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Janet has ink in her veins

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The Hamilton County Reporter is proud to name Janet Hart Leonard as the first recipient of our Ink-Stained Wretch Award. Janet's award certificate reads, "In recognition and appreciation for her exceptional writing, her work as our unofficial community ambassador, and her dedication to all things Hamilton County."



A certificate for a celebratory dinner at Pasto Italiano, 3150 E. State Road 32, Westfield.

An ink-stained wretch is an old idiom from the halcyon days when people wrote with pens. [Editor's note: A pen is a physical device filled with ink with which we used to scratch words on paper. "Ink-stained wretch" was a phrase for those of us who made a living from writing.]

For several minutes, Janet was struck speechless. It should be noted that she did not know why she was called in for a meeting and said it felt like she was being called to the principal's office.

"Receiving the Ink-Stained Wretch Award from the HCR leaves me grasping for words to express what this honor means to me," Janet said. "Writing



Reporter photo
Ink-Stained Wretch Janet Hart Leonard was infected with the newspaper bug decades ago and we hope she has decades left to go.

is such a passion of mine. To think that my words matter never ceases to amaze me. For 19 years, I have shared my heart and my thoughts with my readers. I am honored to be a columnist for the Hamilton County

Reporter. From dreaming about being a writer in high school to becoming a columnist and author truly shows that dreams really do come true."

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Emily Alexander says her mother, Reporter Columnist Janet Hart Leonard, taught her everything about what it means to be a mom.

It takes a village

Note from Janet Hart Leonard: For Mother's Day, I am handing over my column to my daughter, Emily Alexander, to share her thoughts.

When people say, "It takes a village to raise a child," it's not about a parent's limitations. In our home, it means weaving a vibrant community that pours love, support, and wisdom into our children's lives. This village shapes who our kids become, molding their values, dreams, and hearts.

As we celebrate Mother's Day, I'm reflecting on the incredible role this community plays – not just for my children, but for me and countless others, and I'm filled with gratitude for the woman who showed me how to build it: my mom.

With our kids' whirlwind schedules – sports, school, and everything in between – our village is a lifeline. We lean on grandparents, friends, coaches, and neighbors to keep things running smoothly. I sometimes feel guilty relying on them so much, but then I realized: I'm part of someone else's village, too. When I cheer for our kids' friends at their games, offer a ride, or lend a listening ear, I don't hesitate – it's an honor. Mother's Day reminds me that this mutual support is the heartbeat of our villages, and I'm so grateful for everyone who steps up.

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Carmel lends huge support for first responders, the real heroes

By **STU CLAMPITT**
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The Heroes Club was formed in 1996 by a group of Carmel businessmen who recognized the need to support local heroes and their families in their times of need, especially if they die in the line of duty. Now they also provide supplementary insurance for counseling.

The Heroes Club annual fundraiser was held Tuesday evening, May 6 at the 3UP Rooftop, 201 W. Main St., Carmel. During and after the event, The Reporter spoke to several people about their involvement with the organization and what it means to the first responders who serve Carmel.

Founders Chuck and Lynn Lazzara have been involved in The Heroes Club since its inception in 1996.



Reporter photo
Has anyone seen Die Hard? Last Tuesday evening was the perfect time for a heist movie as all the first responders were packed in at 3UP Rooftop.

"It evolved in the first 10 years sort of slowly," Lazzara said. "All we tried to do was raise enough money to pay for the insurance policy. But in the last 20 years, it's gotten a lot more involvement and we are

getting more people involved in it. My daughter got involved about 10 years ago and was on the board. My son was involved in it, who owns Anthony's. Lynn's brother is Matt Frye, the president. It's been in

our family for 30 years, and I kept encouraging them."

Carmel Police Chief Drake Sterling learned about The Heroes Club from then-president

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Hands-on education leads to solid career path

The REPORTER
Our country continues to face a significant shortage of skilled automotive technicians, and a program at Chariot Automotive Institute is working to help fill in that labor gap. Earlier this month, nine high schoolers were honored during the Chariot Automotive Institute's 2025 Graduation in Kokomo.

All nine students received a successful Automotive Technician Education Pathway (ATEP) completion, which offers high



Photo provided
The 2025 graduates of the Chariot Automotive Institute are (from left) Caleb Brannies, Presley Louck, Aidan Howell, Derrick Hill, Caleb Hare, Dylan Woodward, Jamison Douglas, Joseph Vautaw, and Owen Hunt.

school juniors and seniors in Indiana the opportunity to get hands-on training and college credit toward a degree. This was the first time that students were officially recognized for completing the full two-year program, which began in 2023.

ATEP prepares students to enter a Registered Department of Labor (DOL) Apprenticeship Program. ATEP is one of just a few automotive-focused DOL-accredited programs in Indiana.

Seven of the students also received an Automotive Service Technology Technical Certificate from Ivy Tech Community College. The students were able to earn this post-secondary certification at no cost. Students from Westfield High School, Noblesville High School, Hamilton Heights High School, Tipton High School, and Lewis Cass High School were all recognized.

The Reporter spoke to Westfield student Dylan Woodward and Chariot Automotive Workforce Development Specialist Jim Woolf about the benefits of this educational program.

"It was a really good experience, honestly," Woodward told The Reporter. "It was a lot better than I thought it was going to be. It's probably been the best two years I've had so far learning and also just meeting new people through it. I would say there's still some more learning to do, but there's always more learning you can do."

Woodward, who works for the Chariot dealership now, said he now has the knowledge and experience for this career to feel like second nature to him.

"When I go into work, I feel like I don't have to go around asking everybody," Woodward said. "There's some things that are still complicated, but I feel like the program's given me a lot of insight just into the basic functioning of a car, but also a little bit more in depth



Woodruff



Woolf

about communications and all the other stuff, especially engine performance."

Woolf does workforce development and grant writing for Chariot's program, which is funded in part through a state program called Career Scholarship Accounts.

"It's become a very, very popular program within the state because businesses like us can afford to do workforce development with high schoolers, with state assistance paying for their tuition, tools, shirts, career counseling, and all the things that we did," Woolf said.

Due to state budget cuts, Woolf is currently trying to figure out how to fully fund expenses for the next cohort of students, which is set to increase to 55 next year.

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Andrew and Georgia Marshall made a commitment to pastor the flock at Victory Chapel. Now, 37 years later, they're about to read the next chapter God is writing for them.

Celebrating a 37-year calling

By **JANET HART LEONARD**
For The Reporter

What if God calls you to a place you never imagined living and doing something you never imagined doing, yet so perfect you never wanted to leave ... for 37 years?

Have you ever known a minister and wife who have pastored the same church for 37 years?


Meet my friends, Andrew and Georgia Marshall. They have served as pastors at Victory Chapel Community Church on 216th Street in Noblesville for all that time.

On May 25, Pastor Andrew will give his final sermon from the pulpit at the small country church.

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STATE OPTS OUT OF FEDERAL PROGRAM TO FEED HUNGRY KIDS THIS SUMMER

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Photo provided by Jennifer Farley, Atlanta Town Clerk-Treasurer

The ribbon is cut, the tanks are full, and Atlanta’s first gas station is ready to serve customers. Located next to the Dollar General at 29459 State Road 19, the BP station opened May 2. We expect them to do stiff business during the upcoming Atlanta New Earth Festival this September.



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Papa Poteet pops up in Pendleton

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Your Hometown Meteorologist Paul Poteet spoke to classes at Pendleton Intermediate Elementary School earlier this month.

Mister Weatherman was part of career day presentations on May 1. He spoke of his childhood interest in radio and weather, which ended up expanding to television. (And newspapers, eventually!)

Poteet’s grandson Hunter is a fourth grader at the school. His class put on a “Famous Hoosier Wax Museum” the next day. Students



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picked personalities with an Indiana connection and used props, clothes, and a prepared speech to bring the character to life when visitors approached. Hunter’s pick was Papa Poteet. The real thing showed up, also with a shirt and tie.



Fire Chief Town of Cicero

The **Cicero Fire Department** is currently accepting applications for the position of full-time Fire Chief. Applications can be downloaded from the Town of Cicero website www.ciceroin.org or picked up at the Utility Office located at 331 E Jackson Street; Cicero, IN 46034. Applications will be accepted until 6/2/25. The Town of Cicero is an Equal Employment Opportunity.

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Please contact
Emily Pearson at 317-370-2566 or epearson@townofcicero.in.gov or Rhonda Gary at (317) 984-4900 or rgary@townofcicero.in.gov with any questions.



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State Rep. Danny Lopez and State Rep. Victoria Garcia-Wilburn joined Carmel Clay Schools Superintendent Tom Oestreich, Carmel High School Swim Coach Chris Plumb, Carmel High School Principal Tim Phares, and Carmel High School Athletic Director Jim Inskeep for a presentation and Q&A session with students.

Carmel High School swimmers honored with House Resolution

Submitted by Office of State Rep. Danny Lopez

Carmel is “Swim City, USA,” and Carmel High School is a big reason why. The girls and boys swim teams have enjoyed histor-

ic runs and the Greyhounds have become a national powerhouse in the sport. This year’s athletes delivered more of the same success. The girls won their 39th consecutive state championship while the boys notched their 11th straight, unprecedented, and sustained domination, as well as a national record for consecutive years of success.

On May 7, State Representative Danny Lopez visited the school to surprise these incredible student-athletes with a special acknowledgment: a House resolution he spearheaded during the 2025 Legislative Session to recognize the teams’ achievements.

Swim City, USA has become more than a moniker for the Carmel community. The immense talent Carm-

el High School teams have produced over the years – including Olympians Alex Shackell, Drew Kibler, and Jake Mitchell – have brought international attention to the city for four decades, helped shape local identity, and even generated measurable investment and return on investment.

Later this year, for example, Carmel will play host to the first leg of the 2025 World Aquatics Swimming World Cup, bringing 750 athletes from 50 countries, their families and friends, and their coaches to the city, resulting in a significant economic impact.

Congratulations to Coach Chris Plumb, the swimmers, and the entire Carmel High School community on this incredible achievement.

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White River Family Cruise
Join us for the White River Family Cruise, a delightful, short rail bike adventure departing Hobbs Station. This family-friendly journey takes you on a charming ride over the tranquil White River and into the heart of Downtown Noblesville. Bike time on this ride is very short at 15-20 minutes plus a 1-hour layover in Downtown Noblesville.

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Ladder 321 gets classic Cicero welcome

Citizens of Cicero came out in droves on May 3 for the town's first traditional Fire Truck Push-In Ceremony for Ladder 321. The event was held at the Cicero Fire Department, 1359 Stringtown Pike. In a letter published in The Reporter on Wednesday, May 8, Fire Chief Lance Overholser thanked the community for its "overwhelming support" in celebrating this "proud moment" for the town. (Photos provided by Michele Kinder & Emily Pearson)



Enjoy can of Bier Brewery's 10th Street Lager to celebrate Indiana Peony Festival

By **KELLY McVEY**
President, Indiana Peony Festival, Inc.

We're only a few days from the prettiest weekend of the year! We can't wait to see the city of Noblesville bloom into a peony oasis. Speaking of blooming, we've got more Brunch & Bloom stops to share with you, which are part of our brunch and retail crawl event, held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 17. Up next is one of our favorite places to visit, and a friendly neighbor to Seminary Park ... Bier Brewery. Bier Brewery and the Indiana Peony Festival are thrilled to unveil an exclusive, limited-edition 10th Street Lager can in celebration of the fifth Indiana Peony Festival. With both the festival and Bier Brewery calling 10th Street home, it's only fitting to commemorate the occasion with this exclusive release. Starting Friday, May 16, the limited-edition cans will



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be available for purchase at the Noblesville location. Bier Brewery will play host to the official after-party to the Indiana Peony Festival. From 4 p.m. to close, will celebrate our sweet state flower with live music, 10th Street Peony Lagers, a decked-out biergarten, and of course – peonies. Keep up to date on the latest festival news at IndianaPeonyFestival.com.



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Janet’s columns have been published on the front page of The Reporter every week since Feb. 16, 2014, though she had been writing for another publication for several years prior. You can read the Feb. 16, 2014 edition with Janet’s first column at tinyurl.com/JanetFirstColumn.

“The week after she was named Hamilton County’s best columnist in 2013, the newspaper she had been writing for stopped publishing her work without notice,” Reporter Publisher Stu Clampitt said. “They also said something about putting her back in print if a certain car dealership would advertise. Upon hearing that story, Ray Adler and I both reassured Janet that her place in OUR pages is safe for as long as she wants it.”

Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad Executive Director Emily Reynolds told The Reporter she was more than happy to add a free railbike excursion to Janet’s award package.

“Janet has been a tremendous member of our community,” Reynolds told The Reporter. “Her column in the paper is always a joy to read. Janet has supported Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad since our beginning and even served on the board at one time. We are honored to help recognize her.”

Adler said he appreciates the quality of her writing and how she keeps everything grounded in her faith.

“I’ve seen some things in my practice that make me a firm believer there is a God,” Adler said. “Every mistake I’ve made has been because I didn’t follow what I know. Janet lives and writes from her faith. No wonder it’s so good.”

Page Designer and Circulation Director Isaac Taylor has said many times that Janet’s caring character

makes her the grandma everyone deserves to have.

“There’s a reason Janet’s words appear at the top of every week’s print edition of The Reporter: maximum exposure!” Taylor said. “Honestly, though, it’s because in her column, she speaks naturally and without reservation. Our readers benefit from her spiritual wisdom gained through years of both pain and triumph – something with which we all can relate. Frankly, this newspaper as well as this county are better because of her.”

Reporter Co-Owner Seth Wilson said Janet’s writing reminds him there is more to life than being busy.

“I appreciate Janet sharing her words of wisdom through her column,” Wilson said. “Her writing brings a fresh and encouraging perspective to life. I look forward to reading the stories and experiences she shares through her column. Janet’s columns often cause me to stop and reflect, something much needed in the busyness of life. Congratulations on being selected as the winner of this year’s Ink-Stained Wretch Award! It is well-deserved.”

Hamilton County’s Hometown Weatherman Paul Poteet, who also owns a piece of The Reporter, said he and Mrs. Poteet both love reading Janet’s work.

“I’m glad we stumbled upon Janet’s Little House on the Alley, and made her part of our Little Newspaper on the Front Page,” Poteet said. “Her warm, personal style is a hit with our readers. Mrs. Poteet bought her book, and her taste is impeccable! Congrats on being an ink-stained wretch, Janet. I look forward to seeing more stories straight from the Hart in the Hamilton County Reporter.”

Congratulations, Janet. You truly earned it.

Tom Melangton at one of the first meetings he had as Chief. One of the things he appreciates about the club is the new mental health gap insurance coverage.

“So obviously, we’ve seen a shift here probably in the past decade or maybe a little bit more where we’re trying to take better care of our officers,” Sterling said. “As Carmel PD, I feel like we’ve done a pretty good job of providing services, of destigmatizing mental health, of having a culture of positive mental health. This helps build upon that. If there’s a gap, the Heroes Club will be there to support us.”

In addition to the life insurance and mental health insurance coverage, Sterling is grateful for the club’s financial support in other areas.

“They’ve supported us through some grants for equipment,” Sterling said. “For example – I think it was last summer – we needed a canine kennel that we weren’t able to fund through our general fund. One of the members of the Heroes Club jumped up and offered that up. It’s a giving group of people who are in it for the right reasons. And it’s just amazing.”

Heroes Club has been

working with Carmel Fire Department for a number of years, a relationship Chief Joel Thacker is grateful for.

“The relationship continues to grow stronger all the time,” Thacker said. “We see kind of the worst of humanity every day, and it takes its toll on us, both physically and mentally. We’re grateful for the Heroes Club to come along and support police officers, firefighters, their families, when, God forbid, they have a line-of-duty death. That partnership – that support – means a great deal to all of those that are in uniform here in this city.”

Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam is also a strong advocate for the club and the work it does.

“The Heroes Club provides vital financial protection for our first responders’ families in their time of greatest need,” Finkam told The Reporter. “This support represents our community’s unwavering commitment to those who risk everything to keep us safe. When tragedy strikes, our heroes’ families aren’t left to face hardship alone – it’s our solemn promise to honor their sacrifice and service to Carmel.”

Carmel Heroes Club President Matt Frey, who



Reporter photo
Carmel Fire Chief Joel Thacker and several of his firemen took a moment to pose for this shot.

also owns Bub’s Burgers, has been involved with the club for seven years.

“I own a business in Carmel, in Bloomington, in Zionsville, in the airport,” Frey said. “Who do you call if you’re in trouble? Who do you call if you’re out of town and your alarm goes off? They just show up and they’re tromping through snow or they’re in rain. They’ll just do whatever they have to do. We all get dressed every day and get in our cars and go to work, but these guys actually put a uniform on with a gun. They have to protect themselves or run into a fire. It’s quite courageous – more than selling cheeseburgers! So why not support the people who protect us? It’s obvious common sense.”

Two new forms of coverage The Heroes Club provides to first responders are supplemental mental health

coverage and coverage that pays out immediately upon a cancer diagnosis. The club has provided line-of-duty death insurance since its inception in 1996. But even that coverage has recently expanded.

“Surrounding communities are also protected if they come in our area,” Frey said. “For example, if a Westfield police officer does a chase in the Carmel Clay area and unfortunately dies in the line of duty, his beneficiary gets the [insurance payout]. Right now because it’s brand new. So that’s the mission.”

In order to carry out that mission, The Heroes Club needs both more members and more money to fund the various ways it supports first responders. You can learn more, join the club, and donate money to this 501(c)(3) organization online at TheHeroesClub.org/join.

CAREER

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“Dylan, along with the other students, were able to get a \$5,000 scholarship from the state of Indiana, and 70 percent of that money goes to Ivy Tech tuition,” Woolf said. “We pay tuition and then Dylan was able to accumulate several thousand dollars worth of personal tools through that money as well as a federal grant we were working on. So Dylan’s going to graduate not only with his technical certificate but somewhere in the neighborhood \$3,000 worth of personal tools.”

Woodward will now be involved in a program that Chariot is testing to see if students can attend summer classes and a fall semester to get an associate’s degree in automotive technology.

“It’s really kind of a blessing to be able to graduate with my Ivy Tech college graduation before my high school graduation,” Woodward said. “I plan to further my education as much as I can, keep doing my training that Chariot helps provide for, but also keep working with Chariot,

because even when you’re not doing training, you’re still getting educated on what’s going on.”

According to Woolf, beyond being an automotive technician, Woodward can work his way into a service manager or other administrative positions at one of the Chariot dealerships.

“These are guys and gals who are graduating and within three, four, five years. If they’re good and aggressive in their education like Dylan is, they’re going to be earning \$80,000, \$90,000, or \$100,000-plus per year. It’s a great occupation for them. It’s no longer just turning wrenches and getting dirty. It’s like Dylan said, a lot of technology, a lot of communication involved, which young folks like Dylan just pick up pretty easily.”

Chariot has been working directly with high schools to find students who are the right fit. Any students interested in this program can get more information from their high school guidance counselors.

VILLAGE

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Growing up, my parents surrounded me with an incredible village, and I’m especially thankful for the “bonus moms” who loved me like their own. These women offered guidance, encouragement, and unwavering support, and even now, they’re still there for me, no matter how much time has passed. I’ve also heard from childhood friends who share how my mom touched their lives, becoming a beacon of light in their villages.

This Mother’s Day, I’m celebrating these women who showed me what it means to mother beyond their children – and I owe so

much of that understanding to my mom’s example.

As my kids have grown, I’ve noticed their friends moving from calling me “Aiden and Leah’s mom” to “Momma Emily” or their “second mom.” It’s a title that humbles me and fills me with pride. I now understand the privilege of being a trusted figure in their lives, just as those bonus moms were for me. Mother’s Day is the perfect time to honor this role – to celebrate the joy of offering love and support to the kids who call me their second mom, and to every mother figure who steps into that sacred space for others.

A special thanks goes to my mom, who loved us so well and taught me what it means to be a mom and a bonus mom. Her fierce love, endless patience, and open heart showed me how to nurture my children and extend that care to others. She didn’t just raise me; she modeled how to build a village, love beyond family lines, and be a light for someone else’s child. This Mother’s Day, I’m celebrating her and the legacy of love she’s passed down.

My deepest hope as a mother has always been to surround my children with a community that loves and uplifts them no matter

what. Now, I also pray to be a positive influence for their friends, a bonus mom, or a steady presence in their villages, just like my mom was and is.

This Mother’s Day, I’m celebrating not just biological moms, but every person who mothers – grandmas, aunts, neighbors, teachers, friends, and especially my incredible mom – who make our villages so strong. Here’s to the love we share, the communities we build, and the countless ways we show up for each other’s children.

Happy Mother’s Day to every heart that helps raise a child.

CALLING

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Andrew was an MK – a missionary kid. His family would spend many years in Argentina. He met Georgia at Grace College in Winona Lake, Ind. On their third date, while walking in the rain to a movie, they both realized they had found the one with whom they would spend a lifetime, loving the Lord and each other. They married on July 25, 1981.

Andrew graduated from Grace College in Winona Lake, and he and Georgia moved to Wisconsin to serve at a church camp while he was getting a Master’s degree in Christian Camping. It was not a 9-to-5 job – it was 24/7. Their next endeavor was in Markle, Ind., where Andrew was a youth pastor.

Andrew had never planned to pastor a church, but God would show him and Georgia that His plans were better.

In the fall of 1987, Georgia typed Andrew’s resume to send to Victory Chapel Church. It was the only resume she sent to a church where he would interview as the lead pastor.

He was asked to give a sermon. He only had one sermon prepared, so when

they asked him to come back the next week and give another one, he was a bit concerned. One of the ladies who would help decide if they were to hire him sat in the back row and could not hear him. He would have to prepare another sermon and speak louder.

A vote of affirmation was taken that day, and Andrew and Georgia moved into the parsonage on 216th Street. There, they raised seven children and pastored three generations of those who called Victory Chapel their church.

That one sermon Andrew gave for his interview turned into thousands.

It was at their kitchen table that Andrew and Georgia told me their story. I had been friends with Georgia for over 12 years and asked my publisher, Stu Clampitt, if I could write a feature story about them. It’s rare for a pastor to stay at a church for more than a few years, and I knew they had quite the story, and I wanted to tell it.

With seven children and 37 years at Victory Chapel, they have enough stories for a book.

As I sat at their table and watched their glances back

and forth to each other, there was one thing I knew ... they were right about their thinking on their third date. They would spend a lifetime loving God and each other. God had planted their ministry and their love there at Victory Chapel.

Both Andrew and Georgia kept talking about how the church loved them well. That goes both ways. Their faces lit up as they spoke of the people of Victory Chapel.

One of the stories they told me was that at their first sermon interview, Andrew asked Georgia to sing a solo while he played the piano. When he got to the chorus, he played something different than what she was singing. They started over. He did it again. The congregation saw how this husband-and-wife duo handled an uncomfortable moment. They saw the “real” Andrew and Georgia and fell in love with them.

The conversation then led to everyone still seeking a place where they will be loved and embraced into a community. Victory Chapel has been doing just that.

Today, when families are scattered, the church family

is needed to nurture and embrace them.

Longevity and record-breaking attendance run in the pews at Victory Chapel. Iris Beechler, Larry and Sharon Freeman, Shannon and Valerie Carson, Dean and Mary Bardonner, Toni Boone, and Terry Dunn have attended Victory Chapel all the time Andrew and Georgia have pastored.

If you know Andrew and Georgia and want to celebrate their ministry, you are invited to Victory Chapel, 13350 E. 216th St., Noblesville, on May 18 at 10:30 a.m. There will be a church dinner afterwards. You know, church ladies can cook!

While Andrew will preach his final sermon from the pulpit at Victory Chapel on the 25th, it will not be his last act of ministry. He is already encouraging his Edgewood neighbors. He surprised eight of them with one of his famous homemade pies.

I think Victory Chapel got a two-for-one for 37 years. Congratulations, Andrew and Georgia. It’s time to enjoy a new chapter. I know God is writing a wonderful one for you.

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Sheridan starts on Monon Trail extension

The REPORTER

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Town of Sheridan celebrated the start of construction for Phase 2 of the Monon Trail extension in northern Hamilton County on May 9.

The asphalt multi-use trail will be constructed by the town with help from a \$2,089,850 Next Level Trails (NLT) grant. The award was announced in April 2022 as part of the third grant round of NLT.

“Indiana’s Next Level Trails program is all about making connections – and the Monon Trail hits the mark,” DNR Trails Manager Allen Hurst said. “With this extension, thousands of Hoosiers across Hamilton and Marion counties will soon have an improved connection north to Boone County, and south to downtown Indianapolis.”

The new trail will extend 1.1 miles northwest from Second Street to the Hamilton/Boone county line. This connects to the existing trail project from State Road 47 to Second



This new extension will bring the Monon Trail to the Hamilton/Boone county line northwest of town.

Street that opened in October 2024. The trail follows the historic railroad corridor through the town center of Sheridan. To the south, the existing Monon Trail extends more than 26 miles and travels through Westfield, Carmel, and Broad Ripple, ultimately ending at 10th Street in downtown Indianapolis. This project completes the trail within Hamilton County.

“Sheridan’s vibrancy and connectivity will be greatly enhanced by the Monon Trail,” Sheridan Town Council President Si DeVaney said. “We are grateful to the Department of Natural Resources for its partnership.”

NLT is the largest infusion of trails funding in state history. The \$180 million program is administered by the DNR

and facilitates critical trail connections within and between Hoosier communities. Forty-three of the 89 NLT projects are complete, totaling more than 115 miles of trail built since the program’s inception. Several projects are under construction, with more slated to break ground this year.

More information about NLT is at on.IN.gov/NextLevelTrails.

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Three Heights students earn DoE’s certificate of multilingual proficiency

Submitted by Leanne Wood

Three Hamilton Heights High School students, Adriana Kauffman, Victor Hernandez, and Zayra Pena, have achieved the Indiana Department of Education's Certificate of Multilingual Proficiency. This certificate verifies students’ ability to communicate effectively in the professional workplace in both Spanish and English.

To demonstrate their language abilities, students needed to reach at least an intermediate high level in ACTFL’s rigorous test of speaking, listening, reading, and writing, as well as a sufficient score on the SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing portion.

Hamilton Heights is very proud of these students and their accomplishment.

T1L1 graduates 237 Heights middle schoolers

The REPORTER

On May 1, Teach One to Lead One (T1L1) honored 237 fifth- and eighth-grade students from Hamilton Heights who recently completed the T1L1 Leadership Curriculum. This is the largest graduating class T1L1 has had in central Indiana.

In addition to the graduating students, nine students were recognized with the Positive Influence Award. They were Kenzie Cumston, Hannah Pharis, Lovaiyah Miller, Cooper Rodda, Nate Simms, Sophia Sylte, Victor Bailey Taylor, Sam Thompson, and Thiago Zuniga. Nine other students were recognized with the Second Mile Award. Those students were Adeline Allen, David Biddle, Colby Day, Calista Hite, Olivia Mackey, Madison Newby, Case Powell, Isaiah Timmons, and Hunter Wollam.

The T1L1 community mentoring program has been at Hamilton Heights for six years. Teams of caring adult mentors meet weekly with students throughout the school year. The mentors lead the students in a discus-



Hamilton Heights Middle School students celebrated their graduation from the T1L1 Mentoring Program.

sion of 10 Universal Principles that are essential for student leaders to possess if they are to find their purpose and reach their potential. The 10 Universal Principles are respect, integrity,

self-control, compassion, courage, teamwork, excellence, humility, enthusiasm, and honor. Students are encouraged to find ways to put these principles into action.

Hamilton Heights was

the first school district in Indiana to host a T1L1 community mentoring group. It currently serves six school districts in Central Indiana. For more information on T1L1, go to T1L1.org.

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Sheridan Community Schools celebrates third graduating class of Blackhawk Ambassadors

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

Sheridan Community Schools recently graduated its third class of Blackhawk Ambassadors, a group of dedicated community members who have taken an active role in learning about and supporting the inner workings of the school district.

The Blackhawk Ambassador Program brings together a diverse group of current parents, grandparents, local business owners, program directors, and new staff members. Throughout the school year, participants attend seven early morning sessions from September through May, each offering a behind-the-scenes look at all aspects of school life, ranging from daily scheduling, business management, long term/growth planning, academics, student services, operations, and much more.

These ambassadors have had the opportunity to tour school facilities, meet school leaders, experience an average day in the school,



Congratulations to the third class of Blackhawk Ambassadors.

explore financial and safety protocols, take a look at hiring processes and supports available, and engage with plans for curriculum development and long-term growth. Through this experience, they’ve become key communicators and supporters of the district’s mission.

This year’s graduation ceremony includes a celebratory breakfast where new ambassadors are honored for their commitment. For the first time, past ambassadors are also invited back, creating a reunion of community members who have shared in this unique experience. This also offers a time for past Ambassadors to get caught up on the happenings of the district.

Sheridan Community Schools extends its gratitude to all Blackhawk Ambassadors for their time, enthusiasm, and continued dedication to making Sheridan an exceptional place for students, staff, and families. Your willingness to learn more and spread the word about all amazing aspects of SCS are not overlooked.

Photo provided by Sheridan Community Schools



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EDUCATION BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: Hamilton Heights High School CTE students step up to show what it takes to thrive in construction and engineering fields. They exhibit the skills that will prepare them for high-paying careers straight out of high school.

Hamilton Heights CTE students showcase skills at “The Sandbox” demonstration event

The REPORTER

The energy was high at Hamilton Heights School Corporation’s Sandbox recently as students in the Construction Trades Education (CTE) program stepped into the spotlight.

The hands-on outdoor learning space, designed to provide students with real-world experience using heavy equipment, served as the perfect stage for an impressive demonstration of their technical skills, industry knowledge, and future career potential.

The event was more than just a showcase – it was an educational opportunity for teachers from other subjects to gain insight into the trades pathway and the dedication it takes to excel in this field. Through live demonstrations, students illustrated the complexities of operating heavy machinery, the precision required for construction work, and the valuable certifications they can earn during high school – all under the expert guidance of CTE instructor Kevin Sheets.

Academic Intervention Teacher Kelly Smith said, “Working in The Sandbox was such a great PLC for all of us as teachers. Not only was it a cool and unique experience, but it gave us all a chance to see some of the amazing things that come out of Kevin’s program.”

Hamilton Heights High School Principal Whitney Gray said, “It was a great experience. Fun for our staff to see what our kids in the construction pathway get to experience. Several students gave up their time teaching us how to operate these machines, and that was the coolest part. They were excited to share what they had learned, and they did a great job teaching!”

“I think this was important to show the teachers that may not be familiar with the program or did not know what they were actually doing out there how much actually goes into running a piece of heavy equipment,” explained Chris Woodbridge, who works for Bobcat of Indy and is a familiar face and resource for Heights’ CTE students. “We at Berry Companies and Bobcat of Indy are happy to invest in our local communities with programs like this where we can be of assistance.”

“The whole afternoon showed our staff how the trades play a part in our overall curriculum,” said Kevin Sheets, who loved seeing how many educators attended this special event. “For some of the educators, it was their first time at the Sandbox, and they were blown away by what they saw the students do. Former Heights CTE teacher, Eric Fisher, now the Director of Talent Development for Indiana Constructors Inc., was also on hand to support the effort and build a story for his platform. It was a great day!”

Senior Kendall Flanders enjoyed sharing his knowledge with other teachers to help them better understand what takes place in the Civil Engineering class.

For Ethan Miller, a sophomore, it was an opportunity to show his excellent hands-on skills at running equipment and to demonstrate how he is excelling in this area.

“Programs like this one are important to offer to make sure we are giving HHHS students the opportunity to prepare for a successful future career,” Media Center Specialist Lori Hippensteel said. “The HHHS trades program offers students the opportunity to learn skills needed in the workplace and earn licensures and certifications that can be immediately used in the workplace.”



Photo provided by Westfield Washington Schools
(From left) Dani Montgomery, Teagan Trent, Victoria Webb, and Lilia Doran.

Westfield High School journalists take on Seattle

The REPORTER

Four students from Westfield High School's *The Station* yearbook staff attended the Spring National High School Journalism Convention in Seattle, Wash., last month. The event, hosted jointly by the Journalism Education Association and the National Scholastic Press Association, welcomed nearly 3,500 students from across the globe to attend sessions led by media professionals.



Dani Montgomery, Teagan Trent, Victoria Webb, and Lilia Doran made Westfield High School's history as WHS's first-ever group to attend the semi-annual event. All four earned Honorable Mention in their individual National Media Contests, placing in the top 10 percent of 873 competitors. Congratulations to these students for their outstanding performance and for representing Westfield on a national stage.



City of Westfield earns Unqualified Audit Opinion on 2023 financial report

Clerk Treasurer Ailor announces launch of 2024 reporting effort

Submitted

The City of Westfield has received an Unqualified Audit Opinion from the Indiana State Board of Accounts (SBOA) on its 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) – the first in the city's history – with no material weaknesses identified.



Ailor

The 2023 ACFR was initiated shortly before Mayor Scott Willis and Clerk Treasurer Marla Ailor assumed office on Jan. 1, 2024, as part of the mayor's broader initiative to strengthen the city's financial profile and pursue a AAA bond rating.

Before assuming office, mayor-elect Willis obtained permission from the Board of Public Works to engage Katz, Sapper & Miller (KSM) – a nationally recognized accounting and advisory firm headquartered in Indianapolis – to compile the report. While KSM has a strong reputation and extensive experience auditing ACFRs, this engagement marked one of their first efforts compiling such a report for a municipality in Indiana.

Despite the added complexity of an inaugural ACFR and a compiler new to this particular role, the Clerk Treasurer's Office embraced the challenge and worked diligently to ensure the report met all applicable standards under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

"This clean audit opinion is more than a technical result – it's a vote of confi-

dence in our internal controls and financial stewardship," Ailor said. "Preparing a first-time ACFR is a complex task, and I am proud of our team for rising to the occasion and delivering a report that meets the highest professional standards."

An unqualified opinion may sound counter-intuitive, but it is the strongest result an auditor can issue. It confirms that the financial statements are materially correct, fully in compliance with accounting standards, and free from significant deficiencies. The absence of any material weaknesses further affirms the effectiveness of the city's internal financial systems.

Key support during the process came from Nathan Fox, municipal advisor at OW Krohn & Associates, who provided technical expertise by completing critical schedules and assisting with audit inquiries. His involvement was instrumental in supporting both the city and KSM throughout the reporting process.

Additional support came from Kelley Kemper, the city's Financial Strategist, and Bradie Louks, Director of Human Resources, whose efforts in assembling final documentation and coordinating internal details were instrumental in helping bring the nearly year-long ACFR process to a successful close. Their collaboration and responsiveness were key in helping the city reach the finish line.

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State Road 32 widening begins through Westfield

The REPORTER

State Road 32 construction is nearing a new phase. Last week, crews started widening SR 32 near East Street to prepare for this next phase.

SR 32 will still be open for east-west traffic as it is now, but the intersection of

SR 32 and Union remains closed.

This change will impact how drivers access the parking lots on the south side of SR 32 when visiting restaurants and businesses. Beginning on or after Monday, May 12, Cherry Street will be the only regular entrance

to those lots. While other access points might open from time to time, Cherry Street will be the main entrance and exit point.

Impact on local traffic

Drivers should plan routes accordingly and allow extra travel time.

For real-time updates,

detailed detour maps, and additional project resources, please visit 32connects.com.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the project team at in.gov/indot/indot4u and reference "SR 32 Westfield Construction" in your inquiry.

Westfield Washington Schools partners with Bosma Enterprises for vision screening grant

The REPORTER

Westfield Washington Schools and the Westfield Education Foundation have partnered with Bosma Enterprises to purchase four Good-Lite LED Insta-Line Quantum Complete Vision Screeners. This essential equipment will enhance the district's ability to identify vision challenges early, ensuring all students have equitable learning opportunities.

The new vision screeners will replace older equipment, offer additional testing charts tailored to individual student needs, and provide increased flexibility for screenings across the district. The portable nature of these devices allows them to be used in multiple buildings for mass screenings, as required by the state of Indiana, and for individual assessments referred by teachers or parents.

"Identifying vision challenges early is key to student success," said Teresa Layton, Manager of School Nurses for River-view Hospital and Westfield Washington Schools. "With Bosma Enterprises'



Photo by Rocks House Media / Westfield Washington Schools

The portable nature of these devices allows them to be used in multiple buildings for mass screenings.

support, we can ensure all students receive the care and resources they need for a successful future."

The Good-Lite LED Insta-Line Quantum Complete Vision Screen-

ers support screenings for Multilingual Learners (MLL) and students in Cross-Categorical, Life Skills, and Mosaics programs. These devices accommodate diverse needs

and promote equitable access to quality education for all students, regardless of age, language, or cognitive ability.

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Westfield Library Foundation names three Book Writing Contest winners

Nine writers recognized for standout submissions

The REPORTER

The Westfield Library Foundation (WLF) has announced the winners of the 2025 Children's Book Writing Contest. The contest, held in April as part of Library Appreciation week, was open to youth, teens, and adults in Westfield. This year's creative theme was "A Night at the New Library."

In the Adult Category, third place was awarded to *A Night in the Library* by Maggie Hoover. Second place went to *Raccoon Raucous* by Samuel and Mindi Glenn. The first-place winner was *Psst! William Bret, Over Here!* by Karen Reist.

"We are blessed to have such a gem at our disposal," Reist said of the library. "I wanted my story to celebrate this treasure, so I wove a variety of characters into my story, hoping they'll evoke memories of readers' favorite books and remind readers that our imaginations are limitless."

In the Teen Category,



(LEFT) Karen Reist won the Adult Category with *Psst! William Bret, Over Here!* (CENTER) Ainsley Hensel won the Teen Category with her book, *The Reading Harbor*. (RIGHT) In the Children's Category, Anna Rabadi won with *A Night at the New Library*. Congratulations to all three authors.



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third place went to *Rolling Through the Library* by Kinleigh Bounds. Second place was awarded to *What Happens at Night When the Library is Closed* by Veronica Amaya. The first-place winner was *The Reading Harbor* by Ainsley Hensel, a student at University High School in Carmel, who said, "I wanted to capture the feeling of books being a safe place and

the idea that the magic of books is eternal."

In the Children's Category, third place was awarded to *The Library Never Sleeps* by Cole McCrory. Second place went to *A Magical Night at the Library* by London Reichel. The first-place winner was *A Night at the New Library* by Anna Rabadi, a fifth grader at Westfield Intermediate School.

"I was surprised and excited when I heard the news. It was really fun writing my story," Rabadi said.

All three winners in each category will have their books published. In addition to publication, first-place winners will also receive a cash prize. A shelving ceremony will be held to commemorate their work once printed copies are available.



The Carmel Police Department welcomed Debbie Laird (right) as the keynote speaker at the event held May 7. She is the mother of fallen Indianapolis police officer Jake Laird.

Carmel honors local heroes who made ultimate sacrifice

Submitted by Carmel Police Department

On May 7, the Carmel Police Department held the 43rd annual Law Enforcement Memorial to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the Carmel community. Debbie Laird served as the keynote speaker, and she shared the profound story of her son, Officer Jake Laird of the Indianapolis Police Department, who lost his life in the line of duty on Aug. 18, 2004. Mrs. Laird’s powerful words reminded everyone of the true meaning of sacrifice and the lasting impact fallen heroes have on their

families, fellow officers, and the entire community. Her strength and grace in sharing Jake’s story touched every heart in attendance. Following the ceremony, the memorial wreath was presented to the Laird family, who then placed it in the Heroes of Public Safety section at Crown Hill Cemetery – a touching tribute to Jake and all fallen officers. To the Laird family and all families of fallen heroes: your loved ones’ sacrifice will never be forgotten, and their legacy lives on through the countless lives they touched.



Photos provided by Carmel Police Department

Cpt. Billy J. Adams promoted to Westfield Assistant Police Chief

The REPORTER

The Westfield Police Department (WPD) has promoted Captain Billy J. Adams to Assistant Chief of Administration, effective May 1. Adams stepped into the role previously held by Assistant Chief Scott Jordan, who served in the position for more than 16 years.



Adams

“Change is difficult under any circumstance, but when you’re following in the footsteps of someone who has faithfully served the community for nearly 30 years, the challenge is even greater,” Chief Shawn Keen said. “The City of Westfield and our department are deeply grateful for Assistant Chief Jordan’s enduring dedication and leadership. We are also thankful to Assistant Chief Adams for stepping up to continue that legacy of excellence and integrity.” Adams brings more than 17 years of experience with WPD to his new assignment, having served in various roles including patrolman, patrol sergeant, patrol lieutenant, and public information officer, among other roles. He holds a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice from Saint Leo University and is a graduate of the Po-

lice Executive Leadership Academy, the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Leadership Academy, and the Hamilton County Leadership Academy. He is also scheduled to attend the FBI National Academy in the near future. Before joining WPD, Adams served as an active-duty military police officer in the U.S. Army and spent more than three years with the Department of Defense’s police force. “I am honored to step into the role of Assistant Chief of Police to continue serving Westfield,” Assistant Chief Adams said. “Westfield is a remarkable community, and I am committed to working alongside our dedicated officers and staff to continue providing exceptional service and building strong community relationships. I look forward to the opportunities and challenges ahead as we strive to keep Westfield safe and welcoming for everyone.” The captain position will remain vacant for now as WPD transitions to a police merit commission. Learn more about the Westfield Police Department at westfieldin.gov/233/Police-Department.

Carmel students win awards for Alzheimer’s initiative

By BRITTANY NOBLE
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

Every month, WISH-TV highlights a local school district with “The Morning Bell,” a conversation focused on new or exciting programs and accomplishments within Indiana schools. On May 5, three Carmel High School students joined *Daybreak* to share how they’ve turned personal pain into purpose after one student, Caiden O’Connell, lost his grandmother to Alzheimer’s last August. Now, O’Connell, Wells Wright, and Will Spence are being recognized both in Indiana and on an international stage their powerful project supporting Alzheimer’s research. “My grandmother battled Alzheimer’s for over seven years, and in August she passed away,” O’Connell said. “As I was going through that, we decided to kind of fight back and make a real impact in the community.” That fight back took the form of a car detailing busi-

ness, which the students launched last June. They spent the summer working with local companies, offering car detailing services to employees and donating 100 percent of the proceeds to the Alzheimer’s Association. “We were just detailing cars, you know, with each other and working hard,” Wright said. “Eventually we donated all of it. Then we started spreading awareness about our project as well.” Corporate sponsors stepped in along the way, supporting both financially and with outreach efforts. The students also volunteered at a local memory care center to deepen their connection to the cause. All their efforts paid off. The team raised an impressive \$20,000 for the Alzheimer’s Association. “We were fortunate enough to raise about \$20,000,” Spence said. “We’re extremely grateful to everyone who donated to our cause.” Their work caught the attention of DECA, a national organization focused on

business and leadership development for students. The team placed second at DECA’s International Career Development Conference in Orlando, which drew more than 25,000 students from around the world. “We spent a lot of time on our presentation and our paper. We were lucky it went so well,” Wright said. The students participated in “The Longest Day,” a signature fundraising initiative of the Alzheimer’s Association that leads up to the summer solstice on June 20. The effort is meant to symbolize the long days caregivers and patients endure while fighting the disease. “It’s honestly really easy to get involved,” O’Connell said. “We detailed cars. You could bake cookies. You could run a race. Just do something you care about and use that to make a difference.” What started as a coping mechanism for O’Connell has become something greater for all three students. “It was kind of a way of

coping and getting through it,” he said. “But after spending time with other people battling Alzheimer’s, it really felt close to home.” Now, the students are preparing to head off to college – O’Connell to Indiana University, and Wright and Spence to Purdue – but they say their commitment to the cause isn’t ending. “Hopefully we can stay connected and still find ways to give back despite our distance,” Wright said. “I know me and Will will continue to fight at Purdue.” Their message to others is simple: don’t wait for the perfect plan. “When we started, we never thought we would get \$20,000,” Spence said. “Our goal was just a couple hundred. But it snowballed into something bigger.” With heart, hard work, and a few good friends, even high school students can make a global impact. *This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/education/carmel-students-almzheimer-initiative.*

Carmel City Council forms committee to investigate Christkindlmarkt operations

By GREGG MONTGOMERY
WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The Carmel City Council voted on May 5 to establish an investigation committee to look into the operations of the annual Christkindlmarkt. The vote was 8 to 0. This comes as the former CEO of the market, Maria Adele Rosenfeld, resigned from her role. She says that the board that oversees the market was excluding her from important decisions. Then, a member of the board, Susan McDermott, filed a lawsuit against the city’s mayor. McDermott

claims she and one other member were forcibly removed from the board last year to give more power over the market to the city. Councilors hope the investigation will give them a better understanding what’s going on behind the Christmastime tradition. Several councilors noted Monday night that the Christkindlmarkt will go on as planned this year. *This story was originally published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/politics/carmel-city-council-christkindlmarkt-investigation-committee-formation.*

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The Clerk Treasurer’s Office also extended its thanks to Katz, Sapper & Miller for its partnership throughout the preparation of the 2023 ACFR. “We appreciate KSM’s willingness to work

through a complex, first-time process with us and contribute to a successful outcome,” Ailor said. The 2024 ACFR compilation officially began on May 1, the same day as the Exit Conference for

the 2023 report, reinforcing the Clerk Treasurer’s commitment to consistent, comprehensive financial reporting year after year. “I’m incredibly proud of our staff,” Ailor said.

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“Their professionalism, adaptability, and attention to detail reflect Westfield’s commitment to responsible public service. This report lays a strong foundation for our financial future.”

VISION

Westfield Washington Schools is deeply grateful to Bosma Enterprises and its efforts to build better communities by creating opportunities for people who are blind. Bosma’s dedication to enhancing the community aligns seamlessly with the district’s mission to ensure every student is Life Ready, equipped with the knowledge and confidence to pursue their goals.

About Bosma
Rooted in more than 100 years of history, Bosma is one of Indiana’s largest nonprofit organizations providing training and employment for people who are blind or visually impaired. Bosma Enterprises, the organization’s business entity, provides high-quality goods and services to a variety of customers to create employment for Hoosiers

who are blind. Bosma’s Center for Visionary Solutions offers personalized programs throughout Indiana, ranging from counseling to job placement and daily living skills training. These initiatives help Hoosiers gain the life skills they need to remain independent. Learn more by visiting bosma.org. **About Westfield Education Foundation**
The Westfield Educa-

tion Foundation partners with Westfield Washington Schools and the community to provide resources that enrich and enhance the educational experience of all students. Through teacher grants, student scholarships, and special initiatives, the Foundation supports innovative learning and ensures every student has the opportunity to succeed.

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Magazines vs. reality

I was so pleased to give my car a good cleaning inside and out a couple of weeks ago. I make it a point to do this every spring and fall, although of course I run it through the car wash more often than that.

Then I remembered what I read in a magazine once ... that we're supposed to do this thorough vehicle cleaning EVERY WEEK. I chuckled softly to myself.

What we see and read in magazines is often so far from reality. Take, for instance, washing and drying bed sheets. I make it a point to do this during the last week of every month. Yes, just once a month. But a certain magazine I won't name (with the initials R.S.) says we need to do this chore once a week.

I understand that this may be necessary for those living in a hot climate, battling night sweats, showering in the morning, etc. But we all sleep separately from one another, shower in the evening, and are blessed to have good air conditioning. And thankfully, my body wakes me up before menopause comes knocking at night with a hot flash.

Another recommended magazine task is to separate your laundry by color. As someone who does a load of laundry every day, once again, I break this rule and ... gasp ... don't separate anything. Mind you, if something is brand-new and red, or delicate, or a new pair of dark wash jeans ... absolutely I separate items. But day to day? Nope.

We've only had one pink sock and shirt debacle in the decades I've been doing this. Granted, none of us dress in business attire during the week or dress up often, so our clothes aren't fancy. It all works for us.

And don't get me started on how magazines think our homes should look. Whenever I see a newly renovated, spotless home with 100 percent modern, updated interiors, and landscaping made by angels in a magazine, I tell myself, "This isn't real ... this isn't real ... this isn't real." Well, it's not real for probably 99 percent of us.

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Summer of fun

As a teacher, this is the time of year you think about constantly. These are the days you dream about and long for during the grind of the busy school year. With two little ones and hectic work schedules, the carefree days of summer are truly cherished times.

How often do we wait for what feels like forever and then the time comes, and it passes by so quickly? I often find that my favorite memories and greatest laughs come from mundane things and not the highly anticipated moments.

My goal as I start this summer with my two kids and husband is to just enjoy this time. I want to press pause in my mind and soak up all their littleness. I want to relish this time with them and be OK that we don't have to have a plan every single day. Sometimes that plan is that we stay in our pajamas and just enjoy our home. Another day it might be we walk across the street to play at the playground and enjoy a picnic. I want to teach my kids that they don't need an agenda or cruise director to fill every single moment of their summers. I know people who schedule their kids with camps and fun things throughout the summers, which is great, but by the end of summer, do those kids even feel like they had a break?

I always feel it around the holidays, too, where you plan so much "fun" that by the time it's over, you're so tired and it's a blur. Sure, you had a good time, but some of the best memories were the simple things you did, and the time spent together. The best part of Christmas break is when all the "fun" is over and you get to stay home the week between Christmas and New Year in your pajamas and just hang out with your family.

As I head into our vacation this summer at our favorite place, South Haven, Mich., I want to just relax and have fun. When I think back to our vacation last year, some of my favorite times were spent on the front porch swing at our vacation home just talking as a family, enjoying the bakery, and eating a hot dog on the picnic table at the beach. It is the simple pleasures that truly are the most memorable.

There is a Winne the Pooh quote I've always loved and reminds me of this time of year "We didn't realize we were making memories, we just knew we were having fun." I hope this is one of those summers I look back on and feel like we rested, laughed, had fun, and made memories.

Megan Rathz is a wife, mother, and teacher. She says everything she has ever learned in life came from her Master Gardener mother.



COLUMNIST
AMY SHANKLAND
Perfectly Imperfect

Sheridan OK's building year-round theme park

Submitted

Monarch Ventures, LLC announced May 7 it has received final approval to move forward with SkyLake, a theme park development set to become Indiana's premier year-round nature adventure destination.

The Sheridan Town Council voted 4-2 Tuesday evening to approve the necessary rezoning for the 126-acre site at the northwest corner of U.S. 31 and 216th Street, following a favorable 5-2 recommendation from the Sheridan Plan Commission on April 17.

SkyLake is meticulously designed as a unique, immersive theme park centered around a nature-based, self-paced experience. With engaging activities appealing to every age group and interest level simultaneously, SkyLake will blend serene settings, accessible adventures, and high-thrill attractions. The self-paced environment empowers all guests, from toddlers to grandparents, to actively participate and curate their perfect day together.

SkyLake's four-season appeal will further solidify the region as a must-visit destination for families, groups, and event planners seeking authentic experiences.

"We are incredibly grateful

for the support from the Sheridan Town Council and Planning Commission, and thrilled to bring the SkyLake vision to life," said Phil Sack, President of Circle Property Group, the parent company of Monarch Ventures. "Our driving vision is crafting unforgettable, authentic experiences that reconnect people with nature and one another. SkyLake fulfills our mission to create adventure destinations that promote well-being and foster connection, helping families and friends make life-long memories. We are committed to being a cornerstone for the community through strong partnership and responsible stewardship, embracing sustainability in our environmental and business practices."

Key highlights of SkyLake's initial phase include:

- **A six-acre natural lake:** Featuring crystal-clear water managed sustainably without concrete or chlorine, surrounded by white sand beaches, and offering rentable land-based and floating cabanas for lake-side relaxation.

- **Thrilling water adventures:** Including the North American debut of the Boaz X Tower (a 40-foot modular slide-and-jump structure), a 300-foot floating obstacle

course, paddle board rentals, and a 6,000 square-foot zero-depth splash pad.

- **Year-round land adventures:** Featuring the Sky Slide, a 60-foot high, 500-foot long all-season tubing hill; the Sky High Adventure Zone, a three-story ropes course experience offering accessible to high-thrill challenges; and SkyLinks mini-golf.

- **Central Pavilion:** A 40,000 square-foot hub offering upscale food and beverage curated by partner Legends, event spaces, and guest amenities designed for connection and comfort.

"This project is the first major development along the U.S. 31 corridor since Sheridan gained control of planning and zoning of the area earlier this year," Sheridan Town Council President Silas DeVaney said. "I feel [Tuesday's] approval of SkyLake sets the tone for the 31 corridor and we will continue to be thoughtful about how our community changes over time. We look forward to working with Monarch Ventures as this project continues to move forward."

Monarch Ventures is the newest division of Circle Property Group, focused on bringing nature-based and self-paced

theme parks beginning in Midwest America. SkyLake embodies environmental stewardship, with sustainable water management as a critical component, utilizing innovative natural filtration systems for the lake in partnership with experts like Wisconsin Pond and Lake, and coordinating water usage with the Hamilton County Regional Utility District (HCRUD). The development team will leverage a full suite of advanced technologies to create a frictionless park experience, enhancing guest convenience from ticketing to in-park services.

SkyLake is projected to be a significant economic engine for the region, creating hundreds of construction jobs over the next year and ultimately employing 250 to 300 seasonal and operational team members. The park is expected to attract approximately 500,000 visitors annually, creating synergy with Hamilton County's existing tourism infrastructure.

With approvals secured, Monarch Ventures plans to break ground in June 2025. SkyLake is slated to open in summer 2026, with additional attractions and features planned for years to come. Keep up to date with what's coming at [SkyLakeIndiana.com](https://www.skylakeindiana.com).

Maa ka food – Mom Magic

Mother's Day always brings a swirl of emotions for me. I've been thinking so much about my mom lately – her love, her magic, and especially her food. Growing up, I was lucky enough to eat fresh, home-cooked meals four times a day.

Looking back, I realize what a luxury that was, though at the time it felt normal. My mom knew *exactly* what I liked – my favorite dishes, the little tweaks to recipes that made them "just right" for me, and how to turn even a simple meal into something special.

Those days feel like a dream now. It's been almost 14 years since my mom passed, just as I was about to become a mother myself for the first time. There was so much newness, so much unknown, and yet a deep excitement, too. But becoming a mother without my own mom by my side was incredibly hard.

Now, as I raise my two daughters, I often find myself reflecting on everything my mom did for me. Each act of care, each meal, each quiet sacrifice – I'm living those moments now, and in some small way, repaying her love and dedication by paying it forward.

With every passing year, I miss her more. I often wish for just one more moment with her – to hug her, to thank her, to tell her how much her quiet strength shaped me. Her legacy lives on, not just in me, but in every meal I cook, every tradition I pass down, and every bit of love I pour into my own family.

And to all of you reading this: let's take a moment to honor the incredible women around us. You know what they say – MOM upside down is WOW – and that couldn't be more true. These women are superheroes in disguise, doing above and beyond every single day for their families and communities. Let's celebrate them while we can. Don't wait for a "perfect time" – show them your love, your gratitude, your hugs today.

Through my storytelling work, I've had the privilege of hearing so many powerful, emotional, and inspiring stories of motherhood – each one a testament to the strength and heart of these SHEROES.

I'd love to hear *your* stories, too. If you have a special memory or tribute you'd like to share about your mom (or a mother figure in your life), please feel free to submit it to my Taste of Community project at tinyurl.com/TasteOfCommunity.

To all the tough, hardworking, loving, patient, and all-around amazing mamas out there – including my awesome self – here's a big air hug. Kudos to you. Happy Mother's Day!

Because every recipe holds a story, and every mother leaves a legacy, Maatru Devo Bhavah – honor the mother as divine. My mother's name was Bharti, meaning "of Bharat (India), keeper of knowledge, culture, and tradition." She truly lived up to her name – not just through her wisdom and nurturing hands, but through her radiant spirit. She was full of life, always happy-go-lucky, and her selfless acts of kind-



COLUMNIST
POOJA THAKKAR
Taste of Community



Photos provided by Pooja Thakkar
(ABOVE) Pooja and her mother, Bharti. (RIGHT) Pooja's daughter Bhavya made a poster in the Gujarati language: MAATA – Mother Shubh Matru Din – means Happy Mother's Day!



માતૃત્વ એ ત્યાગ, સ્નેહ અને સંસ્કારનું સર્વશ્રેષ્ઠ સ્વરૂપ છે.
મારી માતા મારી દુનિયા હતી, છે અને રહેશે.
Motherhood is the purest form of sacrifice, love, and values.
My mother was, is, and will always be my world.
माँ सिर्फ एक रिश्ता नहीं होती,
वो हर रिश्ते की जड़ होती है।
उसके बिना सब अधूरा है।
A mother is not just a relationship;
she is the root of every relationship.
Without her, everything feels incomplete.

ness were larger than life itself. I am forever proud to have grown up in her aura, wrapped in her love and guided by her blessings that knew no boundaries. Her kitchen was a place of love, her words lifted us up, and her legacy continues to inspire me every single day.

My daughters, Bhavya and Navya: one is my pride, and the other is my joy. Together, they remind me daily of the powerful legacy my mom left behind. Through every meal we share, every story we tell, and every value we uphold, I see my mother's love living on. We are three generations bound by an unbreakable thread of care, resilience, and unconditional love – a legacy I am determined to nurture and pass forward.

#TasteOfCommunity
#MaaKaMagic
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Photo provided by Pooja Thakkar
Pooja and her daughters, Bhavya and Navya.

Pooja Thakkar is working to build connections through cuisine. You can read her column each week in the pages of The Reporter.

Becoming a mom with Muscular Dystrophy, Part 2

As I mentioned in Part 1, there were some concerns going into my first pregnancy living with Muscular Dystrophy. The second time around was no different, but this time the concerns were a little different.

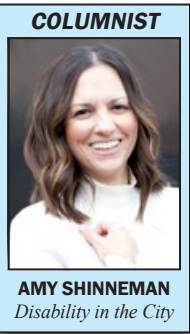
I knew I could get through a pregnancy. My body had shown me that it was capable. I also knew that I had learned a lot in my journey so far with Luke, who by this time was 3 years old. I had learned to adapt and care for Luke in my own unique way.

This time around I was thinking, can I care for an infant plus a busy 3-year-old who is highly active, and has a mind of his own? Anyone who has raised a child knows that age 2 has nothing on age 3!

The first two years of Luke's life I felt strongly that he would be an only child. I knew that a second delivery would be another C-section. The first time had caused me to be a little worse off physically, but the joy of having a son far outweighed any of that. I started to feel a nudging that I did not want Luke to be an only child.

My husband and I decided that trying for baby No. 2 was what we wanted to do. Pregnancy this time around, as any mom of more than one child can attest to, was not the same experience as the first.

You do not have the luxury of taking those much-needed naps and only worrying about yourself. You have another hu-



AMY SHINNEMAN
Disability in the City

man to care for that constantly needs you. I was also working again. Looking back, I know God picked me up and absolutely carried me through that time.

Our sweet baby Jack was born by C-section in 2007. It was a little different going in for a scheduled delivery. I knew what to expect, and honestly the delivery part could not have been easier. I feel like I healed a little easier from the second C-section. I think that could have just been I knew what to expect.

We had a lot of family support, and that is how we made it through. I think going to work in some ways gave me a little bit of a break from the physical demands of motherhood. In my opinion, there is no harder job than that of a stay-at-home mom. I worked part time, so I got a little bit of both worlds. Staying home with the kids was by far more physically exhausting than my job.

When we would go places, I would load Jack in his car seat on top of the table, so I did not have to try and lift him from the ground to the stroller. Most times, I would push the stroller out to the car and transfer him into the car that way. Luke was such a rockstar big brother. He adapted in his own way, too. He would help me carry stuff to the car like the diaper bag or my purse. He was a great helper to me, just doing the little things like bringing me stuff from around the house I needed to save me



(LEFT) Amy and her son Jack. (RIGHT) Amy and her boys at the Chicago Zoo.



Photos provided

some steps. Everywhere Luke went, he ran, so it was always quick! He always did it with a smile on his face, too. He just got it, that was the way our family had to work.

Something I always longed to do as a mother was to be able to scoop my boys up after they fell, or when they would raise their arms, wanting to be held. I was so envious when my sister and my friends would just effortlessly scoop their babies up in one quick motion and put them on their hip and run around doing all kinds of things. I never got to do that; it just was not possible for me.

What I did do was teach them to climb up on me. I would get to the nearest structure that I could lean against, and they would come to me. We called it monkey. They would climb up my body and once they got to a certain point, I could stand against something and hold and comfort them. Different from what others were doing, but it was special because it was

our thing. We had a lot of those things that just the three of us knew and did.

The level of difficulty going from one to two was much harder, but we made it work. I had to have more help from family doing certain things, but the three of us did things on our own making memories together when I was home with them during the day.

If you are living with a disability and are thinking of becoming a parent, I hope my story helps you to see, that just like us, our kids adapt. They learn the ropes just like we do. Children of parents who live with a disability, get a front row seat to a beautiful lesson in perseverance. It really is priceless, and I believe a gift.

Until next time ...
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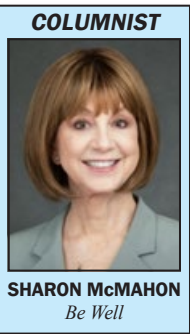
We Americans are far too sweet!

"Sugar in the morning, sugar in the evening, sugar at supertime ..."
—McGuire Sisters, 1958

I imagine that when the McGuire Sisters recorded this tune many years ago (gosh, I sure hope you know who they were!) it was not the intent of their lyrics to include over consumption of sugar and related health issues. But yes, you guessed it – that is exactly my topic this week! (By the way "sugar" was sometimes used as a metaphor for kisses!)

There are several reasons why we should be wary of sugar consumption, one reason being too much added sugar can crowd healthier foods from a person's diet, calories unaccompanied by fiber, vitamins, minerals, and other nutrients.

Sugar-sweetened beverages such as sodas, energy drinks, and sports drinks are by far the biggest sources of added sugar in the average American's diet. They account for more than one-third of the added sugar we consume as a nation.¹ Other



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important sources include cookies, cakes, pastries, and similar treats; fruit drinks; ice cream, frozen yogurt and the like; candy; and ready-to-eat cereals. I especially want to point out fruit juices – even the "healthiest" juices have quite a bit of sugar. Most of us don't consider added sugar in canned fruits and vegetables – yes, even vegetables. Manufacturers' goals are to make us "happy consumers" which includes what I consider to be the addiction of sugar.

According to the National Center for Health Statistics, an astounding 62 percent of adult Americans were overweight in 2000, up from 46 percent in 1980. Twenty-seven percent of adults were so far overweight that they were classified as obese (at least 30 pounds above their healthy weight) – twice the percentage classified as such in 1960. Alarming, an upward trend in obesity is also occurring for U.S. children. What that portends for our future I shudder to consider.

The average American eats (or drinks) 34 teaspoons of sugars a day, which is equal to more than 500 calories. This averages more than 100 pounds of sugars per person each year. Sugar intake has drastically increased over the last century. In 1822, the average American ate in five days the amount of sugar found in one of today's 12-ounce sodas.² Only about 29 pounds of it comes as traditional sugar, or sucrose, according to The Sugar Association, a trade group of sugar manufacturers. The rest comes from foods.

In addition to candy, soda, and junk food, plenty of sugar is hiding in places where you might not expect it. Some types of crackers, yogurt, ketchup, and peanut butter, for instance, are loaded with sugar – often in the form of high-fructose corn syrup, or HFCS. Use of this sweetener has increased 3.5 percent per year in the last decade, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). That's twice the rate at which the use of refined sugar has grown. (Most ketchup brands list HFCS as the second ingredient.) An interesting activity I

might suggest for my readers is to do a HFCS inventory in your kitchen pantry and frig, very enlightening I predict.

Well, this is all rather negative as we approach picnic season – sure we have lots of fresh fruits (some of which can be a source of sugar) and vegetables, but we know we just love that blueberry pie, strawberry shortcake with whipped cream, and banana pudding ... oh my. However, if we make a concentrated effort to limit our sugar intake of other foods and beverages by paying attention to added sugars and reading the ingredient labels, we can sometimes indulge in a special treat as long as we practice mindful consumption and get back on the healthy eating track!

¹Harvard Heart Letter, Harvard Medical School

²USDA/Agricultural Research Service

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

Obituary

Patty Ruth Pass Stratton
September 10, 1935 – April 29, 2025

Patty Ruth Pass Stratton, born September 10, 1935, in Noblesville, passed from this life on April 29, 2025, in Pensacola, Fla.



Patty was employed as an Office Manager in Naples, Fla., for many years before retiring. She played the piano at the Church of God for 30 years and for The Stoney Brooks Singers, having played at many venues and churches. She was self-taught and didn't read music, but played beautifully by ear, in any key. Patty and Mitch raised their four children in Noblesville before moving to Naples in 1973.

Patty was preceded in death by her husband, Mitchell Pass, and husband, William Stratton.

Patty is survived by her four children, Paul Pass (Pam) of Bonita Springs, Fla.; Sue Peters (Dean) of Bonita Springs, Fla.; Karen Coolsey (Tom) of Pace, Fla.; Mitchell Pass (Janine) of Roswell, Ga.; seven grandchildren, Christopher, Jennifer, Brian, Brittney, Stephen, Alex, Kyla, and Mitchell; as well as seven great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at Lewis Funeral Home Milton Chapel, 6405 Highway 90 West, Milton, FL 32570, with visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. and service at 11 a.m. Patty will be buried alongside Mitchell in Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Fla., at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14.

Lewis Funeral Homes in Milton, Fla., is in charge of the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you make a donation to your local church.

Condolences: lewisfuneralhomes.net

Hamilton County Councilman Mark Hall's April Timesheet

Here is where my time this past month has been spent.

In addition to the County Council public meetings, April work included: a Board of Commissioners public meeting, a Regional Development Commission meeting, reviewing a Central Indiana Water planning meeting notes, and watching a Noblesville Town Council meeting.

The personnel committee met in person where we addressed salary reclassifications for prosecutors and job description changes for the Sheriff. The finance committee did not meet in April. The Insurance committee met where we reviewed an update on the performance of Riverview Clinics for County Employees.

This month I received nine constituent service requests and communications.

One request was regarding the cleanliness of the County Sheriff's vehicles. The constituent expressed concerns over how the cruisers looked and wanted to understand what the county did to wash the vehicles and keep them looking sharp. I did some investigating and looped the sheriff's department in for questions and learned that the county doesn't have a contract with any car wash service companies. Rather, we have a car wash bay that deputies, staff, and command staff can use anytime to wash their county owned vehicles. This was a purposeful decision rather than incur an estimated \$30,000 to \$50,000 annual cost for washing vehicles.

The second request was regarding the county property tax revenue annually and how much those figures have changed since 2022. The answer required some research, but the revenues were \$66 million, \$76 million, and \$87 million in 2022, 2023, and 2024, respectively. The constituent was researching property tax revenue growth over these past few years.

The third request was concerning the sentencing of convicted criminals in Hamilton County Courts, specifically how Hamilton County jurists sentence persons convicted of burglary and robbery against the state sentencing guidelines. This one is ongoing with research as I've communicated both with the prosecutor's office as well as a Judge to better understand. To date, the research indicates that there are recommendations but no hard and fast guidelines. The constituent's concern is that we have become too soft as a county and they feel as though the system is not punishing people, especially repeat offenders in line with the State of Indiana's



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recommendations.

The fourth constituent's inquiry had to do with their tax bill. This taxpayer experienced a substantial increase in their assessed valuation and wanted help to understand how it was arrived at and

if it was accurate. Like most requests of this type, research with the assessor's office is required and we discovered that in their situation the difference consisted of a new outbuilding and the increased value of a second outbuilding. I also encouraged the taxpayer to schedule time with the assessor's office and go through their tax bill in detail asking for an explanation.

The balance of emails, messages, and conversations were regarding the HCRUD (Hamilton County Regional Utility District) and its implication on Jackson Township. This included questions about the new development being considered in Jackson Township, reorganization and included comments expressing support for and opposition to the Utility district in general.

Noteworthy items from April include working with Commissioner Heirbrandt and the County Attorney, to look for ways to help offset the costs of testing to opt out of connection with the sewer if required. Also, meetings with Chief Mann and Deputy Chief Whitesell to get an update on constituents' crime concerns.

The most noteworthy topic from April continues to be Property Tax reform. To be clear we need property tax reform. Potential changes in revenue require purposeful planning. For now, until we understand the final impact on Hamilton County, my position remains to pull back on long-term spending commitments that have not already been funded. Early in May, I will be briefed in detail as to the expected impact on the county's 2026, 2027, and 2028 budgets.

It was an honor to represent you this month at the Invest Hamilton County: Child Care Action Investment Kickoff meeting, the National 911 Dispatchers Week celebration, the Hamilton County 4-H Expo Building Renovation Sneak Peak Event, and at the "Role of Indiana's Leaders in ending hunger" film screening and conversation.

Mark Hall is a Hamilton County Councilman representing District 3. Every month he brings readers a summary of council action in his column, The Timesheet. Feel free to contact him at (317) 832-1104 or mark.hall@hamiltoncounty.in.gov with questions, feedback, or if you would like to talk about county business.

REALITY

A fellow Reporter columnist always says "don't mind our house, we live here" whenever I visit her. Her house is always lovely inside and out. But yes, there are signs that

— gasp — she and her husband actually live there, with books and newspapers scattered in the living room and a few dishes out in the kitchen. I love it all, just like I love her.

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My husband and I work full-time, and we do the best we can to keep our house picked up, repaired, decluttered, and clean. We do have a little help from my friend Alyssa, who comes to deep clean every three weeks, and our son Jacob. It's perfect imperfectly and probably always will be even when (or "if," in my case) we retire.

I'd love to see magazines move closer to reality. Wouldn't it be great to see a cobweb in a photo, or toys scattered about,

or a few weeds in a front yard? We could all breathe a sigh of relief and know that we're not alone in our imperfections.

Until that happens, I'd love to have you stop by our home. Just remember that we "live here" and are grateful to do so ... day in and day out.

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Curse you, Red Baron!

Commemorative Air Force gave free rides to local veterans at Barnstorming Days

By **STU CLAMPITT**
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Barnstorming Days came to Indianapolis Metropolitan Airport, 9913 Willow View Road, Fishers, Saturday, May 10, allowing anyone who wanted to climb in the copilot's seat and take to the skies.

Thanks to a sponsorship from Federal Express, select veterans get to fly for free this year at Commemorative Air Force (CAF) barnstorming events. Last Friday, May 9, Publisher Stu Clampitt and Reporter Photographer Bill Miller spoke with three of those vets and had the opportunity to fly in two of the very aircraft used to train World War II pilots.

Air Force Veteran Walt Sherman served his country for 24 years, over which time he was stationed in Arizona, California, England, Okinawa, and Utapao, Thailand.

While the CAF Steerman biplane was not on the runway, Sherman has a personal history with that model.

"My dad owned a Steerman after the war. He flew it all over the place down in Southern California," Sherman told The Reporter. "I was in the hospital because I was only four pounds, and back then they didn't have insurance. So to get me out of the hospital, he had to sell his airplane."

Sherman's father passed away in 1996, and Sherman never had the opportunity

to fly in a plane of the same model as the one his father once owned. The Steerman in the hangar last Friday morning was not a CAF plane. The one pictured in today's edition belongs to Tom Wood Aviation.

Sherman will finally get the chance to fly in a Steerman this summer at the Indianapolis Executive Airport thanks to the CAF, and The Reporter will be there to document that personal milestone.

Navy Veteran Joe Lahr was also at Indianapolis Metropolitan Airport for a FedEx-sponsored CAF flight on Friday morning.

"Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer of the Line in the world's second largest nuclear Navy, standing out on the cutting edge of the sword of freedom, a veritable bulwark of communism," Lahr said by way of introduction. "I got so tired!"

Lahr served his country for 23 years.

"I started in San Diego," Lahr said. "I spent almost my entire career in the Far East by choice. Japan, Korea, two years as an advisor in Vietnam, Philippines, four different ships – and in the best of all possible worlds, I'd still be doing it. I picked up some souvenirs: a wife and four kids. I'm not sure where the kids came from, but they just kept cropping up and that's one of the reasons I stayed overseas."

During his service, the Navy would not send anyone to be stationed overseas with more than three children.

"But as long as I was already over there, I could stay," Lahr said. "I had the best job ever. I came off five years on an Air Force base, which I gotta admit was great, and went to the 7th Fleet flagship as a division officer."

Lahr was medevaced back to the States for heart surgery, and then he could not go back overseas.

"At that time, Bethesda was the only place doing the heart surgery," Lahr said. "So naturally, if I came back, the kids and wife had to come back, and I could never take them with me again. So I went ahead and retired. But it was a great life. I loved every – no, I can't say I loved every minute of it – but yes, it was all satisfying. I've flown in a few Air Force planes as a passenger, of course, but nothing like what I'm gonna see today, and I'm looking forward to it."

Air Force Veteran Carl Holl served for 20 years.

"The first few years were in medical school," Holl said. "And then I was a flight surgeon in England, in Lake and Heath. I delivered babies in Mildenhall. And I was also a Bruntingthorpe, which nobody's heard of. It was an RB-66 place, like Alkenberry was. So that was my flying part. But I was also at UCLA for a radiology residency and was in San Antonio and spent most of the Vietnam War in Germany. And then ending my career in Biloxi."

When asked how he heard about the CAF event, Holl said, "It might've been in your newspaper."

That answer elicited a round of laughter from everyone present, and this writer



Reporter photos by Bill Miller
(From left) Walt Sherman, Carl Holl, and Joe Lahr stand in front of a Steerman biplane, shaking their fists at the sky and cursing the Red Baron like Snoopy from *Peanuts*. This newspaper blames the bloody Red Baron for Sherman now needing to wait until June to finally ride in a Steerman. See more great photos at ReadTheReporter.com.



Reporter photo by Stu Clampitt
The only barnstorming photo in today's edition not taken by Bill Miller is this picture of Bill Miller.

er must thank you not only for your service to our great country, but also for that mo-

ment of levity, sir.

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James Russell Gilster

August 24, 1928 – May 4, 2025



James Russell Gilster, 96, Noblesville, passed away on Sunday, May 4, 2025, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. He was born on August 24, 1928, to the late Russell and Edna (Gametter) Gilster in St. Louis, Mo.

Jim proudly served his country in the United States Army. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri where he was a member of Lambda Chi Fraternity. Jim worked at the Pentagon in military intelligence during the Korean War. His career was as a sales manager for medical diagnostic equipment.

Jim was an avid sports fan from when he was young. He followed St. Louis, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis teams.

Jim was a member of Hyde Park Community United Methodist Church in Cincinnati and St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Indianapolis. He had a servant's heart; Jim loved to raise money for non-profit organizations. He served as executive director for Joseph House in Cincinnati, where he raised nearly \$1 million (in support for veterans in Cincinnati, Ohio). He was an inaugural board of directors member for Same As U, where he actively served in honor of his granddaughter, Jessica (Same As U serves adults with disabilities), and was active in Servants at Work at St. Luke's UMC.

He is survived by his wife, Bertie Jean Gilster; sons, John (Susan) Gilster, Bruce Gilster, and Timothy (Terry) Gilster; stepdaughters, Lisa (Art) Taylor and Jennifer (Kerry) Sell; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation and services were held Friday, May 9, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Chaplain Peggy Mindrebo officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to Same As U, 19201 Promise Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 (sameasu.org).

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Jerry Dale Hamilton

July 8, 1942 – May 1, 2025



Jerry Dale Hamilton, 82, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, May 1, 2025, at his home. He was born on July 8, 1942, to Dale and Carol (Thomas) Hamilton in Butler, Ind.

Jerry proudly served in the United States Air Force as a radio operator from 1967 to 1971, serving in Italy and Alaska. He had an accounting degree from Indiana Business College and worked at Muncie Broderick Company as purchasing agent; at West Shore Community College in Michigan, as accountant; at Central Rubber & Supply Company in Indianapolis as accountant; at DoAll Central Company as sales engineer in Indianapolis; in Cleveland Ohio as President and District Sales Manager for DoAll Cleveland Company, with his last job at Ball State University as the Veteran Affairs Officer.

Jerry grew up in the Methodist Faith and was married in the First Baptist Church in Muncie, Ind., in 1967 to Beatrice Elaine Patterson. He enjoyed volunteering for Habitat for Humanity as an assistant truck driver, for Riverview Hospital as a transporter, and for Conner Prairie as a delivery driver for Stuckey's apples to the Conner Prairie Apple Store.

He is survived by his sister, Nancy Janet Sproal; sister, Lila Jeanne Rono and husband, Pomo Rono; brother, Don Michael Hamilton and wife, Donna Hamilton; sister, Kay Ellen Ziegler and husband, Lamar Ziegler; and brother, Jack Philip Hamilton.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Beatrice Elaine (Patterson) Hamilton; and brother, Jonathan Mark Hamilton.

The Hamilton Family has entrusted Randall & Roberts Funeral Home with Jerry's care.

Memorial contributions may be made to Muncie Mission Ministries Inc, 1725 S. Liberty St., Muncie, IN 47302 (munciemission.org).

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Karl Dean Miller

January 10, 1933 – April 21, 2025



Karl Dean Miller passed away peacefully at home in Carmel on April 21, 2025, three weeks after the passing of his beloved wife, Marie Thérèse Miller. Karl was born on January 10, 1933, in Thomas, Okla., son of the late Fred James Miller and Lillian Cooke Miller. He was predeceased by his parents and his brother, Fred James (Jim) Miller.

As a young boy, Karl and his family moved to St. Louis, Mo., where he grew up. He enlisted in the Army and was stationed in New Orleans during the Korean War, which ended just before he was scheduled to be deployed overseas. After his service, he graduated from the Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla with a degree in Ceramic Engineering.

In 1959, Karl married the love of his life, Marie Thérèse. They moved to Kokomo to begin their life and family together. In Kokomo, they built a close-knit circle of friends, a tradition they continued wherever they lived.

Karl's career with American Standard and Gerber Plumbing Fixtures took the family from Indiana to New Orleans, New Jersey, and Connecticut, before eventually returning to Kokomo. In retirement, Karl and Thérèse enjoyed living in Sarasota, Fla., before relocating to Indiana to be closer to their children and grandchildren.

Karl loved golf, the St. Louis Cardinals, music, and proudly being a "Girl Dad" long before the term existed. He was actively involved in civic and community organizations in every place he called home.

He is survived by his daughters, Christiane Miller (Charles Petty), Karen Demerly, and Kathryn Moon; grandchildren, Danielle Schafer (Jared), Tyler Moon, Nathan Moon (Olivia), and Jessica Moon (Jake Treida); and one great-grandson, Jack Karl Schafer. Other survivors include his nephews, Dale Miller (Marilyn) and Alan Miller (Kathy), and their families.

Nothing brought Karl greater joy than being surrounded by his family. He established enduring friendships throughout his life and will be remembered for his humor, kindness, and generous spirit.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Karl's memory to a favorite charity of one's choice.

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

Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com


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

George H. Sheller

March 6, 1928 – May 10, 2025



George H. Sheller, 97, Tipton, passed away on May 10, 2025, at his home, surrounded by his family. George was born on March 6, 1928, in Noblesville, to the late Paul and Arna (Hersberger) Sheller.

Shortly after graduating from Lapel High School in 1946, he married the love of his life, Wanda Carlin, and the two were married for 76 years. Not only was George a lifelong farmer, he also worked at Delco-Remy as a machine operator before retiring after 38 years.

He was a former member of Prairie Baptist Church and Noblesville Baptist Church. George loved farming and mowing his yard. He was still mowing up until this spring! He enjoyed working, but most importantly, he loved his family.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Wanda; son, Garry (Karen) Sheller of Leavenworth, Ind., Paul (Danielle) Sheller of Lapel, and Mark (Bethany) Sheller of Noblesville; daughter-in-law, Sherry Sheller of Noblesville; grandchildren, Bridget (Brandon) McKinney, Ryan Sheller, Amber Sheller, Sara (Eric) Wright, Adam (Amy) Sheller, Aaron (Lacey) Sheller, Kelley Sheller, Clint (Madeleine) Sheller, Kyle (Sarah) Sheller, Garrett Sheller, Jordan Sheller, and Allison Sheller; and numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; children, Teresa Sheller, David Sheller, and George Alan Sheller; grandson, Chris Sheller; brother, Russell Sheller; and sisters, Marjorie Carey, Rose McDonald, and Harriett Turner.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at Bozell Funeral Homes-Lapel Chapel, 1010 N. Main St., Lapel.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at the funeral home. Pastor Gene Parker will be officiating. His burial will take place in Brookside Cemetery.


Memorial contributions in George's name may be gifted to St. Jude Children's Hospital or the charity of your choice.

George's services have been entrusted to Bozell Funeral Homes, Lapel Chapel.

Online condolences may be made to bozellfuneralhomes.com.

Jill Ann Fahey

March 11, 1969 – May 9, 2025



Jill Ann Fahey, 56, Indianapolis, passed away peacefully on May 9, 2025, surrounded by the family she cherished above all else.

She was born on March 11, 1969, Indianapolis, to Bryan and Martha Bradshaw. Jill graduated from Warren Central High School in 1987 and went on to earn a degree in Elementary Education from Indiana University in 1991. On June 11, 1994, she married the love of her life, Mark Fahey, and together they built a home in Noblesville rooted in love, devotion, and the joy of raising their three sons. Jill cherished the simple pleasures in life, especially relaxing on the beach with her toes in the sand and spending warm summer days on the boat with Mark, their boys, and dear friends. One of the greatest joys of her life was becoming "Mimi" to her first grandson, Hudson-a role that filled her heart with pride and pure happiness.

Jill built a successful career in Information Technology and Professional Services, specializing in project management, client engagement, and strategic implementations within the financial technology and banking software industry. Jill dedicated 30 years to Fiserv, where her sharp intellect, unwavering commitment, and genuine compassion made a lasting impression on everyone she worked with. But above all, her greatest role was within her family. She lived each day with a spirit of boundless generosity, always putting others before herself. To know Jill was to know the most selfless, caring, nurturing, and loving person. She was a remarkable wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend – the kind of person who would do anything for anyone. Quite simply, she was the best.

Jill is survived by her beloved husband of 30 years, Mark; her sons, Matthew (Elisabeth), Michael, and Mitchell; and her cherished grandson, Hudson. She is also survived by her mother, Martha Pavey; her brother, Bryan Bradshaw (Julie); her sister, Alecia Spencer; mother-in-law, Joyce Fahey; brother-in-law, David (Megan); her nieces, Stephanie Ciabotti (Paul), Blaire Bradshaw, and Sophia Fahey; her nephews, Alex Bradshaw (Lauren), John Bradshaw, and Jack Fahey; great-niece, Maggie Ciabotti; and great-nephew, Aaron Ciabotti. Jill also leaves behind many dear friends whose lives were enriched by her kindness and unwavering support.

She is preceded in death by her father, Bryan Bradshaw; stepfather, Larry Pavey; father-in-law, Michael Fahey; and her nephew, Aaron Spencer.

Her memory will live on in the countless lives she touched with her warmth, wisdom, and unwavering kindness.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., with Mass at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church, 17102 Spring Mill Road, Westfield. Burial will be at Hamilton Memorial Park Cemetery in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to cancer research, specifically: Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation, 5526 W. 13400 South, #510, Herriman, UT 84096 (cholangiocarcinoma.org/donate).

Condolences: randallroberts.com

Community News


Eagle Creek Evangelical Friends Church invites you to gospel concert

Mark your calendar now for a special gospel concert from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, May 17 at Eagle Creek Evangelical Friends Church, 18325 Eagle-town Road, Westfield.

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

DeAnne Burns Kinsey

July 13, 1960 – May 8, 2025



DeAnne Burns Kinsey, 64, beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, mentor, colleague, and friend, passed away peacefully May 8, 2025, in the comfort of her home in Noblesville with her loved ones near.

A funeral service to honor DeAnne's life will be held at 5 p.m. Friday, May 16, 2025, at Christ United Methodist Church, 318 N. Union St., Westfield. Family and friends may gather for a visitation at the church beginning at 3 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in DeAnne's honor to Christ United Methodist Church.

She was born on July 13, 1960 in Lafayette, Ind., to William and Mary Burns. She married her college sweetheart, Jim Kinsey, with whom she shared 40 years of love, devotion, and laughter.

DeAnne is survived by her husband, Jim Kinsey; sons, Daniel (Kari) Kinsey and Wil (Ashley) Kinsey; mother, Mary Burns; brother, Jeff (Tessa) Burns; and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father, Bill Burns; and children, Mary Elizabeth, John Webster, and Samuel James.

DeAnne graduated from Lafayette Jefferson High School and received her undergraduate degree from Purdue University where she lived at Glenwood Cooperative. She received a Master's degree in Counseling later in life from Indiana Wesleyan University and started her own therapy private practice soon after. A gifted and widely respected therapist, she gained recognition training others in the transformative therapeutic approach Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR). DeAnne was also instrumental in the recent founding of the Westfield Counseling Collective at Christ United Methodist Church.

DeAnne lived a life of unwavering devotion to those she loved. Family was most important to her, especially her grandchildren. She also enjoyed laughter-filled get-togethers that stretched for hours, especially with her cherished college friends.

She was known for her sense of humor, storytelling, and deep empathy. People turned to DeAnne in times of joy and sorrow alike. She had a special gift for making people feel seen, heard, and loved, and her legacy will live on in the hearts of those who knew her.

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

Condolences: bussellfamilyfunerals.com

Julie Lee Grimes

July 24, 1959 – April 29, 2025



Julie Lee Grimes, a loving and resilient soul, passed away on April 29, 2025, at the age of 65. She was born in Tipton, Ind., on July 24, 1959, to Eugene and Mary Alice Henderson.

A dedicated wife to her late husband, Patrick Grimes, and a generous and caring mother to her children, Julie's spirit will forever be cherished. As the American author, Maya Angelou said, "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." Julie made everyone around her feel loved and valued.

Julie, a lifelong resident of Indiana, was a woman of many talents and interests. She worked diligently as an office manager before retiring, demonstrating her thoughtful and caring nature. She was also a proud business owner, operating PJ's Cafe in Frankton with her beloved Pat. Julie's love for the outdoors was evident in her hobbies that included camping, fishing, gardening, and boating. She also loved riding motorcycles and keeping up on NASCAR with her late husband. Julie attended the Atlanta Christian Church when she could, but was always a woman of strong faith. Her true passion was for her friends and family, especially her children and grandchildren, which always shone through.

She leaves behind a legacy of love and resilience in her surviving son, Amos Benefiel, and her daughters, Elizabeth "Nikki" Benefiel and Maggie Salazar. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Kameron Courtney, Gabriel Taber, Hayden Benefiel, Olivia Benefiel, Brinley Benefiel, Nora Salazar, Amelia Benefiel, and Francesca Salazar; brother, Matt Henderson; and sister, Gaye (Don) Walker. She was preceded in death by her parents, Eugene and Mary Alice Henderson; her husband, Patrick Grimes; her grandson, Elijah Benefiel; and her siblings, Tom, Joe, Jon, Edna, and Faye.

Visitation and memorial service were held Thursday, May 8, 2025, at Hartley Funeral Homes, 209 W. Jackson St., Cicero. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted" (Matthew 5:4).

Memorial contributions may be made to Willow Place, 123 E. 10th St., Anderson, IN 46016.

We encourage friends and family to share their memories and upload photos of Julie to the memorial page. Such tributes will serve as a testament to the love and affection that Julie shared with everyone she met.

Condolences: hartleyfuneralhomes.com

HUGE Sorority GARAGE SALE

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Thurs 5/15, Fri 5/16, Sat 5/17

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Hamilton County Veteran Community Page Survey

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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?
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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

Hamilton County Veteran Service Organizations

American Legion Posts
Carmel Post 155 Kim Kilburn
852 West Main St Breakfast Sat & Sun 8-12
Carmel, In 46032 Treasure Hunt Fri 7p
317-846-0001 Tx Holdem Thurs & Sat
M,Tu 3-10pm, W,Th 10a-10p, F 10a-11a, Sa 8a-11p, Su 8a-8p.
Restaurant –Sa 8a-8p, Su 8a-12p Lunch W-F 11a-2p, Dinner W-F 5-8p
Cicero Post 341 Tye Anderson
50 Washington Ave Treasure Hunt Tues 7p
Cicero, In 46034 Weekly Draw Su 6p,W 7p
317-984-4441 Bingo Fri 6p, Weekly Draw 8p
M-Th 3-10p, F-Sa 12-11p, Su 12-10p.
Restaurant Tu, W, F 4-8pm, Public P/U Tu-W, F eat in or carry out
Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc
9091 E 126th St Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm \$25K
Fishers, in 46038 Trivia Wed 6pm
317-842-5944 Breakfast 1st & 3rd Sun 8-11
M 3-10p, Tu-Su12-10pm or when empty.
Restaurant Breakfast 1st&3rd Sun 9-12, Food 12-8 Tu, 5-9 W, 12-9 Th, F 3-8 Sa, 12-5 Su
Noblesville Post 45 Gil Soria
273 S 8th St Fri 645pm Treasure Hunt
Noblesville, in 46060
317-773-9985 Trivia every 1 & 3 Sat 7pm
M-Th 11a-10p, F11a-12p, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p
Restaurant M 6-8pm wings, Tu-F 530-830p, Sat 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12 Breakfast 730-930a Dinner 530-830p, Su 12-8p
Sheridan Post 67 Tom DeShon
406 E 10th St
Sheridan, In 46069
317-758-5007
M 3-9p, Tu-Th 11-9p, F Sa 11-10p, Su 1-6p
Restaurant Lunch Tu-F 11a-2p, food service till close

VFW Posts
Carmel Post 10003 Darin Bibeau
12863 Old Meridian St
Carmel, In 46032 Breakfast 2 & 4 Sat 8-11
317-846-0917 Thurs Treasure Hunt 7pm
Su-Sa 11a-11p.
Restaurant - Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sa 8a-11a, Lunch 11a-2p & food service till 8p daily
Noblesville Post 6246 Eric Behrends
654 S 9th St
Noblesville, In 46060
317-773-9956
M-Th 11a-10p, F 11a-12a, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p
Restaurant M-F 6-9p

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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
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Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers
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Assistant CVSO – Caroline Franz
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Admin Assistant – Christina Ellis
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Weekend Breakfast - Carmel American Legion



Hamilton County Military Veteran Coffee With a Vet Last Saturday of the Month 8-9am



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May 20, 2025
6:00PM - 8:00PM
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Sign up for a FREE 30 min. naloxone* (Narcan) training:



Tues., April 29 6:30 p.m. Nickel Plate Pavillion Conference room	Wed., May 21 7 p.m. Nickel Plate Pavillion Conference room	Wed., May 28 7 p.m. Nickel Plate Pavillion Conference room
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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!

Activities & Events

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Join the Indy Vet Center for “The Weekly Grind”

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Every Thursday from 10am till 12pm (noon)

Located at the Vet Center

6330 West 71st St

Indianapolis, IN 46278

317-423-1680

Christina Owens

Veteran Outreach Program Specialist

Indianapolis Vet Center

317-749-9357- Cell

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6330 W 71st St

Indianapolis, IN 46278

Stop the Bleed Training May 28 6-730pm

Hamilton County Health Department Presents

FREE STOP THE BLEED COURSE

May 28, 2025

6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Hamilton County Juvenile Probation,

Shelter Care, Adult Women Annex

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Noblesville, IN 46060

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Baseball sectional pairings announced

By CRAIG ADKINS
For The Reporter

On May 4, the IHSAA held the annual baseball sectional draw to determine the matchups for the state tournament. Four classes, 64 sectionals, 383 schools and it all comes down to four state champions on June 20 and 21.

This year will be different from years past. Traditionally, sectional week takes place during the week leading up to Memorial Day with the sectional championship played on Memorial Day. A tradition in Indiana high school baseball that will change this season, as sectional games start on May 28 and conclude on Monday, June 2.

Here is how the sectional draw fared for the nine Hamilton County teams. Times are listed for Sectional 8, all others are to be announced:

- Class 4A Sectional 8 at Carmel**
Wednesday, May 28
Hamilton Southeastern vs. Fishers, 5:30 p.m.
Zionsville vs. Noblesville, to follow
Friday, May 30
Semifinal: HSE/Fishers winner vs. Zionsville/Noblesville winner, 5:30 p.m.
Semifinal: Westfield vs. Carmel, to follow
Championship game: Monday, June 2, 6 p.m.
Class 3A Sectional 24 at Yorktown
Connersville vs. Delta
- Class 4A Sectional 8 at Carmel**
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Friday, May 30
Semifinal: HSE/Fishers winner vs. Zionsville/Noblesville winner, 5:30 p.m.
Semifinal: Westfield vs. Carmel, to follow
Championship game: Monday, June 2, 6 p.m.
Class 3A Sectional 24 at Yorktown
Connersville vs. Delta

Softball sectional pairings announced

The IHSAA announced the sectional pairings for its annual state tournament on May 4. Hamilton County's Class 4A schools will compete in Sectional 8 at Fishers during the week of May 26. Hamilton Southeastern and Noblesville will play each other in the first round, followed by a game between Westfield and Zionsville. Fishers plays the HSE-Noblesville winner in the first semifinal, while Carmel will take on the Westfield-Zionsville winner in the second semifinal. In Class 3A, Hamilton Heights plays in Sectional 24 at Delta. The Huskies received a bye into the second

semifinal and play the winner of a first-round game between Jay County and Delta. New Castle and Yorktown play the first opening-round game, with the winner taking on Connersville in the first semifinal. Guerin Catholic will compete in Sectional 25 at Lebanon. The Golden Eagles play the host Tigers in the first round, with the winner to play Frankfort in the first semifinal. Crawfordsville and Brebeuf Jesuit will face off in the second opening-round game, with the winner taking on Danville in the second semifinal. Sheridan was to play in Class 2A Sectional 39 at Elwood, but has withdrawn from the tournament.

Boys volleyball sectional pairings announced

The IHSAA announced the sectional pairings for its inaugural boys volleyball state tournament on May 4. The tournament will be in a one-class format. The majority of Hamilton County schools will compete in Sectional 8 at Fishers. Action begins next Wednesday with two first-round games. Westfield takes on Car-

mel in the opener, scheduled for 6 p.m. That will be followed by a Mudsock rematch between the host Tigers and Hamilton Southeastern at 8 p.m. First-round games continue on Thursday. Guerin Catholic and Noblesville will face off in the first contest at 6 p.m., with Peru and Kokomo playing at 8 p.m.

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Boys Golf

Rocks claim Spring Preview title

By RICHIE HALL
sports@readthereporter.com

CARMEL – It was a picture-perfect spring day at Prairie View Golf Club last Saturday, weather that was just right for an important golf tournament.

Westfield's boys certainly enjoyed the day. The Shamrocks won the Spring Preview tournament, winning a tough battle with Homestead for the team championship. Top-ranked Westfield scored an even-par 288, just ahead of the second-ranked Spartans' score of 290.

The 'Rocks were led by their two seniors, Will Harvey and Jake Cesare, as they both scored three under par 69s, tying for second individually.

The Purdue-bound Harvey lit up the front nine with four birdies, while the Indiana commit Cesare did his damage on the back nine, making three birdies. Overall, Harvey finished his round with five birdies and Cesare made four, including one on the 18th green.

"I thought we battled today," said Harvey. "Course is perfect, conditions were good. I'm just really proud of our team and how we fought today. Our (number) three, four and five (players), I thought did a good job."

Both men were quick to credit the other three players on the team as well. Hudson Kutchma and Mitchell Keene both scored 75s. Kutchma drained three birdies, while Keene made two. Ryan Cesare scored 78, with one birdie.

"Me and Will don't have to have our best stuff and we



Reporter photo by Richie Hall
The Westfield boys golf team won the Spring Preview meet, which took place last Saturday at Prairie View Golf Club. The Shamrocks scored an even par 288 to claim the trophy.

could still win because of our three, four and five, so that's really nice to have," said Jake Cesare.

The Spring Preview was loaded, as 16 of the top 20 teams played at the event. Both Harvey and Jake Cesare agreed that winning this tournament is a big confidence boost for the team.

"I think coming in here and getting the job done and just grinding, knowing some of our guys didn't have our best stuff and still coming out on top is definitely a big confidence booster for the second half of the season.

"People who do good at the Spring Preview definitely do well at state," said Cesare.

Twelfth-ranked Zionsville finished third as a team with 296, followed by

seventh-ranked Evansville North, which placed fourth with 298. Guerin Catholic is ranked fifth and placed fifth at the Spring Preview, scoring 300.

Eli Wessel led the Golden Eagles with a one under 71, tying him for sixth place individually. Wessel made three birdies in the tournament. Brady Wagner totaled 74 with two birdies, while Johnny Quinn scored 77, making five birdies. Will Parenteau scored 78, also with five birdies, while Robbie Burt made one birdie while carding a 79.

Third-ranked Noblesville finished eighth as a team, scoring 308. Lance Decker was the Millers' low man with 72, including three birdies, and tied for eighth individually. Tyler

Marucci scored 77, Jackson Umthum totaled 78 and Drew Werkley carded 80; all three made one birdie. Dustin Turpin scored 81.

Eighth-ranked Carmel placed ninth with a team score of 315. Noah Johnson led the Greyhounds with 77, draining two birdies. Davis Hutchins and Ethan Hoagland both totaled 79, each making one birdie. Alex Gardner scored 80 with two birdies, and David Connery carded 82, with one birdie.

No. 11-ranked Hamilton Southeastern scored 323 as a team. Dane Starnes led the Royals with 78, while Brody Colburn scored 80; both made one birdie. Mattingly Upchurch scored 82, making three birdies. Kai Warner and Blake Babb each scored 83, including one birdie.

Girls Tennis

Rocks triumph at HCC meet

The Westfield girls tennis team won the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, which took place last Thursday and Saturday at Zionsville.

The Shamrocks placed in the top three in all five flights, including three championships. Those winners were No. 1 singles Alexandra Grilliot, No. 2 singles Isla Harvey and the No. 2 doubles team of Addi Kooi and Ellen Volz. All were named to the All-Conference team.

Juliette Grilliot placed second at No. 3 singles. The No. 1 doubles team of Bella Rivera and Jenna Berry placed third and were named All-Conference.



Photo provided
The Westfield girls tennis team won the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, which took place last week at Zionsville. (From left) Maddie Iovino (alternate), Alexandra Grilliot, Kendall Omer (alternate), Bella Rivera, Jenna Berry, Addi Kooi, Juliette Grilliot, Isla Harvey, Ellen Volz, and Addison Laub (alternate).

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Track & Field

Southeastern wins HCC girls track meet

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern girls track and field team triumphed at the Hoosier Crossroads Conference meet, which took place last Tuesday at Fishers.

The Royals scored 109 points, comfortably ahead of runner-up Zionsville's 83 points. Southeastern won five individual events, including a triple victory for Anissa Lammie. She was part of HSE's first-place 4x800 relay team, joining Elizabeth Butler, Anaya Lammie and Ciara Kepner, then went on to win the 400 dash. Anissa Lammie finished the meet by teaming with Addison Smith, Chloe Senefeld and Kepner to win the 4x400 relay; this made Kepner a double winner. Elia Blackmore swept the 100 and 300 hurdles events.

Noblesville got a win from Brinkley Cooper in the 800 run. Fishers picked up two field event victories: Macey Miller in the shot put and Scarlett Olson in the pole vault. Westfield's Aliv-

ia Lozier won the 3200 run.

Team scores and top eight county results now follow.

Team scores: Hamilton Southeastern 109, Zionsville 83, Brownsburg 78.5, Avon 78.5, Noblesville 75, Fishers 71, Franklin Central 66.5, Westfield 61.5.

4x800 relay: 1. Southeastern (Elizabeth Butler, Anissa Lammie, Anaya Lammie, Ciara Kepner) 9:26.93, 2. Noblesville (Riley Flynn, Kate Mumaw, Gretchen Graham, Brinkley Cooper) 9:32.72, 3. Westfield (Jordyn Landrum, Maggie Naas, Alivia Lozier, Mackenna Condon) 9:35.98, 4. Fishers (Aaliyah Hayes, Caitlin Hawkins, Allie Belush, Isabella Murch) 9:37.30.

100 hurdles: 1. Elia Blackmore (HSE) 14.28, 7. Taylor Tarter (F) 17.54, 8. Makena Schwerin (W) 17.81.

100 dash: 5. Kaleah McCarter (HSE) 12.69, 7. Ainsley Meinerding (N) 12.80, 8. Mya Baker (N) 12.92.

1600 run: 2. Butler (HSE) 5:00.69, 4. Catey Campbell (HSE) 5:08.24, 7. Caitlin Haw-

kins (F) 5:15.32.

4x100 relay: 2. Southeastern (Blackmore, Chloe Senefeld, Laila Ehr Gott, McCarter) 48.04, 4. Noblesville (Mallory Cahill, Baker, Aleigh Heavey, Meinerding) 49.82, 5. Westfield (LeBraya Warren, Ella Jenkins, Melody Miller, Gracie Czubik), 7. Fishers (Mia Cardozo Nunez, Rylan David, Ava Underwood, Kylee Black) 50.39.

400 dash: 1. Ani. Lammie (HSE) 55.09, 3. Alyssa Lahee (N) 59.45, 4. Rylan Bell (N) 59.76, 6. Addison Smith (HSE) 1:00.95.

300 hurdles: 1. Blackmore (HSE) 44.07, 2. Senefeld (HSE) 44.71, 3. Katelyn Eblen (W) 48.61, 5. Charlotte Huffman (F) 51.32, Eugena Wilson (N) 51.83, Schwerin (W) 52.53.

800 run: 1. Cooper (HSE) 2:16.16, 2. Kepner (HSE) 2:16.93, 6. Murch (F) 2:20.91, 8. Ava Powers (HSE) 2:21.25.

200 dash: 8. McCarter (HSE) 26.55.

3200 run: 1. Lozier (W) 10:55.16, 5. Ansley Applegate (N) 11:22.00, 8. Abby Lotter (F) 11:46.37.

4x400 relay: 1. Southeastern (Smith, Senefeld, Kepner, Ani. Lammie) 3:53.18, 2. Noblesville (Bell, Graham, Cooper, Lahee) 3:59.28, 3. Westfield (Naas, LeAsia Warren, Landrum, LeB. Warren) 4:00.18, 4. Fishers (Charlotte Lawrence, Murch, Brianna Geren, Zinnia Pineda) 4:02.61.

Shot put: 1. Macey Miller (F) 41-0, 3. Nyla Young (N) 36-9.5, 6. Mia Tobias (F) 35-7, 7. Katie Wooden (HSE) 34-2.

Discus: 2. Tobias (F) 124-7, 3. Miller (F) 113-3, 4. Amelia Kring (N) 111-3, 5. Young (N) 111-3.

High jump: 2. Lawrence (F) 5-2, T3. Czubik (W) 5-2, 7. Elise Beckner (N) 4-10, 8. Ainsley Powers (F) 4-10.

Long jump: 2. Czubik (W) 16-10.75, 3. Meinerding (N) 16-10, 5. Natalie Arnold (HSE) 16-4.75, 6. EJ Shults (HSE) 16-4.25, 7. Madison Paciorek (F) 16-3.

Pole vault: 1. Scarlett Olson (F) 11-6, 2. Alexandra Hamilton (W) 11-6, 3. Jenkins (W) 11-0, 4. Riley Williams (HSE) 10-6, 8. Olivia Maynard (HSE) 10-0.

Sheridan's Nova Cross gets quadruple win at HHC meet

The REPORTER

The Sheridan track & field teams competed at the Hoosier Heartland Conference meet last Friday at Carroll.

The Blackhawks' girls team finished in third place with 80.5 points. Sheridan won five events at the meet, including a quadruple win for Nova Cross. The senior swept all three dashes (100, 200 and 400) and finished the meet by joining Sophia Goettig, Kenzie Garner and Ji Warren to win the 4x400 relay. Brielle Garner won the 3200 run.

Sheridan's top eight finishers in each event now follow.

4x800 run: 6. Sheridan (Rita Almodovar, Arieanna Ashpawi, Carla Gonzalez Calvo, Madison Underwood) 15:08.60.

100 hurdles: 6. Kenzie Garner 19.22.

100 dash: 1. Nova Cross 13.17.

1600 run: 3. Brielle Garner 6:21.10.

400 dash: 1. Cross 1:01.87.

200 dash: 1. Cross 27.44.

3200 run: 1. B. Garner 13:32.09.

4x400 relay: 1. Sheridan (Sophia Goettig, K. Garner, Cross, Ji Warren) 4:31.77.

Shot put: 7. Adrianna Hamersley 26-7.75.

Long jump: 3. Warren 14-5.5.

High jump: 2. K. Garner 4-10, T6. B. Garner 4-6.

In the boys meet, Sheridan placed ninth with 33 points. Damon Winston was a double winner, finishing first in the 110 hurdles and the high jump.

Top eight Sheridan finishers in each event now follow.

4x800 relay: 8. Sheridan (Carsen Aleman, Antonio Rocha, Timmy Vyner, Jeraldo Jacobo) 13:24.11.

110 hurdles: 1. Damon Winston 16.25, 8. Kohl Ailor 19.87.

4x100 relay: 4. Sheridan (Hayden Alexander, Devon Hamilton, Braxton Schwerdtfeger, Winston) 47.06.

4x400 relay: 8. Sheridan (Brock Hagan, Jackson Aleman, Victor Galvez Mena, Landon Moffitt) 3:53.80.

Discus: 8. Owen Trietsch 111-0.

Shot put: 8. Trietsch 41-9.75.

High jump: 1. Winston 6-2.

Hamilton County boys teams get several event wins at HCC meet

The REPORTER

Hamilton County's Hoosier Crossroads Conference boys track teams traveled to Avon last Thursday for the conference meet.

The host Orioles won the team championship with 128.5 points, with Brownsburg scoring 99 points for runner-up honors. Noblesville was the top county team, taking third with 83.5 points.

The Millers won three individual events, beginning with the 4x800 relay. The team of Isaiah Vohs, Jack Rush, Bode Barnes and Jack Shinneman finished the race in 7 minutes, 54.12 seconds. Banner Barnes led a 1-2 finish in the 800 run (1:54.20), with Bradyn Livingston placing second. John Libs was first in the 3200 run (9:14.07).

Hamilton Southeastern picked up two victories. Christian Ortiz won the 200 dash in 21.18 seconds, while Evan Senefeld cleared 14 feet to take the pole vault.

Fishers' Konrad Haynes

soared to a win in the high jump, with a best leap of 6 feet, 8 inches. Westfield's 4x100 relay team of Maison McCray, Caleb Terril, Cayden Gearhart and Cato June placed first in that event, in a time of 41.59 seconds.

Team scores and county top eight finishers in each event now follow.

Team scores: Avon 128.5, Brownsburg 99, Noblesville 83.5, Franklin Central 72, Hamilton Southeastern 67, Fishers 67, Westfield 66, Zionsville 39.

4x800 relay: 1. Noblesville (Isaiah Vohs, Jack Rush, Bode Barnes, Jack Shinneman) 7:54.12, 2. Westfield (Maxim Poirier, Luke Moulder, Carson Ackley, Caleb Haney) 7:55.31, 3. Southeastern (William Henning, Omar Elsayed, Liam McNiven, Mason Schmitz) 7:56.04, 7. Fishers (Dylan Wolf, Bryson Slagle, Grant Yount, Grant Fasnacht) 8:15.22.

110 hurdles: 3. Logan Tuck (W) 14.99, 4. Sam Long (HSE) 15.12, 5. Rowen McGee (F) 15.13.

100 dash: 2. Angel Wilson

(N) 10.80, 4. Carsen Eloms (F) 11.00, 5. Cato June (W) 11.01.

1600 run: 2. Jack Strong (N) 4:16.39, 3. Banner Barnes (N) 4:18.04, 4. Liam Powers (HSE) 4:18.51, 6. Slagle (F) 4:22.57, 7. Will Snedeker (W) 4:24.81.

4x100 relay: 1. Westfield (Maison McCray, Caleb Terril, Cayden Gearhart, June) 41.59, 5. Fishers (Kayden Myers, Vincent Rozzi, Carter Schaaf, Austin Mattio) 42.52, 7. Noblesville (Barry Abijide, Austin Donahoe, Xavion Bond, Wilson) 45.40.

400 dash: 2. Rocky Duplessis (F) 49.29, 5. Poirier (W) 50.30, 7. Michael Mott (HSE) 51.38, 8. Kallen Hoeft (HSE) 51.62.

300 hurdles: 2. Long (HSE) 39.75, 7. Ethan Feliciano (N) 42.36.

800 run: 1. Ba. Barnes (N) 1:54.20, 2. Bradyn Livingston (N) 1:55.00, 5. Declan Mohr (F) 1:56.70, 7. Snedeker (W) 1:58.40, 8. Henning (HSE) 1:59.50.

200 dash: 1. Christian Ortiz (HSE) 21.18, 3. Terril (W) 21.65, 4. Wilson (N) 21.66, 7. Duplessis (F) 23.04.

3200 run: 1. John Libs (N) 9:14.07, 2. Isaac Smith (HSE) 9:16.14, 3. Sam Quagliaroli (F) 9:22.29, 4. Powers (HSE) 9:29.75, 6. Ronnie Neal (N) 9:37.26, 8. Nate Thomas (F) 9:47.73.

4x400 relay: 3. Westfield (Terril, Poirier, Haney, Snedeker) 3:22.93, 5. Noblesville (Nathaniel Leach, Strong, Bo. Barnes, Livingston) 3:31.22, 7. Fishers (Darian Girton, Gage Sturgill, Mohr, Duplessis) 3:33.94.

Discus: 4. Jev Hutton (F) 148-5, 6. Job Mavrick (W) 143-5, 8. KJ Mallett (HSE) 134-8.

Shot put: 5. Mason Cantwell (F) 51-2, 7. Mason McDermott (N) 46-7.5, 8. Mavrick (W) 46-6.5.

Long jump: 4. Dylan James (HSE) 22-1, 7. Donahoe (N) 20-11.5, 8. Braxton Gardner (F) 20-1.

High jump: 1. Konrad Hayden (F) 6-8, 3. Robert Campbell (W) 6-2.

Pole vault: 1. Evan Senefeld (HSE) 14-0, 2. Alex Wilson (W) 13-0, 3. Colin Swain (F) 13-0, 6. Max Wambach (N) 12-0.

Royals beat Huskies in all-county game

The REPORTER

The Hamilton Southeastern baseball team beat Hamilton Heights 12-4 last Saturday to win an all-county game at Ken Seitz Field.

The Royals started with four runs in the second inning. Adam Wolf got the first run after Colin Kendrick sent him home on a sacrifice fly. Maddux Bach singled in Clark Bucher, then Bach and Kian Kelly got home after Jackson Bixler reached on an error.

Bucher doubled in Michael Hoog for a third-inning run and a 5-0 HSE lead. The Huskies put up three runs in the fourth inning: Dillon Pitts scored after Jackson Mikesell drew a bases-loaded walk. Adam Hughes got home when Owen Robey drew a walk, then Luke Davis scored when Kaden Lawson drew a walk.

The Royals answered with five runs in the bottom of the fourth. Bixler sent Bach home with a left field hit, then Hoog batted in Bixler and Dylan Lewis with another left field hit. Bucher doubled Hogg and Wolf home, putting Southeastern up 10-4.

The Royals added two more runs in the fifth inning. Kendrick scored on Bixler's sacrifice fly, then Parker O'Steen singled in Bach. Heights scored in the seventh inning, with Kyle Michael getting home on Davis' RBI fielder's choice.

Evan Burns and Bach both had two hits, with Burns and Kendrick both hitting one double. Tyler Sarver got the pitching win, striking out 10 in 3.1 innings. Michael, Hughes and Tyson Upchurch all had one hit for the Huskies.

Southeastern is 10-14 and hosts Mt. Vernon Monday, then plays Westfield in a Hoosier Crossroads Conference series. The Royals play at the Shamrocks' field Thursday before returning to Ken Seitz Field on Friday.

Heights is 6-13 and plays Thursday at McCutcheon. The Huskies will play a Hoosier Conference placement game on Friday, then host Eastbrook Saturday in a doubleheader.

fayette Central Catholic.

The Golden Eagles lost their first game to South Bend St. Joseph 10-4. Ben Canada hit a leadoff home run in the bottom of the second inning for the game's first run.

The Huskies took control after that, leading 8-1 through four innings. Guerin Catholic's Ian Taylor hit a home run in the fifth inning, then Canada singled in Karson Smith and Layne Walters with a seventh-inning single.

The Golden Eagles won their second game, beating the host LCC Knights 3-1. Guerin Catholic scored all three of its runs in the sixth inning. Tate Troxell hit a double that scored Drew Smith, after which Nolan Ratcliff and Troxell both scored on an error.

Canada and Beard both had two hits, with Canada hitting a double. Finn Holden pitched five innings for the win, striking out six.

The Golden Eagles are 10-10 and play a Circle City Conference series with Roncalli this week. Guerin Catholic hosts the Royals on Tuesday and then plays at Roncalli on Wednesday. On Friday, GC plays at Zionsville, then hosts a doubleheader with Greenfield-Central Saturday.

Carmel also split Saturday games, going 1-1 at the Crown Point tournament.

The Greyhounds dropped their first game 10-1 to the host Indians. Carmel scored its run in the fourth inning, with Jay Stein getting home on Evan Vogt's RBI groundout.

The 'Hounds beat Homewood-Flossmoor (Ill.) 4-0 in their second game. Jackson Harris singled in Max Walkey for a second-inning run, then Carson Mace scored in the third inning on Parker Heaney's RBI groundout. In the fourth inning, Silas Neal singled in Walkey, then Heaney doubled in Vogt for a fifth-inning run.

Cole Caldwell pitched six innings for the win, striking out five.

Carmel is 10-10 and hosts games against Mooresville on Thursday and Roncalli on Friday. The Greyhounds play Saturday at Bloomington North.

VOLLEYBALL



Fishers will host Sectional 8 in the IHSAA's inaugural boys volleyball state tournament this week. The Tigers will play Hamilton Southeastern in a rematch of the May 8 Mudstate match. Fishers won in straight sets. Pictured for the Tigers is JT Guler. Pictured for the Royals is Sean Smart.

Semifinals take place Saturday morning. The Wednesday winners play each other in the first match at 11 a.m., with the Thursday winners facing off in the second semifinal at 1 p.m. The championship match is set for 7 p.m.

University plays at Pike

University will play in Sectional 9 at Pike, a nine-team site. The Trailblazers take on Cardinal Ritter in a quarterfinal match at 7 p.m. Wednesday, following a

5:30 p.m. contest between MTI School of Knowledge and Brebeuf Jesuit.

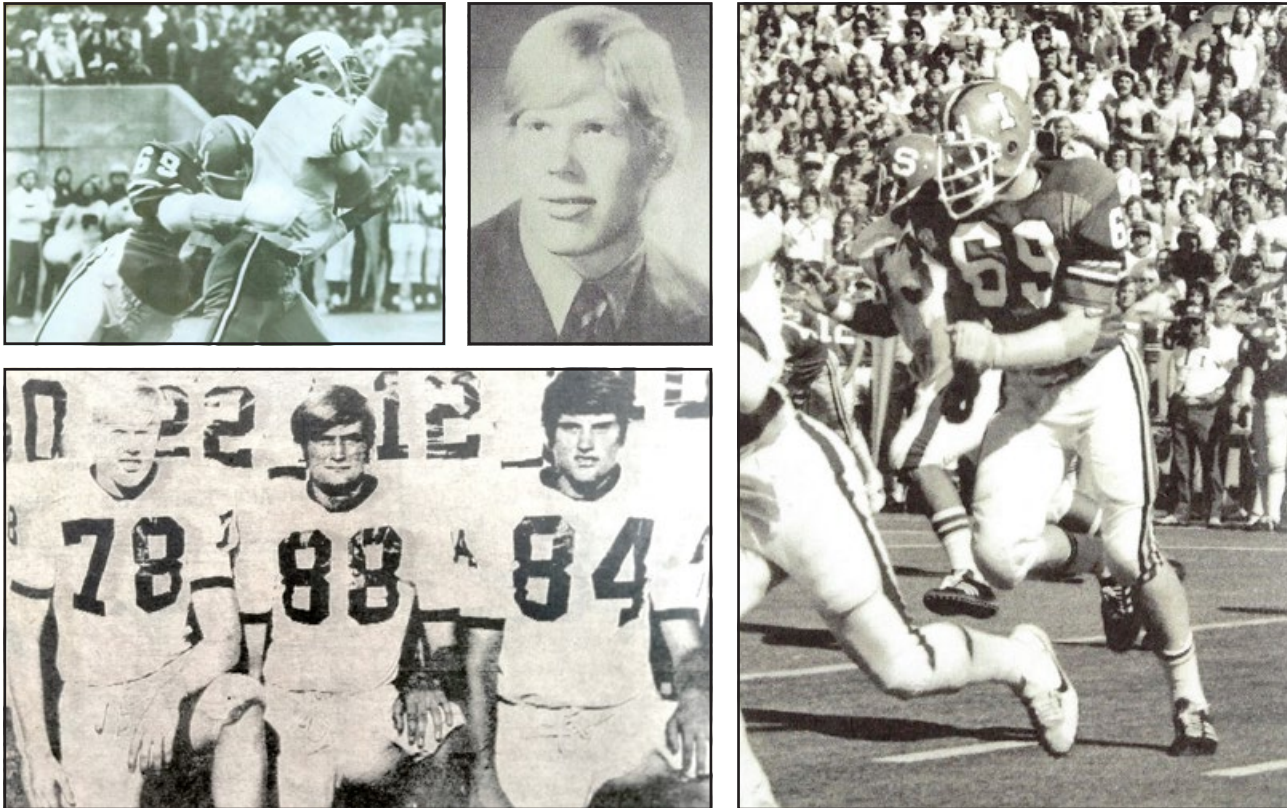
Bishop Chatard and the host Red Devils play the opening-round match at 6 p.m. Tuesday. The winner of that match plays Park Tudor in a

quarterfinal match at 7 p.m. Thursday. North Central and International play each other in a 5:30 p.m. quarterfinal.

Semifinals take place Saturday morning beginning at 10 a.m., with the championship set for 5 p.m.

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Reporter photos by Julie Brown



Photos provided

The story of Craig Marks is that of an incredible comeback. After accidentally being shot during his sophomore year at Noblesville High School, Marks went on to become a three-sport athlete for the Millers, then played football at Indiana University.

A miraculous Noblesville High School athlete comeback story

By **TERRY COOMER**
For The Reporter

Noblesville High School has had many great athletes and many great athletic achievements down through the years. I am always glad to be able to say I grew up in Noblesville, Indiana. All the athletes who have done great things have had a wonderful support system from the community as well as great coaches who inspired, taught, coached, and helped them to do great things. I want to apologize upfront if I did not remember someone's contribution.

Recently, I was talking with my friend Craig Marks. I was inspired by Craig's life-or-death experience and his remarkable comeback to play football at Indiana University on a full scholarship.

Nov. 21, 1970, is a day that changed Craig's life forever. Craig was a 15-year-old sophomore at Noblesville High School. At 6-foot-3 and 185 pounds, Craig played football and lettered that year. As football season ended, he was looking forward to playing basketbal, and to participating in track.

Craig and two high school friends were out hunting in a farm field not too far from Craig's home. One of the boys turned around and uncocked his gun (a 20-gauge shotgun). The gun accidentally went off and shot Craig in his upper left thigh. He was hit with that blast from just 10 feet away.

One of the friends ran a mile across the field to a farmhouse to call for help. The other friend put a handkerchief in the wound and held it there to apply pressure. Craig laid in that field for an hour, conscious the entire time, before help finally came. The field was so muddy that the ambulance got stuck and could not get to him. A neighbor's tractor had to be used to pull the ambulance to and from the site of the accident. During this time Craig lost nine pints of blood (the human body has only 12 to 13 pints). Needless to say, this was a life-or-death situation.

On the way to the hospital, Craig passed out from the loss of blood and the trauma. When he arrived at the hospital, the doctors were concerned he might not make it and were considering amputating his leg. Luckily, one of the doctors knew of an army surgeon in Indianapolis who had treated many gun blast victims during World War II. They located the surgeon at the barbershop (he was getting his hair cut) and asked him to come and do the surgery to help Craig.

Obviously, this was a very serious injury, but they were able to save Craig's leg. There continued to be great fear, however, that

there had been so much nerve damage that he would be disabled and never be able to use that leg again. Obviously, this would mean he would not be able to participate in athletics.

At the time of this accident, Craig Marks was an up-and-coming football player for NHS. After spending 33 days in a hospital bed and losing 30 pounds, there was concern that Craig would not be able to gain enough strength in that leg necessary to play again.

The question was, could he come back? The answer to the question was yes!

Now, the comeback

When Craig first started his rehabilitation, he could only lift two pounds with his left leg. He was determined to work hard lifting weights, running, and strengthening his leg. Needless to say, he did not play basketball or participate in track during the remainder of his sophomore year but spent his time and effort working on getting his strength back. As you can imagine it was a real chore.

Coach Jim Belden, the highly successful high school football coach at Noblesville at the time, was a great encouragement and help to Craig. Craig greatly appreciated the iconic coach's help. As he progressed, Coach Belden even took Craig to Ball State University where they made a special pad for him to put over the wound in his leg to help protect it if he got hit there. He was ready to play football again in the fall of his junior year.

Craig went on to start at offensive tackle and defensive tackle in his junior and senior years. In 1972, his 53 tackles made him the second-best tackler at NHS. Craig lettered in football three years, and during those years the team earned a 22-8 record. Now 6-foot-4 and 210 pounds, Craig was named All-County and All-Sagamore Conference as a senior and played on the Indiana All Star team after his senior year. That same year, in basketball, Craig averaged eight points and 10 rebounds per game for NHS. Craig also set the first school discus record of 122 feet, 9 inches as a senior.

As his high school career ended, Craig received a full-ride scholarship offer to play football for Lee Corso at the University of Louisville. Before the season started, Corso made the move to coach at Indiana University. Corso then offered Craig a full-ride scholarship to go with him to play football at Indiana University. Wow! From laying in a field, seriously wounded near death, to playing football at Indiana University.

Craig did not play his first season at IU, as he sus-

tained a knee injury to his left leg during a scrimmage near the end of the season. Consequently, Craig was redshirted for the 1974 season. In 1975 Craig played and earned a varsity letter. Craig's very first play as a varsity player was tackling Tony Dungy, who was Minnesota's quarterback at the time, and who later coached the Indianapolis Colts. In his first varsity start, he played across from Wisconsin's All-American tackle Dennis Lick.

In 1976, Craig started 10 games and was very proud when IU beat Purdue. In 1977, he started all 11 games at defensive tackle and IU's record was 5-6, including another win over Purdue. One of his particular memories that season was tackling Purdue's stand-out quarterback, Mark Herrmann, when the two teams matched up in the Old Oak- en Bucket game. After his playing career, Craig was brought on as a Graduate Assistant football coach for IU's 1978 and 1979 seasons. A highlight from that experience was being on staff for the 1979 Holiday Bowl win – IU's first bowl victory.

One great honor for Craig was being awarded the 1978 Hamilton County Athlete of the Year. The great Noblesville baseball Coach Don Dunker, after whom the baseball field at Noblesville High School is named, organized the event to give the award to Craig Marks. Another honor, culminating his football career, will occur in October 2025, when Craig receives the I-Man Award for lettering at Indiana University 50 years ago.

Craig's accomplishments did not end at Indiana University. After graduating with degrees in Health, Physical Education, and U.S. History, he went on to obtain his master's degree in physical education with

a concentration in coaching. Craig was a teacher for 34 years at Franklin Central High School in Indianapolis, where he taught Social Studies, U.S. History, Health, Physical Education, and Advanced Physical Education and influenced many young men and women.

Craig coached football for 20 years as an assistant coach at Franklin Central. Their teams went to the Indiana state finals seven times and won four state championships. They were the first team in Indiana to win three state championships in a row! Craig was also a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) and was instrumental in developing the strength program at the high school. Craig coached track for 14 years at both Franklin Central High School and Seccina Memorial High School in Indianapolis.

Craig has been married for 43 years to his wife, Donna. They have three adult children and one precious grandchild. Craig is very pleased that his mother, Doyne Marks, is still able to be an encouragement to him at 96 years old. As we were talking, Craig also mentioned he is happy that he has been able to continue life-long friendships with many of those who graduated Noblesville High School with him.

It would have been very easy to give up after such a decimating injury, but Craig Marks not only got up off the ground, he became a great Noblesville athlete. He went on to coach, teach, and encourage other young people to persevere and be all they could be.

Congratulations to Craig Marks for a great comeback story – a story that can be an inspiration to all of us.

You can reach Dr. Terry Coomer by email at drterrycoomer19@gmail.com.

— NOBLESVILLE —

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING

Board of Zoning Appeals
City of Noblesville, Indiana

This notice is to inform you of a Public Hearing that will be held by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals on the 2nd day of June, 2025. This hearing, to discuss application **BZNA-0060-2025**, will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, Noblesville City Hall at 16 South 10th Street. The application submitted by Heather McInnis, Peterson Architecture, on behalf of property owners Frederick Dennis & Lori Kay Koppold, requests that approval be granted to a Variance of Development Standards application pursuant to UDO § 8.C.1.E and Table 8.B to allow the reduction of a rear yard setback for a 2-story addition at the rear of an existing house within the the LB (Local Business) zoning district (20 feet required; 10 feet requested) on the property **located at 255 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060**.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the application above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting, and will be heard by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will have an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place.

This hearing may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Department of Planning and Development at 16 South 10th Street, Suite B140 and may be reviewed during regular office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A copy of the file may also be viewed on the Department of Planning website, <http://www.cityofnoblesville.org/planning>, by clicking the Boards & Committees button, clicking the icon on the map relating to this location and selecting the application materials link.

Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals
Caleb Gutshall, Secretary

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— COURT NOTICES —

SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT NO. 2
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CASE NO. 29D02-2502-PL-002092
TIMBER CREEK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION OF CARMEL, INC.,)
Plaintiff,)
v.)
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF CATHIE D. REAMER,)
DECEASED, ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC)
F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS INC., TRICO REGIONAL SEWER UTILITY,)
AND THE UNKNOWN OCCUPANT(S),)
Defendants.)

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is for reducing past homeowner's association dues to judgment and foreclosing the homeowner association's lien upon the following described real property located in Hamilton County, Indiana, commonly known as 1098 Timber Creek Drive, Unit 4, Carmel, Indiana 46032, to-wit:

Building 5, Unit 1098-4 Phase 6 in Timber Creek Horizontal Property Regime created by Declaration recorded as Instrument No. 8910838 under date of May 31, 1989 as Instrument No. 8913432 and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded July 26, 1989 as Instrument No. 8915673, and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded October 21, 1991 as Instrument No. 9128059, and as supplemented by Supplemental Declaration recorded February 21, 1992 as Instrument No. 9205620 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana; and any subsequent Supplemental Declarations thereto. And together with the exclusive right to use Parking Space No. 190 and Garage No. 101 which right shall pass with title to Building 5, Unit 1098-4. Together with an undivided interest appertaining to such Unit in the Common Areas and Limited Areas in Timber Creek Horizontal Property Regime, until such times as Supplemental Declarations are recorded annexing additional real estate to Timber Creek, pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 21 of the Declaration.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named Defendant(s) whose addresses are:

Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. c/o C T Corporation System, Registered Agent, 334 North Seneca Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204

TriCo Regional Sewer Utility, c/o Highest Officer Found, 7236 Mayflower Park Drive, Zionsville, IN 46077

The Unknown Occupant(s), 1098 Timber Creek Drive, Unit 4, Carmel, IN 46032

and to the following Defendant(s) whose whereabouts and/or name are unknown:

The Unknown Heirs and Devisees of Cathie D. Reamer, Deceased

In addition to the above-named Defendants being served by this summons there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.

If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before the 26th day of June, 2025, (the same being within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit), and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded.

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Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Circuit and Superior Courts
5/12/25, 5/19/25, 5/26

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5/12/25

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
CAUSE NO 29D03-2504-AD-000516

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
ADOPTION OF:)
KAYLEE SAMANTHA GARCIA-QUIJANO,)
A Minor.)
GILLERMO RIVERA,)
Petitioner.)
and)
Flor de Maria Quijano,)
Co-Petitioner.)

NOTICE TO NAMED FATHER

Julio Cesar Garcia-Espinoza, who has been named the father of the child born to Flor De Maria Quijano on November 5, 2017, or who claims to be the father of the child born to Flor De Maria Quijano on November 5, 2017, is notified that a Petition for Adoption of the child was filed on or about April 20, 2025, in the office of the Hamilton County Indiana Clerk of Court, Noblesville, Indiana 46060.

If Julio Cesar Garcia-Espinoza wishes to contest the adoption of the child, the named putative father must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with IC § 31-19-10-1 in the above named court within thirty (30) days after service of this notice.

If Julio Cesar Garcia-Espinoza does not file a motion to contest the adoption within thirty (30) days after service of this notice, the above named court will hear and determine the petition for adoption. His consent will be irrevocably implied and he will lose his right to contest either the adoption or the validity of his implied consent to the adoption. He will lose his right to establish his paternity of the child, by affidavit or otherwise, in Indiana or any other jurisdiction.

Nothing anyone says to Julio Cesar Garcia-Espinoza relieves the named putative father of his obligations under this notice.

Under Indiana law, a putative father is a person who is named as or claims that he may be the father of a child born out of wedlock but who has not yet been legally proven to be the child's father. For purposes of this notice, Julio Cesar Garcia-Espinoza is a putative father under the laws in Indiana regarding adoption.

This notice complies with IC 31-19-4-5 but does not exhaustively set forth a putative father's legal obligations under the Indiana adoption statutes. A person being served with this notice should consult the Indiana adoption statutes.

Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Superior Court
5/12/25, 5/19/25, 5/26

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5/12/25

9D03-2504-EU-000187
Hamilton Superior Court 3
IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
STATE OF INDIANA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF)
JOSEPH ENYART,)
DECEASED.)
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
TO BE PUBLISHED**
In the Court of Hamilton County,
Indiana.

Notice is hereby given that on April 30, 2025, Mark Enyart was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Joseph Enyart, who died intestate on January 6, 2025.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated in Noblesville, Indiana, on April 30, 2025.

Kathy Kragg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
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R6172 5/12/25, 5/19/25

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2504-MI-004730)
IN RE THE MATTER OF:)
Sarah Elizabeth Covey)
Petitioner)
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME**
Sarah Elizabeth Covey, whose)
mailing address is: 8822 Birch Street,)
Fishers, IN 46038, in HAMILTON)
County, Indiana, hereby gives notice)
that Sarah Elizabeth Covey has filed)
a petition in the Hamilton County)
Circuit Court requesting that name)
be changed to Sarah Elizabeth Covey)
Curtiss.)
Notice is further given that the)
hearing will be held on said Petition)
on: October 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.)
Sarah Elizabeth Covey)
Petitioner)
May 2, 2025)
Kathy Kragg Williams)
Hamilton County Clerk)
5/12/25, 5/19/25, 5/26)

R6169

5/12/25

— FISHERS —

CITY OF FISHERS
FISHERS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE VA-25-7

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY SUBMIT COMMENTS BY GOING TO: https://townoffishers.formstack.com/forms/public_meeting_comment_form

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the FISHERS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at Fishers Municipal Center, FMC Theater, 1 Municipal Dr, Fishers, IN, 46038.

REQUEST: At that hearing, the public will be invited to offer comments on the following request ("Proposal"): Case # VA-25-7 - Consideration of a Land Use Variance from Section 5.1.5 of the City's Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to allow an experience center and facility for the sale, service, maintenance, charging, repair and storage of new and pre-owned electric vehicles and related parts and accessories, for general office purposes and for any related uses.

LOCATION: 9700 Masters Road, Fishers, IN 46038

The case file about this project is available for public review in the office of the Department of Planning and Zoning, located at Fishers Municipal Center, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. The meeting agenda with room location details and case related information will be posted on the City's website forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting specified above. If you have specific questions or want to provide written contacts to the case planner directly, please contact:

City of Fishers Planning & Zoning Department
planning@fishers.in.us
(317) 595-3155
www.FishersIN.gov/notice
Petitioner: Patch Development

R6165

5/12/25

— CICERO —

NOTICE

On May 20, 2025, Cicero Town Council will hold an Executive Session at 6:15 PM at Cicero Town Hall, 70 N Byron Street, Cicero, IN according to Indiana Code IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2) (B) Initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. As used in this clause, "litigation" includes any judicial action or administrative law proceeding under federal or state law.

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5/12/25

COURT NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HANCOCK)

IN THE HANCOCK SUPERIOR COURT
CAUSE NO 30C01-2409-AD-000307

In The Matter of the Adoption of a)
Minor Child: Deluca Kayne Earsing)
Terrance Tyler Brooks)
Petitioner.)

NOTICE TO POSSIBLE PUTATIVE FATHER
To: **Elijah Jovon Marshall** **Elijah Jovon Marshall**
604 S Harrison ST **407 Beacon Point Lane**
Alexandria, IN 46001 **Fortville, IN 46040**

1. Let it be known that, Elijah Jovon Marshall has been identified as the possible putative father of Deluca Kayne Earsing, born on September 11, 2021. The natural mother of Deluca Kayne Earsing is Julie Marie Earsing.
2. Elijah Jovon Marshall is notified that Terrance Tyler Brooks has expressed an intention to adopt Deluca Kayne Brooks.
3. If Elijah Jovon Marshall seeks to contest the adoption of Deluca Kayne Earsing, the possible putative father must file a paternity action to establish his paternity in relation to Deluca Kayne Earsing not later than fifteen (15) days after the receipt of this notice.
4. If Elijah Jovon Marshall does not file a paternity action not more than fifteen (15) days after receiving this notice, or having filed a paternity action in Indiana or any other jurisdiction, is unable to establish paternity of the child, the possible putative father's consent to the adoption or the voluntary termination of the possible putative father's parent-child relationship under IC 31-35-1, or both, shall be irrevocably implied and the possible putative father loses the right to contest the adoption, the validity of his implied consent to the adoption, the termination of the parent-child relationship, and the validity of his implied consent to the termination of the parent-child relationship. In addition, the possible putative father loses the right to establish paternity of the child, by affidavit or otherwise, in Indiana or any other jurisdiction, except as provided in IC 31-19-9-17(b).
5. Nothing Julie Marie Earsing or anyone else says to Elijah Jovon Marshall relieves Elijah Jovon Marshall of his obligations under this notice. Under Indiana law, a possible putative father is a person who is named as or claims that he may be the father of a child born out of wedlock but who has not yet been legally proven to be the child's father.
6. For purposes of this notice, is to notify Elijah Jovon Marshall that he is a possible putative father under the laws in Indiana regarding adoption.
7. This notice complies with IC 31-19-3-4 but does not exhaustively set forth the possible putative father's legal obligations under the Indiana adoption statutes. A person being served with this notice should consult the Indiana adoption statutes and seek the advice of legal counsel.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ **Sandy L. Bryant**,
Sandy L. Bryant, 1050-49 244 N. College Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46202 317-464-1463
Sbsecretary@oblawindy.com
5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/25

R6033

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

IN THE HAMILTON
CIRCUIT COURT
Cause No. 29C01-2504-MI-4021
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
ZHAI LIQIU
Petitioner

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, ZHAI LIQIU, pro se, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change her name from ZHAI LIQIU to AMELIA XU.
The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on September 22, 2025 at 10:00 am, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060.
Date: April 21, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court
4/28/25, 5/5/25, 5/12/25

R6102

29D02-2504-EU-000180
STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

IN THE HAMILTON
SUPERIOR COURT
IN THE MATTER OF THE)
UNSUPERVISED)
ESTATE OF DECEDENT,)
JOSEPH E. BURROUGHS.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Bradley J. Burroughs was on the 28th day of April 2025, appointed as the unsupervised Administrator of the Estate of Joseph E. Burroughs, deceased.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Hamilton County, Indiana, this 28th day of April 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court
Attorney of Record:
Kerry W. Mann
8777 Purdue Road
Suite 380
Indianapolis, Indiana 46268
(317) 251-6266
kerry@kwmann.com
5/5/25, 5/12/25

R6118

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

IN THE HAMILTON
CIRCUIT COURT
Cause No. 29C01-2503-MI-2794
INRE:NAME CHANGE OF:
MAHER SALAMEH AL
BATARSEH

NOTICE OF HEARING
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, Maher Salameh Al Batarseh, pro se, filed on March 13, 2025, a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change his name from Maher Salameh Al Batarseh to Maher Mike Batarseh.
The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on August 4, 2025, at 10:00 am, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060.
Date: March 18, 2025
Andrew R. Bloch
Judge, Hamilton Circuit Court
4/28/25, 5/5/25, 5/12/25

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29D03-2504-EU-000189
Steven R. Latterell,
Attorney No. 25672-49
Sarah A. Sweet,
Attorney No. 34023-45
ICE MILLER LLP
One American Square, Suite 2900
Indianapolis, IN 46282-0200
Telephone: (317)236-2100
Fax: (317)236-2219

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton Superior Court
In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth Yick Ying Yau, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that Rebecca W. Geyer was on April 30, 2025, appointed personal representative of the estate of Elizabeth Yick Ying Yau, deceased, who died on March 28, 2025.
All persons who have claims against the estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this April 30, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court
Probate Division
5/12/25, 5/19/25

R6163

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SHERIFF SALES

HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Date of Sale: June 19, 2025
Sale Location: 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060
Publisher's Name/County: The Hamilton County Reporter - Hamilton County
Judgment to be Satisfied: \$313,080.90
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D07-2410-MF-011314**
Plaintiff: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
Defendant: Joseph John Pinto, et al.
Required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, at the hour of 10:00 AM of said day as listed above, at, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION
LOT 11A-R, IN BROOKS FARM REPLAT OF LOTS HA, 11B, 12A AND 12B, RECORDED JANUARY 19, 2022 IN PLAT CABINET 6, SLIDE 219, INSTRUMENT NO. 2022-3255, PREVIOUSLY RECORDED ON NOVEMBER 30, 2020, AS BROOKS FARM SECTION 1, IN PLAT CABINET 6, SLIDE 26, INSTRUMENT NO. 2020-87243 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.
Parcel No. 29-11-09-025-021.000-013
Commonly Known As: 11730 HARVESTER CIRCLE SOUTH, NOBLESVILLE, IN 46060
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. This Notice shall also represent service of Notice of Sale of the above-described real estate upon the owners, pursuant to requirements of IC 32-29-7-3.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County

Matthew C. Gladwell (30493-49)
Christopher J. Arlinghaus (31680-15)
Aaron Rodgers (28418-84)
Attorney
Reisenfeld & Associates, LPA LLC
Attorneys' Law Firm
(513) 322-7000
Contact Telephone Number

Noblesville
Township
11730 Harvester Circle South, Noblesville, IN 46060
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.

R6135 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D04-2206-CC-004570** wherein **FORUM Credit Union** was Plaintiff, and **Jon Martin, Allison Martin, Christopher V. Pence, Linda G. Pence, and City of Noblesville, were Defendants**, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the **19th day of June, 2025**, between the hours of 10:00 am and 12:00 pm of said day, at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County.
Lot Number 15 in Square Number One in Gascho Heights Addition to the city of Noblesville, Hamilton County, Indiana.
More commonly known as: 1609 Logan Street, Noblesville, Indiana 46060
State Parcel Number: 29-07-31 -405-002.000-013
Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. This Notice shall also represent service of Notice of Sale of the above-described real estate upon the owners, pursuant to requirements of IC 32-29-7-3. The Sheriff's sale shall be made subject to all liens, encumbrances and easements of record (other than the judgment(s)/lien(s) being foreclosed herein) and that are not otherwise extinguished in the proceedings known as Cause No 29D04-2206-CC-004570 in the Hamilton Superior Court No. 4, including any unpaid and surviving sewage liens held by Defendant, City of Noblesville, recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana, on June 25, 2018 as Instrument No. 2018027958, on January 25, 2019 as Instrument No. 2019002868, on August 26, 2019 as Instrument No. 2019039434, on November 23, 2020 as Instrument No. 2020085613, on February 22,2021 as Instrument No. 2021013641, and on May 24,2021 as Instrument No. 2021038499.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana

Plaintiff Attorneys:
Steven M. Lutz
Kyle B. Blowers
Church Church Hittle + Antrim
Two North Ninth Street
Noblesville, IN 46060
(317) 773-2190
jessica@cchalaw.com

Township: Noblesville City
1609 Logan Street, Noblesville, IN 46060
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein. It is buyer's responsibility to research the legal description and associated legal filings.

R6133 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D03-2209-MF-007752** wherein **The Huntington National Bank** was Plaintiff, and **Carina M. Lamb, Stephen T. Lamb, Med-1 Solutions, LLC and Flagstone Homeowners Association, Inc. were Defendants**., requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder on the **June 19, 2025**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or as soon as thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot 9 in Flagstone Woods, Section 1, a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded August 09, 2016 in Plat Cabinet 5, Slide 532, as Instrument No. 2016039449, with Affidavit recorded December 22,2016 as Instrument No. 2016067562, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known address: 11924 Helenite Drive, Noblesville, IN 46060
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Township: Wayne
Parcel No./ Tax Id #: 29-11-10-005-009.000-022

J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
MDK Legal
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Attorney for Plaintiff

The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein

R6138 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D03-2410-MF-011698** wherein **PHH Mortgage Corporation** was Plaintiff, and , **The Unknown heirs devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Patrice Merkerson, and their unknown creditors; and, the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the estate of Patrice Merkerson, Unknown Occupants, Cumberland Woods Homeowners Association, Inc. and Frederick Merkerson, as possible heir to the estate of Patrice Merkerson were Defendants.**, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder on the **June 19, 2025**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or as soon as thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot Numbered 133 in Cumberland Woods, Section Three, an Addition in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof recorded January 19, 1999, as Instrument Number 99-03028, amended by amended Plat Record March 11, 1999 as Instrument No. 99-9915234, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known address: 12328 Blue Sky Drive, Fishers, IN 46037
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Township: Fall Creek
Parcel No./ Tax Id #: 29-11-32-203-046.000-020

J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
MDK Legal
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Attorney for Plaintiff

The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein

R6139 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

NOBLESVILLE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Works and Safety for the City of Noblesville will receive sealed bids at the Clerk's Office, 16 S. 10th Street (Noblesville City Hall), Noblesville, IN 46060, before the hour of 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, May 27, 2025. Bids will be opened and read aloud by the Board of Public Works and Safety at 9:00 A.M. in the Council Chambers, Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060.
DESCRIPTION OF ITEM TO BE PURCHASED: (1) Fireboat
Electronic copies of the bid specifications and documents may be obtained by emailing culcp@noblesville.in.gov. In the email request, state the project name "Fireboat" and company information with primary contact (address, phone, and email).
Hard copies of the bid specifications and documents may be obtained at the Noblesville Fire Department Administrative Office, 135 S. 9th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. (Monday through Friday).
Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Noblesville Fire Department Fireboat." A statement of all warranties provided and any that are optional must accompany all bids.
The Board of Public Works and Safety reserves the right to alter or change specifications, to reject any and/or all bids, and/or to accept a bid other than the lowest bid, if in the judgment of the City it is deemed in their best interest.
Board of Public Works and Safety
City of Noblesville
Evelyn Lees, Clerk

R6141 5/5/25, 5/12/25

SHERIFF SALES

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) SS:
FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,) **CAUSE NO. 29D01-2401-MF-000121**
Plaintiff,)
MARK T. PELTON and)
HORIZON BANK,)
Defendants.)
HORIZON BANK,)
Cross-Claimant and Counter-Claimant)
vs.)
FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION and MARK T. PELTON,)
Cross-Claim and Counter-Claim)
Defendants.)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Please take notice, that by virtue of a second amended judgment and decree of foreclosure entered in the above-entitled action on December 4, 2024, the undersigned Sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana will sell at public auction at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 on June 19, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. local time, the fee simple title in and to the following described real estate located in Hamilton County, Indiana, to wit:
Lot Number 37 in Conner Knoll, Section 1, an addition to the Town of Fisher, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Cabinet 1, slide 186, and as Instrument Number 9124178, in the Office of the recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Tax ID# 29-10-25-202-037.000-006
with common street address of: 8771 Buffet Parkway, Fishers, IN 46038
Township: Delaware
That judgment was rendered in this case in favor of Horizon Bank and against the cross-claim and counter-claim defendant, Mark T. Pelton, and has a current balance in the amount of \$87,411.62 as of April 9, 2025, together with post-judgment interest at the rate of 8% per annum, plus advances by Horizon of real estate taxes, assessments, insurance premiums, maintenance costs and all other advances which Horizon pays to preserve the Real Estate and Horizon's interest and rights incurred from the date of the filing of the complaint in this action, to the date of sheriff's sale, plus court costs, all without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
The sale is to be made in all respects pursuant to an act of general assembly of the State of Indiana, approved March 7, 1931 and entitled An Act Concerning Proceedings in Action to Foreclose Real Estate Mortgage providing for the sale and custody of the mortgaged premises and repealing all laws conflicting therewith as amended.
It is further provided by law that there shall be no redemption from such sale and the purchaser at such sale, upon complying with the terms of its purchase, shall be entitled to immediately receive from the undersigned Sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana, a deed conveying to him, the purchaser, a fee simple title in and to said real estate. All sales are for cash.
Said sale to be without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.
The Sheriff's department does not warrant the accuracy of the street addressed published herein.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff, Hamilton County, Indiana
5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

R6132

HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
Date of Sale: June 19, 2025
Sale Location: 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060
Publisher's Name/County: The Hamilton County Reporter - Hamilton County
Judgment to be Satisfied: \$313,080.90
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D02-2205-MF-003878**
Plaintiff: CitiMortgage, Inc.
Defendant: John Robert Davidson aka John Davidson and Sally Ann Davidson aka Sally Davidson, et al.
Required me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, at the hour of 10:00 AM of said day as listed above, at, fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The following described parcel of land, and improvements and appurtenances thereto in the County of Hamilton, State of Indiana, to-wit:
A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 19 North, Range 6 East, described as follows:
Beginning at a 5/8 inch rebar marking the southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 19 North, Range 6 East, and running thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes 04 seconds West, (assumed bearing) along the south line of the said Quarter Section, a distance of 375.05 feet to a pk nail (set), said point being South 89 degrees 55 minutes 13 seconds East, 2,283.69 feet from a cornerstone marking the southwest corner of the said Quarter Section; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds, on a line parallel with the east line of the said Quarter Section, a distance of 606.77 feet to a 5/8 inch rebar (set); thence South 89 degrees 14 minutes 03 seconds East, a distance of 375.55 feet to a pk nail (set) on the east line of the said Quarter Section, said point being South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds, 2,066.83 feet from a 3/4 inch bolt marking the northeast corner of the said Quarter Section; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds, along the east line of said Quarter Section, a distance of 602.62 feet to the point of beginning.
Being a part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 19 North, Range 6 East, and containing 5.213 acres, more or less.
Parcel No. 29-08-18-000-005.001-016
Commonly Known As: 21223 Cyntheanne Road, Noblesville, IN 46060
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws. This Notice shall also represent service of Notice of Sale of the above-described real estate upon the owners, pursuant to requirements of IC 32-29-7-3.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County

Matthew C. Gladwell (30493-49)
Christopher J. Arlinghaus (31680-15)
Aaron Rodgers (28418-84)
Attorney
Reisenfeld & Associates, LPA LLC
Attorneys' Law Firm
(513) 322-7000
Contact Telephone Number

Wayne
Township
21223 Cyntheanne Road, Noblesville, IN 46060
Street Address
The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein.

R6134 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D03-2408-MF-009685** wherein **Newrez LLC d/b/a/ Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing** was Plaintiff, and **Megan Elizabeth Mercer, State of Indiana, Department of Revenue, Sonoma Homeowners Association, Inc. and Great Western Trust** were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder on the **June 19, 2025**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or as soon as thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot Number 22 in Maple Village (A.K. A Sonoma), Section 1, in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded December 13,2005 as Instrument Number 200500080403, and in Plat Cabinet 3, Slide 789, in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known address: 16964 Brigg Court, Westfield, IN 46074
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Township: Washington
Parcel No./ Tax Id #: 29-09-03-002-022.000-015

J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
MDK Legal
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Attorney for Plaintiff

The Sheriff's Department does not warrant the accuracy of the street address published herein

R6136 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Hamilton Circuit Court of Hamilton County, Indiana, in Cause No. **29D03-2203-MF-001728** wherein **MCLP Asset Company, Inc. was Plaintiff, and Elizabeth A. Anderson, Allison Place Community Association, Inc. and American Express National Bank** were Defendants., requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder on the **June 19, 2025**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, or as soon as thereafter as is possible, at Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Road, Noblesville, IN 46060 the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Hamilton County, Indiana.
Lot Numbered 3 in Allison Place, a subdivision in Hamilton County, Indiana, as per plat thereof, recorded May 9, 2006 as Instrument No. 2006000025332, Plat Cabinet #4, Slide #55, amended by Surveyor's Correction recorded June 5,2006 as Instrument No. 200600031374 in the Office of the Recorder of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Commonly known address: 8367 Helmsley Court, Fishers, IN 46038
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisal laws.

Dennis J. Quakenbush II
Sheriff of Hamilton County
Township: Delaware
Parcel No./ Tax Id #: 29-10-24-009-003.000-006

J. Dustin Smith (29493-06)
MDK Legal
P.O. Box 165028
Columbus OH 43216-5028
Telephone: 614-220-5611
Attorney for Plaintiff

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R6137 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

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COURT NOTICES

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2503-MI-002907
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Karina Renea Dean
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Karina Renea Dean, whose mailing address is: 124 E Hoover St Westfield, Indiana 46074, in HAMILTON County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Karina Renea Dean has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Karina Rosemary Marques-Melgoza.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: August 4, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
Karina Renea Dean
Petitioner
March 19, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R5981 4/28/25, 5/5/25, 5/12/25


STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2412-MI-14016
N RE: NAME CHANGE OF:
GILLIAN BETH GALANTE
NOTICE OF HEARING
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, Gillian Beth Galante, pro se, filed on December 20, 2025, a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change her name from Gillian Beth Galante to Ozzy Dominic Galante.
The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on September 22, 2025, at 10:00 am, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060.
Date: April 17, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6126 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/26

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2504-MI-3994
IN RE THE MATTER OF:
Ann Dorothy Jensen
Petitioner
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Ann Dorothy Jensen, whose mailing address is: 9842 Beaver Creek Lane Apt 3214 Fishers, Indiana 46037, in HAMILTON County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Ann Dorothy Jensen has filed a petition in the Hamilton County Circuit Court requesting that name be changed to Daysia Samone Moore.
Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on: September 22, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
Ann Dorothy Jensen
Petitioner
April 15, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Hamilton County Clerk
R6131 5/5/25, 5/12/25, 5/19/25

29D02-2504-EU-000188
Hamilton Superior Court 2
John S. Terry, Attorney
Terry Legal Group, LLC
301 E. Carmel Drive, Suite C300
Carmel, IN 46032
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Superior Court #2 of Hamilton County, Indiana.
Notice is hereby given that Julie A. Johnson was, on May 2, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Roger D. Long, deceased, who died on the 21st day of April 2025.
All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on May 2, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Superior Court #2
Hamilton County, Indiana
R6145 5/5/25, 5/12/25

29D02-2504-EU-000183
Webster & Garino, LLC
209 E. 175th Street, Suite A
Westfield, IN 46074
317-565-1818
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton County Superior Court, Indiana. Notice is hereby given that Lora Hicks was on the 29th day of April, 2025, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Viola Ann Robbins, deceased, who died on March 11, 2025.
All persons who have claims against the estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the Office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this 29th day of April, 2025.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court
R6124 5/5/25, 5/12/25

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)
IN THE HAMILTON)
CIRCUIT COURT)
Cause No. 29C01-2504-MI-4580
IN RE: NAME CHANGE OF:
MICHAEL LYNN WITHAM
NOTICE OF HEARING
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, MICHAEL LYNN WITHAM, pro se, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change his name from MICHAEL LYNN WITHAM to MICHAEL LYNN GASINO.
The petition is scheduled for hearing in the Hamilton Circuit Court on September 22, 2025 at 10:00 am, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report to One Hamilton County Square, Suite 337, Noblesville, IN 46060.
April 29, 2025
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Circuit Court
R6153 5/12/25, 5/19/25, 5/26



“The world needs ditch diggers too.”
— Stanley (like the power drill) Clampitt, 1990

WESTFIELD

NOTICE OF DECISION TO ENTER LEASE AGREEMENT
The taxpayers of the City of Westfield Redevelopment District (the “District”), are hereby notified that on April 21, 2025, the City of Westfield Redevelopment Commission (the “Commission”), did adopt a resolution determining that the Commission will take all actions necessary to enter into a lease agreement (the “Lease”) with the City of Westfield Redevelopment Authority (the “Authority”), which in turn will allow the Authority to issue certain revenue bonds (the “Bonds”), payable from the lease rentals received from the Commission pursuant to the terms of the Lease. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series or issues, in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000), for the purpose of procuring funds to pay for all or a portion of the costs of the Projects, as defined and fully described in the respective resolution adopted by the Commission on April 21, 2025. The Authority adopted a resolution on April 21, 2025, approving the form of the Lease and authorizing the execution thereof. Following the public hearing and approval of the form of the Lease by the Commission, the Common Council of the City adopted an ordinance on April 28, 2025, approving the Lease, the issuance of the Bonds and other matters related thereto.
The Lease will have a term beginning on the date on which the Commission begins to make lease rental payments under the Lease, and ending on the day prior to a date not later than thirty (30) years thereafter, with a maximum annual lease rental payment not to exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000) payable in semiannual installments commencing no earlier than December 15, 2025, and thereafter on June 15 or December 15 of each year during the remaining term of the Lease (or on such other dates as may be agreed upon by the Authority and the Commission prior to the sale of the Bonds, based upon the advice of the financial advisor to the Authority and the Commission).
Dated this 5th day of May, 2025.
CITY OF WESTFIELD REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
R6129 5/5/25, 5/12/25

LEGAL NOTICE
DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC
Public notice is hereby given to affected property owners pursuant to 170 IAC 4-9-4(f) that within two (2) to six (6) weeks of the date of this notice, weather permitting, Duke Energy Indiana, LLC will be performing vegetation management as part of its power line maintenance program in the area described below. As part of this project, one of its contractors that employ qualified utility line clearance tree workers will be trimming and/or removing trees and brush to clear the lines of vegetation to provide safe and reliable electric service. Vegetation management will be performed in/near Westfield, Sheridan, Noblesville on or near streets identified below:
• Beginning at the substation located near the intersection of Moomtown Rd & E 191st St to include the areas around & near: N of Carey Rd, E of US 31, S of Gibbert Ln, W of Pebble Brook Blvd
• Beginning at the substation located near the intersection of E 216th St & Dunbar Rd to include the areas around & near: N of E 191st St, E of Six Points Rd, S of W 231st St, W of US 31
• Beginning at the substation located at the intersection of W 193rd St & Six Points Rd to include the areas around & near:
• N of Parker Ln, E of Hazy Falls Ct, S of the substation, W of Kinsey Ave.
• N of E 186th St, E of the substation, S of W 206th St, W of Chad Hittle Dr
The date this notice is published initiates the two (2) week period for calculating implied consent by an affected property owner under 170 IAC 4-9. If you have any questions, you may contact the Duke Energy Vegetation Management toll free number, 866-385-3675.
Duke Energy Indiana, LLC
Vegetation Management Department
R6167 5/12/25

HAMILTON COUNTY

PUBLIC NOTICE
Request for Proposal/Qualifications
Hamilton County Department of Parks & Recreation, Hamilton County, Indiana (the “Department”) is requesting Statements of Proposal/Qualifications from interested parties to design, build, and operate the Strawtown Koteewi Park Slopes, Chalet and HCPR Headquarters Project (“the Project”). In accordance with IC 5-23-5, the Hamilton County Park Park Board invites any and all qualified parties to submit Statements of Proposal/Qualifications (PSOQ) to enter a public-private partnership for delivery of the Project. An electronic PDF of PSOQ in response to the County’s RFPQ shall be received via email by the Hamilton County Parks & Recreation until **4:00 p.m., local time, on May 19th, 2025**. The electronic PDF of the PSOQ should be emailed to Park Development & Operations Strategist, Wil Rettinger (Wil.Rettinger@hamiltoncounty.in.gov) in order to be considered. The Department reserves the right to modify or cancel the Project at any time before a developer enters into a formal agreement with the Department, including at any point during the scoping period. The Department reserves the right to reject any and all PSOQs at its sole discretion. The Department may enter into discussions with any individual developer to clarify and assure a full understanding and responsiveness to the solicitation requirements.
R6146 5/5/25, 5/12/25

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
HAMILTON COUNTY PARK BOARD, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD PUBLIC-PRIVATE AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 5-23-5-9
This notice is to inform the general public of a Public Hearing that will be held by the HAMILTON COUNTY PARK BOARD on May 19, 2025 at 6 PM at Osprey Pointe Pavilion, 19777 Morse Park Lane Noblesville, IN 46062. The Public Hearing concerns the Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department’s BOT Evaluation Committee’s (the “Committee”) recommendation to award a public-private agreement/scoping agreement (the “Agreement”) with a Developer for the Strawtown Koteewi Park slope, chalet, and Administration Office project (the “Project”).
Upon the Committee’s recommendation, the Hamilton County Park Board (the “Board”) intends to negotiate with the recommended Developer and eventually enter into an agreement to design, construct, and other professional services with the recommended Developer. The Department intends to pursue, negotiate, and finalize a guaranteed maximum price with the recommended developer.
The Committee shall present its recommendation to select a Developer for the Project at the public hearing and shall provide a more in-depth explanation of the basis upon which the recommendation is being made at the Public Hearing. Beginning Tuesday, May 20th, the received proposals and the explanation shall be available for inspection and copying in the Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Office. The office is located at 400 Lafayette Road, Noblesville, IN 46060.
R6149 5/5/25, 5/12/25

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Hamilton County Airport Authority will be receiving bids for the ‘Reconstruct North Apron: Grading, Drainage, and Paving’ project until Wednesday, May 21st, 2025, at 2:00 PM Eastern Standard Time in Conference Room 1A at the following address: Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, IN 46060. The project Base Bid consists of grading, drainage, and concrete paving.
Guidelines for preparing and submitting a bid are available at https://woolpert.com/bid and/or www.questcdn.com.
Reference (Quest) Number: 9633365
Bid Deadline: Wednesday, May 21st, 2025, at 2:00 PM EST
Bid Bond guarantee will be required with each bid as a certified check on a solvent bank or a Bid Bond in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid, made payable to the Hamilton County Aviation Authority.
Additional information regarding this request for proposals can be obtained by contacting Nick Kowalkowski, Project Manager at nick.kowalkowski@woolpert.com or by phone at (317) 223-2241
R6151 5/9/25, 5/12/25

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Hamilton County Airport Authority will be receiving bids for the ‘Extend Taxiway A Grading, Paving, Marking and Electrical’ project until Wednesday, May 21st, 2025, at 2:00 PM Eastern Standard Time in Conference Room 1A at the following address: Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, IN 46060. The project Base Bid consists of grading, drainage, concrete paving, septic sewer and dosing station installation, airfield electrical and pavement markings for a new taxiway extension.
Guidelines for preparing and submitting a bid are available at https://woolpert.com/bid and/or www.questcdn.com.
Reference (Quest) Number: 9633363
Bid Deadline: Wednesday, May 21st, 2025, at 2:00 PM EST
Bid Bond guarantee will be required with each bid as a certified check on a solvent bank or a Bid Bond in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid, made payable to the Hamilton County Aviation Authority.
Additional information regarding this request for proposals can be obtained by contacting Nick Kowalkowski, Project Manager at nick.kowalkowski@woolpert.com or by phone at (317) 223-2241
R6152 5/9/25, 5/12/25

Notice of Public Hearing of the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County To Enter Into A Public-Private BOT Agreement Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-23
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana (the “Board of Commissioners”), will conduct a public hearing on May 27, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., local time, in the Commissioners’ Courtroom at the Hamilton County Courthouse, located at 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, IN 46060, to review the proposal and agreement for the construction, equipping, operation, maintenance, and transfer to Hamilton County, Indiana (the “County”), of a new building to be used by the County to provide safe transitional housing and recovery options for victims of domestic violence (collectively, the “Project”) pursuant to Indiana Code 5-23. The purpose of the hearing is to hear the recommendation to members of the Board of Commissioners in order to make an award of a public-private agreement for the Project submitted by HC Shelter, LLC. The address and telephone number of the Board of Commissioners is 1 Hamilton County Square, Suite 157, Noblesville, IN 46060, telephone number 317-776-8493. This hearing is open to the public. The proposal for the Project and an explanation of the basis upon which the recommendation is being made are available for public inspection and copying at the office of the Board of Commissioners during regular business hours.
/s/ Todd Clevenger, Auditor
Hamilton County, Indiana
R6161 5/12/25

LEGAL NOTICE
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hamilton County Commissioners Courtroom located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Building at One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana in the following petition:
DOCKET NO. BZA-RV-0006-05-2025
A Development Standards Variance concerning Article 03, 4 of the Hamilton County Zoning Ordinance No. 07-25-2022-A as amended 07-10-2023 in order to: permit the reduction of the required minimum rear yard setback from 80’ to 30’.
Project Address: 23483 Newton Avenue Noblesville, IN 46060
Parcel number(s): 07-07-02-00-00-007.001
Property is zoned: A-2
Size of property: 0.94 acres
Legal description: Acreage 0.94, Section 2, Township 19, Range 5
The petition may be examined at the office of the Hamilton County Plan Commission, One Hamilton County Square, Suite 13, Noblesville, Indiana. Please call (317) 776-8490 should you have any questions.
Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing or may submit written comments to the Plan Commission Office no later than 12:00pm the day of the hearing to be entered into the hearing record.
The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.
Petitioner’s Name: Kevin Iron Date: April 24, 2025
R6166 5/12/25

NOBLESVILLE

RESOLUTION NO. RB-20-25
A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TRAFFIC SCHEDULE IN CHAPTER 78 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA
WITNESS THAT:
WHEREAS, Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana, contains Schedule V and lists areas that Parking Prohibited At All Times within the City of Noblesville; and,
WHEREAS, Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana, contains Schedule VII and lists areas that Parking Time is Prohibited outside of the Downtown Square within the City of Noblesville; and,
WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Noblesville that Schedules V and VII be amended as set out herein.
WHEREAS, via Ordinance 14-05-24, the Noblesville Common Council has given authority to the Noblesville Board of Public Works and Safety to accept recommendations for changes to various traffic schedules as provided by the Noblesville Traffic Committee.
WHEREAS, these changes will be presented to the Common by July 1, 2026 for formal update to Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances.
IT IS THEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Noblesville as follows:
AMEND:
SCHEDULE V. PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES

STREET	RESTRICTED ZONE	SIDE	Ord. No.
REMOVE			
South 6th Street	Conner to Maple St	Both sides	1053
ADD			
South 6th Street	Conner Street to Maple Avenue	East side	

AMEND:
SCHEDULE VII. PARKING TIME LIMITED (within portion “Outside Downtown Square Parking”)

STREET	RESTRICTED ZONE	Time Limit	Ord. No.
ADD			
Maple Avenue	9th Street - 1Qth Street	2 hours	

1. The Street Department of the City of Noblesville shall post adequate signs to inform the public of these changes.
2. The violation of these sections shall be deemed infractions as set out in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Noblesville, Indiana.
Approved on this 14th day of April, 2025 by the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Noblesville, Indiana:
JACK MARTIN, PRESIDENT
JOHN DITSLER, MEMBER
LAURIE DYER, MEMBER
ROBERT J. ELMER, MEMBER
RICK L. TAYLOR, MEMBER

ATTEST:
EVELYN L. LEES, CLERK
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA
R6155 5/12/25

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING
Board of Zoning Appeals
City of Noblesville, Indiana
This notice is to inform you of a Public Hearing that will be held by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals on the 2nd day of June, 2025. This hearing to discuss application **BZNA-000071-2025** will begin at **6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, Noblesville City Hall at 16 South 10th Street**. The applications submitted by Andy Wertz, Church Church Hittle & Antrim, on behalf of property owner Gaylor Real Estate of Noblesville, LLC, requests approval of a conditional use permit application pursuant to UDO §8.D.1.D. and Appendix C to allow for parking as a primary use in the I-LPD zoning district at **property located at approximately 17295 Kraft Court, Noblesville, 46060 (tax ID 10-11-05-00-06-007.000)**.
Written suggestions or objections relative to the application above may be filed with the Department of Planning and Development, at or before such meeting, and will be heard by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. Interested persons desiring to present their views, either in writing or verbally, will have an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place.
This hearing may be continued from time to time as found necessary by the Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Department of Planning and Development at 16 South 10th Street, Suite B140 and may be reviewed during regular office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A copy of staff report will be posted on the agenda on the city website www.noblesville.in.gov at least 5 days prior to the hearing.
Noblesville Board of Zoning Appeals
Caleb Gutshall, Secretary
R6158 5/12/25

WESTFIELD

NOTICE OF EXECUTION OF LEASE AGREEMENT
Pursuant to action previously taken by the Common Council of the City of Westfield, Indiana (the “City”), at a meeting and a public hearing conducted on April 28, 2025, a lease agreement between the City and the City of Westfield Building Corporation was executed and entered into on April 28, 2025 (the “Lease”). The Lease covers the properties and premises required to undertake a capital improvement project within the City consisting of the design, development, construction and equipping of a new fire station, to be designated Fire Station No. 84 (the “Fire Station 84 Project”), and paying all necessary and incidental costs required for the issuance of debt to fund such Fire Station 84 Project.
A copy of the Lease is on file at the front desk of City Services located at 2728 E 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074, and is available for inspection during normal business hours.
Dated: May 12, 2025.
/s/ Marla Ailor
CLERK-TREASURER, CITY OF WESTFIELD, INDIANA
R6159 5/12/25

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION
Notice is hereby given that the Common Council (“Council”) of the City of Westfield, Indiana (the “City”) did, on April 28, 2025, adopt Resolution No. 25-120, a resolution making a preliminary determination to enter into a lease agreement to pay the cost of a capital improvement project comprised of the design, development, construction, and equipping of a new fire station, to be designated Fire Station No. 84, located within the City, and the paying of all necessary and incidental costs of issuance arising from the financing required thereby, including capitalized interest, if necessary (collectively, the “Fire Station 84 Project”). The lease will have a maximum term of 20 years, with a maximum annual lease rental in any given year attributable to the Fire Station 84 Project not to exceed \$1,288,000. The maximum annual lease rental has been estimated based upon an estimated principal amount of bonds not to exceed \$12,500,000 and estimated interest rate ranging from 3.0% to 6.0% resulting in total estimated interest cost of approximately \$9,350,000. The City’s current debt service levy for pay year 2025 is \$7,258,031 and the City’s current debt service rate is \$0.1165, based on a certified net assessed valuation of \$6,230,069,468. After the City enters into the proposed lease and the proposed City of Westfield Building Corporation Ad Valorem Property Tax Lease Rental Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”) are issued, the increase to the City’s debt service levy and rate that will result if the City enters into such lease is estimated to be \$1,223,600 (which includes deduction for miscellaneous revenues and certain operating balance impacts) and \$0.0196, respectively. The purpose of the lease is to provide for the undertaking, design, construction and equipping of the Fire Station 84 Project. **ANY OWNERS OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OR REGISTERED VOTERS WITHIN THE CITY WHO WANT TO INITIATE A PETITION REQUESTING THE PROPOSED DEBT SERVICE OR LEASE PAYMENTS BE APPROVED IN AN ELECTION ON A LOCAL PUBLIC QUESTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-20-3.6 MUST FILE A PETITION THAT COMPLIES WITH INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-20-3.5 NOT LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.**
The estimated amount of the City’s debt service levy and rate that will result during the following ten (10) years if the City enters into the lease arising from the Bonds, after also considering any changes that will occur to the debt service levy and rate during that period on account of any outstanding bonds or lease obligations that will mature or terminate during that period is set forth as follows:

Year	Current Scheduled Annual Debt Service Payments	Current Debt Service Rate	Estimated Proposed Annual Debt Service Payments	Estimated Proposed Debt Service Tax Rate
2026	\$3,176,206	\$0.0510	\$4,399,806	\$0.0706
2027	\$3,177,869	\$0.0510	\$4,270,369	\$0.0685
2028	\$3,175,779	\$0.0510	\$4,268,279	\$0.0685
2029	\$3,173,000	\$0.0509	\$4,264,550	\$0.0685
2030	\$2,037,988	\$0.0327	\$3,132,388	\$0.0503
2031	\$2,036,919	\$0.0327	\$3,132,269	\$0.0503
2032	\$2,039,175	\$0.0327	\$3,133,575	\$0.0503
2033	\$2,036,800	\$0.0327	\$3,128,350	\$0.0502
2034	\$883,500	\$0.0142	\$1,979,800	\$0.0318
2035	\$883,500	\$0.0142	\$1,977,900	\$0.0317

The following information is an estimate and is being made available for informational purposes:

Current NAV:	\$6,230,069,468	Current Debt Service / NAV	Projected Debt Service Schedule for Bond and Lease Obligations	Projected Debt Service / NAV
Date	Amount		Date	Amount
2026	\$3,176,206	0.0510%	2026	\$4,399,806
2027	\$3,177,869	0.0510%	2027	\$4,270,369
2028	\$3,175,779	0.0510%	2028	\$4,268,279
2029	\$3,173,000	0.0509%	2029	\$4,264,550
2030	\$2,037,988	0.0327%	2030	\$3,132,388
2031	\$2,036,919	0.0327%	2031	\$3,132,269
2032	\$2,039,175	0.0327%	2032	\$3,133,575
2033	\$2,036,800	0.0327%	2033	\$3,128,350
2034	\$883,500	0.0142%	2034	\$1,979,800
2035	\$883,500	0.0142%	2035	\$1,977,900

City Current Outstanding Long Term Debt	\$197,096,000
City Total Long Term Debt (Including the Bonds)	\$209,596,000
Overlapping Taxing Unit Long Term Debt	\$499,371,768
Total Direct and Overlapping Debt	\$708,967,768
2025 Net Assessed Value	\$6,230,069,468
Ratio of Total Direct and Overlapping Debt to NAV	11.38%

Dated May 12, 2025.
/s/ Marla Ailor
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Girls Lacrosse

Guerin, HSE easily advance to quarterfinals

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The first round of the Indiana Girls Lacrosse Association’s state playoffs began last Friday.

The two Hamilton County teams that hosted games got easy wins. Second seed Guerin Catholic cruised past No. 15 Park Tudor 14-2, while third seed Hamilton Southeastern beat No. 14 Evansville Memorial 22-8. Both teams will host games in next week’s quarterfinals.

The Golden Eagles led 6-0 after the first quarter, with Gabby Deer and Jane Cline both scoring two goals. Guerin Catholic went up 8-0 at halftime and enjoyed an 11-1 lead after three quarters.

“We’ve had a couple of days off here, so it was good to get out and actually get playing again,” said GC coach Joe Bellflower. “We had a good first quarter. We looked pretty good.”

Cline led the scoring with four goals, while Deer and Camy Carter both scored three. Claire Flannagan, Caroline Ford, Ella Capofari and Corrine Karlander all scored one goal.

The Royals roared out to an 11-2 lead after the first quarter of their game. Sarah Gastineau and Reagan Janes both scored three goals in that period, with Emma Reichert scoring two.

“It was good to have good energy tonight, and hopefully we can carry that through for the next couple of weeks,” said Southeastern head coach Steffi Fleagle.

The Tigers made a comeback in the second quarter, but late goals by Gastineau and Reece Bradley helped keep Southeastern ahead 14-6 at halftime. The Royals cruised through the second half, leading 19-7 after the third quarter.

Janes, Gastineau and Reichert all finished with five goals, while Bradley scored four. Anna Silver had two goals, with Evelyn Armstrong and Edie Fisher both getting one goal and two assists. Silver, Reese Bradley, Olivia Bradley, Gastineau and Reichert all had one assist.

“We like to assist quite a bit,” said HSE offensive coordinator John Kim. “Our offense facilitates a lot of off-ball passing and cutting and so we share the ball very well.”

Top seed Carmel beat No. 16 Penn 16-4 last Saturday to advance to the quarterfinals.

In games last Friday, No. 12 Noblesville fell at No. 5 Bishop Chatard 15-5. Tenth-seeded Westfield dropped its game at No. 7 Center Grove 15-12.



Photo by Mike Navarro
Guerin Catholic’s Camy Carter scored three goals for the Golden Eagles during their 14-2 win over Park Tudor in the first round of the Indiana Girls Lacrosse Association’s state playoffs.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall
Hamilton Southeastern, with members of the team pictured here after their win in the Mudsock game on May 3, beat Evansville Memorial 22-8 Friday in their first round playoff game.

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