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Eggstravagant weekend!



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Saturday's weather was not egg-hunt-friendly (we're looking at you Mr. Weatherman), but spirits were undaunted in Atlanta and Fishers. Both places came to this April weekend in fine Hoosier fashion: with backup plans in place. Both egg hunts went off without hitches, thanks to the foresight and leadership of the Town of Atlanta and the Kiwanis Club of Fishers. None of the kids seemed to mind that most of the festivities had to be inside. You can see more photos from Fishers on Page 3 and more from Atlanta on Page 4.

Raising cigarette tax would lead to better health for all Hoosiers

In various state health-ranking reports, Indiana is consistently among the unhealthiest states on most any measure including chronic disease, overall health, and life expectancy.

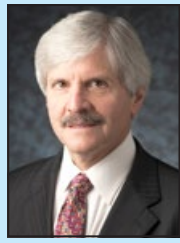
According to the American Lung Association, our state's maternal smoking rate is well above the national average and our adult smoking rank is eighth-highest nationally. One in five Hoosiers, 11,000 annually, die as a result of smoking. Tobacco plays a large role in our miserable state of health.

Historically, public health funding has been a low priority for the Indiana General Assembly. But recently, I have been encouraged by its support of public health. Since 2021, the legislature has allocated an additional \$275 million to address Indiana's most pressing public-health challenges. Let's add to this accomplishment by increasing the cigarette tax.

The legislature has repeatedly failed to increase the cigarette tax; the last increase occurred in 2007. The political influence of the tobacco industry runs dark and deep, and legislators need to push Big Tobacco aside. In fact, it would be a political win. A 2018 survey conducted by Bellwether Research found that nearly two-thirds of Indiana voters favored a \$2 cigarette-tax increase if just part of the revenue went to tobacco-prevention programs.

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COLUMNIST



RICHARD D. FELDMAN, M.D.

State of Our Health

Fishers restricts rental properties to 10 percent in each subdivision

By DANIELLE ZULKOSKY
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The Fishers Council on Monday passed a new ordinance limiting rental properties to 10 percent in each subdivision.

This new ordinance had split support in the meeting. The council allowed people to speak for 30 minutes. Comments were nearly tied with only one more person speaking in support than those against.

It was a fairly brief discussion by councilors before the unanimous vote in favor.

The ordinance would grandfather in rental homes in areas that are already above the 10 percent cap. No new permits will be granted until that subdivision gets under the 10 percent limit.

Jennifer Rice said she was in favorite of the ordinance.

"We've seen over the last few years lots of large corporate rental companies comes to Fishers and all of Hamilton County and scoop up homes with cash which is not allowing first time home buyers, for example, to purchase homes," Rice said.

Steve Ladig, managing bro-

ker at Ladig Realty, is against this ordinance. He said concerns range from this ordinance reducing average home prices to it creating a lack of necessary rentals in the city.

"It definitely restricts property rights of its citizens. Also what you're doing is reducing the demand for properties," Ladig said. "Carving out an pool of buyers, investors won't be able to buy homes which is going to reduce home

values. Also, you're going to limit the number of rentals. That's going to cause rentals in our area to sky rocket."

Many are also concerned this will face legal challenges and tax payers will foot the bill.

It is set to go into effect next year.

This ordinance could face another hurdle from the Statehouse. While not passed as of Monday, [House Bill 1389](#) would ban local entities from enacting these types of rental limiting ordinances.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/local-news/fishers-ordinance-restricts-rentals.



"Tonight, our city council, with bipartisan and unanimous support, took a major step forward to securing the sustainability of our neighborhoods while ensuring the opportunity of homeownership. We look forward to working with all stakeholders as we move toward implementation."

— Mayor Scott Fadness

Zimmerman: due process & transparency prevailed

The REPORTER

Following Monday night's Fishers City Council meeting, during which the 10 percent cap on rental properties in each subdivision was passed, The Reporter spoke to Council Member Todd Zimmerman about the ordinance, which passed unanimously.

For those who are interested and were unable to attend the meeting in person, you can see it in its entirety on [YouTube](#). Comments from council members following public

comments, but before the vote, begin at the one-hour mark.

The ordinance is available at [this link](#).

You can also read Council Member Tiffanie Ditlevson's comments in today's edition, as well as MIBOR's response.

"The only resistance that we saw was MIBOR and real estate agents themselves – and maybe a constituent or two," Zimmerman told The Reporter.

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Ditlevson: new ordinance preserves homeownership & neighborhood stability

By TIFFANIE DITLEVSON
Fishers City Councilor & Realtor

As a Fishers City Councilor and a passionate advocate for our city's continued prosperity, safety, and strong sense of community, I believe homeownership is the cornerstone of neighborhood stability. It cultivates pride, fosters long-term investment, and strengthens the very fabric of our community.

That's why I stand in full

support of the city's proposed rental cap and landlord registry – two proactive initiatives designed to strike a thoughtful balance between protecting homeowners and promoting responsible rental practices while providing caveats for homeowners who have life situations that may escalate the need to rent their homes to prevent undue hardships.

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Jackson Township leadership pursues reorganization effort

Submitted

In response to growing uncertainty surrounding the future of township government across the state, Jackson Township leadership has announced its intention to proactively explore reorganization efforts. The initiative is aimed at preserving the unique identity and values of the Jackson Township community amid anticipated statewide reforms.

"With discussions of potential township consolidation or elimination gaining momentum, we believe the responsible course of action is to get ahead of these changes," Jackson Township Trustee Robyn Cook said. "Our goal is to safeguard our community's voice and ensure any transition reflects the best interests of our residents."

Along with anticipated legislative changes, township officials recognize that evolving regional dynamics and outside influences could significantly impact the character of the community. By exploring reorganization now, Jackson Township hopes to ensure that any future changes are shaped locally and reflect the values and priorities of its residents.

The Township is committed to transparency and will engage with the public throughout the process to ensure community input guides future decisions.

Meeting dates will be published in the Hamilton County Reporter, on the township website at JacksonTownshipTrustee.com, and on Facebook at [Jackson Township Trustee's Office -Hamilton County](http://JacksonTownshipTrustee'sOffice-HamiltonCounty).

For more information and updates, residents are encouraged to follow these platforms and participate in the discussion about the future of their township.



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MIBOR responds to Fishers City Council’s approval of rental cap

CIGARETTE TAX

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Submitted by MIBOR
On Monday, the Fishers City Council voted to approve the rental cap ordinance.
“We are disappointed by the Fishers City Council’s decision to approve the rental registry and rental cap ordinance,” MIBOR CEO Shelley Specchio said. “MIBOR stands firmly in protection of private property rights. This overreach sets a troubling precedent: local government deciding who can live in a neighborhood, and under what conditions. It is also a setback for housing freedom and for indi-

viduals and families who rely on rental housing to live in desirable communities like Fishers.”
Housing affordability and access are urgent challenges. According to MIBOR, restricting housing options will only compound the problem. MIBOR’s leaders expressed disappointment that “city leaders and the council rejected factual data we shared on



the impact this ordinance will have on the housing market, and the unintended consequences the community will face,” concluding that, “passing this ordinance [Monday night] is a move that prioritizes regulation over real solutions.”
MIBOR says it remains committed to working with the city on better and more balanced approaches to

these important issues. MIBOR will continue to advocate for policies that protect private property rights and support a thriving, inclusive housing market.
About MIBOR
MIBOR REALTOR® Association is the professional association representing central Indiana’s REALTORS®. MIBOR serves the needs of nearly 10,000 members in Boone, Brown, Decatur, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Madison, Marion, Montgomery, Morgan, Parke, Putnam, and Shelby counties.

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According to Zimmerman, of the hundreds of emails and other communications he received from constituents and other people, he estimated 80 percent were in favor of the ordinance.
“People were saying, ‘I don’t believe this. Tell me what’s going on,’” Zimmerman said. “I just sent them

the information. Here’s the facts, good or bad. You may agree or disagree, but here are the facts. And, you know, the response was just overwhelming.”
Zimmerman said he voted in favor of it because



Zimmerman

what the majority of his constituents who reached out said they wanted.
“I believe we should give due process to everything,” Zimmerman said. “Give opportunity for everybody to process the information, collect

their data, speak their mind, and go through an entire process like that. I don’t want things dropped on people the last minute. Just be very transparent and then see the chips fall where they may and what the public really wants. I think that they want to stop what the trends are in the United States of America. It’s not just Fishers.”

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PRESERVE

The rental cap proposal would limit the number of homes in designated neighborhoods that can be owned by investors and used as rental properties – capping that figure at 10 percent. Over the past several years, we’ve witnessed a growing trend of outside investors purchasing homes – not as places to live, but as rental income sources, often at rates that price out local buyers. This not only affects housing affordability but also alters the character and stability of our neighborhoods. While responsible rental housing has an important place in our city, we must ensure that homeownership remains attain-

able and that our neighborhoods are not overtaken by absentee ownership and transient tenancy.
Equally important is the proposed landlord registry. This measure would require landlords to register their rental properties with the city, fostering accountability and helping maintain a high standard of property upkeep. Good landlords – those who invest in their properties and treat tenants with respect – will experience no hardship. But this registry ensures that those who neglect their respon-



Ditlevson

sibilities will be held accountable.
As a Realtor, I’ve worked closely with clients who have been unable to purchase homes in Fishers, particularly at entry-level price points under \$350,000. These homes are often targeted by investors seeking to maximize cash flow, making it even harder for local families to compete. In February, for example, I worked with two first-time homebuyers – both school teachers – who were eager to settle in Fishers. Unfortunately, they were priced out

of the market. Ultimately, we found them a charming home on the west side of Indianapolis. They were grateful to become homeowners but deeply disappointed to leave Fishers.
At its heart, this effort is about preserving the integrity of our neighborhoods and the promise of our city. Fishers is a vibrant, welcoming place – a true collection of neighborhoods we are proud to call home. I never imagined I would one day live in one of the best cities in America, and as a public servant, I feel a deep responsibility to protect what makes our community so special – not just for today, but for generations to come.

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Political analysts: K-12 cuts unlikely as lawmakers face revenue gap

By GARRETT BERGQUIST
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Two members of Indiana’s best political team on Friday said they suspect lawmakers will find a way to avoid cutting K-12 funding to close a revenue gap.

State lawmakers on Wednesday afternoon learned they are now projected to have \$2.4 billion less to work with between now and the end of the 2027 budget year than they thought. The legislature’s top budget writers said all options are on the table in terms of spending cuts or tax increases. Both Republicans and Democrats said they will do everything they can to avoid cutting K-12 education, which accounts

for 47 percent of the state’s budget.

Senate President pro tempore Rod Bray, R-Martinsville, said lawmakers will work through the weekend, and he hopes to have a budget proposal ready by Monday.

Hamilton County Republican Party Chair Mario Massillamany said he suspects lawmakers will find a way to preserve K-12 funding.

“I think both sides have decided (cutting K-12 funding is) not something that they’re going to get done,” Massillamany said. “The House, the Senate, Democrats, Republicans, they’ve agreed that, I believe, that education is one thing they will not put on the table as a

cut. So, I think that there are still opportunities to make sure that we cover this revenue shortfall.”

Democrats have said the state needs to look for extra revenue. House Minority Leader Phil GiaQuinta, D-Fort Wayne, and the House Ways and Means Committee’s top-ranking Democrat, Rep. Greg Porter, both have said the state should raise its cigarette tax, a move Democrats and some House Republicans have long advocated. Senate Minority Leader Shelli Yoder, D-Bloomington, said the state could raise nearly \$3.6 billion over the next two years with measures including a managed care assessment fee, or MCAF, on health insurers to help cover

Medicaid costs and legalizing and taxing marijuana.

Massillamany said Republicans likely will be amenable to raising Indiana’s cigarette tax, **currently the 13th-lowest in the country**. He said it’s extremely unlikely lawmakers will go for legalizing marijuana for revenue purchases, and such a move should only be considered as a last resort.

Democratic strategist Lindsay Haake said lawmakers should seriously consider the assessment fee idea. Besides covering the revenue shortfall, she said it would help take care of Indiana’s Medicaid waitlist.

“These are kids that, sadly, will not get better that are on these waivers, and so we can’t have waitlists for that type of funding,” Haake said. “They have to get that care.”

State budget analysts told lawmakers they had to revise their revenue estimates downward because of weaker-than-expected job growth and a drop in corporate income tax revenue due to economic uncertainty caused by President Donald Trump’s tariffs.

On Thursday, former state Sen. Jim Merritt told News 8 it’s too soon to tell how the tariffs will affect tax revenue. Massillamany said he agreed. He pointed to short-lived tariffs earlier this year against Canada and Mexico and said something similar could happen with China over the coming months. Still, he said Indiana is particularly vulnerable to tariff wars with China because China accounts for such large share of its exports – \$5.1 billion last year, **according to the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative**.

Haake said the tariff war further compounds challenges Indiana’s most vulnerable already face because it threatens the programs they rely on.

“You’re essentially playing a game where the poorest and most vulnerable citizens are a pawn in the political conversation at the Indiana Statehouse,” Haake said, adding no one yet knows if Congressional Republicans will be able to follow through on their proposed \$880 billion federal budget cut without cutting Medicaid, Medicare, or Social Security.

All Indiana Politics airs at 9:30 a.m. Sunday on WISH-TV.

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Community News

Eagle Creek Evangelical Christian Church invites you to gospel concert

Mark your calendar now for a special gospel concert at Eagle Creek Evangelical Christian Church in Westfield.

The concert will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, May 17.

The church is located at 18325 Eagletown Road.

Feel free to bring your friends – they will thank you! Light refreshments will be available.



Art provided by Indiana DNR
Anne Rose Worthington, a student at Zionsville Middle School, won third place in the statewide Arbor Day poster contest.

Zionsville middle schooler wins third place in DNR’s statewide poster contest

The REPORTER

Indiana’s Arbor Day this year is April 25.

Arbor Day is a day on which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant trees each year. Arbor Day was first celebrated in 1872, when an estimated 1 million trees were planted in Nebraska, the home state of then-U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sterling Morton.

States observe Arbor Day on different dates throughout the year based on the best tree planting times in their respective area. This year, Indiana’s date and the national date are the same.

No matter where you live in the Hoosier State, there’s a tree celebration, planting, giveaway or similar tree-themed event for you to enjoy this month or next. Details about spring Arbor Day events across Indiana are posted on the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Community & Urban Forestry program website at on.IN.gov/CUF under the Tree City

USA section.

In celebration of Arbor Day, the DNR Division of Forestry holds an annual poster contest. The first-place winner was Jaxon Cadden, St. John the Baptist Catholic School in Newburgh. In second place was Chase Steele from John H. Castle Elementary School, also in Newburgh. The third-place winner was Anne Rose Worthington from Zionsville Middle School in Zionsville.

“This year’s submissions were especially creative, with focuses on a variety of health and well-being aspects,” said DNR Forestry’s Racheal Stenger, who coordinated the contest. “We want to thank all the schools that participated and the teachers who chose to highlight the importance of trees to human and environmental health in their classroom.”

View the top three winners’ posters and more details about the contest at on.IN.gov/arbor-day-poster.

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Free native tree giveaway in Carmel through Arbor Day

By **TIM SPEARS**
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

In celebration of Earth Week, the **Cool Creek Park & Nature Center** is giving away native trees and shrubs for free through Arbor Day.

The Nature Center is offering six varieties of trees native to Indiana and two types of shrubs on a first come, first served basis.

“Planting native species, these are the trees and plants that insects and birds and everything else have really evolved and adapted to rely on,” said Amanda Smith, superintendent for Natural Resources and Education at Hamilton County Parks and Recreation. “So, when we’re faced with a lot of unknowns related to environmental issues, this is one of the simplest things we can do. It costs a lot less than putting solar panels on your

household.”

The center is distributing the plants as bareroot seedlings, meaning they’re small enough for individuals to easily carry. Patrons are allowed up to two species per family/individual.

Pickup is available during normal office hours, Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m., until supplies run out.

Trees offered

- Shagbark Hickory (Carya ovata)
- Tulip tree (Liriodendron tulipifera)
- Sweetgum (Liquidambar styraciflua)
- White Oak (Quercus alba)
- Pin Oak (Quercus palustris)
- White Pine (Pinus strobus)

Shrubs offered

- Buttonbush (Cephalanthus occidentalis)

- Ninebark (Physocarpus opulifolius)

The center will provide planting instructions upon request, or people can call (317) 774-2500 with questions.

Elsewhere, Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation is offering an Invasive for Native Tree Swap program throughout April to promote invasive species awareness, and Westfield’s Parks and Recreation Department will distribute free native tree saplings during its annual Green Day event on April 26.

National Arbor Day happens each year on the last Friday in April to encourage tree planting and preservation.

This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/celebrating/free-native-tree-giveaway-in-carmel-through-arbor-day.



Photo by Rob Slaven / IndyGhostLight.com
(From left) Anya Burke, Licia Watson, John Vessels, Karen Pappas, and Carrie Neal star in Beef & Boards’ production of *Church Basement Ladies*, on stage now through May 18.

Want to be well-fed AND entertained? No problem

For spring, Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre brings back an audience favorite — *Church Basement Ladies* — the original version. If you haven’t seen this light-hearted comedy, four women of various ages and outlooks provide the celebratory feedings for an upper-midwestern Lutheran church. Set in a rural Minnesota town, all the regional situations are there for funny and touching jibes and occurrences, with a Lake Wobegon flavor.



only he can.

This talented crew presents the clever songs, funny sub-plots, and poignant touches with very effective skills. High points for me were the Pastor’s soulful “Song For Willy,” Vivian and Signe’s “For Good Song,” and the basement ladies’ “This Is Most Certainly True.” Also, young Ms. Burke sparkles in “Sing A New Song.”

church basement fare: meat loaf and mashed potatoes, creamed corn, chicken a la king, and green bean casserole. Very good choices for a very good show!

Bottom line: Belly laughs were plenty, and the storyline was sweet. This is an easy to enjoy production. *Church Basement Ladies* continues at B&B through May 18. Dates and times for performances can be found by calling (317) 872-9664 or by visiting BeefAndBoards.com.

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



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Recent legislative changes to personal property filing limits

Submitted

The Hamilton County Assessor’s Office is aware of recently proposed and approved legislative changes for business personal property associated with Senate Bill 1.

One significant change increases the threshold for exemption from personal property tax. The previous threshold for exemption from filing was for businesses with acquisition

costs under \$80,000. The threshold is being changed to under \$1,000,000 in acquisition costs. This change is supposed to be made retroactive to the Jan. 1, 2025, assessment date despite the fact that this change comes in the middle of the filing season.

Counties are currently waiting for guidance from the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance on how to proceed.

While the Assessor’s Office works out the details of SB1, they ask and encourage personal property tax filers to still file personal property tax returns for this year, even if you believe you are exempt under the new legislation, as some of the same rules are expected to apply as when the \$80,000 limit went into effect.

If you have questions, call the Assessor’s Office at (317) 776-9617.

Volunteers ready to “Go All IN” across central Indiana

The REPORTER

More than 1,250 volunteers will join United Way of Central Indiana from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday for **Go All IN Day**, an organized day of community service across the region.

Volunteers will help about 80 community organizations complete projects on their to-do lists across Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Marion, and Morgan counties.

In Hamilton County, about 40 volunteers will pack, sort, and stock the food pantry at Grace Care Center, 5504 E. 146th St., Noblesville. More informa-

tion about the project can be found online at [this link](#).

Grace Care Center provides essential services to those in need, serving about 500 to 550 families weekly through its food pantry.

Go All IN Day is sponsored by Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance. For a fourth year, the event’s media partner is WRTV. BSA Life Structures is this year’s Community Champion Sponsor for Hamilton County.

This is United Way’s fifth annual Go All IN Day. Last year, more than 1,600 volunteers helped over 80 nonprofits and community groups.

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Do you have input on Westfield’s future?

The REPORTER

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Hamilton County Veteran Service Organizations

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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-Su 12-10pm or when empty.
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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

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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**
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Hamilton County Military Veteran April 26 Find Out About Your VA Benefits & Resources

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- Specialty care services:
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 - And more!



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Saturday, April 26, 2025
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Johnson County Armory
325 Minuteman Way, Franklin, IN 46131

Representatives will be on-site to answer your questions about VA Eligibility & Enrollment, PACT Act, Federal and State VA Benefits, Filing Claims, and MyHealtheVet. Toxic Exposure Screening will also be available.

www.va.gov/indiana-health-care/  @IndyVAMC

Coffee With a Vet Every Thursday 10am till noon



Join the Indy Vet Center for "The Weekly Grind"

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

Every Thursday from 10am till 12pm (noon)
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Indianapolis, IN 46278
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Christina Owens
Veteran Outreach Program Specialist
Indianapolis Vet Center
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Indianapolis, IN 46278

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Last Saturday of Each Month
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University Veterans Post 360

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5 Action Steps to Help Someone Having Thoughts of Suicide



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HELP KEEP THEM SAFE
Reduce their access to lethal items or pills.



HELP THEM CONNECT
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FOLLOW UP
Stay in touch to see how they're doing.



nimh.nih.gov/suicideprevention

Activities & Events

QPR Suicide Prevention Training Apr 29



QPR SUICIDE PREVENTION COURSE

April 29, 2025

6:00PM - 8:00PM

This is a FREE Course!



Carmel Fire Headquarters
210 Veterans Way
Carmel, IN 46032



Registration Required !

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Three steps anyone can learn to help prevent suicide.



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* Naloxone is a medicine that safely and rapidly reverses an opioid overdose. No prescription is required and it is available at no cost to you!

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.

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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 auxiliarypost470@gmail.com

Governor Braun positions Indiana as leader on rare earth elements, managing water resources responsibly

Submitted by Office of Governor Mike Braun
On Monday, ahead of Earth Day, Governor Mike Braun signed executive orders to position Indiana as a national leader in [rare earth element](#) recovery and launch a statewide plan for responsible and transparent water resource management.

Executive Order 25-62
Supporting Environmental Health and Economic Leadership Through Recovery of Rare Earth Metals and Critical Materials from Indiana Coal Sites
“American advanced manufacturing can’t be dependent on China for rare earth elements,” Gov. Braun said. “Indiana is stepping up with our new Rare Earth Recovery Council to leverage our coal sites to build an American domestic supply chain for these critical materials that power the modern economy.”
Rare earth elements and critical minerals are the foundation of modern technology. China dominates production of these rare earth minerals. The United States is

fully dependent on foreign imports for 12 of the 50 minerals classified as critical.
It’s possible to recover rare earth elements and critical minerals from coal and coal byproducts. Indiana, as a national leader in coal production and in restoring abandoned mine lands, is in a great position to lead exploration for an American domestic supply of rare earth minerals and critical materials.
Indiana has vast, underutilized reserves of legacy coal byproducts which could serve as a valuable domestic source for producing critical materials.
With this executive order, Indiana will create the Indiana Rare Earth Recovery Council to spearhead efforts to reclaim rare earth elements and critical materials from legacy coal byproducts.
The Council will work with industry partners and educational institutions to deploy innovative technologies, evaluate op-



Braun
Executive Order 25-63
Ensuring Future Economic Prosperity and Opportunity for Hoosiers by the Development of a Statewide Water Inventory and Management Plan
“Proper water management is essential to growing our economy without compromising on Hoosiers’ resource needs in their communities,” Gov. Braun said. “This new thorough inventory and water planning framework will ensure Indiana is ready to support new jobs and growing communities, with full transparency for the public built into the new system.”
Indiana is blessed with an abundant wa-

ter supply, but it’s not spread evenly across the state. We need a tailored approach to water resource planning and management to make sure we can meet water demands for future economic development.
Under this executive order, the Secretary of Energy and Natural Resources will lead the first statewide inventory of Indiana’s water resources. This thorough inventory will assess current usage, availability, and future demand, paying close attention to regional disparities.
A statewide water planning framework will be developed to align utilities, industries, municipalities, and other users to ensure transparent regional cooperation.
This process will also include recommendations to enhance Indiana’s water monitoring networks.
The Secretary will create a centralized, publicly accessible online platform to consolidate and share real-time data on water resources, like water availability, usage trends, and infrastructure status for maximum transparency.

Attorney General Todd Rokita & Secretary of State Diego Morales continue work to verify that Indiana voters are U.S. citizens

Submitted by Office of AG Todd Rokita
Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita and Secretary of State Diego Morales continue pressing the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to help verify the citizenship status of voters who registered in Indiana without providing state-issued forms of identification.
Despite first receiving Indiana’s written requests last October, federal officials have failed to provide information that would enable Indiana to verify that only eligible voters participated in elections. This month, Attorney General Rokita and Secretary Morales filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Homeland Security – of which USCIS is part – to compel federal cooperation.

“Following the Biden administration’s obstruction here, I expect that President Trump’s team will resolve this matter,” AG Rokita said. “This lawsuit is another important step in ensuring the integrity of our elections. Hoosiers have a right to know that legitimate ballots are not being diluted by noncitizens. I promised that I would get citizenship information from USCIS, and that is exactly what I am doing by filing this suit.”
Last year, AG Rokita and Secretary Morales sent then-USCIS Director Ur



Rokita



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M. Jaddou lists of certain voters who registered without state IDs – along with a joint letter formally requesting the agency’s assistance in verifying those individuals’ citizenship status. No response ever came.
“As Indiana’s Chief Election Officer, ensuring the integrity of our elections is non-negotiable. This legal action is a continuation of our efforts for Indiana to lead the way in election integrity,” Secretary Morales said. “Since we never received a response from the Biden administration, we know that under President

Trump’s leadership and based on his recent Executive Order, there’s a stronger commitment to the election process. Hoosiers deserve nothing less than full confidence in the security of their vote.”
Federal law requires USCIS to respond to inquiries from state government agencies “to verify or ascertain the citizenship or immigration status of any individual within the jurisdiction of the agency for any purpose authorized by law.”
You can read Last fall’s letter [here](#) and the recently filed lawsuit [here](#).
As part of a multistate coalition, AG Rokita has also pressed federal authorities to provide a plan for how they will verify voters’ U.S. citizenship status in response to state requests.



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Dream of peace with Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra & Symphonic Choir

The REPORTER

Join the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra (ISO) with Music Director Jun Märkl and the Indianapolis Symphonic Choir as they dare to dream of peace. Beethoven's 9th Symphony stands as humanity's greatest monument to universal love. The Indianapolis Symphonic Choir opens this program with Schoenberg's contemplative plea for world harmony, "Peace on Earth." Experience the joy of fellowship with ISO's season finale. The concert is set for 3 p.m. Sunday, June 22 at the Payne & Mencias Palladium at the Allied Solutions Center for the Performing

Arts in Carmel. Click here to purchase tickets.

Program

- "Peace on Earth" by Arnold Schoenberg and Symphony No. 9 by Ludwig van Beethoven.
- Jun Märkl, Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra Music Director
- Eric Stark, Indianapolis Symphonic Choir Artistic Director

Artists

- Indianapolis Symphonic Choir
- Heidi Stober, Soprano
- Lauren Decker, Contralto
- Thomas Cooley, Tenor
- Kevin Deas, Bass-Baritone

Submitted by Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

The Hamilton County community experienced a deep loss with the passing of Mason Alexander on March 1. The crash has been under investigation by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) since that date. HCSO is approaching this case with dignity, respect, and due diligence. The HCSO Crash Team continues to actively conduct interviews and submit

records requests, working tirelessly to ensure a thorough and impartial investigation. As an agency and as a community, we must "trust the process," a phrase many may recall from coaches during our time in organized sports. There are established policies and procedures that guide investigations and adherence to them are essential. Any deviation could compromise the integrity of the case, risk overlooking critical evidence, and ultimately,

would not be fair to the Alexander family or anyone else involved. It is not uncommon that these types of investigations take months to complete. On April 17, members of the HCSO Crash Team met with members of the Hamilton County Prosecuting Attorney's Office to discuss the investigation and criminal charges. HCSO has also met with various family members and continues to reach out for ongoing communication with the family.

Due to the fact that the other driver involved is a juvenile, their identity has not been released by the HCSO, pursuant to Indiana law. This is the standard procedure for investigations of this nature and is in accordance with legal protections afforded to minors under the Indiana Code (IC 31-39-3-2). Thank you to the community for your patience and support as officials continue their work in pursuit of truth and justice.

Family, friends seek answers in death of ex-student-athlete Mason Alexander

By JETT ZWEIGEL
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Family and friends of former Hamilton Southeastern High School student-athlete Mason Alexander came together Monday for a rally in

hopes of getting answers about [the fatal crash that took his life](#). The rally took place at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office on Cumberland Road in Noblesville. Alexander died on March 1 on Florida Road

near Geist Park in Fishers after the car he was in traveled off the road, hit a tree and caught on fire. According to a release from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, investigators are examining the circumstances surrounding

ing the accident. The sheriff's office encouraged the community to trust the process. *This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/local-news/mason-alexander-rally-crash-cause-april-21-2025.*

Still time to get tickets for these events at Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts

The REPORTER

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

The Making of Our Planet with Dan Tapster
Tuesday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m.
Payne & Mencias Palladium

From the Emmy Award-winning team behind Netflix's Our Planet series comes a new natural history speaker series: The Making of Our Planet. This immersive stage show features behind-the-scenes stories from the explorers, filmmakers and scientists who created some of the most eye-catching footage of the natural world, with



Photo provided

Go behind the scenes on Netflix's Our Planet series.

a focus on climate fragility and climate migration. Presenter Dan Tapster is an eight-time Emmy-nominated showrunner who began his career with the BBC Natural History Unit and has worked on series including Sir David Atten-

borough's *Life of Mammals*, *MythBusters* (Discovery Channel) and *Life on Our Planet* (Netflix). A free matinee presentation is scheduled for local school groups. *Old Town is the sponsor for this Family Series event.*

Marty Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives
Thursday, May 1 at 7:30 p.m.
Payne & Mencias Palladium

Born and raised in Philadelphia, Miss., Marty Stuart got his start in bluegrass legend Lester Flatts' band at the tender age of 13, and by 21, he was recording and touring with Johnny Cash. Across 40-plus years as a

solo artist, he has released more than 20 major label albums, scoring platinum sales, hit singles, and a host of honors including five Grammy wins and membership in the Country Music Hall of Fame. Known for their honky-tonk and rockabilly edge, Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives – guitarist Kenny Vaughan, drummer Harry Stinson, and bassist Chris Scruggs – are Musicians Hall of Fame inductees. Opening the show will be singer-songwriter and storyteller Otis Gibbs, a central Indiana native now based in East Nashville, Tenn.

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Robert E. Duncan**October 1, 1958 – April 20, 2025**

Robert E. Duncan, 66, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, April 20, 2025, at his home. He was born on October 1, 1958, in Indianapolis.



Robbie was a graduate of Lawrence Central High School. He worked as a pipe fitter for Rolls Royce and was a Mason. Robbie was an avid golfer and hunter, and always looked forward to his annual golf trip to Jekyll Island that he attended for 30 years.

He is survived by his wife, Sue Duncan; sons, Ryan Duncan and Mark Duncan; father, Bill Duncan; siblings, Jeff Duncan, Jimmy Duncan, Terri Cosgrove, Julie Loftis, and Kellie Balliett; and three grandchildren, Kaylee Hellyer, Gabrielle Hellyer, and Isaiah Gilbert.

Robbie was preceded in death by his mother, Trudie Duncan; and his sister, Amy Duncan.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 24, 2025, at the funeral home, with Marty Waite officiating. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hamilton County Cancer Fund, c/o Good Samaritan Network, 13053 Parkside Drive, Fishers, IN 46038 (gslive.org).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Kevin Randall Newby**December 31, 1962 – April 17, 2025**

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Kevin Randall Newby, also known as Kevin, who was born to Richard and Edna Newby on December 31, 1962, in Noblesville.



Kevin, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother, left us on April 17, 2025. He resided in Westfield with his loving wife, Gail Wiles-Newby, whom he married on June 23, 2000.

Kevin was a man of many admirable qualities. He was adventurous, often seeking out new experiences and challenges. His ambition led him to own a trucking company, Capricorn Logistics, from which he retired. Throughout his life, he remained thoughtful and smart, bringing joy and wisdom to those around him. His hobbies included farming, trucking, golfing, playing pool, and especially playing cards every Friday with his friends, Brad and Wanda Smith. He had a fondness for horses and travel, showing his adventurous spirit. Kevin was also deeply involved in his church, Carmel Northview Church. His faith was very important to him, and he hosted a life group at his house for several years.

In the words of the Apostle Paul, "We live by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7). Kevin lived by this verse, placing his faith and love in his family and God.

He is survived by his wife, Gail; his children, Josh (Kourtney) Newby, Marylynn Newby, Melissa (Monte) Newby, Matthew (Amy) Camp, Cory (Maryann) Camp, and Jordan (Mariah) Wiles; his sisters, Kathy Crouch and Karla Burkett; and his many cherished grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Edna Newby.

Visitation will be held at noon EDT on Thursday, April 24, 2025, at Hartley Funeral Homes, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. The funeral service will follow at the same location at 2 p.m. EDT and will be live-streamed at my.gather.app/remember/kevin-newby.

We invite you to leave memories and upload photos to Kevin's memorial page as a tribute to his remarkable life. Kevin's spirit of adventure, ambition, thoughtfulness, and intelligence will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. May we remember his love for his family, his faith, and his passion for life, and may these memories bring comfort in this time of sorrow.

Condolences: hartleyfuneralhomes.com

Norma Jene Carson**February 8, 1942 – April 20, 2025**

Norma Jene Carson, 83, Anderson, passed away on Sunday, April 20, 2025, at home in Anderson. She was born on February 8, 1942, to Robert and Alice (Norris) White in Willow Shade, Ky.

For 31 years, Jene worked for Firestone Industrial Products, retiring in 1996. She was a member of Eastview Church of the Nazarene in Anderson where she was very active for over 45 years. Jene had a heartfelt love for everyone she encountered. Most of all, she loved her family and they were her first priority.

Jene is survived by her daughters, Teresa Hall (Robert Richardson) and Dorothy (Gene) Castle; grandchildren, Brandi Castle, Robert Castle, David (Kayla) Castle, Brittany (Dan) Osborn, and Erin Hall; great-grandchildren, Matthew Castle, Jadelyn Castle, Liam Castle, Lilly Turner, Alyse Turner, and Colton Robbins; siblings, Marcella (Tom) Maxey, Earl White, and David (Arlene) White; three special nieces, Glenna (Michael) Nicoletti, Jeanie (Michael) Hull, and Susie (Matt) Jameson; and several other special nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Fred C. Carson, in 2009; and her brothers, Marcus G. White, Robert A. White, and Wendell L.D. White.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services at 1 p.m., on Friday, April 25, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Rev. Christy Boyland and Rev. Ron Karkosky will officiate. Burial will be at Carey Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Community Hospital Anderson – Healthy Hearts Center, c/o Community Hospital Anderson Foundation, 1515 N. Madison Ave., Anderson, IN 46011.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Nicholas E. "Nick" McKnight**April 16, 1987 – April 16, 2025**

Nicholas E. "Nick" McKnight, 38, Noblesville, passed away on April 16, 2025, due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Born on April 16, 1987, in Louisville, Ky., Nick was the beloved son of Mike McKnight and the late Angela (Mason) Slyder.

A 2005 graduate of Frontier High School, Nick was a dedicated member of UA Local 157 Plumbers and Steamfitters, where he worked for 15 years.

He was recently baptized at ITOWN Church of Noblesville, reflecting his deep faith.

Nick had a passion for the outdoors, enjoying activities such as fishing and hiking. He was a devoted father who loved his family and cherished every moment with his children. A sports enthusiast, Nick loved following Purdue athletics and the Chicago Blackhawks.

He is survived by his three children, Brooks Edward McKnight, Jayden Donald McKnight, and BrynLee Jean McKnight; his fiancée, Tabitha Clark; his father, Mike and Justine McKnight; his sister, Jenny and Matt Templin of Mulberry; and his stepfather, Curt Slyder. Nick is also survived by his nieces and nephew, Olivia Templin, Emmaleigh Templin, and Hayden Blackard; and his paternal grandparents, John and Georene McKnight.

Nick was preceded in death by his mother, Angela "Angie" Slyder; his maternal grandparents, Bob and Ima Jean Mason; his cousin, Jordan Lassiter; and his aunt, Mary Rich.

Friends may call from 4 p.m. EDT until the time of the funeral service at 7 p.m. EDT on Thursday, April 24, 2025, at Hartzler-Clapper Funeral Home of Brookston. A private burial will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family in Nick's name for a good cause to be determined.

Please share memories and condolences online at clap-funeralservices.com.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING**THE SIN OFFERING**

He shall remove all the fat from the bull of the sin offering—all the fat that is connected to the internal organs, both kidneys with the fat on them near the loins, and the long lobe of the liver; which he will remove with the kidneys—just as the fat is removed from the ox sacrificed as a fellowship offering. Then the priest shall burn them on the altar of burnt offering. But the hide of the bull and all its flesh, as well as the head and legs, the internal organs and the intestines—that is, all the rest of the bull—he must take outside the camp to a place ceremonially clean, where the ashes are thrown, and burn it there in a wood fire on the ash heap.

Leviticus 4:8-12 (NIV)

Meeting Notices

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility will hold a Budget and Finance Committee meeting at 7:30 a.m. Friday, April 25, 2025, at 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville.

The Carmel Mayor's Advisory Commission on Housing will meet at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 24, 2025, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square.

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.

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Girls Tennis

Westfield wins all-county meet

The REPORTER

The Westfield girls tennis team won an all-county dual meet with Hamilton Southeastern 5-0 Tuesday at the Shamrocks’ tennis center.

No. 3-ranked Westfield, which qualified for the state finals last season for the first time in school history, won all five matches in straight sets, improving to 3-0 in Hoosier Crossroads Conference play. Freshman Alexandra Grilliot won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1 singles, while No. 2 doubles Isla Harvey and Ellen Volz also got a 6-0, 6-0 victory.

No. 1 doubles Jenna Berry and Bella Rivera won their match 6-0, 6-3. No. 2 singles Juliette Grilliot got a challenge from the Royals’ Summer Wolf before winning 6-2, 6-3. No. 3 singles Addi Kooi also battled HSE’s Evelyn Hiner, but won 6-2, 6-2.

Shamrocks coach Trudy Coler said the early season is “going well” and that her team is “still trying to work through some line-ups.” Westfield is 3-1 for the season, with its only loss to No. 1 Carmel. The Shamrocks’ other wins have come against No. 14 Avon and No. 28 Brownsburg.

The ‘Rocks have another tough match Thursday, when they travel to No. 5



Reporter photo by Richie Hall



Photo by Julie Brown

(ABOVE LEFT) Westfield senior Addi Kooi won the No. 3 singles match for the Shamrocks during their dual meet victory Tuesday over Hamilton Southeastern. (ABOVE RIGHT) Julia Anderson, pictured here during Hamilton Southeastern’s meet with North Central on Monday, is playing No. 1 singles for the Royals this season.

Zionsville for another HCC dual meet.

“We’re just taking one match at a time,” said Coler. “We’re just working on our games and working on getting better and better at every court and keeping

that all into perspective. We have a lot of goals as a team, but we’re just taking one goal at a time.”

Southeastern is 1-3 for the season. The Royals began the year with a loss to Zionsville, then

beat Franklin Central in an HCC dual meet. On Monday, HSE fell to No. 25 North Central 4-1; senior Evelyn Hiner got the Royals’ victory.

Southeastern coach Doug Gernert said there

are three things his team wants to be known for: “The way we support each other, the sportsmanship that we demonstrate when we’re out there, and our toughness, that we never quit.” As Gernert pointed

out: “You have to win the last point, and we’re going to make you win that last point with us every time.”

The Royals host Noblesville on Thursday and travel to the Park Tudor Invitational on Saturday.

Men’s Basketball



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

Pacers Overtime host Eddie White, Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen and Pacers Sports & Entertainment CEO Mel Raines all spoke at the event.

Noblesville Boom unveil new court

The REPORTER

The newly-renamed Noblesville Boom, the G League team of the Indiana Pacers, unveiled their new basketball court Monday.

The Boom, formerly the Indiana Mad Ants, showed off the court at a gathering in Deer Creek Business Park, not far from the Boom’s soon-to-be finished new home, The Arena at Innovation Mile. The gathering was attended by a large crowd of invited guests.

Eddie White, host of *Pacers Overtime*, opened the event with formal remarks, while Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen and Pacers Sports & Entertainment

CEO Mel Raines also spoke. Jensen and PS&E President of Business Operations Todd Taylor spoke with the media afterwards.

“I think it really adds an element of actuality,” said Jensen. The mayor noted that the City of Noblesville has been talking to the Pacers “about this project for nearly three years. So, to be able to have the court here, to see what it really looks like, to have the community, our business leaders on the court and seeing it, to have great Noblesville restaurants provided for a fun atmosphere, makes it very real.”

Taylor was happy with



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Noblesville Boom unveiled its new court Monday at an event in Deer Creek Business Park.

the local support, saying the community “couldn’t be better.” He also complimented Hamilton County as a “great sports county.”

“To be able to partner with the City of Nobles-

ville, which is fast-growing with a lot of sports fans, really made perfect sense for us from a brand standpoint, but from a basketball development standpoint, couldn’t be more happy,” said Taylor.

University tennis beats Heritage Christian

The REPORTER

The University girls tennis team won a dual meet over Heritage Christian 4-1 on Tuesday.

The Trailblazers’ Laurel Buttrick won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1 singles, while Tess Eggeson took the No. 3 singles match 6-4,

7-6. Both of University’s doubles teams got 6-1, 6-1 victories; they were Duygu Arsevn and Sonali Guttikonda at No. 1, with Sruti Alturi and Lauren Quinto playing at No. 2.

The Blazers are 2-1 and host Guerin Catholic this afternoon.

Baseball

1A No. 7 Rossville scores late to top Millers

The REPORTER

Monday started another busy week for the Noblesville baseball team. The Millers welcomed Class 1A No. 7 Rossville and the Hornets came away with a 5-4 upset win.

Senior pitcher Adam Gaskill got the nod on the mound for Noblesville. After Gaskill struck out the leadoff hitter, Rossville’s Ashton Abbott reached on an infield single. Nolan Britt followed by getting on by an error from Joe Glander at first, moving Abbott to third.

A single up the middle by RJ Vantuinen plated Abbott to go up 1-0. Evan McDonald followed with a base hit to score Britt for the early 2-0 lead.

The Hornets added to their lead in the top of the second with three more hits, this time off junior Ethan Kang, giving Rossville a 4-0 advantage.

The Millers got the offense going in the home half of the second. Tanner Miller started things off reaching by an error. Aiden Ramsey got on with a fielder’s choice, which forced Miller out at second. Chris Martz then drove Ramsey in on an RBI

single to left to cut it to 4-1.

Glander drilled a triple to score Martz and make it 4-2 and got Noblesville down one at 4-3, scoring on a wild pitch.

Trevor Corbett came in to relieve Kang in the fourth, striking out seven through 3.1 frames, slowing down the Hornets.

Miller walked with one out in the bottom of the sixth and was driven in on a triple to the fence in right center by Cole Schott, tying the game 4-4.

Rossville tacked on its final run in the top of the seventh. The Hornets drew three walks and Abbott hit an RBI single that turned out to be the deciding factor.

Hornet pitcher Zac Wain-scott struck out the side in the bottom of the seventh for nine strikes in a complete game.

Noblesville (5-8, 1-3 HCC) gets back to Hoosier Crossroads Conference action tomorrow night at Dunker Field against Franklin Central (2-7, 0-4 HCC) with a 6:30 p.m. first pitch. The Millers will finish the HCC series Friday night at Franklin Central and then back at home on Saturday at 1 p.m. against perennial Midwest power St. Xavier (Ky.).

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Softball

Millers fend off HCC foe Flashes, remain unbeaten

By **RICHARD TORRES**
For The Reporter

NOBLESVILLE — Deke Bullard is under no delusion.

While a perfect softball season is the goal every year, the veteran head coach knows to achieve such a feat, it requires more than grit and talent alone.

It demands execution in all phases of the game. Not to mention a little luck.

On Tuesday night, the Class 4A 10th-ranked Noblesville Millers relied on a mix of each, and despite watching a 7-2 lead shrink to two runs twice, they kept their unbeaten streak intact, 8-6, against Hoosier Crossroads Conference foe Franklin Central.

Noblesville trailed 1-0 midway through the second inning before building advantages of 3-2 and later 7-2 behind an 11-hit attack, including five extra-base knocks to improve their season record to 7-0. The Millers are now 3-0 in the HCC.

“This gives us a lot of momentum, especially going into a hard week. We needed this win,” Noblesville senior Brooklyn Grayson said. “We’re going

to see a lot of good pitching this week so getting this win means a lot to us and gives us that momentum.”

Grayson provided the spark with a bases-loaded, bases-clearing double in the bottom of the fourth with Noblesville clinging to a 3-2 lead.

“In my second at-bat, I didn’t get it, so I was happy to get it on my next one,” Grayson said. “We need that.”

Grayson stepped up to the plate with the bases loaded and two outs in the bottom of the second, but she grounded out unable to build on Noblesville’s 2-1 lead.

After an RBI double by sophomore Izzy Zapp (3-for-4, two doubles) in the bottom of the third broke a 2-2 tie, Grayson (2-for-4) delivered once the situation resurfaced in the fourth inning with her second double to give the Millers a 6-2 cushion.

“The bats came to life. They’ve been doing well this year,” Bullard said. “Any time you can clear the bases with a double is big. Having Brook back this year has been tremendous not only for our defense but

our offense as well.”

Eight different Millers connected for at least one hit at Miller Park with five walks drawn overall and only four strikeouts amassed in 27 at-bats.

Junior Haley Schatko (1-for-3) tied the game 1-1 in the bottom of the second with an RBI single up the middle before senior Nevaeh Nash (1-for-3) launched an RBI sacrifice fly to left field to put Noblesville ahead 2-1.

An Addison Emmerson one-out, RBI single in the fourth increased Noblesville’s lead 7-2.

The offense was necessary, as Noblesville sophomore ace Addison Retzinger worked 5.1 innings for seven strikeouts, six hits allowed, and no walks issued through 97 pitches thrown.

Retzinger’s pitch count soared with Franklin Central (6-6, 1-2 HCC) patiently seeing five full counts in 21 at-bats.

The Flashes’ Jaydyn Tinsley 2-for-4 slugged a full-count solo home run in the top of the second to put Franklin Central up 1-0. One of two passed balls in the third supplied the Flashes’ second run to tie the

game 2-2.

After Retzinger was relieved in the top of the sixth with one out, a fielding error supplied the Flashes with an additional out and later two bases-loaded scenarios and three runs scored.

Franklin Central plated a pair of runs on fielder’s choices and another off an RBI single by Ava Fowler with two outs.

“Their 6-5 record is definitely deceiving. They are a good team, and they have three great pitchers, and we’re a good team with three great pitchers as well. We struggled some in the circle tonight, and that’s really what hurt, but we didn’t play defense behind my pitchers, and my defense has to play behind them,” Bullard said. “We can’t have innings where we give up five outs instead of three and expect our pitchers to come back and fix it.”

Junior Roslyn Ervin pitched the final 1.2 innings and quieted Franklin Central with two hits allowed, one walk and one earned run scored on a wild pitch.

Retzinger was charged with one earned run against.

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Boys Golf

Westfield cruises to Bridgewater victory

The REPORTER

The Westfield boys golf team won the always-loaded Bridgewater Invitational, which took place Tuesday.

The top three teams in the state were at the tournament, starting with the No. 1-ranked Shamrocks, the team winners with an 18-hole score of 286. No. 2 Guerin Catholic followed with 296, while No. 6 Carmel scored 299. No. 3 Noblesville totaled 306.

Westfield’s Will Harvey was the individual medalist, with a dominating round of five-under par 67. Jake Cesare also went under par, carding a two-under 70. Brayden Worthington added 74 and Ryan Cesare scored 75.

Eli Wessel led the Golden Eagles with a three-under par 69. Robbie Burt followed with 73, Brady Wagner scored 76 and Will Parenteau scored 78.

Davis Hutchins led the Greyhounds with 72, followed by Noah Johnson 74, Ethan Hoagland 76 and Alex Gardner 77. Lance Decker led the Millers with 74, followed by Luke Decker 76, Jackson Umthum 78 and Dustin Turpin 78.

Guerin Catholic won the Circle City Conference tournament, which took place Monday at Broadmoor Country Club.

The Golden Eagles finished with a team score of 296. Eli Wessel and Will Parenteau both carded 73s, with Owen Nielsen and Brady Wagner both scoring 75s.

Noblesville triumphed at the Twin Lakes Invitational last Saturday at Tippecanoe Country Club.

The Millers scored 294 as a team. Umthum led Noblesville with a one-under par 71, while Lance Decker went 72 for even par. Turpin’s 74 and Tyler Marucci’s 77 rounded out the Millers’ scoring.

Hamilton Heights competed in two dual meets to begin the week.

On Monday, Heights won a three-team event, scoring 192 to Frankton’s 204 and Sheridan’s 239. The Huskies’ Kole Kirtley carded 43 for medalist honors.

Heights dropped a Tuesday dual to Tipton 169-179 Tuesday at Tipton Municipal Golf Course. Kirtley led the Huskies with 41.

Baseball

Westfield beats Carmel, Blazers take care of Lewis Cass

The REPORTER

The Westfield baseball team beat Carmel 4-1 Monday in an all-county game at the Greyhounds’ Hartman Field.

The Shamrocks scored in the fourth inning when Ethan Colling doubled in Ian Wilson. Westfield then put up three runs in the seventh inning, starting with Beck Jordan’s left field hit that brought in Drew Law. Nick Fero doubled Matt Drozlek and Jordan home.

Drozlek had two hits, including a double. Logan Robe went four innings for the pitching win, striking out nine.

Silas Neal scored Carmel’s run in the seventh inning on Joseph Cunningham’s RBI groundout. Neal had two hits, while Cunningham pitched two innings in relief, striking out four.

The ‘Rocks are 10-1 and host Fishers Thursday to begin a Hoosier Crossroads

Conference series. Carmel is 5-6 and hosts Terre Haute North tonight.

University beat Lewis Cass 4-1 in a Tuesday game at RoundTripper Academy.

The Trailblazers started with two runs in the first inning. Cooper Cammack smacked a right field triple to score Cooper Burnett, then Beckett Suh hit a sacrifice fly to bring Cammack home.

The Kings scored their run in the top of the second inning, but University answered with a run in the bottom of the second. The Blazers loaded the bases, then Griffin Wright scored when Ryan Castetter was hit by a pitch. Charlie Ranek scored on a wild pitch in the fifth inning to get University’s fourth run.

Castetter hit two doubles. Cammack went three innings for the pitching win, allowing no hits while striking out two. Caleb Stocker threw

three innings in relief, tossing six strikeouts.

The Trailblazers are 5-5 and host Brownsburg this afternoon.

Hamilton Heights dropped a tough Hoosier Conference game at Tipton Tuesday, falling 8-7 in nine innings.

The Huskies scored a first-inning run when Nick Hulen scored on P.J. Wright’s RBI groundout. Heights put up four runs in the second inning: Luke Davis singled in Dillon Pitts, then Hulen sent a two-RBI hit into left field to bring in Josh Newton and Davis. Hickman singled in Hulen to give the Huskies a 5-0 lead.

The Blue Devils got on the board with a third-inning run, but Heights answered with two in the top of the fourth. Logan Hickman got home when Wright reached on an error, then Kyle Michael blasted a double to

bring in Wright for a 7-2 lead.

But Tipton took over after that. The Blue Devils scored a run in the fourth inning, put up four runs in the fifth inning, then tied the game with an RBI double in the seventh, sending the game to extra innings. Tipton scored in the ninth inning to get the win.

Davis was 3-for-4, including a double. Wright also hit a double. Hulen pitched four innings, striking out eight, while Owen Robey relieved him and pitched 4.1 innings, tossing six strikeouts.

The Huskies are 2-6 and host Tipton this afternoon to complete the conference series.

Guerin Catholic lost a 2-0 Circle City Conference game Tuesday to Brebeuf Jesuit.

The Braves scored one run each in the first and third

innings. The Golden Eagles were held to two hits, one single each for Karson Smith and Finn Holden. Tate Troxell pitched six innings, striking out 10.

Guerin Catholic is 1-1 in conference play and 6-3 overall. The Golden Eagles travel to Brebeuf this evening to complete the CCC series.

Fishers lost to Class 4A No. 3 Center Grove 6-2 in a Monday home game.

The 4A No. 2 Tigers scored first, putting up two runs in the fourth inning. Mayo Fernandez singled in Zander Carnahan for the first run, then Jase Ruggles scored on a wild pitch. But the Trojans scored four runs in the fifth inning and added two more in the seventh.

Carnahan had two hits, while Owen Lukac hit a double.

Fishers is 10-2 for the

season.

Hamilton Southeastern dropped a 4-0 game to Bloomington South Monday at Ken Seitz Field.

Parker O’Steen hit a double for the Royals. Maddux Bach, Colin Kendrick and Jackson Bixler all had singles.

Southeastern is 4-8 and begins an HCC series with Avon tonight at the Orioles’ Field.

Sheridan fell to Northwestern 21-5 in five innings Monday.

Jack O’Land was 3-for-3 at the plate and scored two runs for the Blackhawks, while Chance Spencer counted a double among his two hits, driving in two RBIs.

Sheridan is 2-5 and plays a Hoosier Heartland Conference game this afternoon at Clinton Prairie.

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Softball

Westfield wins all-county game

The REPORTER

Westfield won an all-county and Hoosier Crossroads Conference game 7-2 Tuesday at Fishers.

The Shamrocks scored their first run in the first inning when Chloe Tanner singled in Makayla Watson. Westfield steadily added to its lead for the remainder of the game.

Reese Mahannah hit a solo home run in the fourth inning to give the ‘Rocks a 2-0 lead. Sofia Easterhaus led off the fifth inning with a double, then scored on Ava Kainrath’s RBI fielder’s choice.

Westfield put up four runs in the sixth inning. Avery Banas batted in Mahannah with a left field hit, then Kainrath doubled in Annika Lawrence, Easterhaus and Watson with a left field double.

The Tigers scored both of their runs in the bottom of the sixth. Hailey Kinder got home on a wild pitch, then Anna McGrath singled in Kate Murray, who earlier got on base with a double.

Watson was a perfect 3-for-3 at the plate for the Shamrocks. Tanner pitched a complete game, striking out three. Azstryd Alexander had two hits for Fishers. Murray also pitched a complete game with four strikeouts.

Westfield is 2-1 in HCC play and 3-0 overall, and hosts Harrison tonight. The Tigers are 1-2 in the conference and 9-4 overall, and play Thursday at Yorktown.

Fishers beat Lawrence North 19-7 on the road in five innings Monday.

Both teams scored two runs in the first inning; Kendall Jordan smacked a two-run homer for the Tigers. Fishers added three runs in both the third and fourth innings, with Adrienne Cook blasting a three-run home run in the third inning.

The Wildcats put up five runs in the bottom of the fourth, staying within 8-7, but Fishers dominated after that, scoring 11 runs in the top of the fifth. Alexander provided the exclamation point with a two-run home run. Alexander was perfect on the night, going 3-for-3 (home run, triple and double) with four runs scored and three RBIs.

Murray and McGrath also had three hits, with Murray batting in three runs. Clayton scored three runs. Murray and Rylee Bast both hit a double. Frankie Jackson went 3.2 innings for the win, striking out four.

Guerin Catholic beat Heritage Christian 17-1 in a five-inning Tuesday away game.

The Golden Eagles scored in each inning, finishing with five runs in the fifth. Guerin Catholic collected 17 hits as a team, with Kate Brady, Madi Cain and Jillian Davis all getting three hits. Lucy Kemp hit two doubles and totaled five RBIs, with Brady and Davis both scoring three runs each.

Ava Augustinovicz and Anna Mauch both hit one

double. Augustinovicz got the pitching win, with seven strikeouts over three no-hit innings.

The Golden Eagles are 4-3 and host Bishop Chatard this afternoon in a Circle City Conference game.

Carmel cruised past North Central 13-3 in six innings Tuesday at Cherry Tree Softball Complex.

The Greyhounds scored in each inning, including a five-run second inning; Megan Pike led off that inning with a center field home run. Mia Fleming and Avery Klein later hit back-to-back RBI doubles.

Pike struck again in the sixth inning, blasting another homer over the center field fence to end the game. The freshman was 2-for-2 at the plate. Fleming, Klein and Lolah Pence all had three hits (two doubles for Fleming and Klein), with Taylor Vietch scoring three runs. Fleming totaled three RBIs and Carly Wright hit a double.

Emily Smith went 4.1 innings for the pitching win, striking out four.

Carmel is 2-10 and plays this evening at Pendleton Heights.

Hamilton Southeastern picked up a 2-0 HCC victory over Avon Tuesday at home.

Addison Richmond scored the Royals’ first run in the third inning, scoring on Makenna Burlingame’s sacrifice fly. Richmond got the RBI in the fourth inning, sending Maggie Jenkins

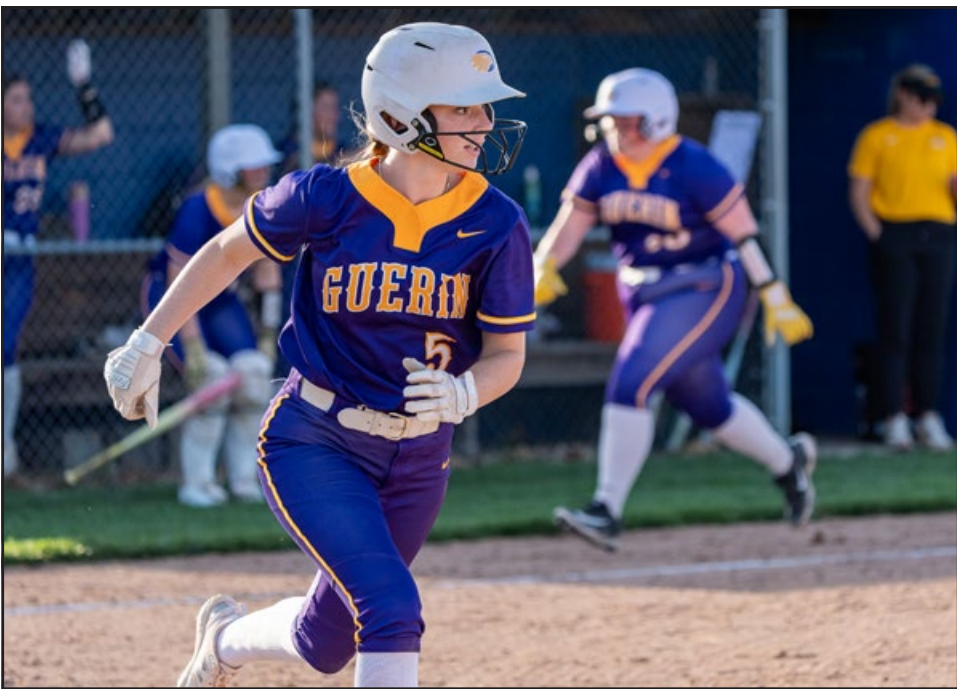


Photo by Julie Brown

Guerin Catholic’s Lucy Kemp hit two doubles and totaled five RBIs in the Golden Eagles’ win at Heritage Christian on Tuesday.

home with a left field line drive.

Both teams had four hits in the game; Kenzie Lee, Sophia Feher and Chloe Smith also had hits. Grace Swedarsky pitched a complete game, striking out nine.

Southeastern is 1-1 in the conference and 7-4 overall. The Royals host Lawrence North on Thursday.

Noblesville won a Monday game at Harrison 5-0.

Reese Newsom hit a two-run home run in the first inning, also scoring Brooklyn Grayson. Haley Schatko sent a solo homer over the fence in the fourth inning. The Millers scored two in the seventh inning; Grayson singled in Nevaeh Nash and Izzy Zapp scored on New-

som’s sacrifice fly.

Grayson was 2-for-4 at the plate. Addison Retzinger threw eight strikeouts in a complete-game win.

Hamilton Heights split its first two games this week.

The Huskies fell at Bishop Chatard 9-3 on Monday. Heights scored a first-inning run when Heather Crays stole home plate, but the Trojans took control by putting up five runs in the second inning, including a grand slam.

McKenzie Jackson batted in Crays for a fifth-inning run, then Kamryn Rhoton scored on an error. Rhoton hit a double to get on base.

The Huskies rebounded Tuesday with a 13-3, six-inning victory at Tipton in a

Hoosier Conference game. Heights started strong with five runs in the first inning, including a two-run double by Crays.

Jackson tripled in Rhoton for a fourth-inning run. Hailey Hall led off the fifth inning with a triple and later scored on Crays’ RBI groundout. Hall smacked another triple in the sixth inning, with Taya Trosper batting her in for what proved to be the game-clinching run.

Hall was 3-for-4 at the plate, scoring four runs. Crays finished with three RBIs and Rhoton scored three runs. Crays pitched a complete game, striking out seven.

Heights is 6-4 and hosts Tipton tonight to complete the conference series.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 23

BASEBALL

Brownsville at University, 5:30 p.m.
Sheridan at Clinton Prairie, 5:30 p.m.
Tipton at Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Brebeuf Jesuit, 6 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Avon, 6 p.m.
Terre Haute North at Carmel, 6:30 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Guerin Catholic at Zionsville, 7:30 p.m.
Brownsville at Hamilton Southeastern, 8 p.m.
Noblesville at Westfield, 8 p.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Carmel at Fishers, 7:30 p.m.

GOLF

Carmel vs. Noblesville, 3:30 p.m. at Prairie View
Guerin Catholic and Westfield vs. Lebanon, 4 p.m. at Ulen Country Club
New Palestine at Hamilton Southeastern, 4:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Bishop Chatard at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m.
Tipton at Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m.
Harrison at Westfield, 6 p.m.
Pendleton Heights at Carmel, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Carmel at Brebeuf Jesuit, 5 p.m.
Frankton at Hamilton Heights, 5 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at University, 5 p.m.

TRACK AND FIELD

Westfield at Noblesville Girls Invitational, 5:30 p.m.

UNIFIED TRACK

Carmel Unified Invitational, 5:30 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Hamilton Heights, 5:30 p.m.
Fishers at Westfield, 6 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Guerin Catholic at Monrovia, 5:30 p.m.
New Palestine at Noblesville, 7 p.m.
Zionsville at Carmel, 7 p.m.

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MILLERS

Noblesville added an insurance run in the bottom of the sixth with an RBI double by sophomore Reese Newsom (1-for-3).

Seniors Macie Duvall (stolen base, run, walk) and

Delaney Rundle (1-for-3, two runs, stolen base, walk) rounded out Noblesville’s hitting attack.

“We have a lot of upperclassmen, and we’re really experienced. Our de-

fense kind of hit a little hill there, but we brought it all together, calmed down and it helped having the upperclassmen helping the young ones,” Grayson said. “It’s really great to be undefeat-

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ed so far. The senior group wants it really bad, and we’ve come out and we’ve hit good. We’re just trying to keep that momentum going.”

The Millers’ path continues to ramp up after Tuesday night with a home game against 3A No. 2 Western on Thursday followed by a meeting with 4A No. 1 Lake Central and Castle on Saturday at the Carmel Invitational. On Monday, the Millers travel to 3A No. 1 New Palestine and then to HCC foe Westfield on April 29.

“This is the heart of our schedule where it is toughest, and it gets no easier,” Bullard said. “It’s why we play this schedule because it puts pressure on us. We’re going to have that in the tournament, and it makes us better.”

As for remaining unbeaten the rest of the way, Bullard isn’t looking too far ahead.

“It’s going to be hard to do this week. We play top-level competition all week,” Bullard said. “It’s nice to be unbeaten, but I don’t think we’re going to stay that way at all. I think we’re going to take some lumps at one point or another, but the biggest thing that I told the girls tonight is that we competed. They came back and punched us in the mouth, and we responded. That’s what we want.”

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