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GATHER

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New Nonprofit Keyholder Membership

As The Gathering House continues to grow at 1372 Cherry St., nestled in Old Second Ward in downtown Noblesville, so does the community's investment in its mission. Over the past six months, TGH has noticed an increased interest from local nonprofits in TGH who want to partner, host events, and utilize the space in meaningful ways. To meet this need, The Gathering House is introducing a Nonprofit Keyholder Membership, making it easier for organizations to collaborate, connect, and receive support from the community.

"When we launched our initial Keyholder Membership, we knew we had neighbors in the community who would capture and support this vision," says Patrick Propst, Minister alongside Faith Community and The Gathering House. "What we didn't anticipate was the number of nonprofits also wanting to support and be part of this space. It's amazing to see that kind of engagement, and we're thrilled to make this adjustment so more people can feel at home here."

This new membership

Photo provided

Anyone and everyone from all walks of life is welcome at The Gathering House in Noblesville.

will provide nonprofits with flexible access to The Gathering House, allowing them to host meetings, events, and programs while also strengthening community relationships. It's another step in ensuring that The Gathering House remains a place where connection and collaboration thrive.

Evening highlights

- A continuous showing of "The Gathering House Highlights" capturing moments from the past year.
- A unique photo auction, featuring stunning images from this quarter's Spotlight Artist.
- Delicious refreshments to enjoy while mingling and reminiscing.
- Live-streaming of the night's basketball tournament game (March Madness) for sports fans.

Whether you've been a part of The Gathering House's journey since the beginning or are just discovering it for the first time, this celebration is an open invitation to experience the warmth and community that make it special. The event is free and open to the public,

so come celebrate a year of meaningful connections and dream together for the future.

In 2023, Faith Community made the intentional decision to sell its traditional church building, embracing an organic church model centered on gathering with the community in shared spaces to practice intentional spiritual disciplines and build authentic community. Rather than being defined by a location, Faith Community prioritizes relationships, discipleship, and everyday rhythms of faith lived out together. As part of this vision, they purchased a house in downtown Noblesville – now known as TGH – as a space dedicated to community programming, collaboration, and shared experiences. This home has become a hub where people from all walks of life can connect, create, and cultivate meaningful relationships.

For more information, visit fccnoblesville.com or tghnoblesville.com.

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"There is a lot of emotion involved with this next step," she added, "but the joy and excitement are equally as strong as the heartache and pain of the last few months."

Gray is unwavering in

her commitment to helping students and teachers achieve their full potential and is excited to lead the school towards new heights of success, carrying on where Mason left off.

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Noblesville boasts five National Merit Scholarship finalists



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools
Noblesville High School has an impressive five National Merit Scholarship finalists this year. Congratulations to (from left) Alexander Marshall, Emma Duell, Vaibhav Patel, Megan Rowley, and Eleanor Meginnis on this significant academic achievement.

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Comfort food – we all recognize it when we need it and these past couple of bitterly cold winter months have called us to it! We mostly think of the actual “food” of comfort food as being heavy on the starch, the gravy, the warmth of the casserole being retrieved from the oven, etc. (Yes, though I am a vegetarian we veggies also have our comfort food menu!)

The food we are drawn to this time of year is indeed comforting, and I was thinking of how that relates to our beloved Jim Dandy restaurant that recently closed after 60 years.

While the menu of the Jim Dandy (frequently referred to with affection by locals as “JD”) may not have been the most adaptable to my own palate, Noblesville area folks over many years have enjoyed the specialties offered there

COLUMNIST

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such as broasted chicken, chicken fried steak, hearty breakfast items, their famous burgers and “Jimbo” sandwiches (one of Bruce’s faves) and of course the quintessential secret recipe slaw! Their pies were famous and the coconut cream was definitely high on my list!

The JD menu was quite popular through the years, and seldom varied. However, the secret to comfort food is really the word *comfort* and that was supplied by close friendships and the JD “regulars” who often met there to visit, catch up on family news, and host meetings such as the Noon Kiwanis who met there for years. Work parties and reunion groups were frequently seen enjoying not only the JD cuisine, but the camaraderie and warm feelings which drew them there. Diners were often entertained by singers, magicians, and comedians. The JD provided both good, simple fare and

comfort to their loyal customers. The JD management was always quick to step up to offer sponsorships for athletic teams and non-profit organizations.

Many of these customers were shocked and saddened by the closing. It was an “everybody knows your name” kind of place and, in these hectic days, a unique kind of place. I am one of those who have waxed nostalgic about the closing. The JD was the site of my first “car date” in 1966. Those were the days of carhops and teenagers who drove endlessly around the building to see who was parked there – of course the cars were always backed in so that the driver and passenger could keep their eyes on their fellow teens. I even remember what I ordered: french fries and a marshmallow coke. Hmm, I was a real fan of those cokes!

The Jim Dandy restaurant was a landmark in Noblesville. Most of us baby boomers who grew up here will long remember those car dates, family dinners, meetings, and casual dining experiences which truly de-

fine what “comfort food” really means: food to nourish our bodies in the closeness and comfort of friends and loved ones.

Thank you, Jim Dandy, for many years of comfort to our community.

Sharon McMahon, CNWC

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Indiana colleges navigate changes in high school diploma requirements

By FARAN FRONCZAK
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

As Indiana high schools implement **changes to graduation requirements**, local colleges are working to ensure that students’ pathways align with future academic goals.

The shift, set to affect students in the class of 2029, has sparked **questions from parents and education professionals alike**. At the

University of Indianapolis, Admissions Director Emily Hancock is balancing these new requirements with the university’s expectations for incoming students. She joined Daybreak’s Scott Sander to discuss.

Hancock emphasized that while the changes are significant, they won’t affect current high school juniors or seniors.

“If you have a high schooler right now, you

don’t need to worry about it,” she said. The changes will impact current eighth-graders, who will be the first group to graduate under the new guidelines in 2029.

In December, changes were unanimously passed by the **Indiana Department of Education**. The redesigned requirements aim to address the declining number of

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Hamilton County SWCD launches Native Plant Kit Sale to support local ecosystems

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) announces the return of its Native Plant Kit Sale, offering residents an easy way to incorporate Indiana-native plants into their landscapes. These pre-selected kits provide an affordable and convenient way to establish native gardens that support pollinators, improve soil health, and enhance biodiversity.

Orders are open through March 27 at hamiltonswcd.org/plantsale, with pick-up scheduled for later this spring.

To further support residents in transitioning to native landscaping, the SWCD has also launched new residential native landscape plans, now available on their website. These free resources are designed to help homeowners create beautiful, low-maintenance native gardens that are beautiful and thrive in a

neighborhood landscape.

Additionally, the SWCD will hold a free “Landscaping with Natives” workshop at 6:30 p.m. March 12 at the Cool Creek Park Nature Center, 2000 E. 151st St. This event will provide expert guidance on selecting and maintaining native plants, along with insights into their ecological benefits. Attendees will also have the opportunity to explore the new landscape plans and ask questions about incorporating native species into their yards. Local native plant vendors and landscape designers will be on hand as well. This event is free, but registration is required.

“Native plants are not only beautiful, but they also provide essential habitat for pollinators, birds, and other wildlife,” said Claire Lane, Urban Conservationist at Hamilton County SWCD. “With our plant kits, new landscape plans, and workshop, we’re making it easier than ever for residents to



Photo provided by SWCD

grow Indiana natives this spring.”

For more information about the Native Plant Kit

Sale, to explore the new residential landscape plans, or to register for the free workshop, visit hamiltonswcd.org.

Frustrated Hoosiers’ long Postal Service delays gain added attention

By KODY FISHER
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Hoosiers are seeing long delays in getting packages delivered because of issues at the new U.S. Postal Service distribution center on Brookville Road in Indianapolis.

People with packages inside the distribution center described it as a black hole. Tiffany Tubb said, “Jan. 18, I ordered an item. It was scheduled to be here on the 22nd and still ... it’s lost.”

I-Team 8 heard from dozens of people Friday, and the stories were nearly always the same. They order something or try to ship something, and, once it’s at the distribution center, it basically disappears. It’s something people have been dealing with for a while.

Travis Bell said, “Since November it started getting bad and now, as we’re here into February, it’s just terrible.”

For Bell, it’s impacted his business’ bottom line. Bell said, “One hundred to 150 guests that got a refund from November to right now and, like I said, for a small business that’s tough. If you’re losing a third of your business and there’s only two thirds left that hard to pay everybody.”

I-Team 8 reached out to the Postal Service to get answers about the problem. Instead of providing details, a spokesperson said they’re asking customers to contact the Postal Service to inquire about their lost packages.

The chief trustee of the Indianapolis Area Local American Postal Workers Union, Steve Vaughn, gave

a lot more details about what’s going on. “They opened the facility at the wrong time of year, during peak season. They were not prepared. They’re improperly staffed with trained management. They’re improperly staffed with the number of employees.”

Now, U.S. Rep. Jefferson Shreve, R-Indiana, and other lawmakers in Congress have stepped in, mostly because of the number of calls they’ve gotten. **As News 8 reported Thursday**, Indiana lawmakers in Congress have penned a letter to the U.S. Postal Service over delivery delays at its distribution hub in Indianapolis.

“As a pattern, I’ve had more on this one subject than any other,” Shreve said Friday.

In their letter, Shreve and his fellow lawmakers asked the postmaster general to investigate and to fix the problem. “This is a mechanical, it’s a systems, it’s a hardware, it’s a process solution. It’s fixable. I just need their attention on the problem, so we can take care of our customers,” Shreve said.

Shreve expects a response from the **Postmaster General Louis DeJoy** by next week, but he does not know exactly how long it will take to fix the problems.

Tubb, hearing about the congressional action, said, “I think that’s great. I think that’s what we elect them for is to solve problems that we personally can’t solve.”

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DIPLOMA

Indiana high school seniors enrolling at higher education institutions, seniors moving into the workforce without necessary skills, and students enrolling in the military finding out they are disqualified too late.

Schools can also choose to require their high schoolers to earn 42 credits, two more credits than what’s required today. Despite previous disapproval, the final plan is fully supported by all of the state’s public colleges and universities.

Under the revised system, **there are now three diploma tracks**: enlistment, employment, and enrollment.

For students aiming for college, Hancock recommends the “enrollment honors diploma,” which is

designed to meet the entry requirements of many in-state institutions. The “enrollment honors plus” track, which includes work-based learning components, is not necessary for college admissions, she noted.

This distinction is important for parents and students making decisions about the most appropriate path. Hancock stressed that while the “honors plus” track may sound appealing, it may not be necessary for all students planning to pursue higher education.

When evaluating applicants, Hancock says academic readiness is the top priority.

“We want to make sure students are successful academically in college,” she

explained. “That includes overall GPA, the courses they’ve taken – whether dual credit, AP, or IB – and the rigor of those courses.”

One concern is whether current eighth graders might decide later in high school that they want to attend college, even if they’ve already chosen a track that doesn’t align with that goal. Hancock emphasized ongoing communication between school counselors and college admissions teams. “We’re in communication with the state to make sure that any student in Indiana who wants to go to college has a pathway to do that.”

Hancock advised parents to guide their students toward the enrollment track if there is any chance they

may pursue college. Starting on that path provides more flexibility later.

“Talk to your student about what they’re thinking about doing when they graduate from high school,” Hancock suggested. “That way, they’re on the right foot from as soon as they enter high school.”

With the new changes still a few years away from affecting students, the University of Indianapolis and **other institutions are closely monitoring how the policy evolves** and how it will impact college admissions moving forward.

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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

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Little Women hits Noblesville stage tonight



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The Belfry's Theatre's production of *Little Women* opens tonight at Noblesville First United Methodist Church, 2051 Monument St. These photos show the cast during recent rehearsals. The play runs through March 2, and you can get your tickets at TheBelfryTheatre.com. (TOP ROW, from left) Gideon Roark as Laurie. The cast rehearses for The Belfry Theatre's *Little Women*, on stage Feb. 21 to March 2 at Noblesville First United Methodist Church. (From left) Mary Garner as Marmee, Rob Lawson as Father March, Samuel Smith as John Brook, James Semmelroth Darnel as Professor Bhaer, and Emily Haus as Jo March. (ABOVE ROW, from left) Rob Lawson as Father, Emily Haus as Jo March, and Lizzie Schultz as Beth March. (From left) Samuel Smith as John Brook, Mary Garner as Marmee, Rob Lawson as Father March, Emily Haus as Jo March, James Semmelroth Darnel as Professor Bhaer, and Christina Burch as Aunt March. (Standing, from left) Mary Garner as Marmee, Natalie Piggush as Amy March, and Emily Haus as Jo March; (seated, from left) Emma Gedig as Meg March, Rob Lawson as Father March, and Lizzie Schultz as Beth March.

More than one-quarter of public schools now offer all students free school meals through state or local initiatives

The REPORTER

The latest [School Pulse Panel \(SPP\)](#) data from the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), the statistical division of the U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences, show that an increased number of public schools now operate school meal programs through state or local initiatives, offering all students free lunches and breakfasts. As of school year 2024-25, 29 percent of schools offer these programs, up from 21 percent in October 2022.

Overall, 91 percent of public schools participate in United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) meal programs, an increase from the 2022-23 school year (88 percent). Another 4 percent allow students to purchase meals outside the USDA program. Among schools providing meals, 67 percent collected household

applications for free- or reduced-price meals, though 55 percent of these schools (39 percent of all schools) identified parent reluctance to submit applications as a challenge. Other operational hurdles included food service staff shortages (reported by 38 percent of all schools).

"The latest School Pulse Panel data show that 29 percent of public schools are offering free meals to all students through state or local initiatives for the 2024-25 school year, up from 21 percent in October 2022," NCES Commissioner Peggy Carr said. "Additionally, 91 percent of public schools are participating in USDA meal programs this school year, up from 88 percent in 2022-23. Our data illustrate how partnerships across local, state and federal levels are playing a key role in providing students access to nutrition in schools."

In addition to offering

meals, schools are also providing opportunities for students to participate in arts and physical education programming. Arts education is a component of the curriculum in the majority of public schools, with 73 percent requiring students to take at least one class in music, visual arts, media arts, dance, or drama/theater. Art courses most commonly offered during the 2024-25 school year are music (84 percent) and visual arts (82 percent). Other areas, such as media arts (42 percent), drama/theater (26 percent), and dance (13 percent), are less common.

Approximately 43 percent of schools provide three or more standalone courses in the arts, while 7 percent report having no standalone arts classes at all. Beyond the regular school day, 79 percent of public schools offer arts instruction through extracurricular activities.

Physical education and

student activity initiatives were also reported as common components in the curriculum. Most public schools (92 percent) offer physical education courses across all grades and about three-quarters (78 percent) allocate a dedicated budget for physical education materials and equipment.

Beyond traditional classes, 71 percent of schools incorporate physical activity during the school day, outside of the physical education courses, and 85 percent offer opportunities for physical activity outside of structured courses during the school day. Of public schools, 19 percent have a written plan for providing opportunities for student physical activity throughout the day.

Thirty-five percent of schools participate in one or more National Park Service (NPS) programs during the 2024-25 school year. These

programs include ranger-led field trips to national parks or historic sites (13 percent), the use of NPS online resources such as live webcams and lesson plans (10 percent), and self-guided trips (8 percent). In addition, some schools hosted NPS rangers in classrooms (6 percent) or engaged in interactive distance learning with NPS staff (5 percent). Pre-recorded lessons from NPS were utilized by 3 percent of schools.

The findings are part of an experimental data product from the SPP, which surveys public K-12 schools on high-priority education-related topics once a month during the school year. The SPP data, collected Nov. 12 to 26, 2024, came from 1,599 participating public K-12 schools from every state and the District of Columbia.

Additional data collected from 103 public K-12 schools in the U.S. Outlying

Areas – American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands – are also available. Results from this collection include the finding that 55 percent of Outlying Area public schools require students at their school to take at least one music, visual arts, media arts, dance, or drama/theater (performing or visual arts) class while enrolled at their school.

Experimental data products are innovative statistical tools created using new data sources or methodologies. Experimental data may not meet all NCES's quality standards but are of sufficient benefit to data users, in the absence of other relevant products, to justify release. NCES clearly identifies experimental data products upon their release.

All data can be found on the [School Pulse Panel Dashboard](#).

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Co-chairs lead planning for Center’s 2025 gala

The REPORTER

As Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts approaches its 15th anniversary next year, a committee of local volunteers is making plans for its annual gala fundraiser, the Center Celebration 2025 presented by Ice Miller.

Scheduled Sept. 20 at the Palladium with host Michael Feinstein, the event will include cocktails, dinner, a live auction, a headlining performance by another nationally known artist, and two after-parties. All proceeds support Allied Solutions Center’s arts programming and its growing menu of education and enrichment opportunities for people of all ages. The headliner will be announced when tables go on sale March 11.

More information is available at TheCenterPresents.org/Gala.

Leading the Gala Steering Committee this year are Carmel residents Caroline and Michael Garvey, now serving their second year as co-chairs, and David and Annette Greene, serving the first of their two years as co-chairs.

The Garveys also have supported the gala for the past three years as after-party sponsors or table hosts. Michael is Chief Financial Officer for SC Bodner Co. in Carmel, and Caroline is

an Emmy Award-winning journalist familiar to local TV viewers as evening news anchor Caroline Thau.

“We have witnessed this Center’s gala grow from not only one of the most beautiful and fun nights of the year, but to a can’t-miss event, as we experienced last year when the tables sold out so early,” Caroline Garvey said. “It is heartwarming to know that the dollars contributed to this special night go to make sure that all of central Indiana, young and old, disadvantaged or in need, can experience the finest in music and the arts and know that it can and does change lives.”

The Greenes are longtime patrons of Allied Solutions Center, looking forward to the co-chair experience after serving on the committee previously and learning more about the Center’s impact. David recently retired as Region President for First Merchants Bank, ongoing sponsor of the gala’s opening cocktail reception. Annette is a Certified Clinical Medical Assistant for Northwest Radiology.

“Allied Solutions Center is a true gem in our community, serving as a stunning centerpiece that brings people together,” David Greene said. “It enriches every segment of society, offering opportunities for



Photo by Joshua Hasty

Chairing the Gala Steering Committee for the Center for the Performing Arts’ annual Center Celebration are Carmel residents (from left) Michael and Caroline Garvey and Annette and David Greene.

learning and enjoying the performing arts and ensuring that everyone can experience their transformative power.”

Programs supported by the gala proceeds include the Peanut Butter & Jam performance series for families with young children; the Prism Project, a performing arts summer camp for youth with disabilities; free matinee performances and science presentations for school groups; a donor-funded Transportation Grant Program that reimburses transportation costs for school groups attending events; and arts classes for adults, including vocal music, songwriting, two levels of stand-up comedy instruction and three levels of ukulele instruction. The gala revenue is generated

through table reservations, corporate partnerships, direct donations, and the auction for prize packages including luxury getaways and VIP professional sports experiences, donated by Allied Solutions Center supporters.

Last year’s Center Celebration 2024 presented by Ice Miller, with trumpeter Chris Botti as the headliner, generated more than \$588,000 in support of Allied Solutions Center’s mission “to inspire and engage the Indiana community with enriching arts experiences.”

“Every year, our partners and donors contribute to the success of this event in so many different ways,” President and CEO Jeffrey C. McDermott said. “The gala truly is a community celebration.”

Duke Energy shares resources to manage increased energy usage when temperatures drop

The REPORTER

Duke Energy is offering information on how customers can save energy and money through financial assistance, energy-saving programs, and conservation tips.

Ways to manage winter heating bills

Duke Energy offers free programs and tools to help customers better manage and understand their monthly energy expenses:

- **Pick Your Due Date** allows customers to adjust the date their bill is due.
- **Interest-free Installment Payment Plans** are available for customers who need flexibility with paying a bill.
- **Usage Alerts** notify customers how much energy they are using and how much it costs in time to make adjustments to their energy use before the end of a billing cycle.
- **Weatherization Program** helps income-qualified customers save energy and reduce expenses through conservation measures like weatherstripping and HVAC repairs or replacements.

For customers who qualify, Duke Energy’s partnerships with community and state agencies can help them access financial assistance, including:

- **Duke Energy’s Share the Light Fund:** Assists qualifying customers who need help paying their energy bill. The program is funded through voluntary contributions from Duke Energy shareholders, customers and employees.
- **Low Income Energy Assistance Programs (LIHEAP):** Provides a one-time payment to help eligible Indiana households pay their energy bills during winter months.

Energy-saving tips to combat the cold

The following low- to no-cost tips can help lower

energy usage as well:

- Reduce your thermostat to the lowest comfortable setting. The smaller the difference between the temperature inside your home and outside, the lower your energy usage and the greater the savings.
- Change your air filter and schedule regular maintenance for your heating systems. Maintaining your heating systems can help increase efficiency.
- Set your water heater to 120 degrees to manage water heating, which is typically the second-biggest user of energy in your home.
- Caulk, seal, and weatherstrip air leaks in windows, doors, and vents to save 10 to 20 percent in heating and cooling costs.
- Replace standard bulbs with LEDs, which are more efficient than regular bulbs while giving off the same amount of light. Replacing just six of your most frequently used bulbs with LEDs can save up to \$480 over the lifetime of the bulbs.

With the colder than normal temperatures, it is also a good time to check on friends, neighbors, and family members who are elderly to ensure they have what they need to stay warm.

For context on this winter’s chilly temperatures, in the Indianapolis area, the average temperature in January was 12.4 degrees colder than December, 5.3 degrees colder than a year ago and 5 degrees colder than a typical January.

If customers need help reading their electric bills, Duke Energy offers an **interactive tool** to explain each component, such as a graph and comparison chart that provide a clear, uncluttered snapshot of their energy usage.

More information can be found at duke-energy.com/HereToHelp and duke-energy.com/WinterEnergySavings.

Indiana House of Representatives advances statewide immigration enforcement bill

By GARRETT BERGQUSIT
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Local governments and universities would be prohibited from restricting immigration enforcement regardless of which agency does it under a bill the Indiana House approved Thursday afternoon.

The bill would require authorities to notify the judge considering bail if a person in custody is subject to an immigration detainer and require them to comply with all requests made related to the detainer. It also allows the attorney general to defend any law enforcement officer or agency who carries out an immigration enforcement action in civil suits.

Although state law already prohibits governmental bodies from limiting or

restricting enforcement of federal immigration laws, the bill adds language clarifying such institutions cannot interfere regardless of whether the action is carried out by a federal, state or local agency.

Additionally, state law prohibits any employer from knowingly hiring or recruiting anyone who is in the country illegally.

The measure comes as Republicans in Indiana and across the country try to direct state resources to assist the Trump administration’s immigration enforcement policies. Gov. Mike Braun in his first days in office **ordered state law enforcement agencies to assist federal immigration au-**

thorities whenever possible and state lawmakers briefly considered requiring county sheriffs to participate in the 287(g) jail enforcement program.

“President Trump and **border czar Tom Homan** have been making great strides in securing our border and removing those from our country who have entered illegally with a priority on those that have committed additional crimes first,” bill author Rep. J.D. Prescott, R-Union City, said. “But we have a part to play here in Indiana as well. We can do that with this legislation.”

The bill passed the House along party lines.

Democrats said the bill does not provide stiff



Garcia Wilburn

enough penalties to employers. In addition, they said it sends an inhospitable message to those looking to make their home in Indiana legally.

“It threatens our Hoosier hospitality,” Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn, D-Fishers, said, citing committee testimony from someone who said they were against all immigration, legal or otherwise. “The narrative of being opposed to legal immigration is a narrative we should universally reject. Who among you does not have an immigration story?”

The bill now goes to the Senate. Lawmakers will take their midsession break next week and return to the Statehouse on March 3.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/politics/indiana-house-immigration-enforcement-bill.

You can get tickets now for next production in GHDT’s *Mélange Series*

Submitted

Mélange: concoction, mixture, combination.

In this new series of performances brought to you by Gregory Hancock Dance Theatre (GHDT), audiences experience art coming to life in front of their eyes in an intimate theatrical setting. Each series features three unique and talented artists of different genres. Together they create art at The Florence (Carmel’s newest black-box theatre space), in a collaborative and organic manner.

This *Mélange* Series features a vocalist, dancer and visual artist. The dancer creates spontaneous movement inspired by the singer, as the visual artist creates spontaneous art inspired by the dancer and the music. Audiences will experience live art in a new manner, bringing groundbreaking and creative art to central Indiana.

Audiences love the interactive nature of the *Mélange* performances in The Florence, located at 329 Gradle Drive. The artwork created during the perfor-



Hunt

mances is auctioned to audience members at the end of the performance.

The next production of the *Mélange* series features vocalist Tim Hunt, dancer Abigail Lessaris, and visual artist Lily Kessler, and will take place at 5 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 15 and at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 16. Tickets are \$20 for general admission seating and can be purchased at [this link](#).

Vocalist: Tim Hunt

Tim Hunt was twice named *Broadway World Indianapolis’* “Best Performer” for his work as Hedwig in *Hedwig and the Angry Inch* and Frank in *The Rocky Horror Show*. Other favorite credits include *Chicago* (Fred Casely); *Jesus Christ Superstar* (Peter); *Forever Plaid* (Sparky); *A Year*



Lessaris

With Frog and Toad (Snail); *A Chorus Line* (Paul); *La Cage Aux Folles* (Chantal) and *J. Eyre* (Rochester).

Locally, his has performed with Actors Theatre of Indiana, Beef and Boards, IndyFringe, Q Artistry, Zach & Zack, and GHDT in both the concert and filmed versions of the Emmy-winning *La Casa Azul*. He has recorded with Hal Leonard Publishing, Music Theatre International, and Broadway Jr. He is also an Indianapolis Encore award-winner and theatre wig designer.

Dancer: Abigail Lessaris

Abigail Lessaris was born and raised in Greenwood, Ind. She started



Kessler

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Robert L. (Bob) Loomis

February 28, 1945 – February 13, 2025

A life well-lived and filled with love. Bob went to be with Jesus on February 13, 2025, surrounded by the love of his family, in Fishers. A totally devoted family man, Bob’s loved ones feel an immense sense of loss, but also sheer joy that he’s in the presence of the Lord and gratitude for the example he set every day of how to live a life of positivity and giving.

Born in La Porte, Ind., Bob graduated from Indiana University where he served as an alumni board member for the IU Kelley School of Business. His strong work ethic led to a long, fruitful career working as an accountant and more for the Dow Chemical Company.

Judy was the love of Bob’s life. As you know, the two of them acted as one. Beginning as high school sweethearts, they spent 58 married years creating a beautiful life together. They loved being parents to Jenny and Robb in addition to 26 newborn foster babies. Together, they lovingly nurtured and welcomed numerous young people into their lives. They loved to travel and explore new places around the world. Bob re-proposed to his bride on a mountain top in Switzerland exactly 30 years to the day of his first proposal.

Bob was the best dad that Jenny and Robb could hope for, always leading by example with love, devotion, and selflessness. He attended all of their games, school events, and everything in between. He thoroughly enjoyed challenging them on the basketball court and golf course, often cracking jokes and imparting wisdom along the way. Bob’s words and actions as a dad modeled a legacy of love which shaped the lives of his own kids and many others.

Bob was easy-going and a gentle leader. He loved encouraging and spending time with his grandkids. He enjoyed being on the boards at his church as well as being a youth group leader for teens. He was an undefeated youth



soccer coach, a mentor for young people, and an active parent in his kids’ education. He was such an avid golfer that he even created and hosted his own tournament for several years called the Duffers Invitational. He could be serious, but definitely showed his sense of humor and clever wit through his entertaining stories.

In addition to Bob’s devotion to his family and friends, he found joy in serving at Christ the Savior Lutheran Church, delivering flowers for McNamara’s in his retirement, playing golf, watching basketball, and especially raising puppies for Canine Companions.

Bob is survived by his bride of 58 years, Judy (Grandorf) Loomis; children, Jenny Loomis and Robb (Julie) Loomis; brothers, Bill (Jane) Loomis and Jim Loomis; sister, Norma (Andy) Hiatt; brother-in-law, Jim (Joyce) Grandorf; sister-in-law, Sherry Grandorf; grandchildren, Caroline (Micah) Olgine and Jackson (Jackie) Loomis; great-granddaughter, Melody; and several special young people and friends they consider family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Norman and Edith Loomis; his in-laws, Norman and Edna Grandorf; nephew, Larry Grandorf; and brother-in-law, Tom Grandorf.

Services will be held at noon on Friday, February 21, 2025, at Christ the Savior Lutheran Church, 10500 E. 126th St., Fishers, with Rev. Brian D. Derrer officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to the time of service at the church. A light luncheon will follow.

Memorial contributions may be made to Canine Companions NCR (north central region) (canine.org/location/north-central) or Christ the Savior Lutheran Church, 10500 E. 126th St., Fishers, IN 46038 (christthesavior.org/give). Condolences: randallroberts.com

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taking dance lessons at the age of three. After falling in love with performing, she joined the pre-professional student company of GHDT in 2008. She remained a part of this program for six years, which was filled with incredible opportunities and intensive training. In addition, she was a student at The Academy of GHDT since its opening in 2009, where she received her most valuable training under the instruction of Mr. Hancock and the wonderful AGHDT faculty.

Upon graduating in 2014, Lessaris was hired as a full-time dancer with GHDT. She has danced with the company for 10 seasons. Her time with GHDT has brought many unique experiences such as touring to India, performing with the Carmel Symphony Orchestra, and collaborating with Michael Feinstein.

She has performed numerous memorable roles with GHDT including, La Muerte in *La Casa Azul*, Octavia in *Antony and Cleopatra*, and the Cross in *Superhero: The Story of a Man Called Jesus*. In 2017, she stepped into the role of Rehearsal Director taking on a leadership role with the dancers. In August 2021, she became the Assistant Director, where she continues to help the company thrive and grow. She is honored to work alongside so many talented artists and is excited to see what her 11th season with GHDT brings.

Visual Artist:
Lily Kessler

Christine Lily Kessler is an artist, author, and teacher. She is currently an adjunct professor at But-

ler University, where she teaches yoga philosophy and methodology. Her abstract paintings transform philosophical ideas into visual narratives, offering a creative lens to explore the profound wisdom of yoga. Her artistry reflects her passion for culture, history, and the dynamic process of self-discovery, illustrating the deep connection between creativity and personal growth.

As the creator of *The Art of Living Yoga*, a four-book series, Kessler integrates her artistic perspective with a commitment to honoring yoga’s rich heritage. This collection – *Honoring Yoga’s Roots, Embracing Yoga’s Heritage, Crafting and Teaching Holistic Classes, and Embodying Mindfulness Practices* – provides a thoughtful approach to understanding Yoga’s roots while encouraging its meaningful application in modern life. Her work inspires readers to engage deeply with these traditions, fostering both awareness and innovation.

Kessler currently leads spiritually based global retreats as a peace effort, curating transformative experiences that encourage introspection and cultural connection. These journeys, most recently to Peru and Spain, offer participants the chance to rediscover shared humanity and deepen their understanding of themselves and others. Through her painting, writing, and teaching, she bridges the realms of art, philosophy, and yoga, guiding others toward lives enriched with clarity, wisdom, and interconnectedness.

TODAY’S BIBLE READING

THE TABERNACLE

They made curtains of goat hair for the tent over the tabernacle—eleven altogether. All eleven curtains were the same size—thirty cubits long and four cubits wide. They joined five of the curtains into one set and the other six into another set. Then they made fifty loops along the edge of the end curtain in one set and also along the edge of the end curtain in the other set. They made fifty bronze clasps to fasten the tent together as a unit. Then they made for the tent a covering of ram skins dyed red, and over that a covering of the other durable leather.

Exodus 36:14-19 (NIV)

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

Meeting Notice

The Westfield Washington Schools Board of Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2025, in the Community Room of the Westfield Washington Schools Administration Center, 19500 Tomlinson Road, Suite B. A work session to discuss strategic planning will immediately follow the regular meeting.

Finally, an executive session will follow at 7 p.m., pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process.



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Boys Swimming

Carmel advances all 27 to "A" Final

By RICHIE HALL

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CARMEL – A young group of Carmel swimmers is ready to help the Greyhounds continue the boys team's state championship streak.

Carmel hosted the boys swimming sectional preliminaries on Thursday and took care of business, earning top seeds in all 11 events and advancing all 27 of its swimmers to the "A" Final, or championship heat of those races. The Greyhounds will now be favored to win the team title at Saturday's sectional finals as well as qualify several swimmers to next weekend's state tournament, where Carmel is the 10-time defending champion.

Two Greyhounds sophomores picked up top seeds in two individual events. William Allen is the first seed in the 200 freestyle after clocking a prelim time of 1 minute, 43.67 seconds. Allen also claimed the fastest 500 free time of 4:35.14 in that event.

Meanwhile, Yi Zheng earned the top seed in the individual medley with a time of 1:52.53. Later, Zheng dominated the breaststroke with a time of 58.47 seconds to earn the first seed in that event.

Other Carmel top seeds went to senior William Pugh in the 50 free (21.91), senior Andrew Shackell in the butterfly (50.27), junior Carter Hadley in the 100 free (47.29) and junior Cory Han in the backstroke (50.33). The 'Hounds also got the top seed in all three relays.

Westfield qualified 26 swimmers to the Saturday finals, with 14 making the "A" Final and 12 reaching the "B" Final. Two Shamrocks seniors picked up second seeds: Alex Munn in the 50 free (22.09) and Griffin Barents Froman in the breaststroke (1:00.19).

Noblesville advanced 23 swimmers to Saturday, with 17



Photos by Mike Navarro

(TOP LEFT) Carmel's William Allen qualified first in two events during Thursday's sectional preliminaries at the Greyhounds' pool. The sophomore earned top seeds in the 200 and 500 freestyles. (TOP RIGHT) Westfield's Harrison Barents Froman finished eighth in the backstroke, reaching the "A" Final. (ABOVE LEFT) Noblesville's Reed Haney placed 12th in the breaststroke to reach the "B" Final. (ABOVE RIGHT) Guerin Catholic's Will Ladine qualified for the "A" Final in the 100 free and breaststroke.

in the fast heat and six more making the consols. Sophomore Liam Hayward qualified second in the butterfly (51.75), while the Millers' medley and 400 free relay teams also both earned second seeds.

"I'm real impressed with the way our boys performed tonight," said Noblesville coach Jess Preston. "Only three of our boys have swam at this meet before, so we had a lot of guys that were inexperienced and they really stepped up to the challenge. Couldn't be happier for them."

Guerin Catholic had seven swimmers advance to Saturday, with five in the

"A" heat and two more in the "B" heat. Junior Will

Ladine qualified fifth in both the 100 free (49.12) and

the breaststroke (1:01.42),

qualified fifth in the 500 free (4:51.41)

At Carmel

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

200 medley relay: 1. Carmel (Cory Han, Yi Zheng, Andrew Shackell, Thien-Hieu Trinh) 1:35.70, 2. Noblesville (Brayden Wright, Liam Hayward, Jackson Teske, Joshua Naas) 1:38.68, 3. Westfield (Alex Munn, Estaban Roussel, Garreth Thomas, Harrison Barents Froman) 1:39.56, 6. Guerin Catholic (Lucas Morse, Will Ladine, San Holl, Jacob Gaskill) 1:50.31.

200 freestyle: 1. William Allen (C) 1:43.67, 2. Ethan Zhang (C) 1:43.97, 3. Lewis Zhang (C) 1:44.66, 4. Isaiah Vohs (N) 1:47.11, 5. Landon Wendel (W) 1:48.48, 7. Zach Welch (W) 1:49.66, 8. Oliver Mark (N) 1:51.11, 10. Adam Hill (N) 1:52.48, 13. Noah Lorincz (W) 1:59.74.

200 individual medley: 1. Zheng (C) 1:52.53, 2. Han (C) 1:54.87, 3. Michael Gorey (C) 1:57.47, 4. Thomas (W) 1:59.45, 5. Naas (N) 2:00.14, 6. Holl (GC) 2:00.17, 7. Teske (N) 2:04.15, 8. Griffin Barents Froman (W) 2:05.32, 12. Reed Haney (N) 2:17.24, 13. Jackson Burgess (W) 2:17.37.

50 freestyle: 1. William Pugh (C) 21.91, 2. Munn

(W) 22.09, 3. William Lathrop (C) 22.22, 5. Wright (N) 22.44, 6. Drew Setmeyer (N) 22.52, 8. Trinh (C) 22.74, 11. Roussel (W) 23.09, 15. Henry Pham (W) 23.40, 22. David Walters (N) 25.56, 25. Gaskill (GC) 29.59.

100 butterfly: 1. Shackell (C) 50.27, 2. Hayward (N) 51.75, 3. Pugh (C) 51.89, 4. Eddy Zhu (C) 51.95, 7. Vohs (N) 53.10, 8. Thomas (W) 53.26, 11. Lorincz (W) 56.71, 12. K.J. Gordon III (N) 58.30, 15. Jon Obusek (W) 59.87, 17. Morse (GC) 1:00.30.

100 freestyle: 1. Carter Hadley (C) 47.29, 2. Lathrop (C) 47.97, 3. Setmeyer (N) 48.80, 4. E. Zhang (C) 48.82, 5. Ladine (GC) 49.12, 6. Munn (W) 49.15, 12. Hill (N) 51.36, 13. H. Barents Froman (W) 52.18, 15. Pham (W) 53.73, 20. Walters (N) 58.22.

500 freestyle: 1. Allen (C) 4:35.14, 2. Anderson Kopp (C) 4:37.87, 3. L. Zhang (C) 4:38.57, 4. Welch (W) 4:46.48, 5. Holl (GC) 4:51.41, 6. Wendel (W) 4:54.77, 8. Mark (N) 5:06.66, 12. Aiden Willig (W) 5:29.27, 15. Brady Monger (N) 5:37.90, 19. Richard Cunningham (N) 6:18.52.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel (Gorey, Allen, Pugh, Shackell) 1:28.80, 3. Noblesville (Hill, Setmeyer, Vohs, Naas) 1:32.31, 5. Westfield (Alex Faulkenburg, Pham, Lorincz, Roussel) 1:35.70, 9. Guerin Catholic (Gaskill, Morse, Ladine, Holl) 1:41.14.

100 backstroke: 1. Han (C) 50.33, 2. Kopp (C) 51.54, 3. Wright (N) 52.98, 4. Hadley (C) 53.01, 5. Teske (N) 53.37, 6. Hayward (N) 53.56, 8. H. Barents Froman (W) 56.97, 10. Burgess (W) 57.29, 12. Obusek (W) 1:04.19, 15. Morse (GC) 1:07.65.

100 breaststroke: 1. Zheng (C) 58.47, 2. G. Barents Froman (W) 1:00.19, 3. Roussel (W) 1:00.22, 4. Gorey (C) 1:00.97, 5. Ladine (GC) 1:01.42, 6. Luke Feller (C) 1:01.56, 10. Haney (N) 1:06.75, 19. Max Hood (W) 1:16.55, 22. Monger (N) 1:19.55, 24. Cunningham (N) 1:23.65, 25. Gaskill (GC) 1:24.12.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Carmel (Kopp, L. Zhang, Lathrop, Hadley) 3:15.26, 2. Noblesville (Mark, Teske, Vohs, Hayward) 3:23.08, 5. Westfield (Wendel, Lorincz, Pham, Burgess) 3:31.38.

Tigers, Royals dominate sectional prelims

The REPORTER

The Fishers and Hamilton Southeastern swim teams dominated Thursday's sectional preliminaries at the Royals' pool.

Both teams qualified all 27 of their swimmers to Saturday's sectional finals. The Tigers and the Royals each advanced 26 to the "A" Final, or championship heat, and one swim to the "B" Final, or consolation heat.

Fishers earned seven top seeds at the meet, with two swimmers picking up two first seeds. Sophomore Alex Koo picked up the first seed in the 50 freestyle (21.30 seconds), then qualified first in the 100 free (48.23).

Senior Luis Sanchez was the top qualifier in the individual medley, in 1 minute, 55.49 seconds, then picked up the first seed in the backstroke, with a time of 51.80 seconds.

Senior Jonathan Hines earned the top seed in the 500 free (4:40.12). The Tigers also got first seeds in the 200 and 400 free relays. Southeastern opened

the meet by getting the top seed in the medley relay. The Royals qualified second in the 200 and 400 free relays and had three individual swimmers qualify second as well. Senior Jihoon Jung is the second seed in the IM (1:56.07) and butterfly (51.18), while junior Camden Bailey qualified second in the 100 free (48.76).

Hamilton Heights advanced 16 swimmers to Saturday's finals, with eight going to the "A" heat and eight reaching the consols. The Huskies qualified third in the medley and 400 free relays. Junior Aiden Clarke has the highest Heights individual seed, sixth in the 500 free (4:57.78).

University swam at the Lawrence North sectional prelims on Thursday and qualified five swimmers to Saturday's finals.

The Trailblazers' top finish came from the medley relay, where Cael Head, George Lynch, Nolan Barger and Gabriel Pryor qualified 10th in 2:07.07.

At Hamilton Southeastern

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

200 medley relay: 1. Hamilton Southeastern (Alden Sealls, Nolan Pugh, Jihoon Jung, Derek Robison) 1:39.85, 2. Fishers (Tommy Johanneman, George Kallas, Logan Senior, Hudson Lee) 1:40.31, 3. Hamilton Heights (Gabe Roosa, Hudson Holt, Aiden Clarke, Rowan Donald) 1:43.40.

200 freestyle: 2. Jonathan Hines (F) 1:43.25, 3. Anthony Adams Jr. (F) 1:47.16, 4. Sean Harvey (F) 1:47.20, 5. Camden Bailey (HSE) 1:49.27, 6. Ivan Semko (HSE) 1:49.44, 7. Jagger Chan (HSE) 1:51.66, 11. Rudy Bowman (HH) 1:55.47, 20. Eli Heuer (HH) 2:23.85, 22. Abram Gould (HH) 2:27.22.

200 individual medley: 1. Luis Sanchez (F) 1:55.49, 2. Jung (HSE) 1:56.07, 3. Caden Askren (F) 1:57.28, 4. Quinton Upshaw (F) 1:58.84, 5. Collin Huston (HSE) 2:00.91, 6. Jacob Frey (HSE) 2:01.25, 7. Aiden Clarke (HH) 2:03.00, 13. Roosa (HH) 2:13.75, 18. Isaac Correll (HH) 2:30.24.

50 freestyle: 1. Alex Koo (F) 21.30, 2. Trenton Qualls (F) 22.38, 5. Zach Marchisin (HSE) 22.66, 6. Johanneman (F) 22.70, 7. Pugh (HSE) 23.05, 8. Donald (HH) 23.11, 10. Josh Lawrence (HSE) 23.67, 14. Holt (HH) 24.27, 15. Cole Martin (HH) 24.32.

100 butterfly: 2. Jung (HSE) 51.18, 3. Lee (F) 52.18, 4. Kallas (F) 52.50, 5. Senior (F) 53.54, 6. Marchisin (HSE) 53.99, 7. Sealls (HSE) 55.23.

100 freestyle: 1. Koo (F) 48.23, 2. Bailey (HSE) 48.76, 3. Robison (HSE) 49.08, 4. Qualls (F) 49.97, 6. Harvey (F) 50.48, 7. Xander Goss (HSE) 51.04, 8. Donald (HH) 51.09, 14. Martin (HH) 54.64, 19. Correll (HH) 57.92.

500 freestyle: 1. Hines (F) 4:40.12, 2. Askren (F) 4:44.86, 3. Adams (F) 4:49.95, 4. Bryce Salvadori (HSE) 4:53.71, 5. Semko (HSE) 4:55.68, 6. Clarke (HH) 4:57.78, 7. Lawrence (HSE) 4:58.24, 10. Bowman (HH) 5:20.03, 19. Jack Powell (HH) 6:15.68.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Fishers (Qualls, Upshaw, Adams, Lee) 1:30.07, 2. Southeastern (Bailey, Marchisin, Lawrence, Robison) 1:32.90, T5. Heights (Roosa, Correll, Holt, Martin) 1:38.51.

100 backstroke: 1. Sanchez (F) 51.80, 2. Johanneman (F) 54.05, 3. Senior (F) 55.07, 4. Frey (HSE) 55.40, 5. Sealls (HSE) 56.82, 7. Goss (HSE) 57.56, 8. Roosa (HH) 58.99, 19. Owen Eshelman (HH) 1:17.55, 24. Will Monnin (HH) 1:30.64.

100 breaststroke: 2. Upshaw (F) 59.10, 3. Huston (HSE) 59.11, 5. Chan (HSE) 1:00.26, 6. Push (HSE) 1:02.12, 8. Kallas (F) 1:02.54, 10. Dylan Geesaman (F) 1:03.38, 11. Holt (HH) 1:05.79, 15. Owen Semester (HH) 1:15.83, 25. Gould (HH) 1:27.41.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Fishers (Harvey, Senior, Hines, Lee) 3:20.66, 2. Southeastern (Frey, Chan, Sealls, Bailey) 3:27.98, 3. Heights (Clarke, Martin, Bowman, Donald) 3:30.79.

At Lawrence North

200 medley relay: 10. University (Cael Head, George Lynch, Nolan Barger, Gabriel Pryor) 2:07.07.

50 freestyle: 14. Pryor 25.49, 28. Head 27.51, 29. Barger 28.26.

100 butterfly: 18. Head 1:09.51.

100 freestyle: 15. Pryor 56.98, 33. Lynch 1:13.14.

200 freestyle relay: 11. University (Head, Lynch, Barger, Pryor) 1:55.68.

100 backstroke: 12. Barger 1:12.14.

100 breaststroke: 24. Lynch 1:27.08.

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Girls basketball semi-state preview: 2A Logansport

By CRAIG ADKINS
For The Reporter

Sheridan is playing with the mentality of ‘unfinished business.’ Last season ended with a semi-state semifinal loss at Eastern Hancock in overtime, 62-54.

This year has a different feel for the Blackhawks. Sheridan touts one of the best records in the state of Indiana and is riding a 23-game winning streak into a highly competitive four-team semi-state field at Logansport’s Berry Bowl.

The No. 11 Blackhawks (25-1) face their toughest opponent to date when they battle the No. 2 Rensselaer Central Bombers (24-2) in the second semi-state semifinal at approximately noon. The first game of the day at the Berry Bowl pits No. 17 Whitko (21-4) against No. 5 Eastside (26-1) is slated for a 10 a.m. tipoff. The championship game is set for 8 p.m.

This will be the seventh meeting between Sheridan and Rensselaer Central and the first in the state tournament. The Bombers lead the series with a 6-1 record.

The last time the two met on the basketball court, Rensselaer Central won 54-52 on Dec. 18, 2010.

No. 11 Sheridan (25-1) vs. No. 2 Rensselaer Central (24-2)

The Blackhawks are back in the semi-state for the second straight season and have a great feel of what it takes to keep moving on.

Winning their second consecutive regional in program history last week, the Blackhawks are poised to keep this tournament run going.

Their regional win at Lapel over Lewis Cass made a statement in blow-out fashion with a 60-23 of the Kings. Hosting the sectional paid off for Sheridan with wins over Frankton (58-26), Tipton (62-12) and Lapel (54-47).

Senior all-state candidate and Ferris State commit Kenzie Garner leads in all categories with 21.3 points, 9.5 rebounds, 4.2 assists, 3.2 steals and 1.6 blocks. Fellow senior Cecilia Timme scores 10.6 points, grabs 4.9 boards, dishes out 3.9 assists and has 3.1 steals per contest. Sophomore Brielle Garner is at 7.3 with 1.8 steals. Seniors Shelby Eaton (6.7), Nova Cross (4.8) and Mac Smith (4.2) are also key contributors.

After wins over Carroll and Lebanon, Sheridan lost its only game of the season to Brebeuf Jesuit (54-51) on Nov. 19. The Blackhawks have won 23 straight with key wins over Covenant Christian, Ross-ville, Tri-West, Seeger, Eastern Hancock, University, Lapel (twice), Speedway, Guerin Catholic and Clinton Central.

Rensselaer Central is making its first semi-state appearance in school history. The Bombers also won their first regional last week at Caston over No. 3 Alexandria, 57-49. Two weeks ago marked the seventh sectional championship in program history as well.

The Bombers also mowed down Seeger (61-32), Benton Central (47-33) and North Montgomery (67-26) to claim their seventh sectional crown.

Head coach Wes Radtke is 143.72 in his 9th season.

Playing an extremely tough schedule, Rensselaer Central grinded out solid wins over North Judson, Hanover Central, Tri-County, Lafayette Jeff, Chester-ton, Benton Central (twice), Andrean, North Knox, Lafayette Central Catholic, Munster and Lowell. Their two losses came to McCutcheon on Nov. 23 (62-52) and Jan. 18 (68-51).

Rensselaer Central’s leading scorer is junior Kamri Rowland at 15.4 points and 7.2 rebounds. Senior Taylor Van Meter scores 13 per game with 5.4 rebounds and 4.1 assists. Sophomore Courtney Mathew is also in double-figures with 11.9, 4.4 boards and 3.9 assists, along with 2.8 steals. Junior Carly Drone is at 9.4 points and grabs 5.9 rebounds, while junior Brodie Radtke chips in 7.8 and 4.6 boards.

No. 17 Whitko (21-4) vs. No. 5 Eastside (26-1)

Whitko is experiencing its best tournament success in program history. The Wildcats won their first sectional this season a couple weeks ago at Bluffton, 68-60. Wins over Woodlan (64-47) and South Adams (78-23) got them to the title game.

While it being a year of firsts, head coach Justin Jordan has them pointed in the right direction. Jordan guided them to their first regional championship last week at Caston against Bremen, 53-44 and he is now 57-59 in his fifth season.

The Wildcats were Three Rivers Conference co-champions with Wabash. This is Whitko’s first 20-win season since 2016-17. In 2024, they went 19-4.



Allison Waitt / File photo
Sheridan’s Cecilia Timme averages 10.6 points per game for the Blackhawks.

They had solid wins over Fort Wayne Northrop (twice), Wabash, Rochester and Maconaquah.

Junior Reese Stonebraker (14.1 points) and 6.0 rebounds, sophomore Jayma Stonebraker (12.8) along with 4.4 board, 3.8 assist and steals and Adriyanna Phillips (12.8) and 3.5 rebounds leads the Wildcats.

Senior Braisha Harrison (6.2) and sophomores Ally Brown (6.1) and Jocelyn Luecke (5.0) are also key contributors.

Eastside is making its first semi-state appearance and has hit 20 wins for the

second season in a row. Last year, the team went 21-4. Head coach Mike Lortie also has the Blazers headed in the right direction. Now in his sixth season, Lortie is 107-42.

The Blazers won their sixth sectional title and their first regional crown since 1979. Drawing the sectional bye, they took out host Central Noble (59-33) and then Churubusco 63-18 for the championship.

The regional win came at Jimtown over Andrean, 39-27.

The Blazers started off the season 14-0; if not for a

narrow loss (54-52) to Belmont at home, they would be undefeated. The Blazers have quality wins over Fremont, Woodlan, Lakewood Park, Belmont and Fairfield.

Since that loss, Eastside is on a 12-game winning streak, including finishing a perfect 10-0 in Northeast Corner Conference play, being crowned outright champions.

The Blazers’ only other semi-state appearance was in 1979, dropping the semifinal to Belmont (53-48).

There are no statistics available on MaxPreps for the Eastside Blazers.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, Feb. 21

BOYS BASKETBALL

Edinburgh at Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Brownsburg, 7:30 p.m.
Noblesville at Avon, 7:30 p.m.
Warren Central at Carmel, 7:30 p.m.
Westfield at Franklin Central, 7:30 p.m.
Zionsville at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.
Hoosier Conference playoff third-place game
Twin Lakes at Hamilton Heights, 8 p.m.

BOYS WRESTLING

IHSAA state finals at Gainbridge Fieldhouse, 3 p.m.

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The All-American Rejects, Bret Michaels to co-headline Miller Lite Carb Day Concert

Submitted by IMS

Music icons Bret Michaels and The All-American Rejects will rock fans at the Miller Lite Carb Day Concert on Friday, May 23 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Miller Lite Carb Day is a full day of on- and off-track action and entertainment. All general admission, concert pit and VIP Deck concert tickets include admission to the concert and to on-track activities that day at IMS, which include the final practice for the 109th Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge and the Indy 500 Pit Stop Challenge.

Tickets are on sale now at [IMS.com](https://www.ims.com), by calling 317-492-6700 or by visiting the IMS Ticket Office at the IMS Administration Building.

“Miller Lite Carb Day is not just the official party to kick off race weekend, it’s really the kickoff event of the summer,” IMS President J. Douglas Boles said. “The day has everything to make the perfect party: 33 drivers in the final practice before the ‘500,’ the Pit Stop Challenge, people watching and a fun and entertaining concert to put an exclamation point on the party. It really is a day like no other at the Racing Capital of the World.

Many of our fans take the day off work and spend it at IMS, which is a tradition we can all celebrate.”

The All-American Rejects quickly rose to prominence in the early 2000s with their infectious blend of pop-punk and emo rock. Their self-titled debut album, released in 2002, featured the hit single “Swing, Swing,” which propelled them into the mainstream. This success was followed by their sophomore album, *Move Along* (2005), which trophied three chart-topping singles like “Dirty Little Secret,” “Move Along” and “It Ends Tonight.”

In 2008, the band released *When the World Comes Down*, featuring the stratospheric and generational smash hit “Gives You Hell,” which became its most successful single to date, reaching No. 4 on the *Billboard* Hot 100.

The All-American Rejects continue to create and perform, solidifying their place as one of the most beloved bands of their genre. Their journey from early 2000s hitmakers to enduring rock icons is a testament to their talent, resilience, and the deep connection they share with their fans.

Well-known as an avid Indy 500 and racing fan,

Graphic provided by IMS

Bret Michaels returns to IMS after a record-setting party at his last Carb Day. As one of music’s most iconic singer/songwriters, Michaels consistently brings his iconic energy and star power to every project. He has sold more than 100 million records, digital downloads and streams worldwide, and his numerous hit singles include “Every Rose Has Its Thorn,” “Go That Far” and “Nothing But A Good Time.”

Michaels also has a robust television career with record-breaking hits including *Rock of Love with Bret Michaels* and a recent turn as the audience-favorite Banana on FOX’s hit *The Masked Singer*. As a well-known creative entrepreneur, Michaels took his *Celebrity Apprentice*-winning Trop-A-Rocka Iced Tea and turned it into a bestselling global product.

Despite his busy career, Michaels still finds time to give back through his Life Rocks Foundation, which supports a myriad of charities and causes around the globe.

Miller Lite Carb Day general admission tickets start at just \$40. A limited number of concert pit package upgrades that include general admission are available for \$75. A very limited supply of exclusive VIP platform tickets also is available for \$270, including concert pit access, snacks, two complimentary drinks, dedicated bars and restroom trailers. Ticket prices will increase as the concert draws closer, so fans are encouraged to buy now.

The 109th Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge is scheduled for Sunday, May 25. Tickets are on sale at [IMS.com](https://www.ims.com) or by calling or visiting the IMS Ticket Office.





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