

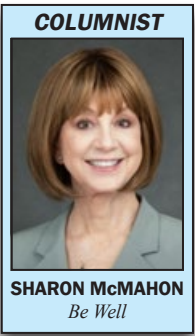


Smoothie Operator shares tips & recipe

“Smooth operator...” – Sade, 1984

Although I have known a “smooth operator” a time or two during my life, I digress on that topic and move on to a healthier topic as a “smoothie operator” and how one of my favorite food items can be a good choice for most of my readers.

Many of you, Dear Readers, are already fans of smoothies, which can be a good option for a healthy eating plan – in moderation of course! Smoothies can function as a natural energy



booster when you use such ingredients like bananas, green veggies and fruit berries which can provide a powerful combination of vitamins, minerals and carbs to fuel your body.

Frozen fruit and vegetables can certainly be substituted for fresh and can eliminate the need to use ice. In fact, frozen items have equivalent (and sometimes additional) nutritive value as the fresh items.¹

At the end of this column, I will share one of my favorite smoothie recipes which happens to include

both fruit and a veggie. Most of us tend to eat more fruit than vegetables and I include myself in this category. However, by including the veggies in our smoothies we can get that added benefit without losing any nutrients when the vegetables are cooked. Few of us consume the recommended amount of fiber in our diets and smoothies are another way to obtain fiber. Be careful that you do not add much (if any) sugar to your smoothie recipes as you add unwanted and empty calories. The nutritional value of your smoothie is determined by the ingredients you use. Benefits of an

eating plan which includes fruits and vegetables include lower risk of diseases such as diabetes, obesity, cancer, and cardiovascular disease.²

If you are using a protein powder (as I do) shop carefully for a product which provides clean plant protein with at least 16 to 20 grams of protein and 0 grams of sugar. There are many options available, and most grocery markets carry a variety of brands. As usual, I will not recommend specific brands as I do not act as a “brand representative” of any particular product. Do your homework, read the labels and, personally, I opt

for products manufactured in the USA. Source your other ingredients such as peanut butter or honey, and be sure to wash your produce thoroughly.

- Here is an easy one!
- One cup plain soy or almond milk
 - 3/4 cup packed fresh or frozen spinach leaves
 - One large banana, sliced

Blend soy/almond milk and spinach together in a blender until smooth. Add banana and pulse until thoroughly blended. I like to add a few ice cubes as well for my taste, and a spoonful of peanut butter for added pro-

tein and a dash of cinnamon for good measure. If using a protein powder, blend that with the milk item before adding the spinach.

From this “smoothie operator,” I encourage you to try some different ingredients and enjoy!

¹ ncbi.nlm.nih.gov
² extension.usu.edu

Sharon McMahon, CNWC
The opinions expressed in this article are not intended to replace advice of your personal physician or licensed health professional. Please consult your physician for any issues you may have related to nutrition or fitness activity.

PARTNER

our collaborative efforts this month, and will be a lasting memory for our Teens! Thank you Prevail for all you do and your support of our BGC Noblesville!”

Amplifying the partnership’s impact, the Teen Center and Prevail held a Glow Together, Grow Together Dance – a celebration of healthy peer-to-peer relationships. Through this event, Prevail and the Boys & Girls Club are creating a fun space where teens can connect, enjoy themselves, and reinforce the importance of educating teens about healthy relationships and preventing abuse before it starts.

“The collaboration between Prevail, Inc. and the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville is a testament to the power of community partnerships in creating lasting change,” Prevail Executive Director Tami Wanninger said. “By equipping young people with knowledge and skills, this initiative is laying the foundation for safer, healthier, and more supportive relationships.”

About Prevail

Prevail is a non-profit

organization based in Noblesville, dedicated to offering crisis intervention and restorative support services for those who have experienced crime and abuse, free of charge, in a confidential, supportive, non-judgmental environment that is meant to empower those we serve. Since the beginning, Prevail has been committed to empowering survivors and fostering a safe community free of violence. For more information, visit prevailinc.org.

About Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville

BGCN has provided opportunities for youth to enjoy activities and experiences that shape character since 1951. Serving youth from kindergarten to 12th grade, BGCN provides positive and engaging programs that enrich the lives of a diverse group of members. Last year, the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville served 2,186 members. No one was turned away because they could not pay the membership fee. Between the Tom & Soni Sheehan Club, the Community Center, and Camp Crosser, BGCN provides opportunities for children and young adults to enjoy activities and experiences that help shape character and offer new perspectives.

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FFA

Placements

- Eva Beckner placed second in public speaking.
- Eva Beckner and Landon Glunt placed first in their discovery of animal science demonstration. Eva Beckner and Mackenzie Pickard placed first in their discovery of food science

demonstration.

- Eva Beckner, Landon Glunt, Mackenzie Pickard, and Maddie Roberts placed first in the discovery quiz bowl.
- Braxton Sedwick placed first in his chapter exhibit.

With numerous first-

place finishes, several Sheridan FFA members will advance to the State FFA Convention at Purdue University in June. These district winners will compete for state-level recognition and continue to represent Sheridan with pride.

A heartfelt congratula-

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tions goes out to all the participants, with best wishes as they move forward to the next stage of competition. The dedication and hard work of Sheridan FFA members have truly paid off, and they are excited to continue their journey in FFA.

SENSITIVE

As a disabled person who is also highly sensitive, this has been hard. Throughout my lifetime, I have been the target of many mean and hurtful comments regarding my appearance or the way I walk, that would make anyone feel low, highly sensitive or not. When you are attacked for something that you have no power to change, even if you wanted to, a whole new level of emotional pain is unlocked. I feel like I have a separate

part of my brain that houses all of these instances, and I wish it was not that way. Whenever I leave my house, I wonder, “Will today be a day when I add to that collection?”

On the flip side of that, fortunately, my brain also houses the many beautiful moments when strangers have gone out of their way to say something kind or help me when they see me struggling.

Just last week, I was

leaving a grocery store and a woman almost hit me as I was going through the crosswalk with my cart to my car. She parked and ran over to me, apologizing profusely. She offered to unload all of my groceries into my car and take my cart. That is one of life’s best gifts to me after a trip through a store, my legs weary. Turns out, she was just a beautiful person. I won’t forget that encounter anytime soon.

Interactions like this are

a good reminder to me of how important it is to focus on lifting others up when I can. I think we could all use some uplifting these days, highly sensitive or not.

Until next time ...

Amy Shinneman is a former National Ambassador for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, disability blogger, wife, and mom of two boys. You can find her blog at humblycourageous.com and reach her on [Instagram @ashinneman](https://www.instagram.com/ashinneman).

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WAKAN

My blood is not Lakota. My second heart is Lakota. *Wakan* is a word without a concrete definition. It is a concept the tone of which changes depending on context. It means powerful, mysterious, sacred, and a few other things beyond language. It can mean all those things at once, or it

can mean just one of them. Sometimes, it sort of means a couple of them.

The thing Western culture calls God is *Wakan Tanka*. Great Spirit, Great Mystery, Great Unknowable Power or Thing or Force that creates and destroys and teaches and guides.

As an American work-

ing in media, I like words to have solid definitions.

As a philosopher, I search for truth.

As a Native, I know some things are just *wakan*.

I have always had a robust definition of self. I am not just what I do or the relationships I am in, though those are parts of this thing wrapped in the flesh I wear. I look around at the modern world and the deep divisions in it, and I think perhaps a lot of that is based on having narrow definitions of self.

For several years, a large part of my self-definition was “father.” That part of my spirit grew every time she called me Dad or Daddy (depending on which part of her was speaking at that moment).

That deep change in how I saw myself was *wakan*.

It was powerful, mysterious, sacred, and a few other things beyond language.

When she chose to take her journey on March 1, 2022, it was as if I had been struck by lightning – a flash of powerful transformation.

I stood half in this world and half in the world of the spirits.

Things that used to matter no longer do. They never will again. This life has done the very worst it can to me, and I stand free from all fear.

I don’t know if that makes what I am now *wakan*, but that is as good a word as any for how this thing beyond language feels.

For those of you in my tribe, English has failed us. Pick any word or awkward phrase you like.

We who are *wakan* – the bereaved, the orphaned parents, the *vilomah* – we understand things the rest of you do not.

Pray you never understand us.

Stu Clappitt loves both wisdom and efficiency. After nearly 30 years of chasing wisdom, he has not caught much, which means he is neither wise nor efficient. You can reach him by email at News@ReadTheReporter.com.

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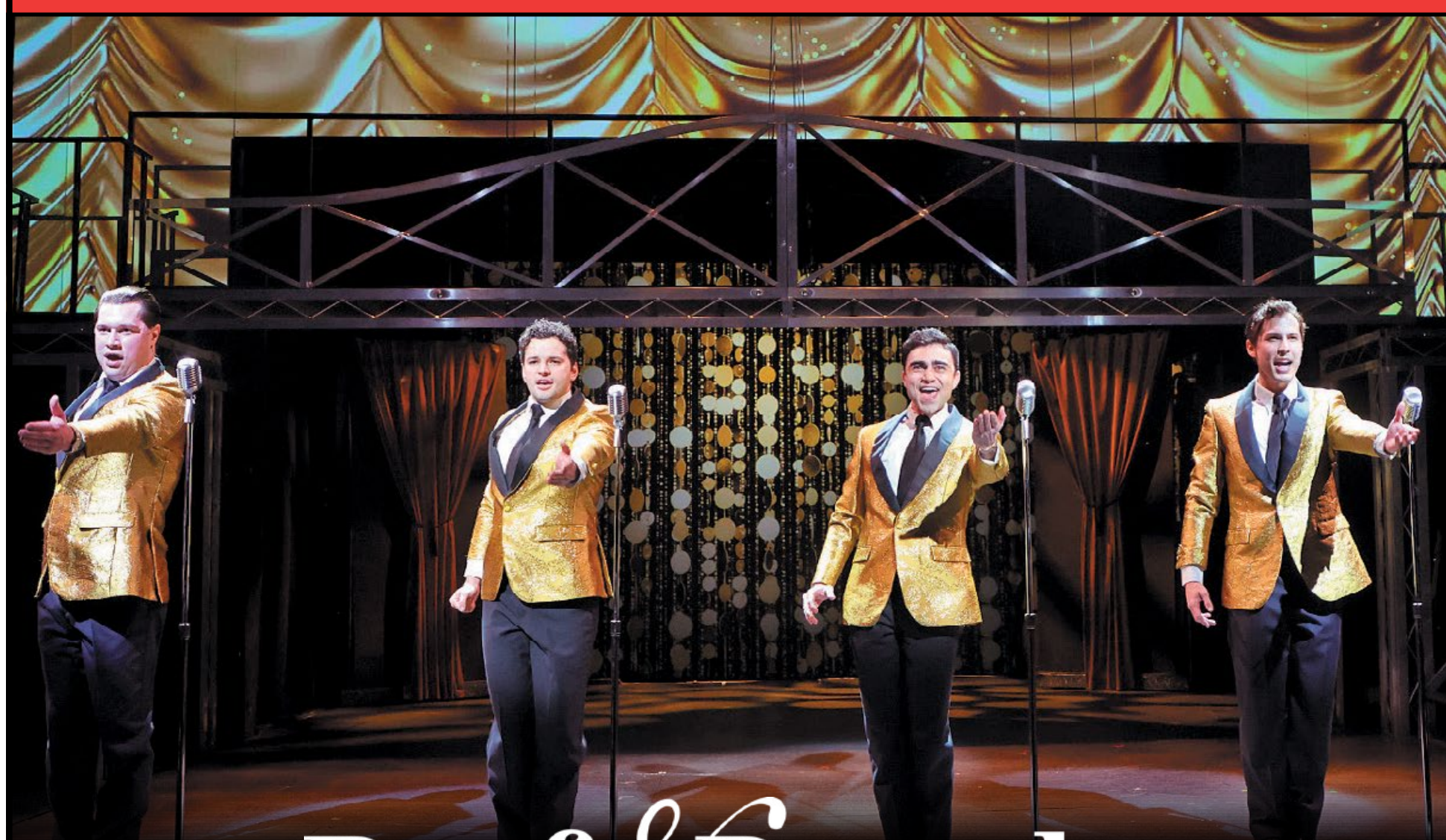
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Nickel Plate Express loves a time-travel murder mystery



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Last weekend, the Nickel Plate Express (NPX) took passengers back a century to ride the rails, enjoy a delightful meal, and solve a 1920s murder. (ABOVE) Winners who solved the murder and danced the Charleston well enough earned both prizes and bragging rights. The next Murder Express will be March 29 and 30 when NPX puts you in the middle of the Trailer Park Tragedy. Get your tickets at NickelPlateExpress.com.

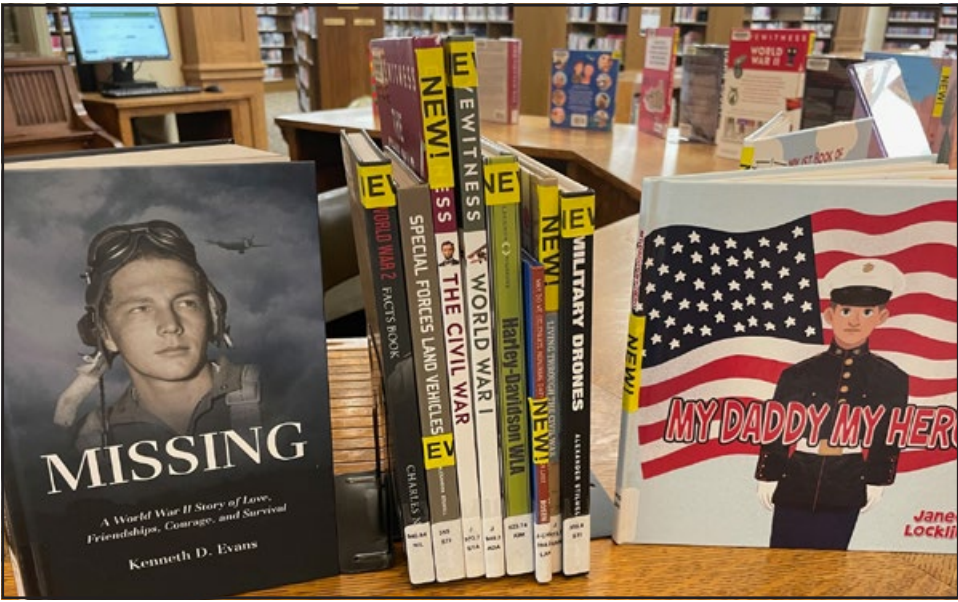


Photo provided by Sheridan Public Library

Sheridan Library thanks local Veterans for donation

The REPORTER
This past September, American Legion Post 67 presented the Sheridan Public Library with a donation check from the Veteran Memorial Fund to purchase war and historical books in memory of local veterans. Patrons are encouraged to view this collection now on display at the library.
The display consists of books for all reading levels to learn about those that serve or served and the history of true bravery.

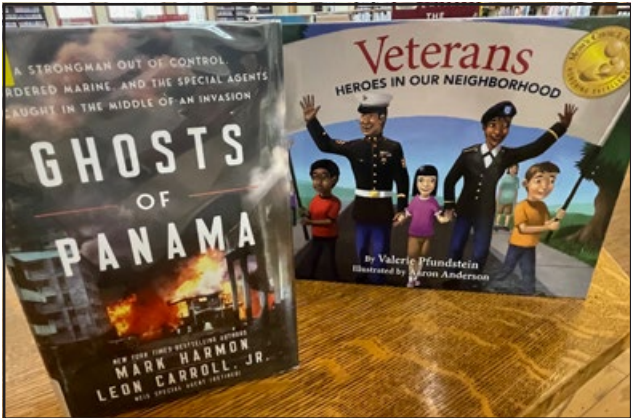


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Look for more books in the future as part of this fund donation. Visit sheridan.lib.in.us to stay up to date with the library.

Hamilton County Coroner's Office Accreditation Manager Mike Dixon appointed to prestigious IACME Committee

The REPORTER
The Hamilton County Coroner's Office announces that Accreditation Manager Mike Dixon has been appointed to the International Association of Coroners and Medical Examiners (IACME) Committee on Accreditation. This distinguished appointment recognizes Dixon's expertise and dedication to forensic accreditation standards.
The IACME Committee on Accreditation is responsible for evaluating, reviewing, and rewriting accreditation standards to meet evolving needs within the field. Additionally, the committee develops policies and procedures for accreditation auditors, ensuring consistency and excellence in forensic investigations. The committee comprises 16 esteemed members from various forensic disciplines.
Dixon brings an extensive background in accreditation and law enforcement to this role. His 40-year career with the Carmel Police Department included 27 years as the department's Accreditation Manager. He also served as the past president of the Indiana Police Accreditation Coalition, co-created the Indiana Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission, and worked as an assessor for the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA).
Following his retirement from law enforcement, Dixon led the Hamilton County Coroner's Office to achieve interna-

tional accreditation, further cementing his commitment to excellence in forensic operations. In his current role as the office's Accreditation Manager, he continues to uphold and advance rigorous standards.
"Dixon's appointment to the IACME Committee on Accreditation is a testament to his expertise and ongoing contributions to law enforcement and forensic accreditation," Hamilton County Coroner Jeff Jellison said. "His leadership will help shape the future of accreditation processes within the field, ensuring the highest standards are maintained."



Dixon



Jellison



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Shamrock Drop returns to Grand Junction Plaza

The REPORTER

Shamrock Drop, presented by BMO Bank, returns to Grand Junction Plaza, 225 S. Union St., Westfield, from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 15.

This free, family-friendly St. Patrick's Day celebration is packed with fun activities, including live Irish music from Highland Reign, themed carnival games, delicious food, a scavenger hunt, and a chance to win amazing prizes.

Shamrock Drop event is free to attend, and all attendees are eligible to drop a shamrock in the cauldron. Upon arrival, stop at the Westfield Welcome tent to pick up a scavenger hunt card. After you locate all five clues from around the plaza, return your completed card to the BMO Bank tent to receive a shamrock.



Photo provided by City of Westfield

Attendees may then write their name on their shamrock and drop it into the cauldron. At 1:45 p.m., the Lucky Leprechaun will draw five lucky shamrocks and each of the winners will take home a pot o' gold filled with prizes generously

donated by Westfield businesses.

St. Patrick's Day-themed carnival games are available for a fee. Attendees may purchase a Lucky Loot Card for \$10, which allows them to play each of the six carnival games. All

players will have the chance to win grand prizes, as well as consolation prizes.

For more information about Shamrock Drop and to discover how you can celebrate St. Patrick's Day in Westfield, visit westfieldin.gov/events.

Register now for Westfield Young Professionals Leadership Summit

The REPORTER

Join the Westfield Young Professionals Council (WYPC) for a one-of-a-kind professional and personal development experience from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 3 at the IMMI Conference Center, 18880 N. East St., Westfield.

The conference is open to anyone aged 40 and under who lives or works in Westfield and is looking to sharpen their skills and network. The all-inclusive cost of \$60 per person includes leadership training, lunch, snacks, service project with Student Impact, and a ticket to the post-conference networking happy hour. Registration is available at this link.

This year's keynote speaker will be Jodee Curtis, owner of Purple Ink LLC. Breakout session speakers will be Chad Dille, Danyele Easterhaus, Joe Mangas, and Julie Wright. Breakout session topics will include:

- Mentorship
- Being Present Where Your Feet Are
- Company Culture
- How to Give and Receive Feedback

Please share this event with your colleagues who

are eager to learn or early in their professional journey.

If you have questions, please send an email to info@westfieldchamber-indy.com.

Attention business owners & supervisors

WYPC fully recognizes that key staff members taking a day off from the office is a big ask. That's why speakers and presenters have been carefully selected who will help those staff members grow and come back to your company re-energized and ready to meet the moment.

About Westfield Young Professionals

The new Westfield Young Professionals Council is a networking group for young professionals under 40 in Westfield, but it is more than that. WYPC offers a space for people to grow their careers, for those new to Hamilton County and Indianapolis to make lasting friendships, and for young professionals to grow themselves personally. Through this opportunity, young professionals will become invested members of the community, looking for ways to give back to Westfield and each other.



Last chance for tickets to Shepherd's Center Designer Bag Bingo event

The REPORTER

There are only a few days left to [purchase your tickets](#) for The Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County's (SCHC) 2025 Designer Bag Bingo event. Featured designers will include Kate Spade, Michael Kors, Louis Vuitton, Tory Burch, and Coach.

The event will start at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 20 at the 502 East Event Centre in Carmel.



This year's theme is "TV Guide: A Tribute to Your Favorite TV Show." Participants will not only dress up, but they'll also decorate their tables. If you are the crowd favorite, you could

win a prize.

[Click here](#) to grab your table of 10 and you could be the winner of a designer hand bag or raffle item. Don't forget to follow SCHC on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)

for special sneak peeks.

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Carmel's Alyson Swearingen named DAR Horseshoe Prairie Chapter's Good Citizen winner

Submitted

Eight local high school seniors were honored as Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizens on Feb. 23 in Noblesville.

Alyson Swearingen (Carmel High School), Hannah Duquaine (The Classical Academy), Timmy Lawrence (Fishers High School), Luke Lively (Hamilton Heights High School), Aubrey Matasovsky (Hamilton Southeastern High School), Nova Cross (Sheridan High School), Elle Huffhand (Tipton High School), and Celina O'Neill (Westfield High School) all received Good Citizen pins, graduation cords, and certificates.

Swearingen was judged as the chapter winner and also received a monetary scholarship and a flag flown in her honor over the U.S. Capitol at the request of Congresswoman Victoria Spartz.

The DAR Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. The program is open to all senior class students enrolled in accredited public or private secondary schools in good standing with their state boards of education. United States citizenship is not required.

The student selected as



Photo provided

Laura Alerding presents Carmel High School student Alyson Swearingen with a flag flown over the U.S. Capitol in her honor for being named the Daughters of the American Revolution Horseshoe Prairie Chapter Good Citizen. She is the daughter of Brad and Amanda Swearingen, pictured here.

the school's DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. In the application, students described how they have manifested the qualities of a good citizen, in addition to submitting two letters of recommendation. The second part is a timed essay. This year's essay title was "Our American Heritage and our Responsibility for Preserving it" with a focus question of: "Service is an essential attribute of a good citizen. Discuss how service can foster a strong sense of community and strengthen our American identity."



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DAR Horseshoe Prairie Chapter recognized the following high school DAR Good Citizen winners. (From left) Luke Lively (Hamilton Heights High School), Aubrey Matasovsky (Hamilton Southeastern High School), Celina O'Neill (Westfield High School), Nova Cross (Sheridan High School), Laura Alerding, Horseshoe Prairie Chapter Good Citizen winner Alyson Swearingen (Carmel High School), Timmy Lawrence (Fishers High School), Hannah Duquaine (The Classical Academy), and Elle Huffhand (Tipton High School).

United Way of Central Indiana awards \$265K in grants to six local nonprofits

The REPORTER

United Way of Central Indiana is awarding \$1.2 million in grants to 33 nonprofits outside of its accredited partner network, the nonprofit announced Monday.

In all, \$500,000 is being awarded from United Way's Basic Needs Fund to 27 nonprofits, and \$700,000 is being awarded from the Family Opportunity Fund to eight nonprofits. Two organizations are receiving grants from both funds.

Locally, \$265,000 has been awarded to the following six Hamilton County nonprofits:

Family Opportunity Fund grant recipients

- Trinity Free Clinic: \$140,000

Basic Needs Fund grant recipients

- Family Promise of Hamilton County: \$20,000
- Grace Care Center: \$25,000
- Heart and Soul Clinic: \$15,000
- Janus Development Services: \$25,000
- Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County: \$15,000
- Trinity Free Clinic: \$25,000

This is the first time United Way of Central Indiana opened funding of this kind to non-accredited partners.

"Nearly 40 percent of central Indiana households are living in, or one emergency away from, poverty," said Shannon Jenkins, United Way's vice president of impact. "These grants



United Way of Central Indiana

to non-accredited organizations, guided by United Way's strategic aim of increasing and diversifying investment in under-resourced areas, will support operations, services and programming – and outcomes supporting more people and families throughout Central Indiana."

United Way's Basic

Needs Fund focuses on safe and affordable housing, healthy food access, transportation and health services. The Family Opportunity Fund supports integrated programming that serves both youth and adults in the same household, aimed at improving the education, financial stability and well-being of the whole family.

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Carmel, In 46032 Breakfast 2 & 4 Sat 8-11
317-846-0917 Thurs Treasure Hunt 7pm
Su-Sa 11a-11p.
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12p-8p
Restaurant M-F 6-9p

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Noblesville, in 46061
secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com
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has 40 pages of resources for our Military
Veteran community

Navy Club Hamilton County Ship 29
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at Gingers Cafe 1111 S 10th St Noblesville

Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers

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Activities & Events

National Vietnam War Veterans Day Mar 29, 2025

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Since August 2015, our mission at Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans has been to FIND, THANK and REPAY Hoosier Vietnam Era Veterans. WHVV & community partners have held over 250 special "Welcome Home" events in ALL 92 Indiana Counties with the Indiana Vietnam Veterans Gift Program, A TIME TO HONOR book & DVD set. This extremely successful statewide outreach program honors, remembers and preserves the memories of Hoosier Vietnam Era Veterans. A 2021 collaboration with Indiana Daughters of the American Revolution has been a key component to many of these community events taking place ensuring all Indiana public libraries and high schools have a donated copy of A Time To Honor. We connect Veterans to earned benefits and resources. We have impacted over 20,000 military families!

Our final "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans" appreciation event with this Vietnam Gift Outreach will be on National Vietnam War Veterans Day, Saturday, March 29th, 2025. This is the last year for the Department of Defense 50th Commemoration of the Vietnam War. The event will take place at the Johnson County Indiana National Guard Armory, 325 Minuteman Way, Franklin, Indiana, 46131.

Highlights include a luncheon, Huey Helicopter Flights provided by Columbus Indiana Huey, a special viewing of The Journey Home documentary. All attendees will receive a copy of A Time To Honor—Stories of Service, Duty and Sacrifice book/DVD. Our Honored Guest is Indiana's own Medal of Honor Recipient Sammy L. Davis. Invited special guests include former Vice President Mike Pence, Governor Braun, The Adjunct General of Indiana Larry Muennich, Senator Aaron Freeman, Franklin Mayor Steve Barnett, Indiana State Daughters of the American Revolution Regent Elaine Sholtz, MG Ret. R. Martin Umbarger, Indiana Department of Veteran Affairs Director Jake Adams, and officials from the Department of Indiana American Legion, VFW Department of Indiana, Indiana DAV, AMVETS, Civil Air Patrol, DAR Leadership, IMMVG, and others. It is free and open to the public.

We hope you will consider joining us to make this a very special day for Indiana Vietnam Veterans

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!!!**

Here are your local Hamilton County VFW & American Legion Post's addresses.

Carmel American Legion Post 155 - 852 West Main St, Carmel, In 46032
Carmel VFW Post 10003 - 12863 Old Meridian ST, Carmel, In 46032
Cicero American Legion Post 341 - 50 Washington Ave, Cicero, In
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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 5 - 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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April 29 and May 13

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Goodness or greatness? It’s all just *Relativity*

By **LARRY ADAMS**
A Seat on the Aisle

“Only Einstein can be Einstein!”

Years ago, I wrote of my late father, “He was not what the world would consider a great man. He was something much more rare: he was a good man.” Truly a fitting epitaph for him, and one to which I have firmly believed most of humanity would do well to aspire. In a world seemingly intent on celebrating both the amazing achievements and outlandish foibles of the “greats,” be they athletes, entertainers or politicians, I’ve often felt we might be better served by having a few more of the “goods” in our daily lives.

Playwright Mark St. Germain’s *Relativity* turns this notion a bit on its head, examining the contrast – indeed, perhaps even the incompatibility – between “goodness” and “greatness” through the lens of “The Great Man” (as his wife Milleva referred to him) himself, Albert Einstein – with thought-provoking and perhaps even surprising results.

Set in 1942, *Relativity* describes a fictional meeting between Einstein and Margaret Harding, a self-proclaimed journalist for the Jewish Daily newspaper. What starts as an amicable, almost flirtatious encounter suddenly turns into a confrontation – alternatively combative, poignant, and heartrending – after a shocking twist reveals to both them and the audience that neither character is quite what we imagined. What follows over the course of the rough-

ly 90-minute single act is a rather rapid-fire discussion of love, family, career, and exceptionalism, and the conflicts that inevitably arise between them all.

Southbank Theatre Company offers up a nearly flawless production of this surprisingly rarely staged work, exuding professionalism in every facet. The set design, lighting and musical accompaniment are all evocative without being conspicuous, drawing the audience into the story even before it begins. Ronn Johnston’s direction is taut and meticulously paced, never allowing attention to wander, yet giving the occasional breather so necessary in a work that has the potential to be overly heavy and ponderous.

As is essential for such a challenging piece, each of the actors is top-notch. I was unfamiliar with Anthony Johnson’s work prior to this production but hope to see more of it in the future. Mr. Johnson wears the role of Einstein like a favorite, old sweater: comfortable and natural in his delivery and body language. “People see what they want,” his character at one point proclaims. “The Great Man, the traitor, the monster.” Johnson believably and even somewhat sympathetically somehow evidences them all in the course of the evening.

Morgan Morton, in my opinion one of Indy’s most talented young actresses, gives her usual polished portrayal, completely in command of the stage and the material. Though her portrayal of Margaret often comes off more harsh



Photo by Rob Slaven / [IndyGhostLight.com](#)
Morgan Morton as Margaret Harding with Anthony Johnson as Albert Einstein.

and petulant than I would like, making her character less sympathetic – and Einstein, by contrast, relatively more so (yes, pun intended) – Morton delivers a powerful performance, always in focus and convincingly displaying the anguish, anger, and confusion of rejection.

Miki Mathioudakis, deservedly well-known and acclaimed by the Indianapolis theater community, completes the cast in the smaller role of Einstein’s housekeeper, Ms. Dukas. Often inserted into the action as a comedic respite from the otherwise stormy proceedings, Mathioudakis nevertheless presents a fully fleshed out character, with a realistic sense of self-actualization and a wisdom all her own. “I do not expect something he cannot give,” she scolds Margaret. “He changes the world; I change his sheets.”

Relativity is a show of big ideas. They come at you, on occasion, like water from a fire hose, making you wish you had a chance to sit back and savor. At times heavy-handed, at times

seemingly steering toward preachiness before blessedly pulling back, in the end *Relativity* comes off as surprisingly – perhaps even disturbingly – balanced. Yes, Einstein was a serial philanthropist, yes, he ignored and even rejected his family in his pursuit of knowledge and the realization of his genius – but was he wrong to do so? To its credit, *Relativity* offers no definitive or moralizing answers. It is designed to make you think. And discuss on the way home. And think some more. And in this it definitely succeeds.

The promotional tag line for this play often seems to be, “To be a great man, must one first be a good man?” but I’m not sure that’s accurate. Rather, *Relativity* seems to ask, “Is it *BETTER* to be a good man or a great man?” The world, it turns out, apparently needs both – and sometimes the two appear to be mutually exclusive.

The answer, therefore – befittingly – is relative.

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



Heartland International Film Festival Opening & Closing Night films win Oscars

The REPORTER

The 97th Academy Awards took place last Sunday, March 2. Four films honored by Heartland Film won six Oscars. Both Opening and Closing Night films of the 33rd Heartland International Film Festival (HIFF) received Academy Awards.

The HIFF Opening Night film and Humor & Humanity Award Winner, *A Real Pain* from Searchlight Pictures, received two nominations and took home the Oscar for Supporting Actor. The HIFF Closing Night film, *Emilia Pérez* from Netflix, received the most Oscar nominations at 13, and won for both Actress in a Supporting Role and Original Song.

“Over the past three years, the Heartland International Film Festival Opening and Closing Night films have featured performances that have gone on to win supporting or leading actor Oscars,” Artistic Director Greg Sorvig. “Congratulations to Kieran Culkin (Opening Night *A Real Pain* and Zoe Saldana (Closing Night *Emilia Pérez*) on their supporting actor and actress wins.”

Oscar winners honored by Heartland

Film in 2024
A Real Pain
Actor in a Supporting Role, Kieran Culkin
A Real Pain from Searchlight Pictures was the Opening Night film at

the 2024 Heartland International Film Festival and won the Humor & Humanity Award Winner.

“Since seeing *A Real Pain* at Sundance, I knew it would be the perfect Opening Night film for the Heartland International Film Festival,” Artistic Director Greg Sorvig said. “Honored with the HIFF Humor and Humanity Award, the film’s script is sharp, funny and emotionally resonant. It was no surprise that Kieran Culkin matched the script with his own depth, humor and humanity and took home the gold statuette!”

Emilia Pérez
Actress in a Supporting Role, Zoe Saldana
Original Song
Emilia Pérez from Netflix was the Closing Night film at the 2024 Heartland International Film Festival.

Flow
Animated Feature Film
Flow from Janus Films and Sideshow played as a Special Presentation at the 2024 Heartland International Film Festival.

Wicked
Costume Design
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Heartland Film honored *Wicked* from Universal Pictures with a 2024 Truly Moving Picture Award.

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The Tallison Hotel brings Frank Lloyd Wright-inspired luxury to Carmel

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The Tallison Hotel, A Tribute Portfolio Hotel, will open Thursday, March 6 in Carmel. This upscale boutique property draws inspiration from Frank Lloyd Wright's architectural principles while celebrating the warmth of Hoosier hospitality.
“The Tallison is a modern and refined expression of the Midwest, uncovering the spirit of Hoosier hospitality,” Ascent Hospitality President and CEO John Tampa said. “Every aspect of the property reflects our commitment to creating an elevated guest experience that honors Indiana's rich heritage while embracing contemporary luxury.”

Design & accommodations
This 120-room property boasts clean lines and organic material, creating a sophisticated atmosphere that pays homage to the modern Midwest design aesthetic. A local art consultant chose artists and photographers from the area whose work highlights the region's cultural tapestry and natural landscapes, showcasing wild beautiful spaces and renowned architecture.
Meeting & event space
With over 7,000 square feet of versatile indoor event space, and a more



Rendering courtesy The Tallison Hotel

than 3,500 square-foot courtyard, The Tallison Hotel caters to corporate gatherings, weddings, and social events for up to 300 guests. The hotel's location along the Meridian Corridor, home to over 100 corporate headquarters, businesses, and hospitals, positions it as an ideal destination for business travelers and corporate events as well.
VYNE Restaurant
The hotel's signature restaurant, VYNE, elevates Indiana's culinary heritage with a menu celebrating locally sourced ingredients and regional flavors. The restaurant and bar create an inviting atmosphere for both intimate dinners and business gatherings, and features an extensive wine selection.

Leadership
The Tallison's experienced leadership team includes:
• Adam S. Cohen, General Manager, who brings over 12 years of luxury and boutique hotel management expertise.
• Bethany Somsy, Director of Sales, known for developing innovative strategies and fostering strong client relationships.
• Willie Price II, Executive Chef, has developed a philosophy that prioritizes substance over spectacle in his 20-year hospitality career.
• Greg Wisinski, Director of Food & Beverage, brings expertise in operating and opening Michelin ranked concepts, and high-volume banquet execution.

Location & accessibility
Situated at 10210 Pennsylvania Pkwy., Carmel, The Tallison Hotel provides convenient access to central Indiana's premier business district, world-class health-care facilities, and cultural attractions. The property is part of a dual-hotel complex that includes the 112-room extended stay **Element Indianapolis Carmel** by Westin, creating an opportunity to host large groups and events at both properties.
On March 6, the hotel will begin welcoming guests; however, the grand opening celebration is not planned until May 2025. For more information or reservations, visit thetallisonhotel.com.

How do you know it's the best manicotti? Well ... just look at it.



Reporter photo
Pasto Italiano, 3150 E. State Road 32, Westfield, has been offering customers some special non-menu options of late, and this manicotti and meatball dinner is at the top of our list. If it proves popular enough, it might make its cheese-covered way to the regular menu. So go vote with your taste buds. Our publisher recommends pairing it with a good red wine and gives it two marinara-stained thumbs up! Call Pasto Italiano at (317) 804-2051 to make your reservation. (Psst ... they are open seven days a week now!)

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Last Friday, Feb. 28, Indiana Treasurer Daniel Elliott held a reception to honor local Hoosier artists. Bringing together artists, community leaders, and art enthusiasts, the event celebrated the talent showcased in the Hoosier Artists Across Indiana exhibition.

Treasurer Elliott held the reception to thank the artists for loaning their artwork to his office and to allow the public access to appreciate the art pieces one last time before a new exhibition begins.

“The Statehouse belongs to the people of Indiana, and there’s no better way to show our true colors than through the work of our own artists,” Treasurer Elliott said. “I’m truly thankful for the chance to back these incredible folks, giving their artwork a real home to let their creativity shine for everyone who



Photos provided
Indiana State Treasurer Daniel Elliott (pictured above left) welcomed several Hoosier artists last Friday to his office for a reception.

walks through our doors.”

Treasurer Elliott, who not only supports art but also pursues his own creative endeavors in sketching and drawing, shared his genuine appreciation for the contributions of local talent. Attendees enjoyed the opportunity to chat with the artists, learn the stories behind each piece, and see firsthand how art enriches Indiana’s cultural identity.

Artists featured in the exhibition are sourced from the Indy Arts Council’s e-newsletter, where opportunities to display artwork are regularly shared.

“We are grateful to the Indy Arts Council for be-

ing a supportive channel of communicating opportunities like ours to the art community,” Treasurer Elliott said. “Without its platform, we would not have been able to successfully collect submissions for artwork.”

As part of an ongoing commitment to celebrating and promoting the arts, the Treasurer’s Office is currently welcoming new submissions for the next round of the exhibition.

“We’re always on the lookout for more Hoosier talent,” Elliott added. “If you’ve got a gift for capturing the world on canvas, we’d love to see your work. Every artist adds another

thread to the fabric of Indiana’s story.”

Selected entries will be announced April 11.

For more information about the Treasurer’s Art Exhibition, submission guidelines, or inquiries about purchasing artwork, please email horono@tos.in.gov.

AG Rokita continues battle against robocallers during National Consumer Protection Week

Submitted by Office of the Attorney General

Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita is reiterating his commitment to protecting Hoosier consumers during National Consumer Protection Week, urging them to protect themselves from robocalls and report scams and fraudulent activities to his office’s Consumer Protection Division.

“Quite often, these robocalls are part of criminal schemes aimed at stealing Hoosiers’ identities and taking your hard-earned money,” AG Rokita said. “These annoying and illegal calls are the work of professional scammers looking to prey on unsuspecting victims. Make sure you take the necessary steps to protect yourself when robocallers try to disturb your peace.”

While technology is flourishing and scammers are becoming increasingly sophisticated, here are some tips on how to protect yourself from unwanted robocallers:

Blocking unwanted calls

AG Rokita has joined

other attorneys general in demanding telephone companies make more call-blocking services available to consumers.

Below is a non-exhaustive guide to services available. You can find more information on the [FCC’s website](#).

Landline phones

Some carriers allow you to block a limited quantity of numbers or block anonymous callers. Fees vary, depending on your plan. Contact your service provider for details. Call-blocking gadgets or devices are available for purchase online. Be cautious when dealing with unknown sellers and look at customer reviews and return policies. Most work with landlines, VoIP, DSL, and digital voice services. Most require caller ID and/or an internet connection to work.

Smart phones

CTIA-The Wireless Association has compiled a list of call-blocking apps avail-

able on iOS and Android smart phones. The list is available at [this link](#). Before you download any app, read the description and customer reviews. Also, check your device manual to learn about built-in blocking features.

Services available through your telephone provider

Most telephone service providers have some form of blocking services for customers. Call your provider or visit their website for information about available services and fees.

File a complaint with the FTC

If you encounter an impostor scam, let the FTC know. File a complaint at [ftc.gov](#) or call 1-877-FTC-HELP.

The FTC works to prevent fraudulent, deceptive, and unfair business practices in the marketplace and to provide information to help consumers spot, stop, and avoid them. To file a

complaint or get free information on consumer issues, visit [ftc.gov](#) or call toll-free 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357); TTY: 1-866-653-4261. Watch a video, “How to File a Complaint,” at [ftc.gov/video](#) to learn more.

The FTC enters consumer complaints into the Consumer Sentinel Network, a secure online database and investigative tool used by hundreds of civil and criminal law enforcement agencies in the U.S. and abroad.

File a complaint with the Attorney General’s Office

If your number is registered on the Indiana Do Not Call list, you can file a Do Not Call complaint about an unwanted text message or call by visiting [IndianaConsumer.com](#), click on “File A Complaint,” then on “Do Not Call/Text Complaint.” If you do not have internet access, you may call (888) 834-9969 to request a complaint form. You can also file a complaint with the Federal Communications Commission at (888) 225-5322 or [FCC.gov](#).

Governor Braun signs executive orders aiming to protect women’s sports & reinforce Indiana’s legal definition of sex

Submitted by Office of the Governor

Governor Mike Braun signed two executive orders on Tuesday with the intent of ensuring fairness in women’s sports and rejecting what he calls extreme gender ideology in favor of the scientific reality of biological sex.

The executive order protecting opportunities for women in college sports comes ahead of International Women’s Day this Saturday, and follows the governor’s executive order expanding paid parental and childbirth recovery leave for women signed Monday.

Executive Order 25-35 “Protecting Opportunities in Post-Secondary Women’s Sports”

This executive order mandates that Indiana’s state educational institutions must comply with the 2020 Title IX Rule rather than the 2024 Biden Administration reinterpretation that extended protections based on self-reported ideas of gender identity.

The order ensures that female athletes in college sports are not forced to compete against biological males, preserving the integrity of women’s athletics and protecting opportunities for women in female-only sports leagues.

“Women’s sports create opportunities for young women to earn scholarships and develop leadership

skills,” Gov. Braun said. “Hoosiers overwhelmingly don’t want those opportunities destroyed by allowing biological males to compete in women’s sports, and today’s executive order will make sure of that.”

Executive Order 25-36 “Ensuring Indiana Law is Based on the Reality of Biological Sex Rather than Extreme New Gender Theories”

Alongside protections for women’s sports, Gov. Braun also signed an executive order making clear that Indiana will not go along with the “extreme gender ideology” that he says created the problem in women’s sports in the first place.

“Replacing the scientific fact of biological sex with the always-changing, self-reported idea of ‘gender identity’ has real consequences: it puts women in danger in female-only spaces like prisons, it destroys opportunities for women in sports, and it tells troubled kids that their mental health problems can be solved with sterilizing drugs and irreversible sex change operations,” Gov. Braun said. “Indiana will not go along with this radical new idea of what gender means, and we will not allow tax dollars to be used to promote this ideology – instead, we’re going to focus on providing Freedom and Opportunity for all Hoosiers.”



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Meeting Notices	
The Carmel Police Pension Board will meet in an executive session at 1 p.m. Monday, March 10, 2025, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7) For the discussion of records classified as confidential by state or federal statute. A regular meeting will follow at 1:05 p.m. (or immediately after the executive session, whichever is later) in the Support Conference Room at the Carmel Police Department, 1000 S. Range Line Road, Carmel.	The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will not meet as scheduled on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, due a lack of petitions for consideration. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 23, 2025.
The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 10, 2025, in the Library/Media Center at the Sheridan Middle School, 3030 W. 246th St., Sheridan.	The Carmel Clay Schools Board of Trustees will meet for a workshop session at 6 p.m. Monday, March 10, 2025, at the Carmel Clay Schools Educational Services Center, 5201 E. Main St.
The Hamilton County Commissioners will meet in an executive session at 1 p.m. Monday, March 10, 2025. A regular meeting will follow at 1:45 p.m. in the Commissioners’ Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.	The Noblesville School Board of Trustees will meet for a work session at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, 2025, in the Board Room at the Noblesville Schools Educational Services Center, 18025 River Road.
Send Meeting Notices to: News@ReadTheReporter.com	

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Fishers launches Aging & Wellness Task Force

The REPORTER

Fishers has launched an Aging & Wellness Task Force to evaluate existing services available for seniors within the city and make recommendations for new programming and initiatives, including a potential facility dedicated to senior services.

The task force is co-chaired by Fishers City Councilman Bill Stuart and local physician and Hamilton Southeastern Schools Board of Trustees member Dr. Juanita Albright and includes residents and care providers. As part of the evaluation phase, the task force will publish a community survey and host focus groups to identify gaps within existing offerings.

"This initiative demonstrates the city's commitment to supporting its senior population and ensuring that this demographic has the necessary services, programs, and resources to attain the highest quality of life within Fishers," Co-chairs Stuart and Dr. Albright said. "This is an exciting oppor-

tunity for seniors to share what matters to them and make a direct impact on future programming and infrastructure. We can't wait to get started."

This new task force is part of the city's Culture of Health initiative which strives to foster a culture of wellness and healthy living for all residents. The potential for a senior-focused facility was brought up during the planning phase for the new Fishers Community Center, set to open this fall.

"Over the past few years, we've debuted exciting new quality of life amenities for our community, including a world-class event center and art center, new parks, and trails, and more," Mayor Scott Fadness said. "As more seniors are selecting Fishers as the place to spend their retirement, it's important that we understand which amenities and resources can best serve this growing population."

The task force will kick off this spring with the aim to have a plan for city staff by mid-summer.

Protestors call for more Ukraine support at Rep. Spartz's office

The REPORTER

On Tuesday evening, protestors gathered outside the Noblesville office of Congresswoman Victoria Spartz. Demonstrators shouted "we support Ukraine" and "Russia is a terrorist state." They say

supporting Ukraine is in line with American values.

The protest comes after last Friday's high-profile tension between President Trump and Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy in the Oval Office.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

THE ALTAR OF INCENSE

They made the altar of incense out of acacia wood. It was square, a cubit long and a cubit wide and two cubits high—its horns of one piece with it. They overlaid the top and all the sides and the horns with pure gold, and made a gold molding around it. They made two gold rings below the molding—two on each of the opposite sides—to hold the poles used to carry it. They made the poles of acacia wood and overlaid them with gold.

They also made the sacred anointing oil and the pure, fragrant incense—the work of a perfumer.

Exodus 37:25-29 (NIV)



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William Eugene Fletcher

January 5, 1955 – March 2, 2025

William Eugene Fletcher, known by all as Bill or Billy, passed away at home on March 2, 2025, surrounded by his close friends and family.



Bill was born on January 5, 1955, to Tom and Ruth Fletcher. He is survived by one brother, Jack Fletcher of Largo, Fla., one sister, Sheryl Arhart-McLaughlin of Largo, Fla., and a niece and several nephews. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, and

his brother Steve Fletcher.

Bill graduated from Western High School in 1973. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Kathryn Joanne Diller, whom he married on July 22, 1980.

Bill was employed by Delco, which later became Delphi, in 1978. Bill retired in 2008 after 30 years of service.

Bill became a Christian and was baptized in 1975. He was a past member of Courtland Avenue Church of Christ, Emerson Avenue Church of Christ, Woodland Hills Church of Christ, High School Road Church of Christ, and the last several years of his life he was a member at Westfield Church of Christ. Bill's attendance in the last year of his life was an encouragement to many members. Bill will always be loved.

A visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 15 at Hartley Funeral Home, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. A Celebration of Life, with Emerson Brown officiating, will immediately follow at noon.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Memorials Processing, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-9959.

As we say our final goodbyes to William, we invite you to share your memories and upload photos to his memorial page. Each shared memory or photo will serve as a reminder of the joy and love William brought into our lives. Let us remember William Fletcher, not just for what he did, but for who he was – a man of character, love, and an unforgettable smile.

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Boys Basketball

Golden Eagles cruise to sectional win

The REPORTER

The Guerin Catholic boys basketball team hadn't played in eight days, but there was no rust on the Golden Eagles in their first-round sectional game.

Guerin Catholic beat Lebanon in a Wednesday contest for Class 3A Sectional 25 at Frankfort's Case Arena. The No. 5-ranked Golden Eagles built a commanding lead through the first three quarters, then held off a comeback in the Tigers during the fourth period.

GC coach Bobby Allen said that his team's composure in the midst of Lebanon's run was "one of the best parts about tonight." The coach said his team was "put in a pressure situation and it's great they were exposed to that, because it's going to happen again this weekend."

Guerin Catholic led 23-16 after one quarter, with Bryson Cardinal and Malcolm Houze each scoring nine points. All of Houze's points came from 3-pointers, with Cardinal making two 3s.

"He's been in battles and he has the ability to change the landscape of a game," Allen said of Houze. "It's fun to have a starting quarterback in your starting five."

The Golden Eagles led 40-24 at halftime. Jake

Grissom was Guerin Catholic's star in the second quarter, pouring in eight points.

GC enjoyed its largest lead in the third quarter, going up 50-27. The Tigers cut that lead to 51-33 by the end of the period, then put up 28 points in the fourth. But the Golden Eagles scored 22 in the fourth to stay ahead.

Free throws & balance

Free throws were a big part of Guerin Catholic's fourth quarter, as it went 14 of 20 from the line. Hayden Rogers made 6 of 10 free throws, with RJ Hill going 4-for-4.

The Golden Eagles were remarkably balanced in scoring: Four different players scored 14 points. Cardinal, Houze and Grissom all reached that mark, as did Ryne Paris, who scored seven points in the fourth. GC drained 10 3-pointers in the contest, starting with four for Houze. Cardinal made three 3s.

Guerin Catholic had 16 team assists on 22 made baskets. Paris led with six assists, followed by Rogers with four. Houze made four steals.

The Golden Eagles are 21-4 and play Brebeuf Jesuit in Friday's second semifinal at Frankfort, following the 6 p.m. first semifinal between Tri-West and Danville.



Photos by Mike Navarro

Guerin Catholic's Jake Grissom (top) and Ryne Paris (above) were among the four players that scored 14 points during the Golden Eagles' 73-61 win over Lebanon Wednesday in the first round of the Frankfort sectional.

GUERIN CATHOLIC 73, LEBANON 61				
Guerin Catholic	FG	FT	TP	PF
Jake Grissom	6-8	2-2	14	3
Malcolm Houze	5-7	0-0	14	2
Ryne Paris	4-6	4-6	14	4
Hayden Rogers	1-4	6-10	9	1
Bryson Cardinal	5-6	1-2	14	3
Carter Murans	1-2	0-0	2	0
Jack Toles	0-1	2-4	2	0
Andrew Reithman	0-0	0-0	0	0
RJ Hill	0-0	4-4	4	1
Julian Melendez	0-0	0-0	0	0
Jackson Carey	0-0	0-0	0	0
Totals	22-34	19-28	73	14
Score by Quarters				
Lebanon	16	8	9	28-61
Guerin Catholic	23	17	11	22-73
Guerin Catholic 3-point shooting (10-16) Houze 4-5, Cardinal 3-4, Paris 2-2, Rogers 1-4, Grissom 0-1.				
Guerin Catholic rebounds (18) Houze 4, Paris 4, Rogers 4, Toles 2, Cardinal 2, Grissom 1, team 1.				

Girls Basketball

HSE's Satterfield named girls All-Stars assistant coach

The REPORTER

Hamilton Southeastern girls basketball coach Brian Satterfield has been named as one of the assistant coaches for the 2025 IndyStar girls' Indiana All-Stars, games director Mike Broughton announced Wednesday (March 5).

Stacy Mitchell of Warren Central has been named head coach, while Kristi Sigler of Jennings County will be the other assistant coach.

Players chosen for the 2025 girls' All-Stars will play three games in June -- one exhibition game against the Indiana Junior All-Stars as well as home-and-home contests against the Kentucky All-Stars.

Satterfield has compiled an 83-16 mark in four seasons as girls' coach at Hamilton Southeastern, including a 27-1 finish in 2024-25 when his Royals were ranked No. 1 in Class 4A for much of the season and won sectional and regional titles. His girls' success came after 20 seasons guiding the HSE boys, where he amassed a 322-151 record with three sectional titles and mentored Indiana Mr. Basketball honorees Gary Harris in 2012 and Zak Irvin in 2013.

This is Satterfield's second stint with the Indiana All-Stars, previously serving as an All-Star boys' assistant coach in 2015. He also was a head coach for the 2010 Indiana Class All-

Star Classic and the 2012 North-South Game as well as assisting in the 2012 Nike Global Games in Washington, D.C.

He has been voted an IBCA boys' District Coach of the Year in 2003 and 2012, six times was honored as the Hoosier Crossroads Conference boys' Coach of the Year and twice has been selected HCC girls' Coach of the Year. He served the IBCA as a district representative from 2012-15 and currently is in the first year of a second three-year term.

Satterfield is a 1986 graduate of Plainfield High

School, where he averaged 8.9 points as a senior for a 20-6 regional champion. He went on to Wabash College, where he played three seasons for the Little Giants' varsity program and completed his bachelor's degree in business in 1990. After college, he worked for Met Life for three years before earning a teacher's certification through Indiana University in 1995. He then served as a boys' assistant coach at Madison, Triton Central, Avon and HSE before becoming the HSE boys' head coach in 2001-02.



Satterfield

He and his wife, Deb, are parents to Brooke, Nolan and Blair.

Mitchell has compiled a 145-84 record in 10 seasons at the girls' varsity coach at Warren Central, including a Class 4A state championship in 2018 and a 13-9 ledger this past season. His teams also claimed Metropolitan Interscholastic Conference championships in 2019 and 2023.

He is the first black person to be named the head coach of the Indiana girls' All-Stars. Previous girls' All-Stars black assistant coaches have been Mel Good of Columbus East in 1997, Larry Winters of Bloomington South in 2011 and Juanita Goodwell of Fort Wayne South in 2013.

Sigler led Jennings County to a 15-8 mark and Hoosier Hills Conference co-championship in 2024-25, one season after guiding the Panthers to a 23-4 mark and HHC outright title. Her record in nine seasons as the Jennings County varsity coach is 132-86, and she previously served as an assistant coach in the program from 2008-16. She served as an IBCA district representative from 2019-22 and

now is in her second year as an IBCA assistant director.

The Junior-Senior exhibition game is set for June 4 at Greenfield-Central. The first game against Kentucky will be June 6 at a site to be announced. The final game against Kentucky will be June 7 at Gainbridge Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. All three dates will be doubleheaders with the IndyStar Indiana boys' All-Stars.

Rosters for the 2025 Indiana girls' All-Stars, Indiana boys' All-Stars, girls' Junior All-Stars and boys' Junior All-Stars will be announced later.

The Indiana Junior All-Stars will play two girl-boy doubleheaders this year -- June 1 against the Kentucky Junior All-Stars at site to be announced and June 4 against the Indiana seniors at Greenfield-Central.

The 2025 IndyStar Indiana All-Star "Futures Games" doubleheader will be on June 2 at Fishers. This event, for girls and boys who are current sophomores or freshmen, will feature two Indiana teams in a North-South format. Rosters for the Futures Games will be announced later.

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Moise commits to West Liberty



Noblesville's Charlotte Moise has committed to the West Liberty University acrobatics & tumbling team. (From left) Erica Eder (Noblesville Gymnastics Head Coach), Charlotte Moise, and Booz Moise (father).

Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics

County players among HBM Top 60 Girls

The REPORTER
Three Hamilton County senior girls basketball players will be among the participants at the *Hoosier Basketball Magazine* Top 60 Senior Girls workout on Sunday.

These girls were selected from approximately 1,400 senior players statewide. Statistical evaluation, game observation and statewide research were conducted during the season and throughout the state tournament to determine *Hoosier Basketball Magazine's* Top 60 seniors.

Two sessions of the 44th annual Top 60 Senior Workout will be hosted by *Hoosier Basketball Magazine* in conjunction with the IHSAA and the IBCA on Sunday at Beech Grove High School, 5330 Hornet Ave.

Half of the Top 60 girls, primarily from northern and southern Indiana, will participate in the first session, which takes place from 1 to 3 p.m. The remaining players, primarily from central Indiana, will compete during the second session, which is set for 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Hamilton County's three participants are Aubrey Crockett of Westfield, Nevaeh Dickman of Fishers and Kenzie Garner of Sheridan. Three other players were selected but are unable to participate due to injury: Maya Makalusky of Hamilton Southeastern, Izzy Shepherd of Carmel and Meredith Tippner of Noblesville.

Former state champion coach DeeAnn Ramey (North Central) will direct both sessions. Other outstanding Indiana girls' high school coaches from the IBCA have been invited to join the 2025 Top 60 staff: Hollie Anson-Eaves (South Knox), Lenny Krebs (Warsaw), Amy Selk (Beech Grove), Jason Simpson (Greensburg) and Stephen Thomas (Lawrence North).

Both sessions are open to the public for admission fee of \$9.



The Indy Eleven finished up training on March 5, 2025. WISH-TV photo

Indy Eleven looks to build on successful 2024 season, aims for regular playoff team

By JOSH BODE
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The Indy Eleven is less than two weeks from kicking off their season.

They look to build off a successful year in 2024, where they made it to the semifinals of the US Open Cup and finished fourth in the standings in the East. They were, however, knocked out in the first round of the playoffs.

Indy Eleven head coach Sean McAuley said they're really excited and anxious to get the season started after a long preseason.

McAuley added that the league is getting stronger

and stronger this season. He also talked about being careful about comparing themselves to last year's success, because duplicating it will be very difficult.

"If you were to say that we need to be better than last year, that would mean getting to the Open Cup Final and finishing in the top three," McAuley said. "And I'm not saying we're not going to go try to get to the Open Cup Final, but it's going to be incredibly difficult and it's going to be incredibly difficult to get into the top three. Because that discounts all of the teams in the last five years that have gotten in the top three, and we

haven't been one of them. So we need to make sure that we become a regular playoff team before we start thinking about other stuff."

It's McAuley's second season with the Indy Eleven, which has helped the team become more comfortable.

"Guys kind of know what they're roles going to be – so it's not so much as start from square one," Cam Lindley said. "We have a lot of returners so it's nice to kind of get the ball rolling because we want to build off our performance last year."

"I think their desire to play for Indy Eleven is huge

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, March 7
BOYS BASKETBALL
Sectional 8 at Carmel
Hamilton Southeastern vs. Noblesville, 6 p.m.
Zionsville vs. Fishers, 7:45 p.m.
Sectional 25 at Frankfort
Tri-West vs. Danville, 6 p.m.
Lebanon-Guerin Catholic winner vs. Brebeuf Jesuit, 7:30 p.m.
Sectional 39 at Frankton
Sheridan vs. Tipton, 6 p.m.
Lapel vs. Frankton, 7:30 p.m.
Sectional 42 at Park Tudor
Monrovia vs. University, 6 p.m.
Riverside vs. Cardinal Ritter, 7:30 p.m.
GYMNASTICS
Noblesville's Valorey Bittles at Franklin Central regional, 6:30 p.m. at The Gymnastics Company

Saturday, March 8
BOYS BASKETBALL
Sectional 8 at Carmel
Championship, 7 p.m.
Sectional 25 at Frankfort
Championship, 7:30 p.m.
Sectional 39 at Frankton
Championship, 7:30 p.m.
Sectional 42 at Park Tudor
Championship, 7 p.m.
GYMNASTICS
Westfield at Portage regional, 1 p.m.

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