cultures, a keeper of traditions, and a way to bring people together. Have you ever thought about the stories behind the flavors on your plate? The journeys they've taken across generations and



continents to reach your table?

As someone born and raised in India and now raising my Indo-American children in Indiana, I've experienced firsthand how food connects us to home, even when we're far from it. It preserves our heritage, sparks conversations, and helps us build relationships with those around us. This passion for culture, belonging, and storytelling is what inspired Taste of Community, an upcoming anthology celebrating the role of food in fostering human connection.

We invite everyone to be part of this journey - whether you have a powerful food story to share, enjoy engaging with diverse cultural experiences, or simply love food and community. Your voice matters, and your perspective adds to the rich tapestry of this project.

Why share your story?

Food is a universal storyteller. It can transport us back to childhood kitchens, bring generations together around the same recipe, and introduce us to new cultures with just one bite. Your story - whether about a cherished family meal, a recipe passed down for generations, or a dish that represents your heritage – deserves to be told.

How to participate

We welcome submissions of 500 to 1,000 words sharing your personal experiences with food, along with two to three **photos** that bring your story to life. Submissions are due by March 31, 2025.

To help spark inspiration, here are some

questions to consider: • What dish best represents your fami-

ly's traditions? · How has cooking changed for you

over the years? · What does home cooking mean to

· How does food sustain cultural identity and keep families connected?

Perks for selected authors

Contributors will receive a physical copy of the anthology and access to a private online community for continued conversations and storytelling.

Know someone with a great story to share? Or perhaps you love learning about different cultures through food? Feel free to spread the word – *Taste of Community* is for everyone who finds joy in food, storytelling, and meaningful connections.

Let's celebrate the flavors, traditions, and shared stories that make our community so special. Submit your story today and be part of the conversation!

For more details or to submit your story, contact TasteofCommunity25@gmail.com.

The Reporter is pleased to welcome Pooes. While many residents are ja Thakkar to our pages this week in her first "Taste of Community" column. You can read about her work to build connections through

Local veterans reach out to Hoosiers deployed in Kuwait

The REPORTER

In January, the Hamilton County Veterans Corp. coordinated with Mike Reid, Indiana National Guard Soldier and Family Readiness Specialist, and Chaplain (LTC) Cliff Pappe TF Spartan Chaplain 38th ID Command Chaplain overseas on a care package drive for deployed Hoosier troops at Camp Arifjan in Kuwait.

The 600 citizen soldiers deployed last September and are scheduled to for a one-year deployment.

The packages have been arriving, and according to Chaplain Pappe reception has been great.

Thank you to everyone who made this important project possible for our brave men and women service our country overseas.



Lawmakers in Congress call on USPS to address delivery delays at Indianapolis hub

By GREGG MONTGOMERY

WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Indiana lawmakers in Congress have penned a letter to the U.S. Postal Service over delivery delays at its distribution hub in Indianapolis.

The letter, written by Rep. Jefferson Shreve, was signed by every member of the Indiana delegation in Washington, D.C.

The letter requests a full explanation from the postmaster general along with a long-term strategy to avoid future problems. This story was created from a script on WISH-TV.

Letter to Postmaster from Indiana congressional delegation Dear Postmaster General DeJoy,

We write today to express serious concerns about the mail and package delivery delays in Indiana, particularly those linked to the Indianapolis distribution hub. The Indiana Congressional delegation has received dozens of calls over the past week from Hoosiers who have experienced sig-

nificant disruptions in their mail service. These interruptions have continued to skyrocket in recent days, as local news stations are also highlighting the pain constituents are facing with these delays.

These delays have had real consequences for individuals and businesses alike. Constituents have reported late deliveries of medications, critical financial documents, and essential business shipments. This is primarily reflected in the issues found with the USPS Regional Processing Center on the east side of Indianapolis. Constituents consistently have packages "stuck in transit" unmoving from the processing center for days to weeks. Additionally in other parts of the state, we have heard of issues with mail being routed through Louisville, Kentucky, instead of the Evansville, Indiana, hub due to restructuring. This additional and further removed step prevents communities from accessing their mail system.

See *Delays* . . . Page 2

News

Carmel Deputy Mayor Jameson briefs council on strategic planning



Photo provided by Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam

Jameson from Cherry Tree Elementary was the City of Carmel's Deputy Mayor last week. He did a great job updating everyone on the newly started strategic planning process and how the city used operational data to decide a fifth ambulance is needed to serve the west side. Also, Deputy Mayor Jameson met the Carmel Clay Parks leadership team and shared with them that he loves Carey Grove Park.

DELAYS -

These delays and restructuring issues ripple out to rural communities in Indiana. The delegation has heard of multiple post offices shuttering, or limiting services, requiring rural residents to drive longer distances for daily services. For rural commu-

Postal Service, these issues are particularly disruptive.

of USPS in ensuring timely and reliable mail service. we request a detailed explanation of the causes of these

nities that rely heavily on the
the Postal Service is taking to address them.

Additionally, we re-Given the importance quest that USPS update the Indiana Congressional delegation on the immediate changes at the Indianapolis facility to reduce package delays and the specific steps wait times, as well as a long-

from Page 1 term strategy to ensure Hoosiers have reliable access to

these essential services." This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/politics/ indiana-congressional-delegation-delivery-delay-indianapolis-hub.

HCCF——

tion, transportation, social services, and childcare.

The strategic plan focuses on four core priori-

- · Leading & Convening: Bringing together diverse voices to foster collaboration and drive systemic solutions.
- Grantmaking: Aligning funding to create meaningful and lasting community impact.
- Nonprofit Ecosystem **Development:** Strengthening local nonprofits through capacity-building and data-driven decision-making.
- Donor Relationships: Enhancing donor engagement and investment opportunities to maximize philanthropic impact.

As part of this new direction, HCCF also unveiled a refreshed brand identity in January, symbolizing its commitment to collaboration, generosity, and lasting change.

With 16 years of experience in philanthropy, Stiles-Polk has built a career dedicated to nonprofit leadership, fundraising, and community development. Before joining HCCF, she served as Vice Chancellor for Development and Alumni Relations at Ivy Tech Community College Indianapolis, where she played a critical role in

affordable housing, educa- a statewide \$285 million campaign, leading the Indianapolis campus to exceed its \$37 million goal by securing over \$42 million in funding. Her expertise spans annual giving, major gifts, capital campaigns, and social service philanthropy, with a particular focus on workforce development, student success initiatives, and fundraising. She also serves as president of the Association of Fundraising Professionals Indi-

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When she's not in the office, Stiles-Polk volunteers for several local non-profits, spends time with her dog, Murphy, and enjoys traveling with her husband, Shannon.

ana Chapter.

About Hamilton County Community Foundation

Hamilton County Community Foundation is dedicated to mobilizing people, ideas, and investment to make Hamilton County a community where every individual has equitable opportunity to reach their full potential - no matter their place, race, or identity. HCCF believes in building a community where opportunity meets growth for everyone, and philanthropic efforts support not-for-profit organizations doing vital work. Learn more at HamiltonCountyCommunity-Foundation.org.

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Indiana Orthopedic Institute officially opens flagship facility at Noblesville's Innovation Mile

The REPORTER

On Thursday, the City of Noblesville joined the Indiana Orthopedic Institute (IOI) to officially cut the ribbon on the institute's flagship facility, a \$35 million, 38,000 square-foot surgery center facility and medical office building dedicated to advanced orthopedic care, specializing in hip and knee replacement.

This facility is the first tenant at Noblesville's Innovation Mile, 600 acres fronting Interstate 69. This district is a work, live, play, engage, and learn community designed to drive sustainable economic growth in Noblesville. Innovation Mile will become a dynamic business and technology hub that will serve as an anchor for revolutionary thinking and a gateway for innovation.

"Officially cutting the ribbon on the Indiana Orthopedic Institute is a major milestone at Noblesville's Innovation Mile," Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen said. "I want to officially welcome Dr. Meneghini and his team to and thank them for their investment in this innovation district and our community. I look forward to hearing of their success now that they are officially open to offer world-class medical care to patients."



Photo provided

Officials from the Indiana Orthopedic Institute and the City of Noblesville cut the ribbon on IOI new flagship facility Thursday.

IOI is a statewide orthopedic enterprise founded and led by Dr. Michael Meneghini, an internationally recognized orthopedic surgeon, researcher, educator, and pioneer in outpatient joint replacement and computer-assisted surgical techniques. IOI will employ approximately 52 individuals, and its new state-of-the-art facility will feature an impressive array of services and technology, including an ambulatory surgery center, advanced operating rooms, orthopedic clinics, and X-ray suites, among others.

"We are beyond excit- look forward to becoming an

orthopedic 'hospital of the future' to the residents of Noblesville, the surrounding communities, and the entire state of Indiana," Dr. Meneghini said. "After three years of meticulous planning and construction, it's incredibly rewarding to see this vision come to life. It's a privilege to be part of something we believe will profoundly impact the lives of those we serve. I'd like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Mayor Chris Jensen and the City of Noblesville for warmly welcoming us. We

ed to bring our vision of an integral part of this community, providing the highest quality orthopedic care and service to every patient."

Innovation Mile also will be home to a more than 3,400-seat arena that will be the future home of the Indiana Pacers G League franchise.

Two local students make William & Mary dean's list

The REPORTER

The College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va., recently released its dean's list for the fall 2024

Among the students on the list were Hannah Jackson of Cicero and Martina the semester.

Queijo of Carmel.

In order to achieve Dean's List status, a fulltime degree seeking undergraduate student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 Quality Point Average during

Vijayendar Jajala of Noblesville graduates from University of Central Missouri

The REPORTER

Vijayendar Reddy Jajala was among approximately 1,500 individuals who met graduate and undergraduate degree requirements and were eligible to participate Science degree.

in the University of Central Missouri's (UCM) 2024 Fall Commencement exercises on Friday, Dec. 13 and Saturday, Dec. 14.

Jajala earned a Master of

Taylor Thompson of Noblesville named to University of Central Missouri dean's list

The REPORTER

The University of Central Missouri dean's list for the fall 2024 semester. Taylor Thompson of Noblesville is one of the students on the list.

The dean's list includes undergraduate who achieved a gradepoint average of 3.50 or

Thanks for reading The Reporter!

Tickets selling quickly for NPX **Bourbon & Chocolate Express**

Nickel Plate

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Submitted

Happy Valentine's Day from all of us at Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad!

We want to take a moment to thank you for your incredible support – because of

you, our rides this weekend are sold out! and look forward to welcoming you aboard We're so grateful for the love and enthusi- soon! asm you bring to every ride.

last-minute gift, there are tickets available **bon-and-chocolate**.

for our Bourbon & **Chocolate** Express on Feb. 22 and 23. Hurry ... ticket sales end Wednesday, Feb. 19 so we can finalize our catering orders.

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Anderson Museum of Art & Art Education Association of Indiana to hold 'playful artmaking' professional development event

The REPORTER

um of Art (AMOA) has announced a collaborative professional development opportunity with the Art Education Association of Indiana, Inc. The event, designed for art educators, offers insight into facilitating safe risk-taking and develplanning process.

The event will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27 at AMOA, 32 W. 10th St., Anderson.

Hannah Richardson, Assistant Professor of Art Education and Pre-Art Therapy at Taylor University, will lead the session alongside andersonart.org/artteacher.

AMOA interns Trey Whit-The Anderson Muse- ted and Moirah Cooke. Participants are invited to rediscover the personal and instructional benefits of playful artmaking through interactive art activities and a discussion of current research that encourages learning through play.

This event is free for all oping a playful curriculum art educators in Eastern Indiana, offering a valuable opportunity for professional growth and networking. The generous sponsorship by Anderson Community Schools enhances the accessibility of this enriching experience. Light refresh-

ments will be provided. To register, please visit





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Central Indiana Better Business Bureau opens 2025 Torch Awards applications

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The Better Business Bureau (BBB) of Central Indiana opened applications for the 2025 Torch Awards for Ethics, the highest honor the BBB bestows on a business or non-profit.

Applicants complete a conscientious review of the true character and ethics of their organizations whose leaders focus on the four C's:

- The Character of the organization's leadership;
- If and how an authentic Culture is fostered;
- The company's transparent relationship with its Customers; and
- The impact the organization is making in the local Community.

"Every year, BBB Central Indiana is privileged to showcase the remarkable work of our local businesses and organizations," said Cathy Armour, President and CEO of BBB Central Indiana. "We are truly thankful for the opportunity to recognize these leaders for their commitment to strengthening our community through fostering trust in the marketplace."

In 2024, an independent panel of judges named the following BBB Accredited Businesses as BBB's 2024 Torch Awards recipients,

demonstrating the four Cs image towards a more

BlackInk IT Character of Leadership

Black Ink IT's mission is to help organizations maximize value from their IT investments. Their octopus logo symbolizes the many skills and services required to deliver top-tier service. Situated along the Monon Trail in downtown Indianapolis, Black Ink IT fosters a coaching leadership style, focusing on personalized employee development and empowering staff to take ownership of their roles. They strive to keep clients, employees and the community safe and productive, with a strong focus on cybersecurity and trust. Transparency and reliability are key pillars of their work, ensuring clients can depend on secure, efficient

ARAC Roof it Forward Culture Built on Trust

IT solutions.

Roof It Forward, a family-owned restoration company headquartered in Noblesville, has been providing expert roofing, siding, gutter, and painting services since 2009 across Indiana, Tennessee, North Carolina, Florida and Georgia. Roof It Forward seeks to shift the roofing industry's rugged

customer-focused, hightech service. The company believes in building trust through transparency, encouraging open communication and empowering employees to lead. In addition to business success, Roof It Forward dedicates a portion of its proceeds to local charities in every market they serve, including the Peyton Manning Children's Hospital in Indianapolis, creating a deep sense of pride and purpose among employees.

LearningRx

Commitment to Customers Since 2014, LearningRx in Fishers has helped

individuals enhance their cognitive abilities. LearningRx specializes in cognitive therapy for children and adults with learning difficulties, brain injuries and Alzheimer's. Inspired by the owner's personal success with the program, LearningRx places customer care at the forefront, fostering long-lasting relationships built on trust and integrity. This emphasis on individualized support has garnered numerous positive referrals from clients seeking to overcome cognitive challenges.

Hudson Plumbing Impact in the Community

Founded in 1992. Hudson Plumbing serves Martinsville and the Bedford area with full-service plumbing solutions, from water heater installations to remodeling services. Hudson Plumbing has established a reputation for agility and community engagement. Their "Here With Heart" initiative, which allows community members to nominate individuals or organizations for support, exemplifies their commitment to giving back. Recent efforts include a large-scale food drive that brought together employees and customers to support a local mission. Hudson Plumbing's dedication to fostering local partnerships and creating a thriving community ecosystem underscores their belief in collective growth

and success. The BBB's 2025 Torch Awards applications are open to businesses and charities within BBB Central Indiana's 42-county service area and winners will be announced in this fall. This celebration of ethical business practices is made possible thanks to support of its sponsors, including Edelman Financial Engines, Arbor Homes, Huntington Bank and Lucas Oil

Letter to the Editor -

Protecting Carmel taxpayers

Last week, I testified at the Statehouse to advocate for a responsible, balanced approach to tax reform – one that delivers meaningful relief for Carmel residents while protecting the very services that make our city a national success story.

As often happens, reckless speculation and deliberate misinformation about my testimony followed, including claims that I would drastically cut public safety funding. Not only is this false, but it also fundamentally misunderstands what makes our city strong. Public safety isn't just another line item in our budget; it's the bedrock of everything we do – and that will never change.

Carmel didn't become one of America's most livable cities by happenstance. It has been built by residents and city leaders on bold leadership, smart planning and a relentless pursuit of excellence. We grow because families choose to build their futures here and businesses invest here. That's why our community continues to thrive.

Protecting these investments means making tough calls, even when they're unpopular in certain circles. That's not just leadership. That's accountability.

As this process continues, I remain committed to working with Governor Braun and legislative leaders on reforms that balance tax relief with maintaining Carmel's exceptional quality of life that attracts and retains Indiana talent. Because our job isn't to make headlines - it's to make a difference for generations to come.

And that's exactly what we're going to keep doing. Sue Finkam

Mayor of Carmel

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Westfield economic development director to speak at Chamber's February luncheon

The REPORTER

The Westfield Chamber invites business leaders, community members, and guests to attend its February Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20 at The Club at Chatham

Jenell Fairman, Director of Economic Development for the City of West-

field, will speak at the luncheon. Westfield is

going through a series of economic development and planupdates, ning including comprehensive plan, downtown development plan, and a and alternative transporta-



Fairman

Main Street Productions, Inc. Presents

the Grand Park District. Fairman will provide an overview of the status of each of these efforts, her vision for developing a city designed to facilitate walkability

master plan for

tion strategies, strategically grow the commercial tax base, and deliver community centers that foster relationships and business

Click here to register. Discounted Partner tickets and Non-Partner tickets are available. Corporate reserved tables (seating for eight) are also available.

New this week at Sheridan Public Library ca St. James

The REPORTER

Here are some of the new items that can be found at the Sheridan Public Li-

Fiction

- Better Than Friends -Jill Shalvis
- Crash Freida McFad-
- Invisible Woman Ka-
- tia Lief • Last Twilight in Paris –
- Pam Jenoff
- Open Season Jona- Rose Rossner
- than Kellerman
- Schooled in Murder -Victoria Gilbert
- Take Me Home Melanie Sweenev
- Patterson
- Three Lives of Cate Koster
- Kay Kate Fagan • Valentine's Hate – Sid-
- ney Halston

Non-Fiction · Ask Not: The Kenne-

- dys and the Women They Destroyed
- Dare I Say It Naomi
- Disaster Survival 101 –
- Creek Stewart
- In Gad We Trust Josh
 - Lasting Ever Rebec- Crayon

- Jim O'Heir · What If You Are the
- Answer Rachel Hollis

• Welcome to Pawnee -

- **Inspirational Fiction** • Tea With Elephants -
- Robin Jones Gunn

Children's

- Don't Disturb the Dragon – Rhiannon Findlay • Flubby Does NOT Like
- Valentine's Day J.E. Morris
- How to Catch the • Onyx Storm – Rebecca Sandman – Alice Walstead • I Love You a Bunch -

 - I Love Your More Each Day – Nancy Parent
 - · Moana's Canoe Crew Natasha Bouchard
 - Ms. Rachel & the Spe-
- Texas Murders James cial Surprise Ms. Rachel • Overdue - Gloria
 - · Rocket's Secret Valen-
 - tine Tad Hills
 - St. Patrick's Day alphabet – Liz Saunders
 - This Baby That Baby Cari Best
 - Turtle Turtle & the

Wide Wide River **Young Adults**

• Brothers Hawthorne -Jennifer Barnes

Movies • Harold & the Purple

Celebrate Valentine's weekend with most romantic gesture of all: unclaimed property

Submitted by Office of the Attorney General

This Valentine's Day weekend, love is in the air ... and so is much of the

state's unclaimed property. Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita invites every Hoosier – from single to married - to sweep their loved ones off of their feet and visit IndianaUnclaimed.

Rokita "Roses, chocolates, and

jewelry are staple gifts on this holiday of love," AG Rokita said. "Check out IndianaUnclaimed.gov to see if you have a little extra money to splurge on your sweetheart this Valentine's Day."

Here are the types of property that might go un-

- claimed that are even better than a dozen roses: • Unclaimed wages or
- commissions
 - Money orders Safety deposit box con-

- · Savings and checking accounts
 - Refunds
 - Overpayments such as: • Credit card balances
 - Cell phone
 - · BMV payments

Here's how to make sure your property doesn't

go unclaimed: Keep a re-

cord of all bank accounts. Record all stock certif-

icates and be sure to cash all dividends received. Record all utility deposits, including telephone, ca-

ble, and electricity deposits. Cash all checks prompt-

Be sure to check Indi-

anaUnclaimed.gov or text CLAIM to 46220 to search your name, family, or business. In addition to the web-

site, you also may contact the Unclaimed Property Division at 1-866-462-5246 or updmail@atg.in.gov.



www.basilewestfieldplayhouse.org

Hamilton'County Veterans Community Pa

Hamilton County Veteran Service Organizations

American Legion Posts

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

Cicero Post 341 Tye Anderson

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

Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc

9091 E 126th St Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm \$25K Fishers, in 46038 Trivia Wed 6pm 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 317-773-9985 Trivia every 1 & 3 Sat 7pm

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

VFW Posts

Carmel Post 10003 Darin Bibeau 12863 Old Meridian St Carmel, In 46032 Breakfast 2 & 4 Sat 8-11

317-846-0917 Thurs Treasure Hunt 7pm

Noblesville Post 6246 Eric Behrends 654 S 9th St

Noblesville, In 46060 317-773-9956

Non-Profit Veteran Orgs Hamilton County Veterans Corp

P.O. Box 503 Noblesville, in 46061

secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com Meets 7pm the 1st Monday Monthly at the

Fishers American Legion. Our website https://www.hamiltoncountyveterans.com/ has 40 pages of resources for our Military Veteran community

Navy Club Ship 29

Noblesville, In

president@hamiltoncountyveterans.com Meets 2nd Thurs 630pm at Gingers 1804

Conner St Noblesville

Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers

317-776-9610 Hours - 9am-4pm Weekdays

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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 | Activities & Events

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 6th 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 71st St

Indianapolis, IN 46278

Coffee With a Vet at Schoolhouse 7 Café



A gathering to get to know veterans in our community



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February 25, 2025 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

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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

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

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-Su12-10pm or when empty. Restaurant Breakfast 1st&3rd 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, F11a-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

Christmas In June Care Package Drive





"Christmas in June" Care Package Drive for our Deployed Hoosiers - Feb 12th till May 10th

Please help us collect gifts to send care packages to our deployed Hoosier troops for a "Christmas in June". Purchase gifts on the list below and bring them to your local Hamilton County VFW or American Legion Post where they will be collected and brought to the Fishers American Legion Post for wrapping and packaging on May 10 at 5pm. We also need to raise money for shipping costs, so please donate online at https://donorbox.org/hamilton-county-veterans-corp or drop off funds at your Legion & VFW where you leave the goods for the care packages. We need the gifts and funds delivered by May 2nd 2025. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!!!

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Care Package Gifts Needed for Our Deployed Troops

Suggested items requested by those deployed include Card games (Phase 10, Uno...), Puzzles, small boxes of Keurig cups, Graphic t-shirts Men's and Women's (Sizes S - 3x), water bottles, throw blankets, Decorations -Christmas lights, signs, banners as people love to decorate their living quarters or office space. If you've been deployed, bring what you wanted back then

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World Food Championships returns to Indianapolis in October

The REPORTER

The World Food Championships (WFC) announced Wednesday that it is returning to Indianapolis at the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center and will move the 2025 Main Event into October. Scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 16 to Sunday, Oct. 19, WFC will once again be held at the Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion as it celebrates its 13th annual tournament.

The 2024 championship included over 300 teams, 1,200 chefs, and competitors from more than 35 states and 30 unique participating countries. The teams were competing for over \$450,000 in prize money and championship status across a variety of everyday cooking categories that included Bacon, Barbecue, Burger, Chef, Dessert, Live Fire, Noodle, Rice, Sandwich, Seafood, Soup, and Vegetarian.

Since its debut in 2012, WFC has amassed a tremendous worldwide following,



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providing a one-of-a-kind culinary experience at its events, as well as numerous live and made-for-TV shows. In addition to popularizing competitive cooking, the WFC platform has had an undeniable impact on the food industry, facilitating the creation of more than 10,000 new dishes and supporting communities via partnerships with various local non-profits, charities, and food banks throughout the United States. In short, the WFC platform has given birth to "Food Sport" and "Food Champs" from all backgrounds by providing a level playing field, a fair judging system, innovative culinary programming, ambassador opportunities, TV visibility and a process

that allows talented culinary

teams to compete in ways never seen.

"After the success of our championship event in 2024, we are excited to make our return to Indianapolis this vear," WFC CEO Mike Eaton said. "Beyond that, we are looking forward to adding a number of additional programming elements to this year's event that promises to make the experience even more consumer-friendly, entertaining, and delicious for both our competitors and

fans of Food Sport." "We are extremely proud to partner with the team at World Food Championships to bring this unique and one-of-a-kind event back to our market, which is truly becoming a destination for events of all kinds," added Cindy Hoye,

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Executive Director of the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center. "The Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion is the perfect facility to invite Hoosiers and a global audience to explore and experience culinary excellence. We are grateful to the leadership team at the World Food Championships for their commitment to the State of Indiana."

WFC will make additional announcements in the coming weeks regarding modifications to its tournament model, and unique features that promise to enhance the consumer experience and competition. Global qualification events have already begun; for additional details and to stay up to date on all things related to WFC visit worldfoodchampionships.com.

Gov. Braun continues property tax push as bill advances

By GARRETT BERGQUIST amendments to the bill, in-WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Gov. Mike Braun on Thursday said he still expects lawmakers will "get to a good place" on his property tax cut.

The governor's remarks to an Americans for Prosperity event came two days after a state Senate committee approved a scaled-down version of Braun's property tax relief plan. Braun told the crowd he campaigned on property tax relief and remains committed to it.

"We're right in the middle with wrestling with that. I campaigned on it, made it an issue and we'll get to a good place," he said.

Braun's original plan would have given homeowners the option of resetting their property taxes to 2021 levels or taking a new deduction. The latest version expands deductions for homeowners aged 65 and older and disabled veterans but does not include any new deductions for anyone else. It also caps year-over-year tax levy increases. Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy Committee Chair Sen. Travis Holdman, R-Markle, said on Tuesday that decision was an effort to balance the needs of homeowners with the need for local governments to fund basic services.

Lt. Gov. Micah Beckwith, who also spoke at the Americans for Prosperity event, said he personally would like to see the option of resetting property taxes to 2021 levels restored to

"If the bill goes over to the House, then we'll start working the House to make sure that whatever happens is the best possible outcome for everyday Hoosiers," he said.

The Senate on Thursday voted down several floor

cluding one from Sen. Fady Qaddoura, D-Indianapolis, to expand the renters' exemption for property taxes and one from Sen. Michael Young, R-Indianapolis, to eliminate all property taxes for homeowners aged 65 and over. It still needs a final up-or-down vote before it can go to the House.

Senate President pro tempore Rod Bray, R-Martinsville, said the bill as it currently stands reflects the wishes of Senate Republicans. He said his caucus takes seriously local governments' concerns the original bill would have jeopardized local police, fire and street repair services.

'It's a balance because we've also heard very directly from homeowners that sometimes there's a pain point there and the property tax is too much, and that's why we're having this conversation," he said. "We need to provide meaningful relief to homeowners."

Senate Minority Leader Shelli Yoder, D-Bloomington, said Senate Democrats are still deciding how they feel about the bill given the short time that has passed since the bill was changed in committee. She said Senate Republicans' rejection of Qaddoura's amendment represents a lost opportunity to help the large number of renters in the state.

"We want to bring real relief to Hoosiers and we focused that effort on some of the amendments we heard on the floor today," she said. "We are frustrated, but we're going to continue to work in good faith to get real relief to Hoosiers."

This story was originally published by WISH-TV wishtv.com/news/govbraun-continues-propertytax-push-as-bill-advances.

Indianapolis police & school officials must cooperate with federal immigration authorities

Submitted by Office of the Attorney General

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita this week advised the **Indianapolis** Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD) and Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) to discontinue policies and practices that limit their ability to cooperate with federal immigration authorities, or else face legal action from his office.

Leaders of both IMPD and IPS have indicated they intend to restrict their cooperation with federal authorities' efforts to identify and deport illegal aliens.

Indiana law, however, prohibits local government entities from placing restrictions on the enforcement of federal immigration law, such as by limiting their own interactions and cooperation with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

"Illegal aliens coming across our Southern border have caused a jump in crime, fentanyl overdoses, human trafficking, and an increased financial burden on state and local programs," AG Rokita said. "Hardworking Hoosiers are sick and tired of paying the price ont comply with the Indiana



Rokita

problem of illegal immigra-In 2024, the Indiana General Assembly passed a law authorizing the attorney general to file lawsuits against any Indiana colleges, universities, or units

of local government that do

has prioritized tackling the

ban on sanctuary policies. A "sanctuary jurisdiction" is a local unit of government that has implemented a policy that deliberately and intentionally restricts and obstructs the enforcement of federal immigration laws.

"Under Indiana law, neither IMPD nor IPS has discretion to decide whether ICE should receive their cooperation and assistance,' AG Rokita said. "The Indiana General Assembly has set for the state and all of its subdivisions a policy of full, robust cooperation with federal immigration authorities. As attorney general, I am entrusted with the enforcement of that policy."



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Country music stars Sam Barber & **Chase Rice coming to Nickel Plate** District Amphitheater this summer

The REPORTER

Fishers' Nickel Plate District Amphitheater (NPD AMP) and MOKB Presents have announced the first two concerts for the venue's annual summer concert series: Sam Barber on Saturday, June 7 and Chase Rice on Saturday, June 14. Tickets for both shows are on sale now at npdamp.com and mokbpresents.com.

Fishers has evolved into a strong concert and live entertainment market with the addition of its new worldclass arena and the continued growth of the popular outdoor Nickel Plate District Amphitheater. Both venues have helped propel the market as a must-play city on the concert circuit welcoming hundreds of thousands of fans each year.

About Sam Barber

Sam Barber was raised on a farm in a small town in southeast Missouri surrounded by a supportive family and an abundance of friends. Most of his childhood was devoted to athletics where he learned many lessons such as the importance of a team, practice, discipline, respect, and hard

Music has not always

been Barber's passion, and lion albums sold and over as a child, he never participated in music class or music performances. His music journey has been completely unplanned and his success continues to astound him. When he was 16, he picked up his great-grandfather's Gibson, out of tune with five strings, and fell in love with the art of playing. He soon learned that he also had the God-given talent to sing along.

Barber's vision is to continue to grow and become stronger as a vocalist and songwriter. He wants to deliver songs that people feel in their soul. Above all, he wants to stay true to his faith, the man he truly is, and the type of music he wants to make without boundaries or conforming.

Since releasing *Drown*ing in March, Barber's social reach has soared past half a million followers and garnered over 1.5 million monthly listeners on Spotify. He has hit the global viral charts and reached No. 1 in the U.K., Australia, Ireland, and more. Visit sambarbermusic.com and **fisherslive.com** for more information.

About Chase Rice With more than 2.6 mil-

2.8 billion total streams, plus a legion of passionate fans at his high-energy concerts across the globe, Chase Rice has established himself as a powerful force in Nashville and beyond. With independent album Go Down Singin' available everywhere now as the follow-up to the critically acclaimed I Hate Cowboys & All Dogs Go To Hell, and both brought together on brand new offering Fireside Sessions, Rice's sound continues to evolve to reflect the realities of his life, from emotional reckoning to an admiration of the American

The new music serves as a follow up to his threepart project, The Album, which featured his latest Platinum-certified No. 1 hit, "Drinkin' Beer. Talkin' God. Amen." and the Platinum-certified Top 10 hit "Lonely If You Are."

This is the same gravelly-voiced Chase Rice fans first fell in love with years ago - but better, freer; unbeholden and uninhibited. The new music builds upon the success of his sophomore album, Lambs & Lions, which featured the 3x Platinum, two-week chart topper "Eyes On You" -

Rice's first No. 1 as an artist and the most-streamed song of his career. Lambs & Lions followed Platinum-certified Ignite the Night, which debuted at No. 1 on Billboard's Top Country Albums and No. 3 on the all-genre chart, producing a pair of Top 5 hits; Platinum-certified "Gonna Wanna Tonight" and Double Platinum "Ready Set Roll." In addition to guesting on sold-out stadium shows with Kenny Chesney and Garth Brooks, Rice served as direct support on Dierks Bentley's 2024 Gravel & Gold Tour and consistently sells out venues on his own headlining tours across the U.S. and beyond.

For more information, visit ChaseRice.com and follow Rice on Facebook, X, TikTok and on Instagram.

Tickets for both shows are on sale now at **npdamp**. com and mokbpresents. com. For ticketed shows, the venue is an all-ages facility and children ages two and under are permitted for free. Fans can also bring their own lawn chair and blankets. Additional information is available on the

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Don't miss these great events at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts

The REPORTER

Tickets are available now for these upcoming events at The Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel. Just go to TheCenter-**Presents.org** or call (317) 843-3800.

> **Live at the Center:** Malingo

Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m.

The Palladium & online Promising "Wild Folk for Wild Folk," Malingo's music blends folk, bluegrass, and psychedelic blues for a sound that is often nostalgic, often melancholy, often intense, but always emotional. The semi-acoustic five-piece band is known for crafting unique live sets and for its prolific recording, including the new 10-track album Campfire Sessions,



Photo provided

See folk act Malingo live at The Palladium on Wednesday, Feb.

Don Was & The Pan-Detroit Ensemble Friday, Feb. 28 at 8 p.m. The Palladium

Detroit native Don Was has enjoyed a multifaceted career as a musician, record producer, music director, film composer, documentary filmmaker, radio host, and president

Blue Note Records. As a record producer, he has won six Grammy Awards and worked with artists including the Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, Bonnie Raitt, Willie Nelson, John Mayer, Ringo Starr, Wayne Shorter, and The B-52's. Was also has toured the

of the venerated jazz label U.S. with Grateful Dead guitarist Bob Weir as the Wolf Brothers. His latest group, the Pan-Detroit Ensemble, is made up of top Detroit jazz and R&B musicians including saxophonist Dave McMurray and keyboardist Luis Resto, celebrating the city's rich musical traditions.

Enjoy enlightening musical stories, coming up at Feinstein's

Submitted

Feinstein's at Hotel Carmichael prides itself on bringing amazing talent to the stage. Rounding out the month of February and heading into March, three awesome nights of performances will bring you fantastic music, with accompanying stories, that are sure to not only entertain but enlighten you, as well!

An Evening with **Matt Soverns**

On Friday, Feb. 21, join singer/songwriter Matt Soverns and his stellar cast of special guest performers for an unforgettable evening of incredible talent, music, and laughter at the beautiful Feinstein's at Hotel Carmichael. Known for his creativity and playful surprises, Soverns promises an experience filled with unexpected moments and entertainment that will leave you amazed. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind event where the unexpected happens at every turn.

Soverns has graced the stage on WRTV6 with Marc Mullins, performed at the Indy Fringe Festival, participated in the Indy Pride Parade, and shared the spotlight at Dueling Pianos at Feinstein's at Hotel Carmichael with Brittany Brum-

This performance follows the release of Soverns' highly anticipated 2024 album, Phoning It In, now available on all streaming platforms. Physical copies of the album can be pur-

chased MattSoverns.com or at any of his live shows.

For the best experience, it is recommended that you listen to Soverns' album prior to attending the show. Please be advised that this in Black. performance may contain strong language and adult content, so viewer discretion is recommended.

Eric Baker Presents Sounds & Stories

Join Eric Baker on March 1 for a collection of both well-known and new songs, blending them with stories about the artists and songwriters.

Baker and a talented ensemble of some of central Indiana's finest musicians are ready to bring you an unforgettable evening of eclectic music. Experience a mix of familiar hits and fresh tunes, all woven together with stories about the artists, songwriters, and the cultural significance of the music. It's sure to be a fun and entertaining night filled with great melodies and captivating storytell-

A pianist and singer, Baker has been performing regularly at venues and special events around Indianapolis for nearly 20 years. As a soloist, with small combos, and as a keyboard player and lead singer for several bands, he combines pop, jazz, gospel, and even blues to remind people of the power that good music can have.

This show is for ages 18 and over.

Johnny Folsom 4 -

Tribute to Johnny Cash On Thursday, March 6, this tribute group is back on the Feinstein's stage paying tribute to the legendary Man

Johnny Folsom 4 is a high-energy tribute band dedicated to honoring the legendary Johnny Cash. Lead singer David Burney brings a lilting southern baritone to Cash's classic songs, while John Fussell, Carl Perkins, Steve Eisenstadt, and Randy Benefield complete the band bringing life to the raw power and timeless appeal of the Man in Black's greatest hits.

With a repertoire that spans Cash's iconic career-from his early Sun Records recordings to his later, more introspective works,

Johnny Folsom 4 captures the essence of Cash's music while adding their own distinctive style. Their live shows are on electrifying celebration of Cash's legacy, blending classic songs with dynamic performances that connect deeply with audiences. Whether you're a lifelong Johnny Cash fan or new to his music, Johnny Folsom 4 offers an unforgettable experience that pays tribute to one of country music's most influential figures.

Each of these shows begin at 7:30 p.m. with doors opening at 5:30 for dinner and drinks. Get your tickets at feinsteinshc.com. Browse the website for even more stupendous shows coming in 2025.

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Meeting Notices

The Carmel Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a Hearing Officer meeting at 5:15 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, 2025, in the in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel. A regular meeting will follow at 6 p.m.

The Hamilton Heights School Corporation Board of Trustees will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025, in the Board Room at the Hamilton Heights

Student Activity Center, 420 W

North St., Arcadia

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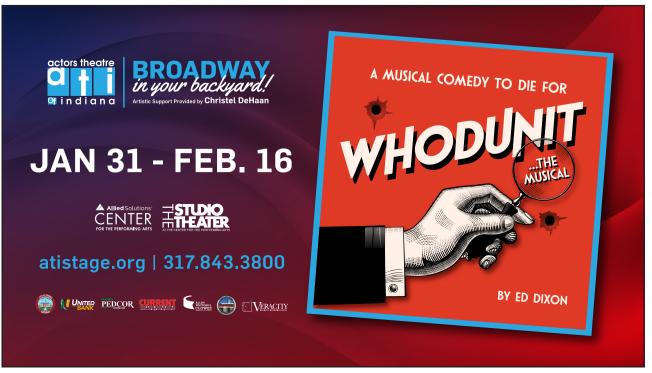
The Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet in an executive session at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025.

The regular meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

velopment Commission will meet at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6, 2025, in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 16 S. 10th St.

The Noblesville Economic De-

The Noblesville Police Merit Commission meeting scheduled for 5 p.m. Wednesday, February 19, 2025, has been canceled.



Andrew "Andy" H. Tracy August 12, 1940 - February 12, 2025

Andrew "Andy" H. Tracy, 84, Hamilton County, passed



away peacefully on February 12, 2025, at Compassus Hospice, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on August 12, 1940, in Noblesville, son of Maurice and Sarah (Mann) Tracy. Andy was a lifelong resident of the area, dedicating his life to his family and community.

A 1960 graduate of Westfield High School, Andy committed 30 years as a

volunteer firefighter, exemplifying bravery, and a steadfast commitment to the safety of others. He also worked at P.L. Porter for 17 years before retiring.

Survivors include his beloved wife, Judy, whom he married June 26, 1993, and shared more than three decades of love and companionship; also surviving are sons, Tony (Misti) and Troy (Kirsten); daughter, Tami (Tommy) Cline; and his cherished stepchildren; Jim (Holly) Catron, Curt (Brenda) Catron, Travis Catron (Kathy Limerick) and Jenae (Jason) Vela; and 18 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, who made Andy a proud grandfather and brought immense joy to his life.

Andy leaves behind his legacy of hard work, love for family, and dedication to his community. He will be fondly remembered by all who were privileged to have known him. Andy's kindness and strength touched many lives, and he will be deeply missed.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honor the life of Andy may do so by making a donation in his name to the Hamilton County Fallen Firefighters Foundation, 399 S. 14th St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

A Celebration of Life will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 2025, at the Hamilton County Professional Firefighters Union Hall, 399 S. 14th St., Noblesville.

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks to Bailey Lambert and the entire staff at Compasssus for the excellent care given to Andy.

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

The Reporter's policy on obituaries

The Hamilton County Reporter does not charge families for publishing obituary notices in our pages. Every obituary appearing in online editions Wednesday through Saturday also appears in our Monday print editions. In order to continue to offer this as a community service, we ask that obituaries not exceed 500 words. The limitations of space may not allow for longer ones to appear in print.

Families and funeral homes are asked to submit obituaries at ReadTheReporter.com/obitform.

Thanks for reading the Hamilton County Reporter!

Helen (Nance) Jenkins

October 9, 1928 – February 13, 2025



Helen (Nance) Jenkins, 96, Strawtown, Ind., passed away February 13, 2025, at the Waters of Tipton in Tipton, Ind. Helen was born October 9, 1928, to Allen and Nona (Olds) Staton.

Helen attended school in Strawtown. She worked at Heartland Growers in Westfield for 14 years. She had a green thumb and took great pride in her job and the many flowers she grew at home over the years.

Family was everything to Helen and she looked forward to warm weather and cookouts with her family, always requesting Jessie to make her a big, fat, juicy cheeseburger on the grill. She loved spending time with her grandkids and her great-grandkids that she always referred to as "her babies." She was so proud of them all and made sure everyone she met knew that. Helen was a hugger; everyone that knows her probably had a hug at one time or another. We will miss those sweet hugs, but we have so many wonderful memories and know that we will be reunited again one day.

Helen is survived by her son, Jessie (Deb) Nance of Anderson; stepdaughter, Pam White of North Fort Myers, Fla.; great-niece, Demita (Barry) Piercy of Laurel Hill, N.C. who Helen helped raise and considered a daughter; grandchildren, Stacie (Gary) Baugh of Noblesville, Andrea (Jamie Nepsa) Smith of Pendleton, and "Special Granddaughter" Amanda Nepsa of Noblesville; step-grandchildren, Jamie Coverdale of Noblesville and Angel Hill of Anderson; great-grandchildren, Taylor Nepsa, JT Nepsa, Alyson Baugh, Sophia Nepsa, Liam Nepsa, Natalie Nepsa, and Aria Nepsa; niece and nephew; Mary Jo (Donnie) Dunagan and Mike Hernandez; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Helen was preceded in death by her first husband, Hollis Nance, and second husband, Harold Jenkins; stepson, David Jenkins; parents, Allen and Nona Staton; brothers and sisters, Frederick Staton, Mable Fisher, Sarah Moore, Ella Bessie Dye, Alvina McNew, Joseph Staton, Maxine Staton, and Flora Rathbone; "Special Great-Grandson" Matthew Oresik, Special Friend and Companion, Abraham (Bud) Small; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, February 16, 2025, at Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, February 17, 2025, at Hartley Funeral Home, with Mark Knapp officiating. Burial will follow at Carey Cemetery, Noblesville.

The Family would like to extend their sincere thanks and gratitude to longtime neighbor Brad Overdorf for always watching out for our mom, visiting with her, taking her homecooked meals and being there when she/we needed him. Also, to Sandy Bucher and Cheryl Hale who provided love and home care to Helen prior to moving to Waters of Tipton. Thank you to the staff at the Waters of Tipton and the staff at Paradigm Hospice for the great care and love provided to Helen during her stay at the Waters.

Online condolences may be made at hartleyfuneralhome.com.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

BEZALEL AND OHOLIAB

Then Moses said to the Israelites, "See, the Lord has chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, and he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills—to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, to cut and set stones, to work in wood and to engage in all kinds of artistic crafts. And he has given both him and Oholiab son of Ahisamak, of the tribe of Dan, the ability to teach others. He has filled them with skill to do all kinds of work as engravers, designers, embroiderers in blue, purple and scarlet yarn and fine linen, and weavers—all of them skilled workers and designers.

Exodus 35:30-35 (NIV)

Ann Kaiser Buscher

July 19, 1954 - February 9, 2025



Ann Kaiser Buscher, Plainfield, Ind., was called to her heavenly home on Sunday, February 9, 2025. Ann was born in Noblesville on July 19, 1954, to Marjorie Kaiser (who preceded her in death). Ann married the love of her life, Bob Buscher, in 1977, who survives.

> Ann graduated from Noblesville High School in 1972 and graduated from Indiana State University in 1976, where she majored in Nursing. Ann

spent much of her life nurturing her family, friends, and patients. She was a dedicated nurse working in hospitals and schools around Indiana for many years. Her sons, Brett and Brandon, were her pride and joy. She enjoyed attending basketball games and supporting them in their many activities as they were growing up.

Ann is survived by her husband, Bob Buscher of Plainfield; her sons, Brett Allen (Molly Moss) of Plymouth, Minn., and Brandon Kyle (Karen Male) of Niskayuna, N.Y. Ann also had four adorable grandchildren, Birdie and Benjamin Buscher of Plymouth, Minn., and Theo and Nola Buscher of Niskayuna, N.Y. Also surviving are her sister, Tricia Kaiser of Indianapolis, and many loving cousins and friends.

Memorials in Ann's memory may be made to: Parkinson's Support Group of Danville Indiana, Hendricks County Senior Services Care Partners Support Group, Danville, IN 46122. For more information contact, Deana at (317) 745-4303 at admin@hendricksseniors.org.

Arrangements are being handled by Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, February 22, 2025. A brief service will immediately follow visitation starting at noon at Hartley Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be made at hartleyfuneralhome.com.



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Girls Swimming

Carmel aces prelims, sends 21 to championship heats

Fishers, HSE primed for high finishes; Millers, Rocks, Huskies get qualifiers

By RICHIE HALL

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Consider it the swimming version of doing your homework: if a team does well in the IHSAA state prelims, it can expect class honors at the state finals.

Carmel's girls more than passed the test during Friday's prelims at the IU Natatorium. The Greyhounds aced the prelims, sending 21 of their 27 swims into the championship heat, or "A" Final, of the various events at this afternoon's state finals. Carmel sent five more swims into the "B" Final as well, so the Greyhounds are in a good position as they try to extend their record state championship streak today.

The 'Hounds have seven top seeds in the swimming events, including all three relays. Alexandra Shackell swam on all of them, joining Ellie Clarke, Lucy Enoch and Faith Gorey on the medley relay; Gorey, Alexandria Clark and Molly Sweeney on the 200 freestyle relay and Lynsey Bowen, Alexandra Ward and Clarke on the 400 free relay.

As for the individual events, Bowen is the top seed in the 200 free, Sweeney is rated first in the individual medley and a close second in the breaststroke, Shackell earned the top butterfly seed by over two and a half seconds, and Clarke is the first seed in the backstroke and second seed in the 500 free.

"This group is doing a great a job," said Carmel coach Chris Plumb. The Greyhounds placed three swimmers in the "A" Finals of four of the eight individual events. Ward and Kayla Barr also reached the fast heat of the 200 free, Leah DeBosch and Lucy Enoch are in the IM "A" Final; Gorey, Addyson Czarnecki and Sophia Floyd reached the championship final of the 100 free, and Enoch and Czarnecki joined Sweeney in the "A" Final of the breaststroke.

"They really pushed each other to do that, so that was fun," said Plumb.

Other fast-heat qualifiers for Carmel are Priscilla Smith in the 50 free, Ward in the 500 free and Debosch in the backstroke. Consolation qualifiers are Clark in the 50 free, Savannah Irizarry and Bowen in the butterfly, Sabrina Ledwith in the 500 free and Barr in the backstroke.

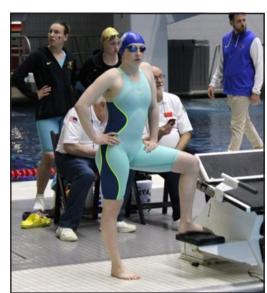
Fishers advanced 12 swims to today's finals. The Tigers qualified seven to the championship heat, including all three relays. Avery Hannon was part of all three relays joining with Claire Francis, Emily Wolf and Frankie Ramey on the medley; Emma Schwertfeger, Francis and Emma Schumacher on the 200 free relay, and Schwertfeger, Schumacher and Wolf on the 400 free relay.

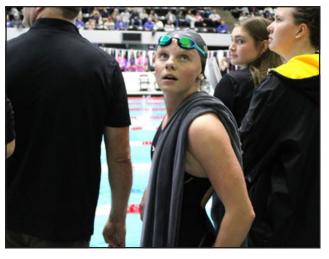
Wolf will be the top seed in the 500 free, with Schumacher joining her in the "A" heat. Schumacher also made the fast heat of the 200 free, while Wolf is seeded No. 2 in the butterfly race. Fishers has five "B"













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(TOP LEFT) Carmel freshman Leah Debosch cheers after her teammates Molly Sweeney and Lucy Enoch finish the individual medley during the IHSAA state prelims on Friday night. All three Greyhounds made the "A" Final of that event. (TOP RIGHT) Fishers junior Avery Hannon reached the "B" Final of the individual medley and swam on all three Tigers relays, all of which qualified for the "A" Final. (CENTER LEFT) Hamilton Heights sophomore Ayla Madara swam the 200 freestyle (pictured) and 500 free, qualifying for the "B" Final of the latter event. (CENTER RIGHT) Hamilton Southeastern junior Mia Henderson gets ready to swim in the 200 freestyle. (ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville junior Haddie Vohs qualified for the "B" Final in two individual events and as part of two of the Millers relays. (ABOVE RIGHT) Westfield junior Kate Cassidy competed in the 500 freestyle and was part of the Shamrocks' 400 free relay team.

heat qualifiers: Hannon in the IM, Schwertfeger in the 50 and 100 freestyles, and Francis and Polina Sopova in the breaststroke.

"The girls competed hard," said Tigers coach Joe Keller. "I don't think in 34 years of coaching I've ever coached the perfect meet. It's always how you respond after each swim. They did a really nice job, stayed really tough to the end and we're in a good spot for tomor-

Hamilton Southeastern sent 11 swims to the finals, with five headed to the "A" heat. The Royals also qualified all three relays to the championship, with Ellason Miller swimming on all three. She was joined by Naomi Haines, Kendall Dieckman and Kiley Zoeller in the medley; Kinsey Bogaards. Payton Walker and Mia Henderson in the 200 free relay and Dieckman, Henderson and Zoeller on the 400 free relay.

Zoeller qualified for the "A" Final of the 50 free, with Dieckman reaching the fast heat of the 500 free. Southeastern had six "B" Final qualifiers: Dieckman and Bogaards in the IM, Zoeller in the 100 free and Naomi Haines in the backstroke.

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Positions 1-8 qualify for "A" Final (championship heat), positions 9-16 qualify for "B" Final (consolation heat), positions 17 and 18 are alternates.

200 medley relay: 1. Carmel (Ellie Clarke, Lucy Enoch, Alexandra Shackell, Faith Gorey) 1:39.84, 4. Hamilton Southeastern (Naomi Haines, Kendall Dieckmann, Ellason Miller, Kiley Zoeller) 1:43.63, 8. Fishers (Avery Hannon, Claire Francis, Emily Wolf, Frankie Ramey) 1:44.75, 13. Westfield (Kiarra Thomas, Nora Sperry, Evie Wheat, Maggie Alley) 1:48.68.

200 freestyle: 1. Lynsey Bowen (C) 1:48.04, 6. Alexandra Ward (C) 1:50.44, 7. Emma Schumacher (F) 1:50.53, 8. Kayla Barr (C) 1:50.86, 9. Haddie Vohs (Noblesville) 1:51.05, 19. Ayla Madara (Hamilton Heights) 1:54.16, 20. Mia Henderson (HSE) 1:54.83, 24. Lily Ziino (F) 1:56.41.

200 individual medley: 1. Molly Sweeney (C) 1:59.71, 3. Leah Debosch (C) 2:01.95, 6. Enoch (C) 2:03.63, 9. Dieckman (HSE) 2:04.42, 12. Avery Hannon (F) 2:06.17, 13. Kinsey Bogaards (HSE) 2:06.31, 18. Francis (F) 2:07.38, 20. Mia Wilson (F) 2:08.33

50 freestyle: 5. Kiley Zoeller (HSE) 23.58, T7. Priscilla Smith (C) 23.67, 9. Alexandria Clark (C) 23.76, 12. Emma Schwertfeger (F) 23.80, T22. Maryn Sims (C) 24.07.

100 butterfly: 1. Shackell (C) 50.73, 2. Wolf (F) 53.39, 10. Vohs (N) 55.31, 12. Savannah Irizarry (C) 55.43, 13. Bowen (C) 55.54, 14. Miller (HSE) 55.60, 16. Haines (HSE), 22. Wheat (W) 57.56, 26. Lacey Huston (HSE) 58.29.

100 freestyle: 2. Gorey (C) 49.71, 6. Addyson Czarnecki (C) 51.20, 7. Sophia Floyd (C) 51.42, 9. Zoeller (HSE) 51.84, 16. Schwertfeger (F) 52.81, 17. Henderson (HSE) 52.85.

500 freestyle: 1. Wolf (F) 4:47.72, 2. Clarke (C) 4:49.90, 3. Ward (C) 4:52.00, 6. Schumacher (F) 4:56.92, 8. Dieckman (HSE) 4:59.99, T9. Sabrina Ledwith (C) 5:00.11, 11. Madara (HH) 5:01.05, 17. Isabella Schmitt (HSE) 5:07.22, 18. Amira Leer (HH) 5:08.52, 19. Delaney McCulloch (W) 5:13.61, 20. Moto Coordida (M) 5:08.95, 21. Wilson (F) 5:00.47

Kate Cassidy (W) 5:08.95, 21. Wilson (F) 5:09.47. **200 freestyle relay:** 1. Carmel (Gorey, Clark, Sweeney, Shackell) 1:32.19, 5. Fishers (Schwertfeger, Francis, Hannon, Schumacher (F) 1:36.26, 8. Southeastern (Miller, Bogaards, Payton Walker, Henderson) 1:36.68, 12. Noblesville (Vohs, Ellie Hayward, Julia Santerre, Exley Tricker) 1:38.11, 22. Westfield (Sperry, Thomas, Alley, Cassidy) 1:39.99.

100 backstroke: 1. Clarke (C) 54.42, 7. Debosch (C) 56.09, 10. Barr (C) 56.50, 11. Haines (HSE) 56.52, 19. Bogaards (HSE) 57.78.

100 breaststroke: 2. Sweeney (C) 1:01.14, 3. Enoch (C) 1:03.01, 8. Czarnecki (C) 1:03.60, 9. Francis (F) 1:03.62, T14. Polina Sopova (F) 1:05.68, T19. Ramey (F) 1:06.00; Lauren Ing (HSE) 1:06.00.

400 freestyle: 1. Carmel (Bowen, Ward, Clarke, Shackell) 3:24.73, 2. Fishers (Schwertfeger, Hannon, Schumacher, Wolf) 3:27.11, 3. Southeastern (Dieckman, Henderson, Miller, Zoeller) 3:27.51, 15. Noblesville (Vohs, Hayward, Olivia Motz, Tricker) 3:36.17, 17. Westfield (Wheat, Thomas, Macy Brown, Cassidy) 3:37.04, 24. Heights (Sophia Hulen, Audrey Cain, Leer, Madara) 3:41.44.

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Boys Basketball-

Golden Eagles overwhelm Danville

The REPORTER

Guerin Catholic scored an overwhelming road victory on Friday, beating Danville 82-52.

The Class 3A No. 3 Golden Eagles led 22-8 after the first quarter, then moved ahead 45-22 by halftime. Guerin Catholic outscored the Warriors in each of the four periods. leading 65-40 after three.

Bryson Cardinal had another dominant game,

scoring 30 points and pulling eight rebounds. Ryne Paris added 12 points and Jack Toles collected five rebounds. The Golden Eagles had 23 assists on 32 baskets; Hayden Rogers led with six assists, followed by Jake Grissom with five and Malcolm Houze with

Guerin Catholic is 18-4 and plays at Roncalli next Saturday to finish Circle City Conference play.

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GUERIN CA	THOLIC	82, D	ANVI	LLE 52
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jake Grissom	4-8	0-0	8	1
Malcolm Houze	0-0	0-0	0	3
Ryne Paris	3-5	4-4	12	1
Hayden Rogers	1-1	0-0	2	0
Bryson Cardinal	13-17	3-4	30	2
Carter Murans	3-4	0-0	7	0
Julian Melendez	3-6	2-2	8	1
Andrew Reithman	3-4	2-3	8	1
Jack Toles	2-4	0-0	4	2
RJ Hill	0-0	2-2	2	0
Jackson Carey	0-0	0-0	0	2
Will Bach	0-0	0-0	0	1
Jack Linden	0-0	1-2	1	0
Totals		14-17	82	14
	Score by 0	Quarters		
Guerin Catholic	22	23	20	17 – 82
Danville	8	14	18	12 - 52
Guerin Catholic 3-po			s 2-3, Re	eithman 2-3,
Cardinal 1-3, Murans				
Guerin Catholic rebo	unds (30) Ca	ardinal 8, 7	Toles 5, N	Melendez 4,

Grissom 3, Houze 2, Rogers 2, Hill 1, Paris 1, Reithman 1, Carey team 2.

What will the Daytona 500 provide?

This weekend marks the official start of the 2025 NASCAR season with the biggest race of the season, the Daytona 500. Qualifying is over and the field is set with Joe Gibbs Racing newcomer, Chase

and 2022 Daytona 500 champion, Austin Cindric, starting second.

In recent years with the Gen7 car, the racing product at Daytona has been criticized by many. The increased drag on the Gen7 car makes passing more difficult and the stage breaks result in extended periods of fuel saving and less racing on the track. Yet, I am hopeful that this year's Daytona 500 will be more exciting than the previous few years. NASCAR has done a great deal of work improving the

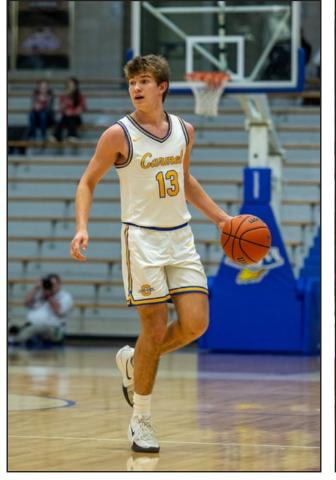


raceability of the Gen7 car. The short track package on the Gen7, which was abysmal in 2022 and 2023, put on a great performance at Bowman Grav Stadium just two weeks ago. I ex-

pect the same will Briscoe, starting from pole be true of the superspeedway package for Daytona and Talladega.

With rain looming in the forecast for Sunday, I believe teams will experience urgency in getting their cars to the front. Though I hope the race is not shortened or delayed by rain, the threat of rain may create increased pressure on lot, but we had some good the drivers and excitement on the track. At the end of the day, I believe this is going to be a Toyota vs. Ford fight. Toyota and Ford each won a Duel race on Thursday with

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(ABOVE LEFT) Carmel's Ben Bremer scored 12 points, making three 3-pointers. (ABOVE RIGHT) Hamilton Southeastern's Varschon Clark had nine points and five rebounds during the Royals' win at Carmel on Friday.

Royals beat Hounds in all-county game

The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern won an all-county game over Carmel 60-49 Friday on the Greyhounds' Bill Shepherd Court at the Eric Clark Activity Center.

The Royals led 14-8 after one quarter and extended that lead to 32-17 by halftime. Southeastern went up 51-33 after three periods.

Maverick Young led the Royals with 18 points, making four 3-pointers. Braeden

and dished out four assists. Jack Jacobs handed out six assists, while Varschon Clark scored nine points and also collected five rebounds.

Ben Bremer led Carmel with 12 points, hitting three 3s, while Evan Harrell scored 11 points and led the Carmel rebounding with six. Bremer also dished out four assists and Harrell blocked two shots.

The Royals are 12-10 and play at Brownsburg Totten was next with 16 next Friday in their Hoosier points, followed by Landon Crossroads Conference fina-Osswald, who scored 10 le. The Greyhounds are 9-9 points, pulled five rebounds and play tomorrow at Avon.

CARMEL 49

HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 60,

Southeastern	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jack Jacobs	3-3	0-0	7	1
Maverick Young	6-9	2-2	18	2
Braeden Totten	6-9	2-4	16	2
Landon Osswald	3-7	4-4	10	2
Varschon Clark	4-6	0-0	9	3
Kian Kelly	0-0	0-0	0	2
Kallen Hoeft	0-0	0-0	0	1
Jaxon Wanza	0-0	0-0	0	2
Zachary Tansel	0-0	0-0	0	1
Totals	22-34	8-10	60	16

Southeastern 3-point shooting (8-14) Young 4-6, Totten 2-3, Jacobs 1-1, Clark 1-1, Osswald 0-3.

Southeastern rebounds (19) Osswald 5, Clark 5, Kelly 2, Totten 2,

Jacobs 1, Young 1, team 3. PF Carmel Aiden Dickerson 3-4 Zach Michaels 3-7 2-2 3 Jamichael Fountain 2-10 1-2 2 Ben Bremer Evan Harrell Miles Wiley 2-6 1 Jack Perry 0-0 0-0 0 0 Totals 18-39 6-10 49 14 Carmel 3-point shooting (7-24) Bremer 3-6, Fountain 1-9, Michaels

1-4, Dickerson 1-2, Harrell 1-1, Wiley 0-2.

Carmel rebounds (20) Harrell 6, Dickerson 4, Fountain 3, Wiley 3,

Michaels 2, Bremer 2. Score by Quarters

Southeastern 11 - 6014 Carmel 16 - 49

PRELIMS -

"They did real well," said HSE interim coach Rich Wolfred. He estimated that "probably half of them were best times, not by a swims out of them."

Noblesville had four swims qualify for the "B" Final. Haddie Vohs advanced in the 200 free and the butterfly, and is part of the Millers' two qualifying relays, joining Ellie Hayfrom Page 9

ward. Julia Santerre and Exley Tricker in the 200 free relay and Hayward, Olivia Motz and Tricker in the 400 free relay.

Westfield's medley relay team of Kiarra Thomas, Nora Sperry, Evie Wheat and Maggie Alley advanced to the "B" Final of that event. Hamilton Heights' Ayla Madara qualified for the "B" Final in the 500

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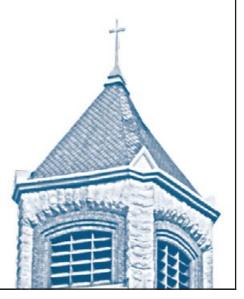


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Mon Feb 17 - Boys Basketball

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Blazers beat Shortridge for third place in PAAC

University defeated Indianapolis Shortridge 56-47 Friday night in the Pioneer Academic Athletic Conference third-place game.

Blake Gray had 18 points and Max McComb 14 as University led the entire second half, building a 14 point fourth quarter lead before withstanding a late Shortridge rally.

University raced to an early 8-3 lead behind a three pointer from Gray and five points from McComb, but the Blue Devils rallied to tie the score at 11 after the first period. The Blue Devils led 16-14 in the second quarter behind 13 consecutive Shortridge points from Eli Wilson. Gray scored five quick points for the Blazers but Shortridge came back to knot the score at 21.

Peter Morales hit two three pointers in the last 70

seconds of the first half to put University on top to stay and the Blazers led 27-24 at the break. Morales finished with nine points, all in the second quarter.

A pair of three pointers from Gray and a three-point play from McComb helped University to a 36-28 lead midway through the third quarter. The Blazers maintained the eight point lead at the end of third at 40-32 after a Noah Cortez basket and two foul shots from

over the next 4:15 to build a 48-34 lead. The Blazers had three straight assisted baskets to build the lead. Mc-Comb scored off a Cortez assist, Cammack had a layin off a McComb pass and DJ

UNIVERSITY 56, SHORTRIDGE 47						
University	FG	FT	TP	PF		
Zien Bland	0	0-0	0	1		
Max McComb	5	3-5	14	4		
Blake Gray	7	0-0	18	1		
Faisal Mohamud	1	2-2	4	2		
Cooper Cammack	1	2-2	4	3		
Noah Cortez	1	0-0	2	1		
DJ Willis	2	0-0	5	2		
Peter Morales	3	0-0	9	1		
Josh Henderson	0	0-0	0	0		
Totals	20	7-9	56	15		
Score by Quarters						
Shortridge	11	16	13	16 – 56		
University	11	13	8	15 – 47		

Shortridge seconds left but Faisal Mohamud made two foul shots and Gray scored twice on deep inbound passes from Mohamud to put the game

Cammack had a team-Willis finished the run off high 11 rebounds for Uni-

Shortridge falls to 9-12.

high school polls.

University 3-pointers (9) Gray 4, Morales 3, McComb, Willis. Cooper Cammack. After the Blue Devils another McComb assist. scored the first basket of the fourth quarter, University narrowed held Shortridge scoreless the lead to 50-45 with 40

University improved to 12-7 on the season while

The Trailblazers are next in action Tuesday night at Westfield in an all-county matchup with the Shamrocks who are ranked in the top six of all the Indiana

Huskies in the second. Drew Haffner stepped up for the 'Rocks in the third quarter, nailing two 3s on his

The REPORTER

won

all-county game at Hamilton

Heights on Friday, by the

Shamrocks jumped out to a

21-9 lead after the first quar-

ter. Rylan Rauch made two

3-pointers for six points,

with Durante Morton also

scoring six. Westfield led

37-23 at halftime, with Will

Harvey and Brock Detamore

scoring five second-quarter

points each. Gavin Saunders

scored seven points for the

The Class 4A No. 6

Westfield

score of 75-57.

way to eight points. Westfield led 58-39 going into the fourth; Morton helped the Shamrocks finish the game by scoring seven points in that quarter. Saunders had

Fast start sends

Rocks past Huskies

eight points in the fourth. Morton led the way with 19 points, followed by Harvey and Haffner with 13 each. Brock Detamore added 10 points for Westfield.

Saunders led Heights with 18 points, while Jack Kakasuleff scored 12. Chris Nobbe had four rebounds.

The Shamrocks are 15-3 and host University Tuesday in another all-county game. The Huskies are 11-7 and play at Lebanon tonight.

WESTFILLD 75	,			
Westfield	FG	FT	TP	PF
Will Harvey	5	0-0	13	3
Jalen Malone	4	0-0	9	2
Durante Morton	6	7-7	19	3
Drew Haffner	5	0-0	13	4
Rylan Rauch	2	1-2	7	2
Brock Detamore	4	1-2	10	2
Logan Sumpter	0	0-0	0	1
Luke Vandegriff	2	0-0	4	3
lan Muntel	0	0-0	0	0
Wyatt Freehauf	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	28	9-11	75	20
Westfield 3-pointers (10)) Harvey 3	, Haffner 3,	Rauch 2	2, Malone,
Detamore.				
Heights	FG	FT	TP	PF
Heights Tyler Champion	2	0-0	5	2
Heights Tyler Champion Rees Knapp	2	0-0 2-2	5	2
Heights Tyler Champion Rees Knapp Carson Felger	2	0-0 2-2 4-4	5 9 8	2 1 3
Heights Tyler Champion Rees Knapp Carson Felger Jack Kakasuleff	2 3 2 4	0-0 2-2 4-4 4-8	5 9 8 12	2 1 3 0
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WESTFIELD 75. HAMILTON HEIGHTS 57

Blackhawks fall to Carroll

The REPORTER

Sheridan dropped its Hoosier Heartland Conference finale on Friday, falling at Carroll 68-57.

The Cougars led 15-13 after one quarter; Caleb Wright kept the Blackhawks in it with seven points. Carroll led 27-25 at halftime, with Wright making two 3s in the second

The Cougars poured in 25 points in the third period. Devon Hamilton scored nine for Sheridan, with Wright scoring eight, including two more 3s. Car-

roll led 52-43 after three, and both teams scored 15 points in the fourth; Damon Winston scored seven in that quarter.

Wright totaled five 3s on his way to 23 points. Hamilton finished with 13 points and made four steals. Winston had nine points, eight rebounds, six assists and two blocked shots. Chance Spencer collected five rebounds.

Sheridan finished conference play with a 5-2 record and is 13-5 overall. The Blackhawks play Tuesday at Western Boone.

CARROLL 67, SHERIDAN 58

Sheridan	FG	FT	TP	PF		
Trey Page	0-6	0-0	0	3		
Caleb Wright	8-19	2-2	23	4		
Damon Winston	3-9	2-2	9	4		
Devon Hamilton	5-11	3-4	13	1		
Carson Wright	3-3	1-2	7	1		
Chance Spencer	3-6	0-0	6	1		
Dayne Voege	0-2	0-0	0	1		
Brayden Whisman	0-0	0-0	0	0		
Totals	22-56	8-10	58	15		
Score by Quarters						
Sheridan	13	12	18	15 - 58		
Carroll	15	12	25	15 - 67		
Sheridan 3-point shoo	oting (6-22)	Cal. Wrigh	nt 5-10, V	Vinston 1-4,		

Page 0-5, Hamilton 0-2, Spencer 0-1. Sheridan rebounds (26) Winston 8, Spencer 5, Page 4, Hamilton 4, Car. Wright 3, Cal. Wright 1, Whisman 1.

Tigers dominate

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Noblesville a tough Hoosier Crossroads Conference game to Brownsburg at The Mill on Friday, 48-45.

The Class 4A No. 14 Millers led 15-9 after one quarter, but the Bulldogs came back in the second period to lead 25-24 at halftime. Noblesville took control in the third quarter, with Justin Curry scoring 10 points, including two

3-pointers, to help the Milldropped ers take a 38-30 advantage. But Brownsburg poured in 18 points in the fourth quar-

> Curry finished with 21 points, totaling three 3s, and pulled six rebounds. Aiden Brewer had five re-

> conference play and 15-5 overall. The Millers travel to Avon next Friday for

their HCC finale.

ter to get the win.

Noblesville is 3-3 in

Noblesville	FG	FT	TP	PF		
T.J. Davidson	2-5	0-0	6	0		
Max Miller	0-0	0-0	0	0		
Luke Davis	1-2	2-2	4	1		
Aiden Brewer	1-3	2-3	4	2		
Ryan Vetor	1-2	0-0	2	2		
Adam Fine	0-2	0-2	0	1		
Justin Curry	7-17	4-4	21	2		
Baron Walker	0-2	5-8	5	5		
Max Flanagan	1-2	0-0	3	0		
Totals	13-35	13-19	45	13		
Score by Quarters						
Brownsburg	9	16	5	18 – 48		
Noblesville	15	9	14	7 – 45		
Noblesville 3-point shooting (6-18) Curry 3-8, Davidson 2-4, Flanagan 1-2, Fine 0-2, Davis 0-1, Vetor 0-1.						
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BROWNSBURG 48, NOBLESVILLE 45

Millers drop HCC

game to Bulldogs

son 2, Walker 2, Miller 1, Davis 1. Thanks for reading the

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Noblesville rebounds (25) Curry 6, Brewer 5, Fine 4, Vetor 4, David-

Trojans for 21st win

The REPORTER

4A No. 1 Tigers overwhelmed Center Grove 88-35 to stay unbeaten for the season.

Fishers led 18-5 after the first quarter, with JonAnthony Hall scoring six points. Hall poured in nine more points in the second quarter, while Millen McCartney hit two 3-pointers, and the Tigers were up 42-10 at halftime.

more 3s as part of eight rence North.

Fishers

third-quarter Fishers put on anoth- while Cooper Zachary er show at the Tiger Den also nailed a pair of trion Friday, as the Class ples as Fishers surged ahead 64-26. Justin Kirby took over in the fourth, scoring nine points, while Evan Makielski came off the bench to hit two 3s.

McCartney finished the game with five 3s while scoring 21 points. Hall scored 17, Zachary made four triples for 12 points, Kirby scored 11 and Jason Gardner Jr. added 10 points.

Fishers is 21-0 and McCartney hit two plays Tuesday at Law-

PF

FISHERS 88, CENTER GROVE 35

FG

Millen McCartney	8	0-0	21	0			
Justin Kirby	4	2-2	11	1			
JonAnthony Hall	8	1-2	17	3			
Logan Sigler	2	0-0	4	3			
Nathan Baker	3	0-0	7	1			
Cooper Zachary	4	0-0	12	2			
Jason Gardner Jr.	5	0-0	10	0			
Jean-Claude L'Homme	0	0-0	0	0			
Torey Breland	0	0-0	0	1			
Mason Schuh	0	0-0	0	0			
Levi Walker	0	0-0	0	0			
Jalen Campbell	0	0-0	0	1			
Evan Makielski	2	0-0	6	0			
Totals	34	3-4	88	12			
Score by Quarters							
Center Grove	5	5	16	9 - 35			
Fishers	18	24	22	24 – 88			
Fishers 3-pointers (13) I	McCart	ney 5, Zachary 4	I, Maki	elski 2, Kirby,			
Baker.							

DAYTONA -

Heights

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Bubba Wallace and Austin Cindric respectively. In the Gen7 era, Ford has been extremely fast on drafting tracks. Toyota has been right behind Ford but this year, unlike in the past, Toyota has Jr. and Jimmie Johnson qualifying for the Daytona 500, Toyota will have 11 cars in the field. Where manufacturer alliances are so important and strength is in the numbers, Toyota seem to finally be on level footing with Chevy and Ford.

My prediction this year is for a first-time winner and Daytona 500 champion. With the departure of Michael McDowell from Front Row Motorsport, I believe Todd Gilliland steps numbers. With Martin Treux, up and gets a win. He and his Front Row Motorsports team have had speed on the big tracks. I think he will be there in the end and cross the finish line first.

> Zech Yoder is a local resident, an attorney at Adler Attorneys in Noblesville, and a lifelong race fan.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Feb. 15

BOYS BASKETBALL

Carmel at Avon, 7:30 p.m. Hamilton Heights at Lebanon, 7:30 p.m.

BOYS WRESTLING

Semi-state at New Castle, 9 a.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONALS At Lapel

Sheridan vs. Lewis Cass, 7 p.m.

At Marion Hamilton Southeastern vs. Homestead, 7 p.m.

GIRLS SWIMMING AND DIVING

At IU Natatorium

Diving state prelims, 9 a.m. Swimming and diving state finals, 1 p.m.

GYMNASTICS Noblesville at Connersville Invitational, 10 a.m. Westfield at Logansport, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 18

BOYS BASKETBALL

Fishers at Lawrence North, 7:30 p.m. Jay County at Hamilton Heights, 7:30 p.m. Sheridan at Western Boone, 7:30 p.m. University at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.

GYMNASTICS

Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, 6:30 p.m. at Gymnastics Company

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

