

These men make life-saving assist at basketball game

Becoming a mom with Muscular Dystrophy, Part 1

Submitted by City of Carmel

On the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2025, a group of friends gathered at St. Elizabeth Seton Church on East 106th Street in Carmel for their regular weekly basketball game.

At approximately 9:15 p.m., the game was in full swing when Kurt suddenly raised a hand and said, "Hold on a minute." Without warning, he collapsed to the floor, gasping for breath. Recognizing the seriousness of the situation, Lance and Patrick quickly moved to his side, rolling him onto his back and beginning CPD and called out for an AED.

Joe immediately dialed 911 and relayed vital details to the dispatcher, while Patrick and Bob rushed to locate the nearest AED. Once found, Patrick applied the device to Kurt, and the AED quickly assessed his condition. A shock was advised – and delivered.

Meanwhile, Bob ran outside to help guide first responders to the gym. At approximately 9:21 p.m., Officer Isiah Sweat arrived on scene. Entering swiftly with his department-issued AED, he found Lance still performing CPR and took over



Photos provided by City of Carmel (ABOVE, from left) Lance Smith, Kurt Larson, Patrick Shilson, and Officer Isiah Sweat. (RIGHT) Larson hugs Officer Sweat.

without hesitation.

Just moments later, medics from the Carmel Fire Department arrived, taking charge of the lifesaving efforts. As they worked, the AED administered a second shock.

Then, a moment of relief: Kurt regained consciousness and was able to speak. He was promptly transported to the hospital, where he would go on to make a full recovery.

This remarkable outcome was made possible by the immediate and courageous actions of Patrick Shilson and Lance Smith, who initiated critical care without hesitation, and the swift, professional response of Officer Sweat and the CFD medics. Together, their efforts saved a life that night on the court.

Fast forward to Tuesday evening, and Shilson, Smith, and Officer Sweat were all recognized at Carmel Police Department Headquarters. Congratulations and good work to all.



What is it like being pregnant and parenting while living with Muscular Dystrophy?

That is a question I often get from those living with MD who are considering becoming pregnant. So many thoughts, feelings, fear, and worry that come along with this big decision.

One of the first thoughts that comes to mind is, "Will my child be born with my condition?" If my child is born with my same condition, am I going to feel guilty? Is it going to be too painful to watch my child go through all the hardships that they will inevitably face living with a condition that hinders you so much physically?

Another thought that came to mind was, "Will my body be able to sustain a pregnancy, and where will I be physically after the baby is born?" You worry about what it will be like for your child to grow up with a mom who has a disability. Will they feel like that is a heavy burden that constantly feels overwhelming to them? Will they be embarrassed? These are all thoughts I had leading up to finally making the decision that my husband and I would try to have a baby.

Fortunately, I got pregnant easily with our first child, which was such a blessing. The first few months were common pregnancy symptoms. I had morning sickness and overwhelming exhaustion.

During my 28-week visit, my doctor, who was taking some extra precautions due to my disability, decided to monitor me and the baby. She noticed I was having some contractions. She sent me to the hospital, where, thank goodness, they were able to stop the contractions. I went home on a modified bed rest. I had to stop working. The bigger my baby grew, the harder it became to get around. I used a wheelchair when I went out but could get around our small house okay just walking and holding onto things.

As the delivery neared, my doctor encouraged me to have a C-section. She was not sure I would be strong enough to push a baby out. I wanted to give it a go and try to avoid a surgery. I knew a C-section would be a hard recovery for me. Manipulating my already weakened core would make things even more difficult for me. After 12 hours of labor, an only partially working epidural, and not progressing much, my doctor insisted on the C-section. By that time, I was wishing I had made that decision from the get-go. I was proud of myself for trying. I will always be glad I did. My son Luke was born a healthy and beautiful baby.

Recovering from a C-section is no joke. I spent several days in the hospital following Luke's birth. I was on pain medication, as it was a major surgery. I was not sleeping well because in a hospital no one sleeps well! I was given some sleeping medication the first few nights. One night, I needed to use the restroom in the middle of the night.

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AMY SHINNEMAN
Disability in the City

Westfield Lions' Poker for Sight tournament raises over \$17K

"Big Checks" awarded to four organizations

By JEFF LARRISON
Westfield Lions Club

On April 25 and 26, the Westfield Lions held their semi-annual Texas Hold 'em "Poker for Sight" tournament in Noblesville. Over 220 players competed for \$25,000 in prize money, with Adam Hamilton of Fishers coming away with the \$10,000 first place check.

This year's "Poker for Sight" tournament was successfully held despite an unexpected last-minute change in venue. Every year since the tournament started in 2009 the Lions have held it at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds. Due to a major renovation project involving the 4-H building, the Lions were informed in early March that they would have to find another location for the April tournament.



Photo provided Adam Hamilton won the tournament and was joined by several Lions to celebrate his big win.

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Kauffman named March Husky Hero

The REPORTER

Hamilton Heights High School Social Studies teacher Travis Kauffman has been named the Husky Hero for the month of March.

Kauffman, now in his 15th year of teaching at Hamilton Heights, has also served as the Head Coach for the Girls Soccer program at the high school. He has earned a respected reputation as an educator and as a person.

"Travis cares about how his students perform in his class, but more importantly, he invests in their lives as people," HHHS Assistant Principal Mitch Street said. "He and his family have poured themselves into our community and we are blessed to have them in our community."

Here's what some of the

nominators had to say about Kauffman:

"Mr. Kauffman has been an amazing mentor to my daughter throughout her high school years," Heather O'Neill said. "He is academically gifted, and his love of teaching is evident every day. He consistently communicates with us as parents, and I have watched my daughter gain so much confidence and flourish because of him. Additionally, he volunteers to help in so many ways. Whether it's drama club concessions or mowing the huge school lawn in the cold rain, the man always shows up. We love Mr. Kauffman and his passion and feel he's incredibly deserving of the Husky Hero award."



Photo provided Travis Kauffman, Hamilton Heights High School Teacher and Varsity Girls Soccer Head Coach, was selected as the Husky Hero for the month of March. (From left) Alayna Kauffman (daughter), Gabriella Kauffman (daughter), Jen Kauffman (wife, HHSC ECA Treasurer) Adrianna Kauffman (daughter), Jackson Cantlon (HHEF Student Director), Travis Kauffman, Will Duncan (HHEF Student Director), Craig Bowen (FC Tucker), and Mitch Street (HHHS Assistant Principal).

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Cicero Fire has two big events planned in May

Submitted by EMILY PEARSON

The Cicero Fire Department will hold a traditional Fire Service Push-In Ceremony to welcome the new Ladder 321 truck to the serve the community.

The ceremony will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 3 at the fire department, located at 1359 Stringtown Pike.

The public is invited to this ceremony.

Then, on the following weekend, the Cicero Fire Department Community Organization will hold its annual community breakfast from 7 to 11 a.m. Saturday, May 10 at the Fire Department.

The menu will include pancakes, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fresh fruit, coffee, and orange juice.

There will be a free-will donation.

POKER

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Photos provided by Westfield Lions Club
(ABOVE LEFT) Lions Jeff Larrison and Mark Hallett of Indiana Diabetes Youth Camp. (ABOVE RIGHT) Lion Jeff Larrison and Jade Stone of Girls, Inc. (RIGHT) The top 25 players left in the Championship Round.

Tournament director Mike Birk immediately began scrambling to find an alternative location so that the tournament would not have to be canceled. With some good fortune, Birk was able to work out a rental agreement with Rocky Shanehsaz, owner of the Mill Top, to hold the tournament at the former Legacy Bible Church on Greenfield Avenue in Noblesville.

Shanehsaz went above and beyond, making sure the facility was ready for the tournament and the Lions had everything they needed to hold it. His assistance was instrumental in the tournament being a huge success.

At the beginning of each of the three qualifying sessions, and prior to the championship session, the Lions presented \$1,500 “Big Checks” to well-deserving organizations in the community. The Friday morning check went to Girls, Inc., a national organization with a chapter in Indianapolis that promotes leadership skills and provides encouragement and support for girls and young women. This organization is recognized as a critical building block for strong, independent women. For more information on Girls, Inc. and how you can support them, go to girlsinc.org.

The second Big Check was awarded to the Indiana Diabetes Youth Camp – a facility near and dear to the Lions’ hearts. Besides there



being a worldwide effort on Lions Clubs International’s part to fight the causes of diabetes and assist those suffering from it, the Westfield Lions have worked closely with the camp leaders over the years to help prepare the facility for campers each spring. The youth camp is a wonderful opportunity for children suffering from diabetes to be able to enjoy some of the same experiences other youth are able to. You can help support the camp and these children by going to dyfi.org.

Student Impact of Westfield also received a Big Check during the tournament. This is another organization that the Lions have a long history of supporting. Student Impact offers a number of programs and opportunities for students in the fifth through 12th grades in Westfield. Before and after school programs provide meals, mentoring, and a chance for kids to build friendships with each other. This is all done at no cost to the students and their families. To find out more about the amazing things Student Impact is doing, go to therockwestfield.org.

The final Big Check was presented to the Leader Dogs for the Blind organization. Ever since Helen Keller challenged Lions Clubs International in 1925 to be “Knights of the Blind,” Lions around the world have worked to support efforts to eliminate the causes of blindness, support those affected by it, and provide eye exams and glasses to those that cannot afford them. The Leader Dog program, located in Rochester, Mich., trains dogs that help give individuals suffering from blindness the opportunity to live a normal life. This life-changing organization provides the dogs at no charge to those in need. Go to leaderdog.org to find out how you can support this program.

About the Westfield Lions

The Westfield Lions is a service organization that was chartered in 1930 and continues to be an active member of the community. To find out more about the Lions and how to become a member, go to Westfield-Lions.org.




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“Travis was recently recognized as a Serve Noblesville Star by completing Service of 10 years in a row with his Girls JV and Varsity Soccer Girls,” Bradford Malin said. “He constantly gives back to the community when he has extra time. Mr. / Coach Kauffman is a Husky Hero and a HHHS Rock Star.”

“He does a great job leading the girls Husky soccer team,” Kayleigh Lyell said. “We have an exchange student this year and she hasn’t played soccer in a while. He has been awesome at welcoming her and helping her feel part of the team. It’s been really amazing to watch him coach – he practices integrity and hard work above wins, and it seems to be working because our Husky girls are on fire! My student doesn’t have him as a teacher – but I hear through the grapevine he is pretty great at that too.”

“Caring teacher and coach! Amazing role model!” Karlee Lantzer said. “Always goes the extra mile for his students and team.”

“Receiving this recognition was an honor,” Kauffman said. “People that work in the public schools don’t do it for accolades and awards but because we care about our students, and we love to see them grow and succeed. So, to receive this based on student nominations confirms that I, and other teachers, are making a positive difference in the lives of students, some of whom may truly need positive interactions from teachers who cheer and help them.”

Kauffman’s motivation is always the growth and success of students.

“It’s rarely an easy path, but the toughest things are often the most rewarding,” he pointed out. “Especially at this time of year, we begin to see where the year’s journey has taken us academically and in other areas of our lives. That’s

what I enjoy most – seeing and hearing that what students have achieved and how they’ve grown throughout the school year is in ways and in degrees that they didn’t even think were likely.”

Kauffman said, “The award is a recognition for what has been done and it’s a motivation to continue to keep working and fighting to build up, teach, and encourage those who will lead our future and teach others what they have been taught.”

Do you know a Husky Hero? Nomination forms and information about this special recognition program for Hamilton Heights employees are available at bit.ly/hhschuskyhero. The Husky Hero Recognition program is made possible through the Hamilton Heights Educational Foundation in partnership with Craig and Amber Bowen (FC Tucker). #hhedfoundation

BECOMING

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My husband called in a nurse to help him with me because it was so hard for me to walk. They encourage walking to help with the healing from the surgery, so that is what I was trying to do. The effects of the medication on top of that made walking even more difficult.

The next evening, my husband had gone out to get our dinner. Luke was in the nursery under the bili light because he was slightly jaundiced. I was enjoying some quiet time when a social worker stopped in. She came because the nurse that had helped my husband the night before had been concerned that I was not capable of caring for my son because I could not walk on my own after a C-section. I was stunned and so angry at this woman in my room. I had just survived a pregnancy as a disabled woman and delivered a healthy baby boy into this world. I thought, *you are not about to take that away from me*. Not only was I confident I would be able to take care of my son, but I also knew I would tackle more obstacles than she could imagine with a smile on my face, as I had done my whole life. I told her just that.

The nurse had not researched my chart to know of my disability was the explanation that I was later given. She assumed I was over medicating, and that is why I could not walk. I still become emotional when I allow myself to go back to that moment.

My worst fear had come true. The fear that someone would view me as an inadequate mother, and I had not even left the hospital with my son.

Luke and I went everywhere together. If we had our stroller or a cart, we were good! Many adaptations were discovered through trial and error. What we did looked different from most, but it worked for us. There were many physically taxing days to the point that my husband had to carry me to bed. Working while juggling a child and a household is hard. Stacking a physical disability on top of that makes everything more difficult. It also makes successfully navigating those times even more rewarding.

Becoming pregnant as a woman living with Muscular Dystrophy, I was certainly walking humbly courageous into the unknown. I did not have anyone to look to for guidance who was in my same shoes. I hope that by sharing my story, it helps someone feel as though they have a guiding light. People with disabilities are just as capable and deserving of being parents as anyone else is, no matter how that comes to be.

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 [@ashinneman](http://Instagram).



(ABOVE, from left) Lions Greg Clouse, Josh Kozicki, Lisa Rohe, Steve Shaw, Cheryl Helton, Bruce Moss, Mark Bachar, Ron Sinicki, Tim Baker, Eric Bachar, Jeff Dick, Lisa Dick, Jen Carr, and George Long. (BELOW) The Winning Team, Blues Clues, included (back row, from left) Heather Perry, Charlie Perry, and Doug Thompson, and (front row, from left) Nancy Miller, Connie Nielson (Team Captain), Mary Thompson, Austin Thompson, and Emily Murphy.

Noblesville Lions raise over \$2K for Kid Sight

The REPORTER

On the evening of last Thursday, April 24, the Noblesville Lions Club had a Trivia Night Challenge fundraiser for the Lions Club's Kid Sight program.

The project was to raise money for a second camera to use when testing kid's eyesight. The event raised \$2,278.

The Trivia Night was held at Bier Brewery, 1618, S. 10th St., Noblesville. Bier Brewery was very accommodating to the Lions Club, and thanks goes out many times over.



Photos provided by Jake Doll, Noblesville Lions Club



Time to register for Janus' Helping Lives Bloom event

The REPORTER

Help support Janus Developmental Services by **attending and supporting** the organization's fifth annual Helping Lives Bloom.

The event will take place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 12 at the Mustard Seed Gardens, 77 Metsker Lane, Noblesville. Attendees will have the opportunity learn more about Janus and the organization's plans for the future.

Please [click here](#) to purchase your ticket. Your ticket includes heavy appetizers and one complimentary drink wine/beer/soft drinks (cash bar available). There will also be a Wine Pull. A silent auction with gift baskets and gift cards will be sponsored by For the Love of Janus Guild.

Affordable sponsorships for both individuals and businesses are available. Just click the link above.

If you have any questions, please email or call Jerry Jamison at jjamison@janus-inc.org or (317) 773-8781 ext. 100.



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Hile: “this job is a bus load of fun!”



Photo provided by Noblesville Schools
The public is invited to test drive a school bus in the safety of the Noblesville Schools Transportation Center parking lot any time from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 3. Participants must have a valid driver’s license and be at least 21 years old. Come learn what it’s really like to be a bus driver, including the flexible schedule, paid training, and full benefits. The Transportation Center is located at 19790 Hague Road, Noblesville. (ABOVE) Even Superintendent Dan Hile enjoys getting behind the wheel!



HSE Schools names new Deer Creek Elementary principal

Submitted by HSE Schools

Hamilton Southeastern Schools (HSE) has named Danielle Chastain as the new principal of Deer Creek Elementary (DCE) School.

Chastain, a familiar face in the HSE community with more than 30 years of experience, was approved by the Hamilton Southeastern Board of School Trustees during a special meeting Tuesday morning.

Chastain currently serves as an instructional coach at DCE and brings extensive leadership experience to her new role. She previously served as principal at Southeastern Elementary School and Riverside Intermediate School. Her broad experience at HSE also includes roles as a classroom teacher, assistant principal, and interim Director of Elementary Education, where she was instrumental in the opening Southeastern Elementary.

Chastain will succeed Principal Linda Ededuwa, who will retire at the end of the current school year after many dedicated years of service to HSE Schools. The district wishes Ededuwa all the best in her retirement.

Superintendent Pat Mapes expressed enthusiasm about Chastain’s appointment, stating, “I am thrilled to have Mrs.

Chastain lead Deer Creek Elementary. Her deep connection to our district, her passion for academic excellence, and her commitment to the success and well-being of students and staff make her an ideal leader.”



Chastain

Chastain’s educational philosophy centers around collaboration, community engagement, and student achievement. She has successfully led districtwide initiatives including the Science of Reading and the creation of innovative outdoor learning environments.

“I am truly honored to take on this new role,” Chastain said. “Deer Creek has an outstanding team of educators and incredibly supportive families. I look forward to continuing to build on the strong foundation already in place at DCE – ensuring every student feels empowered to reach their full potential.”

Chastain holds both bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Ball State University and maintains an administrative license in Elementary Education. She consistently participates in professional development to remain at the forefront of educational leadership practices.

Chastain will officially assume her new position on July 1, partnering with Assistant Principal Trice Black as they prepare for the 2025-26 school year.

Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam invites you to join ‘Move with the Mayor’ challenge

The REPORTER

Join the Move with the Mayor Spring Mental Health and Physical Activity Challenge. Get active while connecting with others in your community. Throughout the month of May, you can visit the [Move with the Mayor webpage](#) for a list of events or you can [click here](#) to download an event Bingo card.

The kick-off event

with Mayor Sue Finkam and City of Carmel teams and partners will take place from 6:30 to 9 a.m. Friday, May 2 at Coffee on the Monon in Midtown Plaza. Mayor Finkam invites the community to participate in Move with the Mayor Spring Mental Health and Physical Activity Chal-



Finkam

lenge. The challenge, organized by the National Forum for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, is part of a national initiative promoting physical activity while fostering social connection in our community. Physical well-being is often associated with exercise and nutrition, but

it’s important to recognize social connection’s role in people’s overall health. In addition to the May 2 Coffee on the Monon event, join the Mayor at the following events:
• **Bike Carmel Family Fun Ride:** 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Saturday, May 10 at Carmel Elementary School
• **Walk With the Mayor:** 3 p.m. Thursday, May 29 at Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square

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Carmel Christkindlmarkt Inc. plans for leadership transition

Submitted
The Carmel Christkindlmarkt Inc. Board of Directors announced Tuesday that Maria Adele Rosenfeld has formally submitted her resignation as CCI's President and CEO, effective April 30.

"It is impossible to put into words how much the last eight years have meant to me," Rosenfeld said. "I am so honored to have served the Carmel community as the founding CEO of the Carmel Christkindlmarkt. I have worked alongside such talented coworkers, partners, sponsors, entertainers, vendors and volunteers. Our collective dedication to upholding the highest standards of cultural authenticity and event management result-

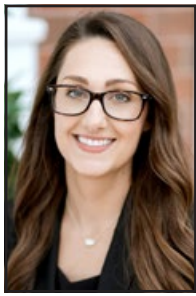
ed in a truly special, best-in-class event."

Rosenfeld's tenure at CCI brought national and international recognition to the annual Carmel Christkindlmarkt. Under her direction, the Market was awarded top honors by *USA Today*, Indy's Best Things Competition, the Indiana Tourism Association Awards and the *Current* in Carmel, along with being featured in *National Geographic* in 2023 and 2024.

In 2024, Rosenfeld



Rosenfeld



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led the Market as it welcomed nearly 10,000 visitors each day, and its total sales eclipsed \$9.6 million – a 5 percent increase from the previous year – leading to \$24.3 million in economic impact for Hamilton County.

"We are extremely grateful for Maria's service," CCI Board Chair Maddy Augustus said. "From the very first market in 2017, she has been instrumental in growing our beloved event into the renowned holiday desti-

nation it is today. She is leaving a great mark on the annual Market, our organization and Carmel as a whole. We wish her the best in the next steps of her journey."

The CCI Board has begun planning the next steps for the organization and the search process for the organization's next president and CEO.

CCI remains committed to its mission to provide an authentic and immersive cultural experience that cultivates community pride, creates inspiring gathering spaces, and elevates the City of Carmel regionally, nationally, and internationally.

For more information about CCI, please visit CarmelChristkindlmarkt.com.

Spring descends upon Downtown Noblesville

Submitted
Noblesville Main Street enriches the culture and community of the city's downtown historic district by creating partnerships and programs to connect people to unique places and experiences.

Check out the upcoming events below, or go to NoblesvilleMainStreet.org/events.

May First Friday
Friday, May 2
Historic Downtown Square

May 2 is Noblesville Main Street's next First Friday.

First Fridays in Downtown Noblesville are the place to be for sipping, shopping, and dining. Retailers are open late offering great deals on their unique and one-of-a-kind products. Book your table, come early, or stay late to enjoy the charm of Historic Downtown Noblesville.

First Fridays are powered by Duke Energy.

Farmers Market Opening Day
Saturday, May 3 from 8 a.m. to noon
Federal Hill Commons

Celebrate opening day of the Noblesville Main Street Farmers Market on May 3. The market will feature local produce, meat, handmade goods, prepared food, drinks, treats, and music.

[Click here](#) to learn about updates for 2025, parking info, and to see the 2025 vendor list.

The Noblesville Main Street Farmers Market is powered by Duke Energy.

Additional support provided by Hometown Window & Door Company and Indiana Restoration & Cleaning Services. The Noblesville Main Street Farmers Market Concert Series is presented by Skyview Dental. Get Moving at the Market wellness series is sponsored by Midwest Sport & Spine Center.

Mother's Day Jazz Brunch at the Market
Saturday, May 10 at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
The Green Room at Federal Hill

Celebrate Mother's Day the farm market way.

Enjoy a relaxing brunch while The Cohen-Rutowski Project provides the soft jazz background music. Mimosas more your style? You can get those, too.

Select whether you want to join for the 8:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. seating and whether you would like mimosas or not. Then relax and enjoy. Make it a day by enjoying all that the market has to offer before or after your seating.

The Noblesville Main Street Farmers Market is powered by Duke Energy.

Music & All That Jazz
Saturday, May 10 from 5 to 7 p.m.
Courthouse Square Lawn

Bring a chair, pack a picnic, and come enjoy the unmatched charm of Noblesville's Courthouse Square as you listen to the incredible jazz stylings of Indiana's own Cohen Rutowski Project.

Music & All That Jazz is presented by Gordon Insurance.



OneZone May Eggs & Issues to feature panel of Hamilton County Council members

The REPORTER
Business and community leaders are invited to join OneZone Chamber for an exclusive May Eggs & Issues, where attendees will hear from Hamilton County Councilors who are shaping the future of Hamilton County.

This special event will feature insights from:

- Brad Beaver, County Council Member, At-Large
- Sue Maki, County Council Member, At-Large
- Tim Griffin, County Council Member, District 1
- Amy Massillamany, County Council Member, District 2

- Mark Hall, County Council Member, District 3
- Ken Alexander, County Council Member, District 4

This month's Eggs & Issues offers a unique opportunity to hear firsthand from Hamilton County Councilors driving progress across Hamilton County. Attendees will learn about key regional developments and gain insights into leadership and economic impact.

"The Hamilton County Council plays a critical role in shaping the future of our communities," OneZone Chamber President and CEO Jack Russell said. "This Eggs & Issues



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is a great opportunity for our members to hear directly from the leaders making decisions that impact businesses, infrastructure, and quality of life across the region."

The May Eggs & Issues will take place from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Friday, May 9 at The Bridgewater Club, 3535 E. 161st. Member benefits apply, and tables are available exclusively for OneZone members.

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Rotary Club of Carmel announces 2025 Leadership Connection scholarship winners

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The Rotary Club of Carmel recognized outstanding area students at its monthly meeting held last Friday, April 25, revealing the six recipients of the annual Leadership Connection Scholarships. Winners were selected from nearly 200 students who attended the Leadership Connection workshop and day of service in the fall of 2024.

The Danny Portee Scholarship Winners are Anne Byron, Carmel High School; Henry Davie, Christel House Indianapolis; Justin Macharia, Carmel High School; Maxwell O’Neil, Carmel High School; Priscilla Smith, Carmel High School.

The Dr. Rick Markoff Scholarship Winner is Brianna Vargas, Christel House Indianapolis.

Scholarships include a \$2,000 monetary award which can be used for tuition at any college, university, community college, or trade school, and a laptop computer.

This year, a sixth scholarship in honor the founder of the program, Dr. Rick Markoff, was added to the previous five scholarships named for Mr. Danny Portee, the Owner and President of Professional Management Enterprises,



Photos provided

(ABOVE LEFT) The Danny Portee Scholarship Winners. (ABOVE RIGHT) Brianna Vargas won the Dr. Rick Markoff Scholarship.

Inc. (PME), headquartered in Indianapolis.

Mr. Portee and Dr. Markoff’s lifelong commitment to community service, education, and making a meaningful difference in the lives of others leaves an enduring legacy – both men are living examples of “Service

Above Self.” These scholarships stand as a tribute to their extraordinary dedication and belief in the power of education to shape a brighter future.

Students attending Leadership Connection are seniors from Carmel and Indianapolis area schools. They represent Christel

House Watanabe Manual High School, Elevate Indianapolis, Carmel High School, the Simon Youth Foundation, and the Carmel Mayor’s Student Advisory Council.

About Leadership Connection

Founded in 2021 from a unique partnership be-

tween the Carmel Rotary and community and civic partners, Leadership Connection is a one-day workshop with an accompanying day of service offering a dynamic lineup of keynote speakers and panelists. The program provides students with the opportunity to connect and

share with a diverse group of professionals. Speakers inspire and connect with local high school students eager to learn how to navigate planning for their futures, serving their communities through giving back and developing leadership skills. Learn more at CarmelRotary.com.

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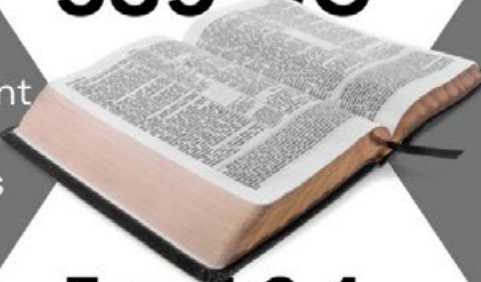
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Deep dive into colorful history of Joseph’s coat

By **GLENN DOBBS**
A Seat on the Aisle

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, or *JATD* for short, was first conceived as a 20-minute-long Cantata for the Colet Court School in London. This private English high school brought together an 18-year-old Andrew Lloyd Webber and a 21-year-old Tim Rice for their first collaboration. Webber commented, “We were trying to make something that everyone in the school could participate in whether they had musical talent or not.” It premiered in the school’s small auditorium on March 1, 1968.

Both young men were approaching the height of their creative powers. They shared a love for telling stories and musical theatre and for the next 10 years would go on to create some of the most iconic musicals of all time.

Two years after the school cantata premiered, the duo would hit it big with the rock opera *Jesus Christ Superstar*. They began to cast about for their next project. They revisited the *JATD* material and decided to expand the show into a full-blown musical. Although *JATD* has had some revisions over the last 50 years it has largely remained intact and gone on to become one of duo’s most successful works. By 1982 the show made it to Broadway receiving nominations for best original score and best musical and ran for 747 performances before closing.

However, it was the show’s life after Broadway that it found its most lingering endurance. *JATD* became a perennially popular touring, school, and amateur production. Even today, after 50 years, there is almost always a *JATD* production somewhere in the world.

So it is that Joseph in all its kaleidoscopic glory descends on the Tarkington stage in Carmel as part of Civic Theatre’s current

season. What sets *JATD* apart from other Webber shows is the variety of musical genres it presents. Like its cantata roots we are presented with French ballads, calypso, traditional anthems, rockabilly, disco, and even country and western songs. The result is an infectious kitschy weird mix of music that somehow just works.

The show features such a huge cast that it is difficult to pick one standout over the other. The whole thing just mashes together in a colorful stew. The entire cast was wonderful. As my wife and I drove home we discussed what impacted us the most.

You have to single out Colton Woods who makes his Civic debut in the title role. His performance was mature and remarkably poised despite his young age. His strong, warm, and clear voice easily handled the material. In one of the few reflective numbers in the show, his poignant “Close Every Door” was particularly effective. Mr. Woods clearly has a bright future awaiting in the theatre.

In a similar vein, Kelsey McDaniel shined in the role of the Narrator. She has more stage time than Joseph and holds the rather loose story together as an anchor between disparate scenes. Ms. McDaniel’s voice was a mature clarion instrument easily taking on the complex lyrics of Tim Rice. Her presence on stage was commanding and impossible to ignore. Her natural charisma and smooth vocals were a pleasure as she would knowingly wink at the audience letting us know everything was going to work out in the end.

I loved the muscular antics of the brothers’ ensemble. Despite often moving about on stage essentially as one living organism, each actor was able to create a unique often hilarious character. From this goofy group, several of the actors had an opportunity to stand out. Austin Stodghill



Photo illustration provided by Booth Tarkington Civic Theatre
Kelsey McDaniel as the Narrator and Colton Woods as Joseph.

as Dan was hilarious in the country and western number “One More Angel.” Similarly, Jack Tanselle was delightful in the loopy French café ballad number “Those Canaan Days.”

Michael Krauter drew the task of the scene stealer of the production. As Pharaoh he was the highlight of Act 2 as he channeled Elvis with “The Song of the King.” Krauter was hilarious. Here you can clearly see the genesis of the later Lloyd Webber creation of Rum Tum Tigger in *Cats*.

If there was one element in *JATD* that was crucial, it has to be the choreography. It is rare in a non-professional production with volunteer actors to see such mature developed dancing of this high caliber. The numbers were joyous and full of life. My compliments to choreographer Anne Beck and her team for crafting such unabashedly fun dance numbers.

Michael L. Lasley, the long-time artistic director of Civic, once again helmed this production. This is the 10th time Civic has presented this 50-year-old musical. Judging from the enthusiastic, sold-out house it is easy to see why he has returned to the material again and again. People love the show. In fact,

he shared that 838 local artists have been a part of a Civic *JATD* production since 2000. Mr. Lasley capably moved the huge cast around the stage smoothly and with aplomb. He even inserted local humor references to add to the fun. This is no easy task. There are 51 young actors in the children’s choir alone. The production design was spectacular. Well done!

It is said by some that Joseph is an immature work and lacks the gravitas of Rice and Webber’s later work. There is some truth to this assertion. Watching *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* is a little like skipping dinner and going straight to dessert. But who cares? It is great fun. And who in the world would say no to a delicious piece of cake?

Bottom line: Highly recommended. Fast paced, goofy, and family friendly fun presented at a professional level. I encourage everyone to attend.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat continues at the Booth Tarkington Theatre in Carmel through May 10. Tickets can be obtained at civictheatre.org/joseph.

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

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.

Personal property tax returns due May 15

The REPORTER

The Indiana Personal Property Tax return filing deadline is Thursday, May 15.

The Indiana Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) and your local assessing official want to remind you that there is still time to file your return through the [Personal Property Online Portal for Indiana](http://PersonalPropertyOnlinePortalforIndiana) (PPOP-IN).

Taxpayers and their authorized agents have the option to file their personal property Forms 102, 103-Short, 103-Long, 103-N, 103-O, 104, and 106 online at no cost. Taxpayers also can upload additional personal property forms and any necessary supporting documentation. The traditional paper forms may also be submitted to their local assessing official.

The deadline to file an amended return for 2024 if the original return was timely filed is also May 15.

What is PPOP-IN?

PPOP-IN is a 24/7 self-service online portal that allows taxpayers and authorized agents to file Forms 102, 103-Short, 103-Long, 103-N, 103-O, 104, and 106 online. Taxpayers also have the ability to upload additional personal property forms and any necessary supporting documentation.

I need help. Who can I call?

Taxpayers may hire a tax professional such as a CPA to assist them with their filing. You may also contact your township or county assessor with questions. Their contact information can be found here.

PPOP-IN status updates

DLGF will send regular communications to various stakeholders over the next month. The department wants you to stay informed of all changes. All taxpayers and authorized agents may register for email updates by visiting the [department’s website](http://department's website).

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Aspire names David E. Jose as Chief Legal Counsel

The REPORTER

Aspire Indiana Health has named David E. Jose as its Chief Legal Counsel, a new position created to help the healthcare nonprofit navigate an increasingly complex and shifting regulatory landscape as it grows to serve Hoosiers facing barriers to receiving care.

Jose is a preeminent attorney in the field of healthcare law with more than three decades of experience practicing in Indiana. He has represented or advised numerous healthcare organizations of every stripe, from hospitals and nursing homes to mental health centers and physician practices, with a special focus on non-profits serving people with complex health challenges. He has also been actively involved with many civic and cultural organizations in central Indiana.

“An evolving health-

care and human services landscape demands strategic legal guidance to ensure compliance, mitigate risk and support Aspire’s mission to deliver compassionate, patient-centered care,” Aspire President & CEO Antony Sheehan said. “David is widely regarded as a top legal mind in Indiana on these issues, and will play a pivotal role in navigating the legal and regulatory complexities of Aspire’s growing programs and services.”

Aspire has experienced continued growth over the last few years, adding and expanding health center locations and adding new pathways of care including residential recovery facilities and expanded medical and pharmacy services. Aspire is chartered by the state as a Community Mental

Health Center in Boone, Hamilton, Madison, and Marion counties, and is credentialed as a Federally Qualified Health Center with nine locations. It primarily serves Medicaid/Medicare populations.

Jose earned his bachelor’s degree in political science and East Asian studies at Earlham College, his master’s degree in the same concentration at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and his law degree from Boston College Law School.

About Aspire

Serving central Indiana since 1966, Aspire Indiana Health is a nonprofit community health system with services addressing behavioral health, primary care medicine, substance use disorder, infectious diseases, deaf services, veteran

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Hamilton County Veterans Community Page

This is a Plea to Our Hamilton County Military Veteran Community WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK

Your Hamilton County Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities Coalition on the prevention of Veteran suicides has been running this Hamilton County Veteran Community page in the Reporter newspaper daily since August, 2024. We would really appreciate your input to help us inform you of what it is you wish to see on this page. The more Military, Veteran and community resources we can connect you with, the better we all will be in addressing our needs, issues and concerns thus living a more fulfilled life here at home.

If you are a member of the either a VFW or American Legion in Hamilton County, it would be great to see information about your Post’s activities on this page, not just their address. If you can help make this happen, let us know on the online survey form below and we will be in touch. We need 10-14 day lead time to get it in the paper.

If you are a business, organization, profit/non-profit in Hamilton County and are hosting anything Military related, let us know on the online survey form below and we will be in touch. We need 10-14 day lead time to get it in the paper.

Hamilton County Veteran Community Page Survey

We need your help to improve your Hamilton County Veteran Community Page in the Hamilton County Reporter Newspaper. We wish to keep our Military Veteran community informed on what is going on so you all may stay connected and get the assistance you need to live a more fulfilled life here in Hamilton County. Please go to the following link to help us by answering the questions you see below. We appreciate you taking the time to help us make this the most informative page possible for our Service Members, Veterans, their families and caregivers! Please click here or scan the QR Code to take the survey – tinyurl.com/VeteransPageSurvey



1. Are you an active Service member, Veteran, family member of or a caregiver for a Service Member or Veteran?
2. What do you like about the Veteran community page?
3. What else would you like to see on this Veteran Community page?
4. Events, activities from your American Legion or VFW Posts, or from our local businesses, profit & non-profit organizations, etc. We need 10-14 day lead time.

Thank you in advance for your help in making this page YOUR page.

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Sen. Young introduces legislation to make American ships again

The REPORTER

U.S. Senators Todd Young (R-Ind.) and Mark Kelly (D-Ariz.) re-introduced on Wednesday the Shipbuilding and Harbor Infrastructure for Prosperity and Security (SHIPS) for America Act, comprehensive legislation to revitalize the United States shipbuilding and commercial maritime industries.

There are currently 80 U.S.-flagged vessels in international commerce while China has 5,500. The SHIPS for America Act aims to close this gap and boost the U.S. Merchant Marine by establishing national oversight and consistent funding for U.S. maritime policy, making U.S.-flagged vessels commercially competitive in international commerce by cutting red tape, rebuilding the U.S. shipyard industrial base, and expanding and strengthening mariner and shipyard worker recruitment, training, and retention.

Young and Kelly originally introduced the **SHIPS for America Act** in December 2024. Since the introduction, the urgency to boost American shipbuilding has emerged as a priority of bipartisan consensus this year, particularly after the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative revealed the findings of its investigation into China’s shipbuilding dominance and President Trump’s signing of a **shipbuilding executive order**.

“America has been a maritime nation since our

founding, and seapower was a significant contributor to our rise to being the most powerful nation on earth,” said Sen. Young, a U.S. Naval Academy graduate. “Unfortunately, the bottom line now is America needs more ships. Shipbuilding is a national security priority and a stop-gap against foreign threats and coercion. Our bill will revitalize the U.S. maritime industry, grow our shipbuilding capacity, rebuild America’s shipyard industrial base, and support nationwide workforce development in this industry. This legislation is critical to our warfighting capabilities and keeping pace with China.”

U.S. Representatives Trent Kelly (R-Miss.-01) and John Garamendi (D-Calif.-8) will introduce companion legislation in the House on Thursday.

More specifically, the SHIPS for America Act would:

- Coordinate U.S. maritime policy by establishing the position of Maritime Security Advisor within the White House, who would lead an interagency Maritime Security Board tasked with making whole-of-government strategic decisions for how to implement a National Maritime Strategy. The bill also establishes a Maritime Security Trust Fund that would reinvest duties and fees paid by the



Young

maritime industry into maritime security programs and infrastructure supporting maritime commerce.

- Establish a national goal of expanding the U.S.-flag international fleet by 250 ships in 10 years by creating the Strategic Commercial Fleet Program, which would facilitate the development of a fleet of commercially operated, U.S.-flagged, American crewed, and domestically built merchant vessels that can operate competitively in international commerce.
- Enhance the competitiveness of U.S.-flagged vessels in international commerce by establishing a Rulemaking Committee on Commercial Maritime Regulations and Standards to cut through the U.S. Coast Guard’s bureaucracy and red tape that limits the international competitiveness of U.S.-flagged vessels, modify duties to make cargo on U.S.-flag vessel’s more competitive, requiring that government-funded cargo move aboard U.S.-flag vessels, and requiring a portion of commercial goods imported from China to move aboard U.S.-flag vessels starting in 2030.
- Expand the U.S. shipyard industrial base, for both military and commercial oceangoing vessels, by establishing a 25 percent investment tax credit for shipyard investments, trans-

forming the Title XI Federal Ship Financing Program into a revolving fund, and establishing a Shipbuilding Financial Incentives program to support innovative approaches to domestic ship building and ship repair.

- Accelerate U.S. leadership in next-generation ship design, manufacturing processes, and ship energy systems by establishing the U.S. Center for Maritime Innovation, and supporting regional hubs for maritime innovation across the country by establishing a Maritime Prosperity Zone program.

- Make historic investments in maritime workforce by supporting a Maritime Workforce Promotion and Recruitment Campaign, allowing mariners to retain their credentials through a newly established Merchant Marine Career Retention Program, investing in long-overdue infrastructure needs for the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, and supporting State Maritime Academies and Centers for Excellence for Domestic Maritime Workforce Training and Education. The bill also makes long-overdue changes to streamline and modernize the U.S. Coast Guard’s Merchant Mariner Credentialing system.

The legislation will be introduced in two pieces in the Senate, the **SHIPS for America Act** and the **Building SHIPS in America Act**. A section by section of the bill can be found [here](#).



COMMITTEE FOR A RESPONSIBLE FEDERAL BUDGET

U.S. House Education & Workforce Committee proposes higher ed reforms

Submitted

The U.S. House Education and Workforce Committee has put forward a package of thoughtful and money-saving reforms that will begin to rationalize federal student loan programs while helping to reduce the cost and improve the quality of higher education.

The proposal would reduce and reform federal higher education spending by repealing the Biden Administration’s **SAVE repayment plan**, establishing new simplified repayment options, capping graduate borrowing, adopting a risk-sharing system that holds schools responsible for a portion of unpaid loans, and reducing the **Pell Grant shortfall** by better targeting the Pell Grant program to full-time students.

Even with these savings, the House is still likely to add substantially to the debt by combining them with new tax cuts and spending increases. Under the current budget resolution, the House is allowed up to \$2.8 trillion of net borrowing through 2034, while the Senate is allowed up to \$5.8 trillion.

The following is a statement from Maya MacGuineas, president of the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget:

“After years of costly payment pauses and fiscally dangerous promises to cancel student debt, it’s refreshing to see Congress move to enact real reforms to our student loan programs. The cost of higher education has become a major burden to students and the American taxpayer. We need solutions that help control costs, boost quality, and begin to address the federal budget outlook.

“The Education and Workforce Committee has put forward a package of thoughtful and money-saving reforms that will begin to rationalize federal student loan programs while helping to reduce the cost and improve the quality of higher education.

“The proposal would simplify the student loan system, replacing legal ambiguity and numerous confusing repayment plans with a much more streamlined system. It would make clear that student lending is a loan, not a gift, and would target relief and support to those who need it most instead of subsidizing wealthier Americans with graduate degrees. The package also finally establishes accountability for colleges and universities to keep their costs down and ensure they are putting their students in a position to succeed.

“Unfortunately, the savings generated from these provisions will not go toward deficit reduction – which is sorely needed – and will instead be part of a tax cuts and spending package that is slated to borrow \$2.8 to \$5.8 trillion over the next decade. While the House’s \$2.8 trillion of proposed borrowing would be less damaging than the Senate’s \$5.8 trillion, either would be hugely problematic.

“Nonetheless, the House Education and Workforce Committee deserves tremendous credit for making the hard choices and putting forward an incredibly thoughtful package of reforms. This package – or something like it – should be enacted into law.”

Does your ID have a star in the corner? What you need to know before Real ID begins

By PARKER CARLSON
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](#)

All driver’s licenses, permits, and identification cards nationwide will have to be Real ID-compliant by May 7, but how is it going to affect you?

The **REAL ID Act**, which was created from the 9/11 Commission to create a new security standard, was passed by Congress in 2005 and is nearing its deadline for compliance on May 7.

Without Real ID, you’ll risk major delays through extra screening processes when getting on a plane – and can even be prohibited

from boarding – and you won’t be able to enter federal facilities. However, you will be able to use a passport instead of a Real ID to board.

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- One document proving lawful status.
- One document proving your social security.
- Two documents proving you live in Indiana.

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Minors will not need to provide identification to TSA.

After you’re approved for Real ID, if you don’t have a temporary or permanent resident status, you won’t have to go through this process again.

If you don’t have a Real ID-compliant license or ID card, you will still be able to drive and vote. You will also be able to apply to keep a non-compliant license or ID card when you renew.

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Indiana First Lady Maureen Braun launches fundraising initiative for Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library

Submitted by Office of Governor Mike Braun

Indiana First Lady Maureen Braun announced on Tuesday the launch of a new fundraising initiative to expand and sustain Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library across the state.

The initiative establishes a public-private partnership aimed at supporting the beloved book-giving program that promotes early childhood literacy by delivering free, high-quality books to children from birth to age five.

“Reading opens up a world of imagination for kids, and having books in the home benefits children

in school and throughout their lives,” Braun said. “I’m proud to champion this effort to keep Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library growing strong here in Indiana and to help Hoosier kids develop a lifelong love of reading.”

The First Lady is collaborating with philanthropic organizations and state leaders to secure funding and raise awareness for the Imagination Library’s ongoing expansion. The initiative will bolster efforts to enroll more children across Indiana’s 92 counties and ensure the program’s sustainability for future generations.

“We are honored to work alongside First Lady Maureen Braun to bring the magic of books into more homes across Indiana,” The Dollywood Foundation President and Vice Chair Jeff Conyers said. “Her commitment to ensuring the success of Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library in Indiana gives us



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confidence that this program will flourish – reaching more families, inspiring more children, and building a brighter future for generations to come.”

Click here to learn more about the initiative or to donate.

Google’s monopoly ruling reveals a deeper threat to innovation

A recent federal court ruling found that Google violated antitrust laws to maintain an illegal search engine monopoly. While a landmark decision, it is just the tip of the iceberg, exposing a deeper, underlying issue plaguing America’s innovation ecosystem.

At the core lies a tactic known as “efficient infringement,” which is advocate-speak for intentional, premeditated infringement.

This occurs when large companies deliberately use patented technologies without permission, having determined that the potential profits outweigh the risk of being sued. It is a cold, economic calculation: if the cost of a potential lawsuit is less than the licensing fees or the competitive advantage gained, then infringing becomes the rational business choice. Large companies effectively sideline startups and smaller innovators, stealing their technology and diverting their resources from competition to litigation.

So, what is the solution? Congress has two crucial pieces of legislation that could help level the playing field: the RESTORE Patent Rights Act and the PREVAIL Act.

The RESTORE Patent Rights Act strikes at the heart of the premeditated infringement problem by reviving a powerful legal remedy: injunctions.

Currently, even when infringement is proven, courts fail to issue these orders that halt infringers from using patented technologies, instead favoring monetary damages. This approach enables premeditated infringement by allowing deep-pocketed infringers to walk off with others’ innovations and dare innovators to sue if they want to do anything about it. The RESTORE Patent Rights Act would change this by restoring the presumption that a patent owner is entitled to an injunction when infringement is proven.

Injunctions enable small inventors to use their inventive products and compete in the market against much larger companies. This shift is vital for breaking up monopolies and paving the

way for a more competitive and innovative ecosystem.

The PREVAIL Act, meanwhile, aims to reform the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, a body that was intended to provide a faster process for adjudicating patent validity but has instead become a tool for large companies to repeatedly challenge the patents of smaller rivals. By limiting duplicative proceedings and increasing transparency, the PREVAIL Act would help ensure that the patent review process is fair and efficient rather than a war of attrition against smaller inventors.

Together, these bills would advance a more just patent system, making it harder for large companies to game the system and easier for inventors to compete.

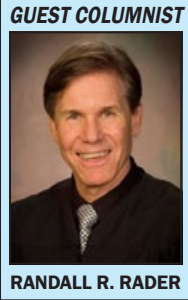
Critics who claim that stronger protections will stifle innovation fundamentally misrepresent the patent system. Patents do not limit ideas; they incentivize the creation and sharing of new ones. Without reliable protections, small companies struggle to realize their innovations’ full potential, ultimately resulting in fewer breakthroughs.

The Google antitrust ruling is a wake-up call – but it addresses a symptom, not the root cause.

To foster the next generation of groundbreaking companies, lawmakers must act decisively and ensure that today’s startups have a fair shot at turning their innovations into successful businesses – breaking the stranglehold of monopolies and reinvigorating the spirit of competition.

By passing the RESTORE Patent Rights Act and the PREVAIL Act, Congress can help ensure an innovation ecosystem that lives up to the promise of American ingenuity and safeguards U.S. technological leadership for years to come.

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GUEST COLUMNIST

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Indiana Orthopedic Institute surgeon conducts groundbreaking knee replacement surgery

Dr. Robert Malinzak performs Indiana’s first cementless partial knee procedure

Submitted

Dr. Robert Malinzak, a renowned board-certified orthopedic surgeon at Indiana Orthopedic Institute (IOI), recently performed the first cementless partial knee replacement procedure in Indiana. The groundbreaking surgery took place at Ascension St. Vincent Fishers Hospital. This innovative procedure replaces a damaged knee joint with

artificial components, eliminating the need for bone cement.

Unlike traditional knee replacements that rely on bone cement to secure the implant, the cementless approach allows the bone to naturally grow around the implant, offering better



Malinzak

long-term stability. The procedure uses a knee implant with a mobile bearing that moves with the femur, closely mimicking natural knee movement.

Benefits of the cementless partial knee procedure include longer-lasting results, a reduced risk

of implant loosening, and faster recovery. Additionally, the surgery requires less time in the operating room and is ideal for patients looking to return to higher-impact activities. The cementless technique also eliminates the potential risks associated with cement debris or loose cement bodies within the joint.

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Indiana sees March permit boost & leads Midwest in single-family housing starts

The REPORTER

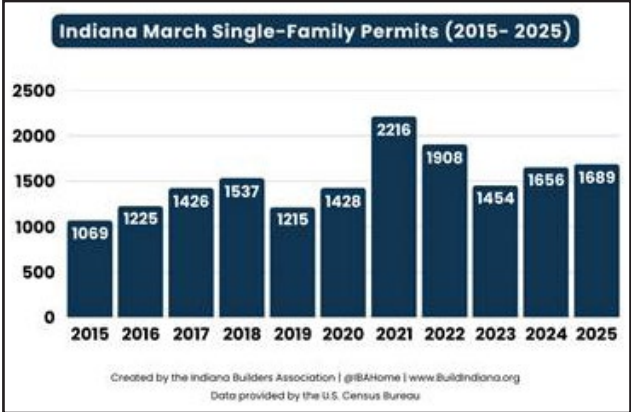
Single-family building permits in Indiana saw a significant increase in March, according to the latest data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

A total 1,689 permits were issued statewide last month, a 21 percent increase from the 1,399 permits pulled in February 2025. This number is up 2 percent from March of 2024, when 1,656 permits were pulled.

Indiana outpaced neighboring states again, with Ohio issuing 1,402 permits; Michigan at 1,233; Illinois at 964; and Kentucky at 835.

Year-to-date, Indiana has recorded 4,441 single-family permits through the first three months of 2025, up 1 percent compared to the same period in 2024 (4,383 permits).

“March’s uptick in permits is a strong sign that homebuilders are responding to continued demand and low inventory levels,” Indiana Builders Association President Ryan Baker said. “Despite elevated interest rates, rising construction costs, and labor shortages, Indiana’s housing market remains one of the strongest in the Midwest.”



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About IBA

The Indiana Builders Association (IBA) is a statewide trade organization representing Indiana’s home building, remodeling, and light com-

mercial construction industry. Established in 1952, IBA has 20 local affiliates across Indiana and is associated with the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. IBA educates and advocates for the construction industry to positively impact legislative, regulatory, and legal issues that affect housing affordability. More information can be found at buildindiana.org.

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AARP Indiana tells Sen. Young: don't forget about family caregivers

State director & volunteers deliver petitions from Hoosiers supporting tax credit

The REPORTER

As federal spending discussions heat up in Washington, D.C., AARP Indiana is asking U.S. Sen. Todd Young and Congressional leaders to remember working family caregivers by supporting the Credit for Caring Act.

According to a **recent poll from AARP**, 84 percent of voters support a federal tax credit for working family caregivers. Employed caregivers often leave the workforce or reduce their hours due to caregiving, resulting in a loss of income, retirement savings, benefits, and career mobility.

Family caregivers are the backbone of the U.S. care system. **Here in Indiana**, an estimated 790,000 Hoosiers are unpaid family caregivers providing 740 million hours of care each year. The value of this unpaid care is \$10.8 billion.

“Family caregivers consistently put family first,” AARP Indiana State Director Sarah Waddle said. “They take responsibility to help their parents, spouses, and loved ones stay at home – where they want to be. These Hoosiers continue to step up for their loved ones and we need Congress to do the same for them.”

On average, family caregivers spend \$7,200 out-of-pocket annually on care-related expenses, about 25 percent of their income, making it difficult for them to afford groceries and pay their bills.

How the Credit for Caring Act would help

- The Credit for Caring Act would help working family caregivers offset the cost of caregiving expenses such as home care aides, adult day services, home modifications, assistive technology, respite care, transportation, and other



supports.

- Eligible family caregivers assisting loved ones of all ages could receive the credit if the care recipient meets certain functional or cognitive limitations or other requirements certified by a licensed healthcare practitioner.
- Caregivers would need to be working and document qualified expenses.
- The credit amount would be 30 percent of the qualified expenses paid or incurred by the caregiver above \$2,000, up to a maximum amount of \$5,000. The tax credit is non-refundable.
- Unlike the existing child and dependent care credit, the bill would help

family caregivers who care for non-dependents or who do not live with the person they are assisting.

- Individuals with higher incomes would be ineligible for the tax credit and the bill includes protections to prevent double-dipping with existing federal tax provisions.

As part of the effort to highlight the importance of supporting family caregivers, AARP Indiana also **released a video** of AARP volunteers speaking about their own caregiving experiences.

For more information on AARP Indiana and its support for caregivers visit aarp.org/IN.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING

THE SIN OFFERING

“If anyone becomes aware that they are guilty—if they unwittingly touch anything ceremonially unclean (whether the carcass of an unclean animal, wild or domestic, or of any unclean creature that moves along the ground) and they are unaware that they have become unclean, but then they come to realize their guilt; or if they touch human uncleanness (anything that would make them unclean) even though they are unaware of it, but then they learn of it and realize their guilt; or if anyone thoughtlessly takes an oath to do anything, whether good or evil (in any matter one might carelessly swear about) even though they are unaware of it, but then they learn of it and realize their guilt—when anyone becomes aware that they are guilty in any of these matters, they must confess in what way they have sinned. As a penalty for the sin they have committed, they must bring to the Lord a female lamb or goat from the flock as a sin offering; and the priest shall make atonement for them for their sin.

Leviticus 5:2-6 (NIV)

George Robert Nelson

May 21, 1936 – April 23, 2025

George Robert Nelson, 88, Westfield, passed away on Wednesday, April 23, 2025. He was born on May 21, 1936, in Brooklyn, N.Y., to George Nelson and Marie Smith Nelson Jensen.

As a 1954 graduate of Brooklyn Tech High School, George continued his education at Cooper Union College, graduating in 1958.

For several years, George worked at RCA Records and later Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield.

His memberships included Carmel Golden K Kiwanis, Carmel Masonic Lodge #42, and the Norwegian Club. George received the prestigious Sagamore of the Wabash award.

George and Joanne first met at a dance. She was in Rainbow Girls; he was a DeMolay. They fell in love and married on June 21, 1958. Before moving to Carmel, they lived in West Caldwell, N.J.

George enjoyed playing handball and was a stamp collector.

In addition to his parents, George was preceded in death by his loving wife of 64 years, Joanne Johnston Nelson; son, Eric Nelson; brother, William Nelson; and son-in-law, Jonathan Hill.

Survivors include his daughters, Lori Hill and Lelia (Dave) George; son, Howard (Laura) Nelson; grandchildren, Michelle Hill (David Ward), Andrea (Troy) Wilson, Michael (Hannah) Wyatt, David George, Haley (Austin) Hartwick, Stacey (Jared) Renner, Brittney George, Lindsey George, Brendon Nelson, and Ryan (Dienes) Nelson; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Family and friends will gather at noon on Friday, May 2, 2025, at King of Glory Lutheran Church, 2201 E. 106th St., Carmel, where George was a member, and where the Funeral Service will begin at 1 p.m. A Committal Service will follow in Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, 9700 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis.

Contributions in memory of George may go to the donor's favorite charity.

Bussell Family Funerals is privileged to assist the family with arrangements.

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With over 300,000 procedures performed worldwide in the past two decades, Dr. Malinzak is optimistic about the positive impact this surgery will have on his patients.

The Indiana Orthopedic Institute (IOI) is a premier provider of advanced orthopedic care specializing in hip and knee replacement and offering hand,

elbow, shoulder, foot, ankle, and fracture care. Founded and led by Dr. Michael Meneghini, IOI is committed to delivering innovative, patient centered care focused on surgical excellence, education, and research. With multiple locations across Indiana including Terre Haute, Fort Wayne, and the new flagship facility in Noblesville, our highly skilled providers and surgeons manage the entire continuum of care seamlessly, from initial evaluation and non-surgical treatments to surgical procedures and recovery.

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a multi-disciplinary team approach of nationally and internationally recognized surgical, anesthesia, and perioperative medical providers ensuring our patients receive their care in the safest possible environment with superior outcomes. The facility includes an ambulatory surgery center with four operating rooms, a dedicated orthopedic clinic with 20 exam rooms, therapy services, X-ray imaging, and a cutting-edge research gait lab. An on-site education and research conference center further reflects IOI's commitment to innovation and clinical excellence.

IOI leverages a fully

integrated suite of digital solutions to optimize provider efficiency and elevate patient care, in partnership with Healthcare Outcomes Performance Company (HOPCo) – the leading national provider of MSK practice management and clinical outcomes, and the largest orthopedic value-based care organization in the United States. This partnership enables IOI to deliver high-quality, cost-effective care tailored for success in today's value-based healthcare environment.

For more information, please visit IndianaOrtho.com or call (317) 620-0232.

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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.

Submit obituaries under 500 words online at ReadTheReporter.com/obitform.

Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Council will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 7, 2025, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Atlanta Redevelopment Commission will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, May 12, 2025, at Atlanta Town Hall, 105 E. Main St.



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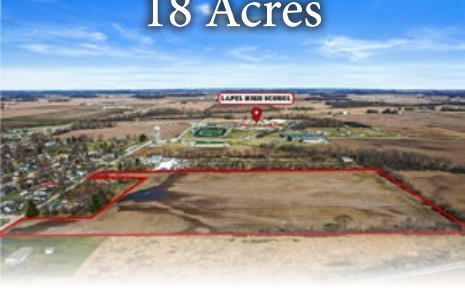
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Softball

Early homers send Huskies past Golden Eagles

By **RICHIE HALL**
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ARCADIA — The scoring was early and often at Hamilton Heights on Wednesday.

The Huskies’ softball team hosted Guerin Catholic in an all-county game. The Golden Eagles batted first and scored first, but Heights responded with three home runs during the first two innings. The momentum from those big hits carried the Huskies through to a 6-2 victory.

“It really turned our team’s energy up, for sure,” said Heights coach Shelby Willis.

Guerin Catholic scored both of their runs in the first inning. Kate Brady led off with a single, then moved to second base on Madi Cain’s sacrifice bunt. Lucy Kemp sent a base hit into center field, which eventually scored Brady. Anna Mauch came up next and hit a sacrifice fly to bring in Kemp.

The Huskies quickly tied the game in the bottom of the first. Lily Cash got on base with a left field hit and was soon back home: Kamryn Rhoton sent a home run into center field.

Heights kept it rolling in the second inning by scoring its other four runs. Ellie Engle smacked a solo home run into left

field. Later, Hailey Hall got on base with a single, then moved to second base when Taya Trosper drew a walk. Cash came up next and sent a homer over the left field fence.

That would be it for scoring, although Guerin Catholic threatened in the seventh inning. Izzy Phillips led off with a single, then the Golden Eagles absorbed two outs before Cain and Kemp both hit singles to load the bases. But center fielder Hailey Hall caught a flyout for the third out, clinching the Huskies’ victory.

Willis said her team handled the seventh inning “very well. We always are really good under pressure, specifically our pitching staff.”

Cash handled everything well on both sides of the plate. She was 2-for-3 on offense, while striking out eight in a complete-game pitching effort. McKenzie Jackson hit a double, one of the Huskies’ seven hits.

Guerin Catholic collected nine hits, including a 3-for-4 outing by Kemp. Brooklyn Fritsche and Kate Brady were both 2-for-3.

“They were struggling for that one inning and then they came back,” said GC coach Erika Weber. The coach credited pitcher Ava Augusti-



Reporter photos by Richie Hall
(ABOVE) Hamilton Heights’ Ellie Engle (25) was one of three Huskies players to hit a home run during their win over Guerin Catholic on Wednesday. **(RIGHT)** Guerin Catholic’s Ava Augustinovicz pitched a complete game with six strikeouts.

novicz with playing well; she also threw a complete game with six strikeouts.

“When she gets down, she knows she has her defense to back her up,” said Weber. “We have all seniors in the infield helping her out and they just tell her they had her back.

I think that builds her confidence, because as you saw after that, she started going hard and she started getting some Ks.”

Heights is 10-5 and plays Friday at Cascade. The Golden Eagles are 6-5 and play Friday at Carmel.



Baseball

Tigers win fifth straight Mudsock, remain unbeaten in HCC

By **RICHARD TORRES**
For The Reporter

FISHERS — Known as the “Cardiac Cats” for their ability to come back late in most games, the Fishers Tigers needed no heroics to win Wednesday night at Hamilton Southeastern’s Ken Seitz Field.

Instead, the Class 4A second-ranked Tigers (13-2, 7-0 HCC) simply did what they do best, defeating Hoosier Crossroads Conference foe HSE, 5-1, to seize their fifth consecutive Mudsock baseball trophy.

Senior second baseman Mayo Fernandez went 2-for-3 with three RBI, including one in the top of the second and two more in the fourth, while senior starter Owen Sanders pitched a complete-game four hitter.

“Mudsock is always huge. No matter how good the team is doing or how bad a team is doing, you know you’re going to have to come out and compete,” said Fernandez, a Grace College commit. “These are all our buddies, so you want it just as bad. You want to

win.” The Tigers have won every designated Mudsock game since 2021 — customarily the first contest when the rival programs contend in a two-game series.

HSE’s last Mudsock series victory (2-1) was in 2019. Overall, the Tigers have captured the prize 12 times since 2010, including during the former three-game HCC series format (2015-2024).

“That’s just something that sits with us. You want to pass it on. Keep it going, so once we graduate, the younger guys can keep it going. That’s just something we want, to win the Mudsock every year,” Fernandez said. “That’s what we look forward to.”

The Fishers’ lineup produced six hits led by Fernandez and fellow Grace recruit and senior Luke Cherry (2-for-3), who kicked off the top of the second with a double.

Fernandez drove in Cherry with a two-out RBI single to put Fishers up 1-0.

In the top of the fourth, Fernandez came through with one out and the bas-



Photo by Richard Torres
The Fishers baseball team beat Hamilton Southeastern 5-1 on Wednesday to win the Mudsock trophy for the fifth consecutive year.

es loaded by lacing a hard ground ball into left field that plated two runs, as an error moved him over to second base. HSE had two errors in the frame.

A two-out single by Brady Carman (1-for-3), an Indiana Tech recruit, increased the Tigers’ lead to 5-0 in the fourth.

“They’ve put up like 28 runs in their last three

games, so it’s never an easy task in the HCC,” Fishers coach Matthew Cherry remarked on facing HSE (6-11, 0-7 HCC). “The records are never what they look like in the HCC. Anybody can beat anybody on a given night, so we had to come ready to play.”

HSE starter Michael Hoog, a Depauw commit, pitched 7.0 innings with six

hits allowed, two earned runs, two walks and seven strikeouts.

“Michael did a great job for them. I watched him throw against Avon, and that score wasn’t indicative to how well he threw, so we knew it was going to be a battle,” Cherry said.

Sanders, a Saint Xavier commit, won the duel by striking out six, walking four and allowing one unearned run to improve to 4-0 this season.

Last year, Sanders earned the save when Fishers beat HSE, 7-6 in the first of three games. The Tigers won the series 2-1.

“He’s a competitor. I’d like him to limit some of the walks he’s been putting out there, but his ball moves just enough and changes speeds enough to keep everybody

off balance and gets a lot of bad contact,” Cherry said.

Fernandez has been locked in since April 19, going 8-for-17 with nine RBI the past five games. He’s driven in seven runs the past three contests.

“He’s been really red hot. He’s doing awesome. He’s totally bought in and doing great. He’s really helped us out with two strikes and two outs, battling at the plate. He’s been doing that for the last couple of weeks,” Cherry said.

The teams are scheduled to complete their two-game series today at Fishers. A win would secure Fishers’ fourth HCC series sweep.

“You’re only as good as your next one. That’s what my dad used to tell me, so we’ll see how we do tomorrow,” Cherry said.

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Boys Golf

Rocks win Woodland Invitational with new school record

The REPORTER

The Westfield boys golf team made history while winning the Woodland Country Club High School Invitational on Wednesday.

The Shamrocks set a new school record with an 18-hole team score of 277, which is 11 under par. Three Westfield players finished under par: Jake Cesare carded 65 (seven under), Will Harvey finished with 68 (four under) and Ryan Cesare scored 70 (two under). Hudson Kutchma scored 74 and Brayden Worthington totaled 75.

“We talk a lot about just putting ourselves in position,” said Westfield coach Josh Bryant. “These guys can get it done.”

All five Shamrocks golfers had multiple birdies. Jake Cesare drained six and also eagled hole No. 16. Harvey made five birdies, Ryan Cesare and Worthington both collected four and Kutchma had three birdies.

Bryant said that such high a number of birdies was a testament to the work his golfers put into their short game.

“Good to see them show out on a perfect course, per-



The Westfield boys golf team won the Woodland Invitational on Wednesday with a school-record team score of 277, going 11 under par. Three of the Shamrocks players finished their rounds under par.

fect night,” said Bryant.

And the ‘Rocks players aren’t resting on their laurels either, despite being happy with their performance.

“I thought we did pretty well,” said Kutchma. “Nothing really too special out there, but I think we can play a little bit better.”

Carmel placed second with a team score of 300. Noah Johnson was the Greyhounds’ low man with a 73, followed by 75 from Ethan Hoagland and Davis Hutchens. David Connerly totaled 77 and Alex Gardner scored 81. Two Greyhounds played as individuals: Max O’Neil scored 81 and Patrick Wolf totaled 84.

Guerin Catholic and Zionsville both scored 312. Eli Wessel led the Golden Eagles with 75, followed by Brady Wagner with 78 and Will Parenteau with 79. Johnny Quinn added 80 and Connor Trice scored 82.

Baseball

Huskies fall to Berries for conference split

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights baseball team lost to Logansport 3-0 in a Wednesday away game, resulting in a Hoosier Conference split with the Berries.

Logansport scored runs in the first, fourth and fifth

innings. The Berries held the Huskies to four hits; Dillon Pitts was 2-for-2, including a double. P.J. Wright and Cohen Boys both had one hit.

Heights is 5-9 and host Lawrence Central at 5:30 p.m. this afternoon.

Softball

Millers fall to Cathedral in big-hitting game

The REPORTER

The Noblesville softball team dropped a 7-5 home game to Cathedral on Wednesday.

All of the runs were scored by home runs. The Millers took a 2-0 lead in the second inning after Maggie Kern hit a left field home run; Addi Emmerson also scored. The Irish hit a solo home run in the third inning, then followed a fourth-inning grand slam with another homer to take a 7-2 lead.

Noblesville’s Haley Schatko sent a three-run homer over the center field fence, which also brought home Reese Newsom and Emerson for her second run of the game. But Cathedral held on for the win.

Kern was 2-for-3 at the plate. Addison Retzinger pitched 3.2 innings, striking out three and allowing just one hit.

The Millers are 9-4 and host Pendleton Heights tonight.

Girls Tennis

No. 3 Rocks sweep Millers

The REPORTER

The Westfield girls tennis team rolled to a 5-0 win over Noblesville Wednesday in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference match.

The No. 3-ranked Shamrocks only dropped four games in the five matches, including a 6-0, 6-0 victory for No. 1 singles Alexandra

Grilliot. No. 2 singles Juliette Grilliot, No. 1 doubles Jenna Berry and Bella Rivera, and No. 2 doubles Isla Harvey and Ellen Volz were all 6-0, 6-1 winners. No. 3 singles Addi Kooi got a 6-1, 6-0 victory.

Westfield plays another HCC match today, hosting No. 6 Fishers.

Tickets on sale for LIV Golf Indianapolis 2025 in Westfield

By GREGG MONTGOMERY
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Tickets are on sale for the LIV Golf Indianapolis 2025 event from Aug. 15-17 at The Club at Chatham Hills in Westfield.

News 8 first reported in November on the event coming to Hamilton County.

Multiple tickets packages are available. Special ticket offers include complimentary youth tickets and discounts for college students, teachers, and first responders.

On the **ticket sales website**, one-day tickets start at \$305.28 for the Fanstand on Friday, and up to \$50,706.52 for 40 tickets in the Suite on 17 on Sunday.

Three-day tickets start at \$136.49 for a grounds pass, up to \$144,537.10 for 40 tickets in the Suite on 17.

LIV Golf says its increased capacity for Premium Hospitality packages due to overwhelming demand, which initially sold out in three days during the early-bird reservation window.

Golf course architect Pete Dye designed **The Club at Chatham Hills**. The event will feature 13



Westfield is expecting a significant economic impact from the arrival of LIV Golf, with the tournament set to bring nearly 50,000 fans and a potential \$30 million in economic impact to the region.

four-player teams, including major champions Jon Rahm, Cameron Smith, Bryson DeChambeau, and Phil Mickelson. A Fan Village will provide a family-friendly experience with live music, interactive challenges, and kid-focused attractions, LIV Golf says in a news release issued Wednesday.

This story originally appeared on WISH-TV at wishtv.com/sports/liv-golf-indianapolis-2025-tickets-westfield-indiana.

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Cardinal Ritter at University, 5:30 p.m.
Carmel at Center Grove, 6 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Fishers, 6 p.m.
Lawrence Central at Hamilton Heights, 6 p.m.
Westfield at Noblesville, 6:30 p.m.
BOYS LACROSSE
Culver Academies at Westfield, 7 p.m.
GIRLS LACROSSE
Brebeuf Jesuit at Guerin Catholic, 7:30 p.m.
Carmel at Cathedral, 7:30 p.m.
Zionsville at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:30 p.m.
GOLF
Hamilton Southeastern vs. Noblesville and Zionsville, 2 p.m. at Broadmoor Country Club
Tri-Central at Hamilton Heights, 4:30 p.m.
University vs. Indpls. Lutheran, 4:30 p.m. at Wood Wind
SOFTBALL
Sheridan at Tri-Central, 5 p.m.
Fishers at Mount Vernon, 5:30 p.m.
Carmel at Tri-West, 6 p.m.
Pendleton Heights at Noblesville, 6 p.m.
Westfield at Yorktown, 6 p.m.
TENNIS
Hamilton Heights at Elwood, 4:30 p.m.
University at Cathedral, 4:30 p.m.
Carmel at North Central, 4:45 p.m.
Guerin Catholic at Brebeuf Jesuit, 5 p.m.
Fishers at Westfield, 5:30 p.m.
Franklin Central at Noblesville, 5:30 p.m.
Hamilton Southeastern at Avon, 5:30 p.m.
TRACK & FIELD
Sheridan at Eastern, 5 p.m.
UNIFIED TRACK
Hamilton Heights, Noblesville, Zionsville at Fishers, 6 p.m.
VOLLEYBALL
Heritage Christian at Guerin Catholic, 6:30 p.m.
Northpoint Homeschool at University, 6:30 p.m.
Westfield at Noblesville, 7 p.m.
Fishers at Hamilton Southeastern, 7:30 p.m.
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