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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Brick by brick . . .

Westfield Washington Schools' young builders shine in Lego House Competition

The REPORTER

Future architects, engineers, and designers took their first steps toward becoming "Life-Ready" at the annual Lego House Builders Competition. Westfield Washington Schools students from all six elementary schools – Carey Ridge Elementary School, Maple Glen Elementary School, Monon Trail Elementary School, Oak Trace Elementary School, Shamrock Springs Elementary School, and Washington Woods Elementary School – competed and showcased their building skills. Student teams, supported by their dedicated Lego coaches, practiced their building skills and learned from local professionals in architecture, construction, interior design, and engineering. During the competition, students worked in

Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools

pairs to construct Lego houses within 60 minutes, adhering to specific design criteria and applying the skills they developed during their practice sessions. After the construction, the teams tapped into another skill set as they presented clearly and effectively to judges. The entire experience required students to

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Church Basement Ladies serves up heaping helpings of humor at Beef & Boards

The REPORTER

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre has the recipe for fun this spring with *Church Basement Ladies*, the relatable and rib-tickling show about the stalwart women of a rural Minnesota church. The timer is set for this original production that got the *Church Basement Ladies* series cookin', and it'll be ready to enjoy starting Thursday, April 17. Hilarity takes over when the four *Church Basement Ladies* do their best to organize food, stave off potential disasters, share and debate recipes, keep the pastor on due course, and try to solve the problems of their changing rural Minnesota church in 1964. Together they tackle both food and food for thought while managing a record-breaking Christmas dinner, the funeral of a dear friend, a Hawaiian Easter fundraiser, and a hot July wedding. Returning to reprise their

Photo provided by Beef & Boards

Tickets are available now for Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre's production of *Church Basement Ladies*, which opens Thursday, April 17. Get yours at BeefAndBoards.com. roles from the original production at Beef & Boards are Licia Watson as the matriarch Vivian Snustad, and Karen Pappas as the unforgettable Mavis Gilmerson. Joining them in the church basement kitchen are Carrie Neal (*A Christmas Story*, *White Christmas*, *Beauty and the Beast*) as Karin Engelson, and Anya Burke as Karin's daughter, Signe. John Vessels (*Beauty and the Beast*) as Karin

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Chronic trauma

Living with a disability, life can be a steady stream of traumatic experiences. There is medical trauma, trauma from unsolicited comments when out in public, trauma from being excluded from society because of lack of accessibility, trauma from public falls or accidents . . . and the list goes on. If you have lived all or most of your life disabled, well, you get the picture. It is years upon years of trauma. My sense of security always threatened. If it seems extreme that I am referring to these things a "trauma," consider yourself fortunate that you do not live that experience. As we get older, we start to examine our lives in a way we were never able to. Reflection often becomes a regular part of life. One thing that I recognize in myself is that I am a catastrophic thinker. As I unpacked this reality recently, I wanted to understand why I am this way. It quickly became clear to me that I do this as a defense mechanism. If I can get ahead of what "may" happen, then when that thing happens, I will somehow be better prepared for said catastrophic event. People with all kinds of trauma do this very same thing. I am in good company. Of course, it doesn't really make sense because you cannot prepare for trauma. You want to think you can because somehow that brings comfort. A façade of control.

COLUMNIST

AMY SHINNEMAN
Disability in the City

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S&P Global gives county 'AAA' long-term rating

\$36M earmarked for new police & fire training center

The REPORTER

Standard & Poor's (S&P) Global Ratings has assigned its highest possible 'AAA' long-term rating to Hamilton County's anticipated \$36 million Series 2025 ad valorem property tax lease rental bonds. S&P also affirmed the county's 'AAA' rating on its other outstanding general obligation and lease debt, with a stable outlook for the county's finances. Officials plan to use the bond proceeds to construct a public safety training facility for local police and fire departments. The training center is set to include classroom space, a four-story fire training burn tower, SWAT training area, outdoor firing range, and EMD training area. Officials hope to break ground on the project this year. "We are proud to be able to fund this important public safety project with low-cost borrowing," said Steve Dillinger, president of the Hamilton County Commissioners. "Our strong rating and stable outlook will allow us to finance essential projects, like the new training center, without placing additional burden on the taxpayer." S&P's report emphasized the county's "robust tax-base growth" and "strong budgetary management practices" and acknowledged Hamilton County's status as one of the wealthiest counties in Indiana, noting that its financial standing enables it to manage debt levels effectively. "We are thrilled to receive the 'AAA' rating," said Sue Maki, president of the Hamilton County Council. "It underscores our county's sound fiscal management, strong economic growth, and future financial stability."

Dillinger

Maki

Indiana Peony Festival & Smith's Jewelers unveil commemorative five-year charm

By KELLY McVEY
President, Indiana Peony Festival, Inc.

In celebration of the Indiana Peony Festival's special milestone this year, Premiere Sponsor Smith's Jewelers has helped create the first, official Indiana Peony Festival commemorative charm for the five-year anniversary. Over the years, we've witnessed birthdays, girls trips, engagements, and so many other special moments at the festival. We wanted to create and provide something peony lovers could collect and grow with through the years, much like our festival. We introduce to you . . . the inaugural commemorative

Photos provided

The inaugural commemorative charm by Smith's Jewelers celebrates the Indiana Peony Festival's fifth birthday. It can be worn either as a bracelet or a necklace. This two-sided, sterling silver charm is made locally, in-store and, available for pre-order now. Alongside the charm, a necklace and/or bracelet will be available for purchase from Smith's Jewelers. Charms will be \$50, and a starter kit (charm and chain) will range from \$80 to \$120. Not only are you supporting a small business, but a portion of charm sales will be donated back to the Indiana Peony Festival.

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TRAUMA

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An example of trauma for me was the story I wrote about when the lady at the store came up behind me and screamed at me, shaming for the way that I walk and telling me surely, I could do better. I could not be prepared for an incident like that, yet I know that is what I risk by being out in public. It has happened before; it will happen again. Imagine being publicly shamed for just being yourself and getting groceries for your family.

I recently shared a short story on one of my social media accounts about a medical procedure I recently had done called an Electromyography (EMG). It is a test that measures electrical activity of muscles and the nerves that control them. For the test, they “shock” different parts of my legs, some of the shocks strong enough to lift my legs off the bed. For the other part of the test, they use an acu-

puncture needle which they stick in different muscles and bear down on the needle to test muscle function. Neither feels good.

Throughout my life, I have had this done several times. The first memory of this test was at the Mayo Clinic. I remember crying for my dad because I didn’t understand what they were doing and it hurt. Luckily, they went and got him so they could finish the test, and he could comfort me.

I have had a lot of those type of medically traumatic experiences. As I have gotten older, sometimes I want to scream and cry during these procedures, but of course I’ve learned that I have to stay strong as it would be strange for an adult to scream and cry like a child would, but that doesn’t mean that sometimes I don’t have the desire to do so. I often get in my car after procedures like this to sit and wait for the strong

emotions to pass through me.

Recently, I have also discovered it is very healing to take time and let those strong emotions pass through me. To process them, and not hold them in. In doing so, it has helped me with anxiety that I tend to carry.

Coping skills are important tools to have when dealing with chronic trauma. I have learned that I need to take time to process these events. Reaching out to a professional who understands the effects, rather than continue to stuff them down, has been very helpful to my mental health.

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.

LADIES

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The Addams Family, Smoke on the Mountain) joins these ladies in the role of Pastor E.L. Gunderson.

Based on the Scandinavian Lutheran humor writings of Janet Martin and Suzann Nelson, authors of *Growing Up Lutheran: What Does This Mean?*, the women of *Church Basement Ladies* are familiar and down-to-earth characters who can be found in any denomination.

Church Basement Ladies is rated G and is on stage for 37 performances through May 18 in the intimate space of Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. Tickets range from \$57 to

Beef & Boards DINNER THEATRE

\$85 and include Chef Larry Stoops’ dinner buffet and select beverages. Children under age 3 are not admitted.

To see the complete performance schedule and to purchase tickets online, visit BeefAndBoards.com. Tickets are also available by calling the Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre Box Office at (317) 872-9664.

Discounts are available to groups of 20 or more. Call the Group Sales department at (317) 872-0503, or email groups@beefandboards.com for details.

Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre, Indiana’s only year-round professional dinner theatre, has been serving up exceptional entertainment since 1973.

CHARM

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This one-of-a-kind charm will also be for sale at the Peonies in the Park fundraising event on May 16 and on Festival Day. This exclusive charm will only be available for purchase until May 17. So get yours while supplies last. Pre-orders are available online at smithsonthesquare.com/ipf.

Beyond offering a unique charm for peony and festival lovers to begin collecting, Smith’s Jewelers will also offer assistance for those hoping to plan or celebrate their own special moments or milestones during the festival. Look no further than here for the perfect gift and/or tradition to start this spring!

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BUILDERS

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demonstrate collaboration, communication, creativity, and perseverance.

Students were honored with certificates of achievement at four levels: Master Builder, Advanced Builder, Skilled Builder, and Novice Builder, recognizing their accomplishments and growth.

“This competition is an incredible opportunity for our students to experience hands-on learning and explore potential careers in design and construction,” said Karen Gorgan, WWS Instructional Coach and event coordinator. “It fosters creativity, teamwork, and critical thinking – essential skills for future success.”

The event would not have been possible without the dedicated support of community judges and volunteers. A special thank you to this year’s judges:

- JR Pettit, Project Superintendent at CORE Construction
- Kathryn Roche, Interior Designer at Schmidt Associates
- Jonathan Haggarty, Executive Vice President at Meyer Najem Construction
- Jenny Davy, Manager of Orientation and Training Services, Integrity Learning Center
- Mirleage Castor, Project Engineer at Garmong Construction
- Will Wingfield, Road Project, and Planning Study Communications Expert
- Ron Hitch, Manager of Control Systems at Allison Transmission
- Susan Ottinger, Textile Specialist, Seamstress, and Librarian
- Tyler Herring, Ball State Architect Graduate



• Danielle Carey Tolan, Deputy Mayor and Chief of Staff for the City of Westfield

• Michelle Walker, Special Education Teacher, and Aspiring Treehouse Designer

• Colin Schermann, Preconstruction Manager at Meyer Najem Construction

A special thank you to Adult Host Libby Baud, Assistant Principal at Maple Glen Elementary, Student Hosts Lily Bullard and Leo Mestrich, fourth graders at Maple Glen, Judging Coordinator Jane Hitch, Principal at Oak Trace Elementary, and all the parents who came to cheer on our builders.

Westfield Washington School Team Coaches

- Jody Simms, Carey Ridge Elementary School
- Karen Grogan, Maple Glen Elementary School
- Emily Wong, Monon Trail Elementary School
- Mattie Stautzenbach, Oak Trace Elementary School
- Tiffany Timme, Shamrock Spring Elementary School
- Sandy Nerney, Washington Woods Elementary School

“The collaboration



Students from all six Westfield Washington elementary schools were judged and awarded certificates from four categories: Master Builder, Advanced Builder, Skilled Builder, and Novice Builder. See more photos online at [ReadTheReporter.com](https://www.westfieldreporter.com).

between our schools and community professionals highlights the strength of our community and the value we place on real-world

learning experiences for students,” said Dr. Paul Kaiser, Superintendent of Westfield Washington Schools. The WWS Lego House

Builders Competition continues to be a shining example of the district’s commitment to fostering creativity and ensuring that every stu-

dent is “Life-Ready.” For more information about Westfield Washington Schools and future events, visit www.k12.in.us.

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Fishers Century Club awards donation to support school safety

The REPORTER

The Fishers Century Club held its quarterly gathering last Tuesday, March 18, at The Club Coworking event space, where attendees heard from three impactful charitable organizations and selected one to receive the group’s collective donation.

Presenting organizations included Diversion Indy, Come to Me Food Pantry, and the winning group, the Indiana School Resource Officers Association (INSROA) Foundation.

The INSROA Foundation is a newly formed organization focused on ensuring that School Resource Officers (SROs) locally and across Indiana receive high-quality, ongoing training – without having to carry the financial burden themselves. In Indiana, SROs have the opportunity to become members of INSROA, which grants them access to resources for success and state-of-the-art training. Currently, INSROA members have a \$50 annual membership fee, which includes membership to the National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO). Additionally, there is a cost of \$150 for SROs to attend the annual Indiana School Safety Conference.

The INSROA Foundation’s mission is to relieve the financial burden of the costs associated with mem-



Photo provided

The Fishers Century Club meets quarterly to hear from three charities. The group of men then choose one to donate a collective contribution.

bership and training so that every SRO across the state of Indiana is able to become a member and attend trainings that improve school safety and positive relationships with students.

“School Resource Officers serve the mission of keeping our students, staff, and communities safe,” said Officer Greg Zimmerman, a Carmel-based SRO and representative of the INSROA Foundation who presented to the group. “We are incredibly grateful to the Fishers Century Club for helping us fund training opportunities that enhance school safety and bring awareness to new technologies and strategies that help protect Indiana’s children every day.”

The Foundation is also planning to host its inaugural fundraising gala this fall, with the goal of expanding its donor base and increasing support for these critical officers in our state. Details about the event will be re-

leased soon.

Fishers Century Club founder Adam Kallick shared his personal connection to the cause.

“Supporting school safety is very close to me,” Kallick said. “In my professional work, one of my clients is the national leader in frictionless gateway weapons detection technology. It is important to provide our schools with the right tools and training to keep students safe. That’s why I’m proud our group is backing the INSROA Foundation and the essential work they’re doing for SROs across Indiana.”

The INSROA Foundation is also working to educate communities and school systems about advancements in safety tools, protocols, and equipment, while ensuring that every SRO has access to continuing education, regardless of district budget constraints.

The Fishers Century Club, a men’s crowd-giv-

ing organization, meets quarterly to hear from three charities and make a collective contribution to one. The group’s next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 24.

For more information and a list of previous winners, please visit fisherscenturyclub.com or visit facebook.com/fisherscenturyclub. Those who wish to participate in the group who are unable to make it to meetings can visit the online Grapevine site at tinyurl.com/FCCGrapevine.

About Fishers Century Club

The Fishers Century Club is a group of individuals committed to making a positive impact on the local community. Through collective giving and active participation, the club aims to support and uplift deserving charities, ultimately contributing to the betterment of Fishers and local community.

Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad’s first Annual Meeting set for April 16

The REPORTER

The Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad (NPHR) will hold its first Annual Meeting at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 16 at Mustard Seed Gardens, 77 Metsker Lane, Noblesville.

This inaugural gathering will bring together board members, stakeholders, volunteers, and community supporters to celebrate achievements, discuss future plans, and strengthen the vision for the organization’s continued success.

The meeting will provide key insights into NPHR’s impact over the past year, including ridership statistics, events highlights, financial updates, and strategic planning initiatives. Attendees will also get an exclusive look at upcoming programs, expansion efforts, and opportunities for community involvement.

“This annual meeting marks a significant milestone for Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad, providing us with the opportunity to reflect on our achievements, recognize those who have contributed to our success, and chart an exciting course for the future,” NPHR Executive Director Emily Reynolds said. “We invite all those who have supported our mission – whether through ridership,

donations, or volunteer efforts – to join us as we share our vision, celebrate our growth, and look ahead to new opportunities that will keep our railroad thriving for years to come.”

Who should attend?

Board members, donors, volunteers, community leaders, and supporters of Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad are all welcome to attend the inaugural Annual Meeting.

The event will include a review of recognition of outstanding contributors and a Q&A discussion about the organization’s future goals. Attendees will also have the opportunity to network with fellow supporters and learn more about upcoming initiatives for NPHR.

“The work being done at Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad is truly impressive – not just in preserving history, but in creating unforgettable experiences that give back to our community in meaningful ways,” NPHR Board President Christine DeJoy said. “Our organization is growing by leaps and bounds, and it’s all thanks to our dedicated staff who bring an incredible passion to everything they do. I couldn’t be more proud to be part of this journey and I’m excited to have the community hear all about it at this annual meeting.

DNR grant program funds sediment removal at Morse Reservoir

The REPORTER

Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Director Alan Morrison announced this week that organizations in 20 Indiana counties across the state will receive \$1,116,940 in grants to fund 53 lake and stream projects through the Lake and River Enhancement (LARE) program.

Within Hamilton County, a sediment removal project at Morse Reservoir re-

ceived \$64,000.

In addition to the Morse Reservoir project, Dearborn, Fayette, Fulton, Johnson, Knox, Kosciusko, LaGrange, LaPorte, Marion, Marshall, Monroe, Noble, Owen, Porter, Pulaski, Putnam, St. Joseph, Steuben, and Sullivan counties also received money.

Grants totaling \$643,300 will support 11 sediment or logjam removal projects in 10 counties. Another

\$473,640 will be used to support 42 projects to combat aquatic invasive plants, involving 52 bodies of water in 13 counties.

The grants are funded through the LARE fee paid annually by boat owners when they register their crafts with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. This user-funded program benefits boaters all over the state by allowing for the completion of lake and stream projects

that would be difficult for local organizations to fund on their own. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis, and local sponsors share at least 20 percent of the cost.

Funded projects for the planning and removal of sediment and logjams help improve recreational access by removing nutrient-rich sediment and woody debris near inlets or navigational channels, helping prevent

bank erosion and the formation of new channels. These types of projects receive the highest priority for LARE funding, and they are only funded for projects focused on large-quantity debris removal. Aquatic invasive plant control grants help control or manage aggressive non-native species that can outcompete native species and dominate plant communities. The grants can also provide economic ben-

efits to lake communities by improving lake conditions for those who fish or boat.

A list of grant recipients and sediment and logjam removal projects by body of water, county, project type, and grant award can be found at lare.dnr.IN.gov and clicking on project awards at the top of the page.

Reports on all past LARE-funded projects can be found at larereports.dnr.IN.gov.





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North GOP keeps constituents informed



The Northern Hamilton County GOP Club held its monthly dinner meeting Monday at Red Bridge Park in Cicero. This month's speakers were Hamilton County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt (not pictured), Hamilton County Councilor Mark Hall (above left), and Cicero Street & Utilities Director Terry Cooper (above right). Reporter photos

Fishers Youth Initiative seeks executive director

Current leader Brittany Rayburn will step down in May

The REPORTER

Fishers Youth Initiative (FYI), formerly the Youth Mentoring Initiative and Fishers Youth Assistance Program, launched on Wednesday its search for a new executive director. The announcement follows the resignation of Brittany Rayburn, current FYI executive director.

Rayburn led the organization through the first phase of the merger of the two youth-focused nonprofits. Her last day with FYI will be May 28.

"We're grateful for Brittany's steadfast leadership for the last four years as YMI's executive director, and recently during the transition to become Fishers Youth Initiative," FYI Board of Directors Co-President Matt Schluet-



er said. "As we look ahead, we are excited to bring together critical services and support to youth in Fishers and look forward to bringing in a dynamic leader that can continue to grow FYI's impact."

The Board of Directors will launch a search committee to identify FYI's new executive director. The position posting can be found at [this link](#). Interested candidates may inquire directly to FYI Co-President Anderson Schoenrock at schoenrock@memoryventures.com.

FYI will hold its annual spring fundraiser, Wines Around the World, on Friday, May 16. Tickets and sponsorships are available at [this link](#).

About Fishers Youth Initiative

The mission of Fishers Youth Initiative is to ensure that every young person in the community has the opportunity and support to build a positive future by connecting them with a network of compassionate volunteers and programs.

Make this May a hole-in-one

Sponsorships still available for Westfield Chamber golf outing

The REPORTER

Swing into spring with the Westfield Chamber of Commerce's 22nd annual Golf Outing on Monday, May 12, presented by **Abbott, Bondry Consulting, Community First Bank of Indiana**, the **City of Westfield**, and **Community Health Network** at The Bridgewater Club, 3535 E. 161st St.

The golf outing is much more than just a round on the course but an opportunity to network and discover what makes Westfield thrive in central Indiana. Proceeds from this event support the Westfield Chamber and its Academic Scholarship Fund.

Golfer information

At this time, capacity for golfer teams has been reached. A waitlist for interested parties is open, however. If spots come available, it will be first-come, first-served off the waitlist. If you would like to put your team on the waitlist,

please email dlacey@westfieldchamberindy.com.

Sponsorship opportunities

[Click here](#) to purchase a sponsorship opportunity on the Westfield Chamber website. Once your payment is received, a Chamber Staff Member will reach out to obtain a high-resolution version of your company's artwork. Arrival and set-up instructions will be sent the week prior to the event. Email info@westfieldchamberindy.com with any sponsorship questions.

Volunteer at the outing

There's an opportunity for the non-golfers in your office to participate. To pull off a successful golf outing, the Westfield Chamber needs more than two dozen volunteers on the day of the event. Volunteers will be needed to help people check in, help to marshal the sponsors to their holes, driving volunteers on the course, ground support across the course, 19th Hole Recep-

tion set up, and much more. [Click here](#) to sign up to volunteer.



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State leaders gather for annual prayer breakfast



The annual Indiana Leadership Prayer Breakfast took place Tuesday morning at the Indiana Roof Ballroom, 140 W. Washington St., Indianapolis. Among the several speakers was Governor Mike Braun and author, theologian, and social critic Dr. Os Guinness who said in his closing, “Have faith in God. Have no fear.” (TOP) Governor Mike Braun addresses the crowd. (ABOVE LEFT) Former Congressman, Governor, and Vice President Mike Pence speaks with Lt. Governor Micah Beckwith. (ABOVE RIGHT) Lt. Gov. Beckwith confers with Dr. Guinness.

Reporter photos by Devin Norrick

Health First Indiana leads to better public health here at home

As a Hamilton County Commissioner, I am proud to support Health First Indiana (HFI), a transformative initiative that strengthens public health across our state. Born from [Senate](#)



[Enrolled Act 4](#), legislation passed by the 2023 Indiana General Assembly, Health First Indiana provides vital funding to counties like ours, allowing us to assess local health needs and implement evidence-based programs that prioritize prevention.

Since its launch in 2024, this state and local partnership has enabled the Hamilton County Health Department (HCHD) to enhance critical services in areas like mental health, maternal and child health, chronic disease prevention, and emergency preparedness. These programs are not only improving health outcomes but are also building a foundation for a healthier, more prosperous community.

Through HFI funding, HCHD has already awarded more than \$3.2 million to local partners to deliver essential services and ensure that residents can easily access the care they need.

Trinity Free Clinic, for example, the largest provider of free health services in central Indiana, used grant dollars to expand its dental services, allowing it to increase walk-in dental care and serve more low-in-

come, uninsured, and underinsured residents. One young man, a victim of a violent assault who had been unable to afford dental care, was able to receive life-changing treatment.

Trinity’s team removed the wires from his mouth and helped restore his ability to eat, speak, and regain his dignity. HFI funding has also enabled the Health Department to roll out new initiatives like radiological nuclear detection, Car Seat Safety and Safe Sitter Training, and the CredibleMind self-help website – tools our residents can take advantage of to lead healthier lives and create a safer community for everyone.

As we look ahead to 2025, I urge the General Assembly to continue providing this critical funding in future state budgets and encourage qualified community organizations to apply for these critical funds.

For more information, visit hamilton-county.in.gov/1858/Health-First-Hamilton-County.

Mark Heirbrandt serves as a Hamilton County Commissioner. He represents District 3, which include Adams, Fall Creek, Jackson, Washington, Wayne, and White River townships, along with the municipalities of Arcadia, Atlanta, Cicero, Sheridan, and Westfield.

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WHY THE BIBLE?



THE BIBLE AND ARCHAEOLOGY DISCOVERIES.

Consider just a few of many archaeological discoveries that prove the Bible’s accuracy in revealing historical people, events, and places (from “[Archaeological Finds](#).”).



The Tel Dan Stele was discovered in Israel and is dated back to the ninth century BC. It mentions the “House of David,” shattering the long-held view of many skeptics that David was a mythical person.



The Mesha Stele describes Moab’s subjection under Omri, the king of Israel. It also references the personal name of the God of the Bible (Yahweh), and very likely contains a reference to the “House of David.”

The Pilate stone provides archaeological evidence for the existence of the man who sentenced Jesus to death on the Cross. Skeptics frequently denied his existence until the discovery of this stone, which identifies Pontius Pilate as the Prefect of Judea.



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Our Assembly times:

Sunday Bible Study | 10:00 AM

Sunday Worship | 11:00 AM

Wednesday Bible Study | 7:00 PM

Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

Hamilton County Veteran Service Organizations

American Legion Posts
Carmel Post 155 Kim Kilburn
852 West Main St Breakfast Sat & Sun 8-12
Carmel, In 46032 Treasure Hunt Fri 7p
317-846-0001 Tx Holdem Thurs & Sat
M,Tu 3-10pm, W,Th 10a-10p, F 10a-11a, Sa
8a-11p, Su 8a-8p.
**Restaurant –Sa 8a-8p, Su 8a-12p Lunch W-
F 11a-2p, Dinner W-F 5-8p**

Cicero Post 341 Tye Anderson
50 Washington Ave Treasure Hunt Tues 7p
Cicero, In 46034 Weekly Draw Su 6p,W 7p
317-984-4441 Bingo Fri 6p, Weekly Draw 8p
M-Th 3-10p, F-Sa 12-11p, Su 12-10p.
**Restaurant Tu, W, F 4-8pm, Public P/U Tu-
W, F eat in or carry out**

Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc
9091 E 126th St Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm \$25K
Fishers, in 46038 Trivia Wed 6pm
317-842-5944 Breakfast 1st & 3rd Sun 8-11
M 3-10p, Tu-Su12-10pm or when empty.
**Restaurant Breakfast 1st&3rd Sun 9-12,
Food 12-8 Tu, 5-9 W, 12-9 Th, F 3-8 Sa, 12-5
Su**

Noblesville Post 45 Gil Soria
273 S 8th St Fri 645pm Treasure Hunt
Noblesville, in 46060
317-773-9985 Trivia every 1 & 3 Sat 7pm
M-Th 11a-10p, F11a-12p, Sa 12p-12a, Su
12p-8p
**Restaurant M 6-8pm wings, Tu-F 530-830p,
Sat 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12 Breakfast 730-
930a Dinner 530-830p, Su 12-8p**

Sheridan Post 67 Tom DeShon
406 E 10th St
Sheridan, In 46069
317-758-5007
M 3-9p, Tu-Th 11-9p, F Sa 11-10p, Su 1-6p
**Restaurant Lunch Tu-F 11a-2p, food service
till close**

VFW Posts
Carmel Post 10003 Darin Bibeau
12863 Old Meridian St
Carmel, In 46032 Breakfast 2 & 4 Sat 8-11
317-846-0917 Thurs Treasure Hunt 7pm
Su-Sa 11a-11p.
**Restaurant - Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sa 8a-11a,
Lunch 11a-2p & food service till 8p daily**

Noblesville Post 6246 Eric Behrends
654 S 9th St
Noblesville, In 46060
317-773-9956
M-Th 11a-10p, F 11a-12a, Sa 12p-12a, Su
12p-8p
Restaurant M-F 6-9p


Non-Profit Veteran Orgs
Hamilton County Veterans Corp
P.O. Box 503
Noblesville, in 46061
secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com
Meets 7pm the 1st Monday Monthly at the
Fishers American Legion. Our website
<https://www.hamiltoncountyveterans.com/>
has 40 pages of resources for our Military
Veteran community

Navy Club Hamilton County Ship 29
Meets 4th Wed 530pm dinner 630pm meeting
at Gingers Cafe 1111 S 10th St Noblesville

Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers
317-776-9610 Hours – 9am-4pm Weekdays
CVSO – Tom Logan
Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov
Assistant CVSO – Robin Wilson
robin.wilson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov
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Admin Assistant – Christina Ellis
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Hamilton County Military Veteran Apr 2, VA Claims & Veterans Career Day 3-7pm Carmel American Legion Post 155, 852 W Main St

VA Claims and Career Day
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Questions - kludeker-seibert@hamiltoncountyphhc.org
Carmel American Legion Post 155
852 West Main St Carmel, In.

Representatives will be on-site to answer your questions about Federal and State benefits.
Career professionals will be onsite to assist our Military Veteran Community to advance their career and find employment.

Veteran Welding Workshop Through ASAP April 5th



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For safety, participants must have full vision capabilities, gripping strength with both hands, and adequate hand-eye coordination. Welders must wear a cotton shirt, pants, and closed toe shoes. No sandals, shorts, or synthetics.

Veterans Sign Up For Free Golf Starts April 16



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- NO PRIOR GOLF EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY
- NO VA DISABILITY RATING REQUIRED
- VETERANS DO NOT NEED TO HAVE COMBAT EXPERIENCE OR DEPLOYMENTS TO PARTICIPATE
- ALL EXPENSES RELATED TO PGA HOPE ARE COVERED
- MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 10

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April 16	2:00pm - 3:00pm
April 23	2:00pm - 3:00pm
April 30	2:00pm - 3:00pm
May 7	2:00pm - 3:00pm
May 14	2:00pm - 3:30pm
May 21	2:00pm - 3:30pm

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT INDIANA GOLF DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT, ANDREW JENT 317.799.3012 AJENT@INDIANAGOLF.ORG [HTTP://INDIANAGOLF.ORG/](http://INDIANAGOLF.ORG/)

Activities & Events Veterans Sign Up For Free Golf Starts April 19



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BARLA GOLF ACADEMY
14660 HERRIMAN BLVD, NOBLESVILLE, IN. 46060



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DATES

April 19	2:00pm - 3:30pm
April 26	2:00pm - 3:30pm
May 3	2:00pm - 3:30pm
May 10	2:00pm - 3:30pm
May 17	2:00pm - 3:30pm
May 31	2:00pm - 3:30pm

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Veteran Public Speaking Workshop Through ASAP



ASAP is a creative community where Veterans thrive through the arts. Free arts, comedy, speaking, classes/workshops, activities and events for our Military, Veterans, their Families and Caregivers. <https://asapasap.org>

• All Programs

Public Speaking Workshop
April 13 • 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm District Theater 627 Massachusetts Ave, Indianapolis, In.



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Program Type
Workshop
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Veterans Apply here <https://www.tfaforms.com/5027807?campid=701Up00000HAKOgIAP>

This interactive 3-hour workshop equips participants with the tools and confidence to share their stories, advocate for causes, and excel in professional and personal communication.

Designed specifically for individuals with military backgrounds, the workshop focuses on leveraging their unique experiences to captivate audiences, foster connections, and inspire action. Through hands-on exercises, personalized feedback, and proven techniques, participants will leave with practical skills to become effective and compelling speakers.

About the Instructor
Jeff McKinney, PhD, is an experienced coach, facilitator, teacher, and mentor who supports his clients as they navigate their journey of self-awareness and transformation by supporting and challenging them to grow personally and professionally. He strives to ensure that the people who experience his coaching or training leave those interactions with knowledge and tools to take the action necessary to change for the better.

APPLY Veterans Apply here <https://www.tfaforms.com/5027807?campid=701Up00000HAKOgIAP>

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
Fishers American Legion Post 470 - 9091 E 126th St, Fishers, In
Noblesville American Legion Post 45 - 273 S 8th St, Noblesville, in 46060
Noblesville VFW Post 6246 - 654 S 9th St, Noblesville, In 46060
Sheridan American Legion Post 67 - 406 E 10th St, Sheridan, In

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

Questions or if you wish to volunteer for packaging day, please contact;
Lynn at treasurer@hamiltoncountyveterans.com
Tracy at auxiliaryvpost470@gmail.com

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March 29 and 30

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April 12, 13 and 19

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April 29 and May 13

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Glass Menagerie is worth a look

By ADAM CROWE
A Seat on the Aisle

Unless you skipped school a lot as a child, you most likely were made to read/study an “important” author or piece of literature. Sometimes it was a bore, other times a revelation. The tag of “important” could often seem like a negative, especially if the reader wasn’t quite ready for the task.

Poor Tennessee Williams has spent the last 80 years in that “important” category. In reality, it is those who choose to skip this quintessential American playwright that are the poorer for it.

Indiana Repertory Theatre’s current production is Williams’ *The Glass Menagerie*, his first big success.

Yes, the play premiered in 1944, but that certainly does not make it in any way antiquated or less relevant than it was at its premiere. Directed by James Still, this production shimmers, as it should.

Billed as a “memory” play, the cast effortlessly fills every moment with a sense of loss and regret, but also with the warmth that some memories can bring.

As an aside, I overheard



Photo by Zach Rosing

Amanda (Julie Fishell) with her son Tom (Felipe Carrasco).

an usher at intermission say that she was sure that she knew the show, only to discover that her memories were of *A Streetcar Named Desire*. Given the numerous film and video productions of that show, it’s not really a surprise. Williams still gets the credit.

But *The Glass Menagerie* has always stood on its own as a powerful and poetic experience. Tennessee Williams’ musings on stifled ambitions, loss, and regret are indeed “important.” I am grateful that the

Indiana Repertory Theatre’s treatment of the piece makes it as alive and as vital as anything written in this century.

The technical aspects are wonderful: Edward T. Morris’ set, Yao Chen’s costumes, Michelle Habeck’s lighting, Melanie Chen Cole’s sound, and Andrew Elliot’s hair designs are all excellent. The cast includes Julie Fishell as Amanda Wingfield, Felipe Carrasco as Tom Wingfield, Delaney Feener as Laura Wingfield, and Sam Bell-Gurwitz as

The Gentleman Caller. All are stellar.

Bottom line: Like that usher, maybe you only think of *Streetcar*’s Stanley and Blanche when thinking of Mr. Williams. I urge you not to make the mistake of missing the Wingfields of his *The Glass Menagerie*.

The show runs through April 6 at The Indiana Repertory Theatre in downtown Indianapolis. Tickets are available at irtlive.com.

Read more great play reviews from *A Seat on the Aisle* at asota.wordpress.com.

“A win for Hoosier farmers”

Braun signs HEA 1149 into law

**Submitted by
Office of the Governor**

Governor Mike Braun signed **House Enrolled Act 1149** into law on Tuesday.

This bill aims to help Hoosier farmers by creating a new online portal, giving them a one-stop shop for tools to communicate with the state government and get information they need to be successful.

“This new online portal was part of my Freedom and Opportunity agriculture agenda and is a win for Hoosier farmers,” Gov. Braun said. “It’s a one-stop-shop to help Hoosier farmers navigate state and federal agencies, avoid red tape, and communicate with the state government what we can do better to help them be successful.”

HEA 1149 was authored by Rep. Kendell Culp, and co-authored by Rep. Mike Aylesworth, Rep. Dave Heine, Rep. Justin Moed. The bill was sponsored by

Sen. Jean Leising, Sen. Daryl Schmitt, Sen. Gary Byrne, Sen. Susan Glick, and Sen. Shelli Yoder.

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture will create and maintain this new online portal, with features like:

- Helping Hoosier farmers navigate agriculture-related issues across state and federal agencies.
- Centralizing

information, including a searchable database of grants with deadlines and eligibility.

• Offering regulatory checklists to help farmers avoid violations when entering new markets.

• Connecting users to tools like data visualizations and technical support.

• Tracking lost farmland.

• Collecting public comments on federal regulations affecting Indiana’s rural economy.

• Gathering user feedback from farmers to improve the portal and government services.



Braun

Senator Banks introduces Ensuring Veterans’ Final Resting Place Act of 2025

The REPORTER

On Tuesday, U.S. Senators Jim Banks (R-Ind.) and Susan Collins (R-Maine) introduced the Ensuring Veterans’ Final Resting Place Act of 2025.

Currently, veterans can receive VA burial benefits, including headstones, markers, or urns. However, those who choose an urn or plaque lose eligibility for burial in a VA cemetery, even if their spouse remains eligible. This bill would allow veterans with VA-provided

urns or plaques to be buried in VA national cemeteries if their families choose.

Rep. Rudy Yakym (R-Ind.-02) introduced the bill in the House.

“Military spouses make countless sacrifices in support of our servicemembers,” Sen. Banks said. “We have a sacred duty to honor our nation’s heroes, and my bill ensures veterans, and their spouses are laid to rest with the respect they have earned.”

[Click here](#) to read the full text of the bill.



Banks

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USS Indiana returns from deployment

Submitted by SRS 32 Public Affairs

The Virginia-class fast-attack submarine *USS Indiana* (SSN 789), commanded by Cmdr. Kyle McVay, returns to its homeport today, March 27, after a scheduled deployment, at Naval Submarine Base New London in Groton, Conn.

The crew of *Indiana* executed the chief of naval operations’ maritime strategy in supporting national security interests and maritime security operations during their six months at sea.

Fast-attack submarines are multi-mission platforms enabling five of the six Navy maritime strategy core capabilities – sea control, power projection, forward presence, maritime security, and deterrence. They are designed to excel in anti-submarine warfare, anti-ship warfare, strike warfare, special operations, intelligence, surveillance



Photo by Senior Chief Mass Communication Specialist Leah Stiles, U.S. Navy
The First Navy Jack is raised during the commissioning ceremony of the Virginia-class fast-attack submarine *USS Indiana* (SSN 789) on Sept. 29, 2018 at Port Canaveral, Fla. *Indiana* is the U.S. Navy’s 16th Virginia-class fast-attack submarine and the third ship named for the state of Indiana.

and reconnaissance, irregular warfare and mine warfare. Fast-attack submarines project power ashore with special operations forces and Tomahawk cruise missiles in the prevention or

response to regional crises.

SSN 789 was commissioned in September 2018 and is the third U.S. warship named after the state of Indiana. It has a length of 377 feet with a beam of

34 feet and a crew of more than 134 personnel.

Today’s event will be livestreamed over multiple intervals at facebook.com/NavalSubmarineBaseNewLondon.

INDOT warns public of toll-related text scam

The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Transportation is aware of a tolling-related text message or “smishing” scam targeting Hoosiers statewide.

False messages appearing to come from INDOT or tolling service providers alert recipients of a “final notice” regarding unpaid tolls and mention additional fines, late fees, suspension of vehicle registration, vehicle impoundment, and further legal action, in addition to a link for payment.

“INDOT does not and will not notify drivers of unpaid tolls via text message,” INDOT Strategic

Communications Director Natalie Garrett said. “We urge members of the public to exercise extreme caution before opening suspicious links. The best thing to do is delete these messages.”

Various “smishing” scams have been ongoing since the spring of 2024. The FBI issued a warning on April 12, 2024, citing over 2,000 complaints of false text messages representing toll collection services. The agency encourages victims of fraudulent messages to report them to its Internet Crime Complaint Center at ic3.gov, and to delete the texts. Do not respond to any of these texts.

INvestABLE Indiana surpasses \$23 million in savings as eligibility expands for millions more Americans

The REPORTER

As Indiana recognizes March Disability Awareness Month, the Treasurer of State’s Office celebrates a year of tremendous growth and new opportunities for INvestABLE Indiana, the state’s Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) savings program.

Designed to help individuals with disabilities save without jeopardizing critical benefits, such as Medicaid or Supplemental Security Income (SSI), INvestABLE Indiana now boasts over \$23 million in assets under management (AUM), with account owners saving an average of \$11,000 each.

“With more than 2,100 Hoosiers using INvestABLE accounts, it’s clear folks are taking the reins on their fi-

nancial future,” Indiana Treasurer of State Daniel Elliott said. “Hardworking Hoosiers with disabilities deserve the freedom to save without worrying about losing the benefits they rely on. This program makes sure they can do just that – build a nest egg while keeping a safety net.”

New enhancements & tax incentives

This past year, INvestABLE Indiana introduced a Money Market investment option, giving account owners another low-risk way to grow their savings. Additionally, Indiana taxpayers who contribute to their own or a loved one’s INvest-ABLE account can now re-

ceive a 20 percent state tax credit, worth up to \$500 on their total contributions.

Looking ahead: expanded eligibility in 2026

A big change is coming. Starting Jan. 1, 2026, the age of onset for ABLE eligibility will increase from 26 to 46 years old. This means millions more Americans, including one million veterans, will soon be eligible to take advantage of ABLE accounts.

“We’ve seen such positive changes with ABLE and it’s exciting that so many more Hoosiers will soon be eligible to add this to their toolbox,” INvest-ABLE Executive Director Amy Corbin said. “Trav-

eling the state and hearing stories from account owners and their support systems on how this program is changing and improving lives is incredibly heartening.”

Claire, an INvestABLE account owner, shares that she used her account to pay for Erskine Green Training Institute (EGTI). “My parents moved my 529 college fund into ABLE so I could attend EGTI,” she said. “Another use is for medical and counseling appointments.”

As INvestABLE Indiana continues to grow, the Treasurer’s Office remains committed to giving Hoosiers with disabilities the tools they need to secure their financial future. To learn more or to open an account, visit in.savewithable.com.

Braun signs executive order making permitting information public

Submitted by Office of the Governor

Governor Mike Braun signed an executive order Wednesday directing the

Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and the Department of Transportation (INDOT) to publicly report permitting data to make this process more transparent, efficient, and to support growth.

Under the order, these agencies will be required to post monthly permitting data to their official websites. This includes the number of permit applications received, average processing times, the percentage of permits issued within statutory timelines, and updates

on pending applications.

“My administration is committed to transparency and accountability, and we’re taking action to make

Indiana the best place in America to start and grow a business,” Gov. Braun. “Permitting is an important part of growing our economy, and publicly reporting permitting data holds agencies accountable and makes them more efficient.”

The executive order also mandates that agency leadership regularly review their permitting processes to ensure compliance with timelines, identify opportunities for improvement, and maintain high-quality standards for issued permits.

The order takes effect immediately.



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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

SETTING UP THE TABERNACLE

“Place the altar of burnt offering in front of the entrance to the tabernacle, the tent of meeting; place the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar and put water in it. Set up the courtyard around it and put the curtain at the entrance to the courtyard.

“Take the anointing oil and anoint the tabernacle and everything in it; consecrate it and all its furnishings, and it will be holy. Then anoint the altar of burnt offering and all its utensils; consecrate the altar, and it will be most holy. Anoint the basin and its stand and consecrate them.

“Bring Aaron and his sons to the entrance to the tent of meeting and wash them with water. Then dress Aaron in the sacred garments, anoint him and consecrate him so he may serve me as priest. Bring his sons and dress them in tunics. Anoint them just as you anointed their father, so they may serve me as priests. Their anointing will be to a priesthood that will continue throughout their generations.” Moses did everything just as the Lord commanded him.

Exodus 40:6-16 (NIV)

Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, 2025, in the Commissioners' Courtroom / County Council Chambers on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold a Budget and Finance Committee meeting at 7 :30 a.m. Friday, April 4, 2025, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.

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The Reporter's policy on obituaries

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

Families and funeral homes are asked to submit obituaries at [ReadTheReporter.com/obitform](https://www.readthereporter.com/obitform).

Kroger brings back biggest-ever Customer Appreciation Week

Submitted

The Kroger Co. launched the return of Customer Appreciation Week on Wednesday, the retailer’s mega-sales event honoring customers with its hottest deals and digital coupons.

“We know our customers are faced with many choices when it comes feeding their families and as America’s grocer, we are proud every time they chose Kroger,” said Mary Ellen Adcock, Kroger Senior Vice President and Chief Merchant and Market Officer. “We are thrilled to bring back our customer appreciation event with even more deals and discounts to express thanks to our customers for giving Kroger a seat at their table.”

During the one-week event, through April 1, customers can get even more great deals on Kroger’s Our Brands favorites and national brands across the store. They’re invited to visit [Kroger.com/appreciation](https://www.kroger.com/appreciation) to save big and learn more.

Customers can look forward to Kroger’s hottest deals and digital coupons to stock up their pantries, load up on essentials to watch college hoops, prepare for the Easter Bunny and more.

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- Kroger Brand Pasta in select varieties: only 99

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- Powerade, Body Armor and Arizona single serve: only 88 cents with loyalty card
- Starbucks Bagged Coffee or KCups: \$6.99 with digital coupon

Go mad for basketball watch parties

- Doritos, including the new Doritos Zesty Jalapeño Popper flavor, Lay’s Potato Chips, Cheetos, and Tostitos in select sizes and varieties: \$1.99 each when customers purchase four with loyalty card
- Buy five, save \$1 each MEGA event – mix and match on dozens of participating items such as Ritz Crackers, Philadelphia Cream Cheese, Gatorade, Coffeemate, Velveeta, Pringles, Häagen-Daz Ice Cream and save \$1 each when customers buy five or more with loyalty card

Hop into Spring

- Easter Candy: 33 percent off with digital a coupon
- Mix and Match Beauty Event – stock Easter baskets with beauty and personal care items from Dr. Teals, Dove, Pantene and more. Purchase \$15 in participating beauty and personal care items and save \$5 with loyalty card .
- Get ready for Spring break travel: earn up to 4X Fuel points on Kroger purchases from March 28 to 31

with a digital coupon and on hundreds of gift cards

- Spring Cleaning – stock up on essentials with Kroger’s household mix and match event. Purchase two participating items and save \$10 with loyalty card

[Click here](#) for a complete list of deals.

Boost by Kroger Plus members can enjoy even more exclusive savings during customer appreciation week and may redeem Boost exclusive offers up to five times. Boost expands on savings available to customers through Kroger's free loyalty program. Members can save customers up to \$1,100* per year on fuel, exclusive savings, streaming options** and grocery delivery.

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Boost by Kroger Plus member exclusive offers include:

- Oscar Mayer Deli Fresh Lunch Meat in Select nine-ounce varieties: \$1.99 with a digital coupon
- Private Selection Bread and Buns in Select Varieties: \$1.49 with digital coupon

- Kroger Brand Tortilla Chips in select varieties: only 99 cents with digital coupon
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To learn more and enroll in Boost, [click here](#).

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Softball



Reporter photos by Julie Brown

(ABOVE LEFT) Hamilton Southeastern junior Grace Swedarsky threw eight strikeouts in three innings. (ABOVE RIGHT) Southeastern junior Kenzie Lee had a great start to the season, as she hit two home runs during the Royals' season-opening win at North Central on Wednesday.

Royals overpower Panthers to start season

By **RICHIE HALL**
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INDIANAPOLIS – Whatever nerves that Kenzie Lee had during Hamilton Southeastern's season-opening softball game went away after one swing.

The junior helped the Class 4A defending state champion Royals' season get off to a great start, hitting two home runs in their 14-2, five-inning win Wednesday at North Central. Lee batted in seven runs for Southeastern, making it a memorable start to her varsity career.

"Last year, I got called up for our sectional tournament and I got called up for our Terre Haute tournament," said Lee. "But this is my first season playing varsity, fully varsity."

Second-year coach Emily Pusti said that this year's Royals team has "a lot of fresh faces" all across the board, from freshman to senior. Southeastern graduated several seniors from last year's team, but also has some key players back from last season, including ace junior pitcher Grace Swedarsky, to complement those new faces on the team.

"They're the types of players that are not only just talented, but they're just good overall, kids that have a passion for softball," said Pusti. "We're just trying to focus on that and then continue to grow that passion. And then as they share in that, I think that's what's going to help them bond is recognizing the overall goal that they all have together is the same goal."

The Royals jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning. Junior Addison Richmond led off with a double and eventually scored on a wild pitch. Senior Makena Burlingame got home for the sec-

ond run when senior Maya Valenta hit a sacrifice fly.

Southeastern broke the game open in the third inning. Valenta singled in freshman Lilly Palmer, then moved to third base on freshman Madison Burlingame's double. Senior Brooke Bauer drew a walk to load the bases, then Lee stepped up and hit a grand slam, sending it perfectly over the center field fence.

Just like that, HSE led 7-0. The Royals weren't done, doubling their lead in the fourth inning with seven more runs. Junior Kaitlyn Burdick led off with a double, then scored after senior

Leah Paris reached on error. Madison Burlingame drew a walk, then sophomore Ha-leigh Seitz reached on error.

Lee came up again, and smacked her second home run of the game, with this one going over the right field fence. Southeastern led 12-0 at that point. The Royals scored two more runs later in the inning, with Richmond batting in sophomore Tori Bricker and senior Chloe Smith with a left field single.

"Everybody that was here and not injured, they all played tonight," said Pusti. "We had a lot of freshmen that are ready to step in, and

we had two freshmen that were available to play tonight that got to play and I think they stepped up to it."

After Lee's two hits, eight different players had one hit for Southeastern. Richmond and Valenta both totaled two RBIs.

Meanwhile, Swedarsky had a solid start in the circle. She pitched the first three innings, striking out eight and allowing no hits. Junior Natavia Wright pitched the final two innings, striking out three.

The Royals play their next game Friday, taking on Carmel at Cherry Tree Softball Complex.

Basketball

Hamilton Southeastern High School to host Chipotle High School Nationals

The REPORTER

Chipotle Nationals will host its 16th annual tournament from April 2 to 5 at Hamilton Southeastern High School in Fishers. The top high school basketball teams in the country will compete in this post-season tournament.

"We are thrilled to welcome the Chipotle High School Nationals to Hamilton County and Hamilton Southeastern High School," said Carl Daniels, Director of the Hamilton County Sports Authority. "This prestigious event brings together the nation's best high school basketball teams and future college and professional stars, and we are proud to provide an awesome venue for them to compete. With nation-

al television coverage and an elite level of play, this tournament will once again shine a spotlight on Fishers and Hamilton County as a premier destination for championship-caliber events."

Ten games will be available across ESPN platforms, including the boys' championship game airing on ESPN. Thirteen total teams in the boys' and girls' fields are ranked in the SC Next Top 25. All ten boys' teams are ranked in the top 10, while three of the girls' teams are ranked in the top 10 in the nation. The tournament will showcase 41 ESPN ranked boys players and 19 ESPN ranked girls players, including 11 total All-Americans.

The four-day tournament begins Wednesday, April 2 with the boys' opening round starting at 6:15 p.m. The boys' quarterfinals follow on Thursday, April 3 starting at 2 p.m. on ESPN2. The girls' semifinals are set for Friday, April 4, starting at 10:30 a.m. on ESPN and the boys' semifinals starting

at 2:30 p.m. on ESPN2. The tournament culminates on Saturday, April 5, with the girls' championship at 10 a.m. on ESPN2 and the boys' championship at noon on ESPN.

"We are excited to return to Indiana and make

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Hamilton County Reporter reveals 2025 all-county wrestling teams

Carmel senior Michael Major named Wrestler of the Year

The REPORTER
Carmel senior Michael Major is this year’s Hamilton County Reporter Wrestler of the Year. Major finished his season with a 40-4 record and roared through the IHSAA state tournament, winning sectional, regional and semi-state championships. At the IHSAA state finals, Major finished second at 165 pounds, following in the footsteps of his older brother Robert Major, who was the 160-pound state runner-up in 2021.

Hamilton County Reporter's All-County Wrestling Teams		
FIRST TEAM		
Name	School	Grade
Julian Burgett	Fishers	Junior
Michael Cain	Hamilton Heights	Junior
Connor Maddox	Westfield	Freshman
Michael Major	Carmel	Senior
Job Mavrick	Westfield	Junior
Xavier Smith	Fishers	Sophomore
Porter Temples	Westfield	Senior
Chayce Yant	Fishers	Junior
SECOND TEAM		
Name	School	Grade
Jackson Apple	Noblesville	Junior
Chris Casler	Hamilton Southeastern	Senior
Carlo Federici	Carmel	Sophomore
Zach Nekolite	Noblesville	Freshman
Carter Niccum	Westfield	Senior
Chris Quarles	Fishers	Senior
Justin Tilton	Hamilton Heights	Junior
Alic Washburn	Westfield	Junior
HONORABLE MENTION: Simon Kuhn, Hamilton Heights; Ryker Ream, Sheridan.		



Manford Photography / File photo
Carmel senior Michael Major is this year’s Hamilton County Reporter Wrestler of the Year. Major finished as the state runner-up at 165 pounds this season.

NATIONALS

Hamilton Southeastern High School the home of the 2025 Chipotle High School Basketball Nationals tournament,” said Paragon Marketing President Rashid Ghazi. “The tournament is sure to be an exciting four days of elite high school basketball. Many thanks to Chipotle, our title sponsor, for championing high school athletics. We are proud to provide a platform for the next generation of athletes to compete with their teams for the final time on ESPN against the best high school competition.”

To learn more or purchase tickets for the event, visit

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[ChipotleNationals.com](#).
About Hamilton County Sports Authority
Hamilton County Sports Authority, a division of Hamilton County Tourism, is committed to developing first-class facilities, supporting high-quality training programs, promoting regenerative tourism, and cultivating local, national, and international sporting events. Through these efforts, HCSA aims to inspire athletes, engage the community, and enhance the economic and social well-being of Hamilton County.

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Boys Basketball

Six players make IBCA Supreme 15 lists

The REPORTER
Six Hamilton County boys basketball players are among the 15 seniors and 15 underclass boys' basketball players have earned IBCA/Franciscan Health "Supreme 15" All-State honors for 2024-25, it was announced Wednesday. The IBCA also named Large School All-State teams (15 seniors, 15 underclass) and Small School All-State teams (15 seniors, 15 underclass).
JonAnthony Hall and Justin Kirby from Fishers, and Bryson Cardinal from Guerin Catholic., were voted to the 2025 IBCA/Franciscan Health Supreme 15 Senior boys' team. The other seniors honored are, listed alphabetically: Chase Barnes, Fort Wayne Wayne; Dezmon Briscoe, Crispus Attucks; Michael Cooper, Jeffersonville; Julius Gizzi, New Palestine; Damien King, Anderson; Brady Koehler, Cathedral; Chase Konieczny, South Bend Saint Joseph; Braylon Mullins, Greenfield-Central; Dominique Murphy, East Chicago Central; Kellen Pickett, Fort Wayne Blackhawk Christian; Azavier Robinson, Lawrence North; and Tre Singleton, Jeffersonville.

Two Fishers sophomores, Jason Gardner Jr. and Cooper Zachary, join Noblesville junior Justin Curry on the 2025 IBCA/Franciscan Health Supreme 15 Underclass boys' team. The other players are, listed alphabetically: Keriawn Berry, Avon; Luke Ertel, Mt. Vernon; Brayden Goff, Northview; Terrence Hayes Jr., Gary 21st Century; Kai McGrew, Lawrence North; Brennan Miller, Lawrence North; Jaylan Mitchell, Evansville Reitz; Blake Neill, Bloomfield; Steven Reynolds III, South Bend Washington; Brady Scholl, Northridge; Dikembe Shaw, Crown Point and Noah Smith, Plainfield.
The "Supreme 15" is the top honor awarded, and players were voted to that group without regard to school size. The Large School and Small School all-state teams are secondary accolades – the Large School group including players from Class 3A and Class 4A schools and the Small School group including players from Class A and Class 2A schools. Players who make the Supreme 15 are not considered for Large School or Small School honors.
Carmel’s Alex Couto

was named to the Senior Large School team, while three county players were named to the Underclass Large School team: Westfield junior Drew Haffner, Carmel junior Evan Harrell and Noblesville junior Baron Walker.
In addition, 94 more underclass players were selected honorable mention all-state. The honorable mention laurels are awarded without regard to school size. In total, 277 players – 139 seniors and 138 underclass players – were recognized on the 2025 IBCA boys' basketball All-State teams. In total, 670 players were nominated (271 seniors, 399 underclass) from 316 schools.
County senior Honorable Mention players are: Nathan Baker, Fishers; Max McComb, University; Durante Morton, Westfield; Ryne Paris, Guerin Catholic; Gavin Saunders, Hamilton Heights and Caleb Wright, Sheridan. Guerin Catholic sophomore Jake Grissom was named to the underclass Honorable Mention list.
The IBCA/Franciscan Health All-State teams are selected through a process organized by the Indiana

Basketball Coaches Association and presented by Franciscan Health Sports Medicine.
All IBCA-member head coaches have the opportunity to nominate players. A panel of 22 IBCA coaches – 16 from the current regional areas plus six at-large representatives (two each from IHSAA Districts 1, 2 and 3). David Wood, former coach at West Lafayette, is the non-voting committee chairman.
Franciscan Health Sports Medicine is making a financial contribution to the IBCA Scholarship Fund as the presenting partner of the IBCA All-State Teams. As part of the partnership, Franciscan Health Sports Medicine will provide plaques to Supreme 15 honorees and certificates to players receiving Large School All-State, Small School All-State or Honorable Mention All-State recognition. Those items will be made available to each recipient's coach during April, allowing his coach to present the award to each player prior to the end of the 2024-25 academic year.
The IBCA thanks Franciscan Health Sports Medicine for being a partner in this annual project.

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Boys Basketball

Seven players selected for Top 60 Senior Workout

The REPORTER

Seven Hamilton County boys basketball players will be among the participants at the *Hoosier Basketball Magazine* Top 60 Senior Girls workout on Sunday.

These boys were selected from approximately 1,500 senior players statewide. Statistical evaluation, game observation and statewide research were conducted throughout the season and the state tour-

nament to determine *Hoosier Basketball Magazine's* Top 60.

Two sessions of the Top 60 Senior Workout will be hosted by *Hoosier Basketball Magazine*, in conjunction with the IHSAA and the IBCA, at Marian University, 3200 N. Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis.

Half of the Top 60 boys, primarily from Northern and Southern Indiana, will participate in the first session, set for 1 to 3 p.m. The

remaining players, mostly from Central Indiana, will compete during the second session, which takes place from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Hamilton County's seven participants are Nathan Baker, JonAnthony Hall and Justin Kirby of Fishers; Bryson Cardinal of Guerin Catholic; Max McComb of University, Durante Morton of Westfield and Caleb Wright of Sheridan. Carmel's Alex Couto was selected but is

unable to participate due to injury.

Guerin Catholic head coach Bobby Allen will direct both sessions. Fishers head coach Garrett Winegar, along with Jimtown's Tyler Leighton, Jennings County's Michael McBride and East Chicago Central's Alaa Mroueh, have been invited to assist with on-court coaching.

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

Emler Swim School opens Saturday in Westfield

The REPORTER

Emler Swim School is now in Westfield at 15955 Spring Mill Depot Drive, Suite 105. The school will hold its Grand Opening from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 29.

Olympic Gold Medalist Amanda Beard will be there to sign autographs. Be sure to drop by for giveaways, treats, a bounce house, and family open swim. This event is free and open to anyone.

Emler Swim School of Westfield brings award-win-

ning swim lessons to families in the heart of Indiana. With 50 years of proven expertise, the school's expert instructors are dedicated to teaching children water safety and swimming skills in a fun, nurturing, and safe environment.

Mark your calendars for the official ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Westfield Chamber of Commerce at 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 15.

To learn more about Emler Swim School, visit emlerswimschool.com or call (317) 759-5010.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 27

BOYS LACROSSE

Fishers at Park Tudor, 6 p.m.
Barrington (Ill.) at Westfield, 7 p.m.
Noblesville at North Central, 8 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Guerin Catholic at Lapel, 5:30 p.m.
Fishers at Warren Central, 6 p.m.

TRACK AND FIELD

Brownsburg at Westfield boys, 5 p.m.
Westfield girls at Brownsburg, 5:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Cathedral at Carmel, 7 p.m.
Franklin Central at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:30 p.m.
Lawrence North at Westfield, 7:30 p.m.
Noblesville at Guerin Catholic, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 28

BOYS LACROSSE

Barrington (Ill.) at Carmel, 6 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at South Oldham, 6:30 p.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Westfield at Penn, 7:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Lapel at Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Carmel, 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 29

BOYS BASKETBALL STATE FINALS

At Gainbridge Fieldhouse

Class 2A

University vs. Manchester, 12:45 p.m.

Class 4A

Fishers vs. Jeffersonville, 8:15 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Missouri Country Day School at Hamilton Southeastern, 7 p.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Hamilton Southeastern at South Bend St. Joseph/Penn play day, noon
Carmel at Detroit Country Day School, 12:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Indy Marlins at Guerin Catholic, 11 a.m.
Westfield at Center Grove, noon

TRACK AND FIELD

Hoosier State Relays
Class 4A, 5A, 6A meet, 9 a.m.
Class 1A, 2A, 3A meet, 3:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Westfield at Carmel North/South Classic, 10 a.m.
Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern at
Fishers March Madness, 11 a.m.

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

Thurmond commits to Indiana State track & field



Photo courtesy Carmel Athletics
Carmel senior Devon "Theo" Thurmond has committed to the Indiana State men's track & field team.



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