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The Heroes Club donates to Carmel Fire's S.A.F.E. House Foundation

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the Carmel Fire Department's together with a shared mission

Stay Alive Family Education (S.A.F.E.) House Foundation.

The S.A.F.E. House Foundation supports the operations and improvements of the new educational facility

at 210 Veterans Way, Carmel. This is located on the first floor Departments. of the Carmel Clay Community Building and will serve to teach fire and life safety skills in an interactive, immersive learning environment.

"We are grateful for our members' generosity to be able to support the learning facility and fire and life safety education mission of the S.A.F.E. House," The Heroes Club President Matt Frey said.

The Heroes Club was The Heroes Club Inc. has founded in 1996 when a group generously donated \$5,000 to of business executives came

> and established an accidental death policy for members of Public Safety in the Carmel Clay community, and has expanded in recent years to provide funding to a variety of pro-

gramming in the Police and Fire

"The S.A.F.E. House Foundation is thankful for this initial gift to launch the Foundation that supports the facility's longterm maintenance and technology needs," said Captain Renee Butts, S.A.F.E. House Foundation President and Public Education Officer. "We appreciate The Heroes Club for all they do for public safety in the community."

The S.A.F.E. House has a active and immersive learning implement for a lifetime.



Photo provided by Carmel Fire Department

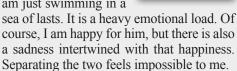
(From left) SAFE House Educator John Mehling, The Heroes Club Director Sara VanDvke. The Heroes Club President Matt Frey, Carmel Fire Chief Joel Thacker, The Heroes Club Vice President Mark Carney, Public Education Officer Captain Renee Butts, SAFE House **Educator Joy Lorch.**

mission to teach fire and life environment, creating engaging

safety skills in a highly inter- experiences that citizens will

Having a senior in high school means often living in the "lasts" moments. The last first day of school, to the last run around the home track, and everything in between.

The closer to the end of the senior year it gets, it feels like I am just swimming in a



What I have discovered, having gone through this once already, is that following all the lasts are a lot of firsts, which can also be a beautiful thing.

A new normal is quickly approaching our household as our youngest is on the edge of the nest, ready to fly into his new chapter of life. Just like my husband and I are.

Living with a progressive muscle disease, I often live in thoughts of the lasts. When I do things, I think to myself, I wonder if this will be my last time doing this on my own two feet? Will it be my last time cooking dinner for my family standing up? Will it be my last time walking into a store independently? Will it be my last time standing to hug my kids?

Progressive muscle disease is unpredictable. I have many friends who also live with progressive muscle disease and have had their last moments doing all these things. There is no way around ruminating on these thoughts when facing that kind of reality.

As I sat in my wheelchair today, I thought, I am living a lot of those lasts that I once was so fearful of. I can recall a time in my life when I was terrified of what my life would look like when I had to start using a wheelchair more. Yet, here I am, adapting to this new way of life.

I realized there had been a last time when I confidently walked into a store without my cane. Now, that is not a possibility for me.

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Carmel man charged with conspiracy to murder his wife

By DANIELLE ZULKOSKY

WISH-TV | wishtv.com

A Carmel man has been charged with a conspiracy to murder his wife, according to a Carmel Police Department investigation.

Darshan R. Soni, 44, was accused of a plot to kill his wife with the help of an employee, Ken Cox, court documents say. Carmel police arrested Soni last Friday, May 16, charges were filed Tuesday, and his initial hearing was set for



this Friday afternoon in Hamilton Superi-

or Court 3. Soni faces high-level felony charges of attempted murder and conspiracy to com-

The Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office has called for a special prosecutor in the case, according to online court records. Deputy Prosecutor Joshua Kocher explained that he is running for prosecutor in 2026, and Soni contributed to his campaign. Kocher said he does not personally know Soni and has returned the donation, which was why Kocher chose to ask for a special

mit murder that did not result in death.

prosecutor to try the case. In a probable cause affidavit, Carmel police Sgt. Sean P. Brady said the investigation began after the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department received a tip about the conspiracy on May 10. The tipster reported that Soni asked Cox if he would be willing to kill his wife on May 16, and if the tipster knew where to obtain a silencer. The tipster said he didn't know where to get a silencer and was "not interested in committing any more crimes," the affidavit said.

Cox allegedly agreed to help Soni with an alibi by possessing his cell phone at a different location in Indianapolis during the planned murder.

The affidavit says police informed Soni's wife that she may have been poisoned. She reported noticing a white clumpy substance in her smoothies, which

Heights Engineering program makes history with Purdue's 5S certification

Submitted by **Hamilton Heights**

Dave Post's Engineering class at Hamilton Heights High School became the first in the state to offer Purdue University's 5S workshop as part of its Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP). Representatives from Purdue University were on site to observe this groundbreaking achievement and to present the certifications.

5S is one of several Lean Manufacturing tools and is a globally recognized methodology focused on structured, teambased problem-solving to improve organizational processes and increase productivity.

Used by over a million businesses worldwide, it empowers individuals with the tools to analyze, refine, and optimize workflows. For students, integrating 5S principles into academics and daily life provides a forward-thinking mindset that strengthens critical problem-solving skills - valuable both in education and future professional pursuits. Earning this certification signifies a student's proficiency in identifying risks, reducing errors, and



Hamilton Heights Engineering students in Dave Post's Intro to Engineering Class proudly display their 5S certification, marking a historic first in the state. Through Purdue's innovative workshop, these future problem-solvers have gained industryrecognized skills in efficiency, teamwork, and continuous improvement.

driving efficiency, skills highly gineering class includes many sought after in industries com- great activities like CAD, 3D mitted to excellence.

This milestone marks an exciting step for Hamilton Heights, highlighting the school's dedication to innovation and re- scope of the engineering path-

"The Introduction to En- 5S workshop was one of the manufacturing industry."

printing, Simple Machines, Print Reading, and others," explained Post, who said he is excited to grow the size and al-world learning opportunities. way at Heights. "The Purdue

most engaging activities we did over the course of this year. It was a fun hands-on activity that encouraged students to solve a problem, and work as a team. This activity provided a glimpse of the continuous improvement activities within the

Carmel's Memorial Day Ceremony set for Friday morning at Veterans Memorial Plaza

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Carmel will hold its annual Memorial Day Ceremony at 9 a.m. Friday, May 23 at Carmel Clay Veterans Memorial Plaza, located across 3rd Avenue Southwest, west of Carter Green and the Allied Solutions Center for the Performing Arts.

Mayor Sue Finkam and city officials will welcome the fol-

- Artist Development Studio: Delila Seals and Marrialle
- American Legion Post #155 Darin Bibeau, Veteran/ CEO/podcast host/author

· Carmel Fire Department

- Honor Guard Pipe and Drum Band · Carmel High School Mu-
- sicians: Kennedy Abernathy, Eline Kline, Gwen Stacey, and Connor Suduth
- · Carmel Mayor's Youth Council: Grace Krumsee and Kate Krumsee



Photo provided by the City of Carmel

See *Memorial* . . . Page 2 The public is invited and encouraged to attend this free remembrance ceremony.

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Franciscan Health Rehabilitation team helps stroke patient get back on track

The REPORTER

Following a routine blood draw in August 2024, Charity Dehmer walked back to her car to drive home, just as she had done numerous times before.

That is when she began to feel like something may be wrong. First, her left arm felt heavy, but she thought it was just from the blood draw.

As she began driving, the Westfield resident felt her arm continue to get heavier. She convinced herself to drive back to the hospital, sit a minute and get out of the car to see if fresh air would help.

Upon entering the hospital, she became more convinced that something was wrong.

The 47-year-old had suffered a stroke.

After a CT scan, it was determined she also suffered two prior strokes that went undetected. Af-ter a five-day hospital stay, the to re-learn everyday tasks to 'get her life back.' Working in the technology field and being a married mother of four, including a toddler, Dehmer was used to always operating at a fast pace, which was not possible following her stroke.

After chatting with her friend, who also had a brain injury and is now an advocate for those who have suffered brain injuries, Dehmer learned about the rehabilitation team at Franciscan Health. Led by Dr. Sachin Mehta, the rehab team began to formulate a plan to help Dehmer continue to heal, with Allison Dehmer said. "Through her Speath as her neuro occupational therapist and Teresa Cochran as her speech therapist.

"Allison and Teresa have been crucial in my stroke recovery journey," Dehmer said. "Their support has been transformative by working in tandem having trouble walking.

real work began as she tried to ensure my recovery is progressing and giving me tools and strategies which help me to get back to 'normal' life post-stroke."

> Rehab began about a week after she was discharged from the hospital. For the first few months, Dehmer would go to therapy sessions twice a week, working on speech, evesight and various motor skills and has since graduated to once a week therapy.

> "Allison was able to identify an issue I hadn't been able to communicate articulately at the time, that my eyes weren't working as they had pre-stroke,' evaluations, she was able to confirm my eyes had been impacted by my stroke and set me on a path for re-covery and success."

> Prior to having her stroke. Dehmer thought the only effects of a stroke were just physical such as

Photo provided by Franciscan Health

Charity Dehmer (right) works with Allison Speath, neuro occupational therapist at Franciscan Health, during a rehab session.

The team at Franciscan mer said. "I don't know that ly from her stroke.

"I was just telling Teresa and Allison recently that I don't know the state of the relationships I would have, without their help," Deh-

also helped Dehmer recov- I would be working right er mentally and emotional- now without them. The truest, most honest thing I can say is they gave me my life back. And it's probably better than it was before."

> Dehmer will be attending Franciscan's Stroke Camp in July in West Harrison, Ind. She said she is excited for what she can learn at the camp and the opportunity to share with others who are on the same journey as she is. Click here to register for Stroke Camp.

"The thing about brain injury is that every week, you think you're okay and week and you look back at at Franciscan Health.

the prior week and you're like, 'Wow, I was really a mess," Dehmer said. "I look back to January and I can't believe how different I am today. And to know that in another few months. I'll look back to where I am today and probably think the same thing. I am so thankful to everyone at Franciscan for helping me get my life back."

May is National Stroke Awareness Month and Franciscan Health Indianapolis is ranked No. 1 in Indiana for Stroke Care by Health-

Click here to learn more then you get to the next about Stroke Rehabilitation

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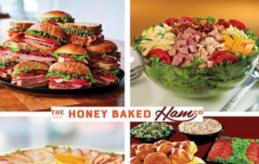
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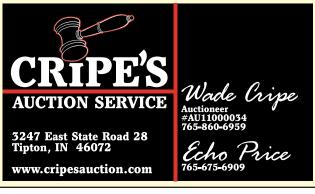
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LAST —

Living with a progressive disease is a constant awareness of change on the horizon. It can feel hard to settle into a new way because you know that likely that way is not going to last all that long. Preparation for what may come next is already sneaking its way into your thoughts.

Some days, I am aware of every movement I make, appreciating the moment. The smallest of movements, I am grateful for

Trust me, when the absence of something so important is breathing down your neck, you are going to think about it. More than vou would like to.

It can be an incredibly painfully, lonely way to live. That is the harsh reality of it. Most people who surround me just cannot understand the gravity of my reality, through no fault of their own. How often do we shy

away from sharing our vulnerabilities because we fear those, we are sharing these things with will take that as our plea to throw a pity party? Most do not want a pity

party, but rather a party of compassion. Meeting us where we are in our hurts and hurdles.

For as long as I can re-

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member, I would cringe when someone would say things to me like, "you poor thing," "I could never do what you do," "I don't know how you do it." To which I want to say, I don't know how I do it either, but each day it gets done.

We live from where we are. We often do not know how we are doing what we do, yet we do it. Sometimes life does not provide a clear itinerary, but more like just feeling around until vou get it right.

I know, we will be ok. The lasts are hard and sometimes downright gut wrenching, bring you to vour knees emotional pain, but there is always tomorrow. There is always the hope of learning a new way.

As the saying goes, don't be sad it ended, be grateful it happened. Focusing on learning to interpret life in a way that is empowering is a goal to aspire to as things are changing.

Until next time ...

Amy Shinneman is a former National Ambassador for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, disability blogger, wife, and mom of two boys. You can find her blog at humblycourageous.com and reach her on Instagram @ashinneman.

MEMORIAL-

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Choir directed by Trisha Scheidies

· Crossroads Entertainment: Don Farrell and Tammy Anderson

 George Davis, Carmel Police Department Chaplain • Keynote speaker Dan Hinze, First Sergeant (Re-

tired) 5th Special Forces

· Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #10003

Group (Airborne)

The Memorial Day Cer-

• Carmel Middle School to honor the brave military personnel who have served and to show gratitude for the sacrifices they have made. All attendees are invited to Carmel VFW Post #10003 immediately following the ceremony for food, music, and fellowship. Veterans eat for free.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend this event. In case of rain, the ceremony will take place at The Studio Theatre, 4 Caremony is a special event ter Green.

book about murder and had

ordered poison from India.

The document also said Soni

called the poison "bunk" be-

Cox, Soni reportedly ex-

pressed gratitude for being

talked out of the murder plot

and discussed the possibili-

ty of divorce instead. Soni

acknowledged the stress he

caused Cox and mentioned

that he had been on the edge

During a meeting with

cause it did not "test."

Conspiracy-

from Page 1 Soni had been reading a

Soni claimed might be dishwashing detergent. His wife reported experiencing unusual symptoms, including nerve pain in November and thyroid issues in February.

Cox, who has not been charged in connection to the plot, cooperated with the police after seeking legal counsel. He wore a recording device during a conversation with Soni at Compass Property Management, Soni's real estate company on South Meridian Street at West Hanna Avenue on the south side of Indianapolis.

allowed a tracking device to

be placed on the SUV.

but decided against pursuing violence. Cox told police about the purchase of a silver Ford Escape, which was intended to be used in the murder. Cox

probable cause affidavit. This story was original-

ly published by WISH-TV at wishtv.com/news/crimewatch-8/darshan-soni-accused-wife-murder-con-Cox also told police that *spiracy*.

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living legacy

end, I cut a few peonies from my backyard and delivered them to the daughters of Frances Lively the woman whose hands first pressed the bulbs into the soil sometime be-

tween building the home on Ninth Street in 1948 and her passing in 2014. As I left the bouquets on their porches, I thought about the invisible threads that connect us across time.

When my wife and I moved just north of the Square in 2015, we had no idea we'd become caretakers of Frances's floral legacy. Each May, these peonies faithfully emerge, completely unaware that Frances, who carefully planted them, is no longer here. As someone who easily battles poison ivy and fumbles through gardening basics, I find myself grateful for Frances's green thumb and foresight - planting something that would outlast her own time in this home.

That same weekend, just a few blocks away, thousands of us enjoyed another legacy unfolding before our eyes: Noblesville's fifth annual Peony Festival. Watching families stroll through our historic downtown amid a sea of blooms, I realized Kelly McVey, Lindsey McVey, and their team are modern-day Frances Livelys planting seeds of tradition and community that will continue long after them.

Today's festival planters, like yesterday's gardeners, may never meet the future beneficiaries of their efforts, yet they plant any-

That's the thing about legacies - they're not accidents. Frances didn't plant those peonies for me; she planted them for herself. Yet



known exactly how it would grow or who would enjoy it decades from now.

What makes Noblesville special is this type generationof al legacy. Our

downtown wasn't built for tourists – it was built by and for residents who needed a place to gather, shop, and connect. Now we gather in those same spaces, beneath trees we didn't plant, among buildings we didn't construct, celebrating flowers at a festival we may not have started.

And while we enjoy these inheritances, we're busy creating our own. Every improvement to our downtown, every tradition we establish, every tree we plant becomes part of what future Noblesville residents will one day call "their" town.

I wonder what the residents of 2095 will think of our contributions. Will they gather at the 75th Peony Festival? Will someone live in my house and cut flowers from bushes whose planter's name they may not know? Will they walk our downtown and appreciate the bricks we have preserved?

The beauty of legacy-building is that we may never know - and that's okay. Frances Lively never met me, but her peonies brighten my spring. The architects of our courthouse never imagined it as a backdrop for flower festivals, but there it stands, still serving us in ways they couldn't foresee.

The question isn't whether we'll leave a legacy - it's what kind of caretakers we'll choose to be while the garden is temporarily

Aaron Smith lives in here I am, many decades Old Town and represents later, benefiting from her District 3 on the Noblessmall act of beauty. Similar- ville Common Council. You ly, when Kelly and Lindsey can read and subscribe to launched this homegrown his monthly newsletter at festival five years ago, they noblesville.substack.com.

Noblesville's A fistful of peonies

























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Westfield Education Foundation awards \$107K in scholarships to 69 outstanding graduates

Community partners and legacy donors make dreams come true

By ASHLEY KNOTT

Executive Director, Westfield **Education Foundation**

On Tuesday, the Westfield Education Foundation (WEF) awarded \$107,400 scholarships to 69 exceptional Westfield High School (WHS) graduates, representing 10 percent of the WHS Class of 2025.

This milestone was made possible by the generosity of community partners, local businesses, and legacy donors committed to supporting Westfield students' futures.

"These awards reflect our shared belief in the potential of every Westfield student," Westfield Washington Schools Associate Superintendent Dr. John Atha said. "They are a testament to what it means to be 'Life Ready Rocks."

This year's recipients reflect many passions and postsecondary paths, including science, education, agriculture, design, the trades, music, and busi-

WEF administers 41 unique scholarships and awards, distributing multiple scholarships each spring.

Thanks to these generosity of community partners and legacy donors, these opportunities continue to make a lasting impact, opening doors and empowering the next generation of Life Ready graduates:

- Caitie Wood Music Scholarship
- Craig Wood Family Agricultural Science
- Casting Bright Futures - Carl M. Steele Memorial Scholarship
- CORE Construction Built on Trust Scholarship
- CSO Architects, Inc. Scholarship for Architecture or Interior Design
- Dr. & Mrs. Malcolm Bray Science Scholarship
- Duane Lutz Family Scholarship

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- Grand Junction Brewery Company Scholarship
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- fong Scholarship • Rebecca Sturdevant
- Scholarship • Richard H. Crosser
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- ence Scholarship Schmidt Associates Building Better Futures Scholarship
- Sharon Hoffman Memorial Scholarship Hosted by WestMed
- Shirley A. Gibbs Scholarship
- Student Impact Basketball Coach/Player Scholarship
- · Student Impact Schol-
- Summers Plumbing Heating & Cooling Construction Scholarship
- · Susan Hobson Schol-
- The Farmers Bank Business & Finance Studies Scholarship
- The Linda and Mark Keen Scholarship
- William and Barbara Sampson Family Scholar-
- · Xavier John McDonald Memorial Scholarship • Vicki Thomas (WCTA) Scholarship
- Westfield Classroom Teachers Association Schol-
- · Westfield Living Journalism - "Why Westfield" Scholarship
- Zipparo Family B.E.C.I.S. Scholarship











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 $(TOP\,LEFT) Awarding \,the\,Craig\,Wood\,Agricultural\,Science\,Scholarship:\,(from\,left)\,WEF\,Executive$ Director Ashley Knott, Scholarship Recipient Mathew Spencer, and Craig & Sandy Wood. (TOP RIGHT) Awarding the Dr. & Mrs. Malcolm Bray Science Scholarship: (from left) Knott, and Scholarship Recipients Ethan M. Altizer, Parker Gibbs, Ava Q. Britton-Heitz, Jason T. Armstrong, Henry D. Pham. (CENTER LEFT) Hayden Buck and Caleb Brannies were the recipients of the Dylan McGinnis Memorial Scholarship. (CENTER RIGHT) Awarding the Sharon Hoffman Memorial Scholarship, hosted by WestMed: Knott, Scholarship Recipient Audrey T. Wright, and Craige Westover. (ABOVE LEFT) Awarding the Kim Simons Future Educator Scholarship: Knott, and Scholarship Recipients Mia K. Crask and Brenna I. Billington. (ABOVE RIGHT) Awarding the Zipparo Family B.E.C.I.S. Scholarship: (from left) Knott, Scholarship Recipient William Harvey, and Joanne & Michael Zipparo.

makes these scholarships engineering careers. possible. Your support helps turn dreams into reality and inspires Westfield students to reach new heights.

Looking ahead to 2026, WEF will launch the R.E. Dimond Engineering Future Scholarship, which will

"Supporting students today builds a stronger community tomorrow," said Amy Pictor, a member of Chair of the Scholarships and Grants Committee.

fund, visit wwswef.org/ scholarships.

About the Westfield **Education Foundation**

Since 1986, the West-• Dylan McGinnis Me- nor, partner, and family who mechanical and electrical to create your own named ships, teacher grants, and more at wwswef.org.

community support initiatives. As a trusted partner to the district and community, WEF remains committed to empowering students, the Board of Directors and field Education Foundation supporting educators, and has proudly invested over responding to the grow-\$2.5 million into West- ing needs of Westfield's To explore scholarship field Washington Schools schools, helping every Rock Thank you to every do- support students pursuing opportunities or learn how through student scholar- become Life Ready. Learn







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Sheridan Historical Society awards two senior scholarships



Photo provided by Steve Martin, Sheridan Historical Society

The Sheridan Historical Society recently awarded two \$1,000 scholarships to two Sheridan High School seniors, Clover Dorsey (left) and Brexton Sedwick (right). In the center is former Boxley resident Jean Hadley, whose donations make the Society's Foundation able to award the annual scholarships to students planning to make careers in the skilled trades. Congratulations and best wishes go out to Dorsey and Sedwick as they pursue their dreams, and thanks to Jean Hadley for his continued support.

Paul Poteet . He just can't be beat! ""



Preventing isolation among Prioritizing mental health this May Sheridan's older adults

Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County & Duke Energy work together to enrich lives at new 'Together Today' location

The REPORTER

The Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County (SCHC) recently received a grant from Duke Energy for the organization's new Together Today location in in Sheridan.

With Duke Energy's support, Together Today Sheridan will be able to help adults aged 55 and over prevent isolation. Together Today is designed to enrich the lives of older adults in Hamilton County through engaging activities, meals, and meaningful social con-

"SCHC is happy to bring our Together Today program back to Sheridan," SCHC Executive Director Lauren Guynn said. "Older Adults make up nearly 40 percent of Sheridan's population. With a limited number of aging resources in this rural community, we appreciate Duke Energy's support in being able to expand our program and HAND for hosting us at Spicewood Gardens. Our goal is to help prevent isolation and continue to cultivate community for adults 55+ in this great town."

The new Sheridan location for Together Today will offer a welcoming environment where older adults can enjoy a variety of activities, meals and build friendships all at no cost to them.

"Enabling seniors to be socially connected with oth-



Photos provided

(ABOVE) SCHC's new Together Today location in Sheridan will provide a welcoming place for older adults to get together. (BELOW) Duke Energy Government & Community Relations Manager Mark LaBarr (left) and SCHC Director of Programs & Operations Lisa Albano.

ers preventing isolation and food insecurity is an important community service the Duke Energy Foundation recognizes," Duke Energy Government & Community Relations Manager Mark LaBarr said. "We appreciate the work done by the SCHC team to implement the programming.7

For more information about Together Today please visit shepherdscenterofhamiltoncounty.org/ together-today. For more information about Duke Energy please visit duke-energy.com.



COLUMNIST

May is Mental Health Awareness Month, a time to come together as a community to raise awareness, reduce stigma, and take meaningful steps toward supporting mental wellness in Indiana. Since

and advocacy.

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a national observance ded-

also act. The 2025 nation-

al theme is "Turn Aware-

ness Into Action," which

means checking in on

loved ones and reaching

Indiana is making real

progress in mental health.

Just a few years ago, we

ranked 42nd in the coun-

try for mental health

access and outcomes.

Thanks to the work of

dedicated advocates, pol-

icy support and organiza-

tions like Mental Health

America of Indiana,

we've moved up to 26th.

There is more work to

do but progress is being

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resources

Lifeline: Call or text 988

for free, 24/7 emotional

211 for help finding mental

health counseling and other

• 988 Suicide & Crisis

Indiana 211: Dial

mental health.

support.

This year, we're called



referrals to local health mental substance treatment programs. How you

HELP (4357) for

can help

· Take a free, anonymous mental health screen-

1949, this month has been ing at **mhascreening.org**.

- Start a conversation. icated to education, healing Ask someone, "How are you, really?"
- · Support organizato do more than talk, but tions like Mental Health America of Indiana, which provides care, advocacy, and education statewide.
- Wear green this month out for support when you to support Mental Health Awareness and be "Seen in Green."

In 2023, a new law prioritized mental health infrastructure through the recommendations of the Indiana Behavioral Health Commission to build a more responsive and accessible behavioral health system. Our new two-year state budget also prioritized mental health funding.

Mental illness impacts around one in five U.S. adults annually - and behind every number is a person. In May and beyond, let's commit to building a state where everyone has access to the support they need.

State Rep. Danny Lopez (R-Carmel) represents House District 39, which includes a portion of Hamilton County.

community resources. • National Helpline:

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Hamilton County Veteran Community Page Survey

We need your help to improve your Hamilton County Veteran Community Page by informing our Military Veteran community on what is going on and how to connect to the resources we need to live a more fulfilled life here in Hamilton County. If you are a member of our local VFW or American Legion Posts, please get your Post information for your events, activities, fundraisers, menu or operating hours, etc to us via this survey 10-14 days in advance so your community may attend. We appreciate you taking the time to help us make this the most

> informative page possible for our Service Members, Veterans, their families and caregivers! Please click here or scan the QR Code to take the survey – <u>tinyurl.com/VeteransPageSurvey</u>



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

The survey so far is asking for more information on activities/events from our VFW and American Legion Posts 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,

Restaurant -Sa 8a-8p, Su 8a-12p Lunch W-F 11a-2p, Dinner W-F 5-8p

Cicero Post 341 Tye Anderson

50 Washington Ave Treasure Hunt Tues 7p Cicero, In 46034 Weekly Draw Su 6p,W 7p 317-984-4441 Bingo Fri 6p, Weekly Draw 8p M-Th 3-10p, F-Sa 12-11p, Su 12-10p.

Restaurant Tu, W, F 4-8pm, Public P/U Tu-W, F eat in or carry out

Fishers Post 470 Pat Menc

9091 E 126th St Treasure Hunt Fri 8pm \$25K Fishers, in 46038 Trivia Wed 6pm 317-842-5944 Breakfast 1st & 3rd Sun 8-11

M 3-10p, Tu-Su12-10pm or when empty. Restaurant Breakfast 1st&3rd Sun 9-12, Food 12-8 Tu, 5-9 W, 12-9 Th, F 3-8 Sa, 12-5 Su

Noblesville Post 45 Gil Soria

273 S 8th St Fri 645pm Treasure Hunt Noblesville, in 46060

317-773-9985 Trivia every 1 & 3 Sat 7pm M-Th 11a-10p, F11a-12p, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p

Restaurant M 6-8pm wings, Tu-F 530-830p, Sat 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/12 Breakfast 730-930a Dinner 530-830p, Su 12-8p

Sheridan Post 67 Tom DeShon 406 E 10th St

Sheridan, In 46069 317-758-5007

M 3-9p, Tu-Th 11-9p, F Sa 11-10p, Su 1-6p

Restaurant Lunch Tu-F 11a-2p, food service till close

VFW Posts

Carmel Post 10003 Darin Bibeau 12863 Old Meridian St

Carmel, In 46032 Breakfast 2 & 4 Sat 8-11 317-846-0917 Thurs Treasure Hunt 7pm

Su-Sa 11a-11p.

Restaurant - Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sa 8a-11a, Lunch 11a-2p & food service till 8p daily

Noblesville Post 6246 Eric Behrends 654 S 9th St

Noblesville, In 46060

317-773-9956

M-Th 11a-10p, F 11a-12a, Sa 12p-12a, Su 12p-8p Restaurant M-F 6-9p

Non-Profit Veteran Orgs

Hamilton County Veterans Corp P.O. Box 503

Noblesville, in 46061

secretary@hamiltoncountyveterans.com

Meets 7pm the 1st Monday Monthly at the Fishers American Legion. Our website

https://www.hamiltoncountyveterans.com/

has 40 pages of resources for our Military Veteran community

Navy Club Hamilton County Ship 29 Meets 4th Wed 530pm dinner 630pm meeting at

Gingers Cafe 1111 S 10th St Noblesville

Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers

317-776-9610 Hours – 9am-4pm Weekdays CVSO – Tom Logan

Tom.logan@hamiltoncounty.in.gov

Assistant CVSO – Robin Wilson

robin.wilson@hamiltoncounty.in.gov

Assistant CVSO – Caroline Franz

caroline.franz@hamiltoncounty.in.gov Admin Assistant – Christina Ellis

christina.ellis@hamiltoncounty.in.gov

Weekend Breakfast - Carmel American Legion











Learn how to save a life during an opioid overdose with naloxone!

> Sign up for a FREE 30 min. naloxone* (Narcan) training:



Tues., April 29 Wed., May 21 7 p.m. Nickel Plate Pavillion Nickel Plate Pavillion Conference room Conference room

6:30 p.m.

Wed., May 28 7 p.m. Nickel Plate Pavillion Conference room





Visit Hamilton County's Military Museum

Clay Township Military Library and Museum An Indiana 501(c)(3) Non-profit Corporation 10801 North College Avenue, (Home Place) Carmel, Indiana 46280

"Open on Holidays"

May 17, Saturday, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm -**Armed Forces Day**

May 26, Monday, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm -**Memorial Day**

June 14, Saturday, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm -Flag Day and US Army birthday

Visit the only public military museum in Hamilton County!

For more information and to help us "Preserve and Connect," contact Jon Baldwin, President - Pike and Edwards Memorial Military Library and Museum, at n@gmail.com, or call/text (317) 435-7194.

Stop the Bleed Training May 28 6-730pm

Hamilton County Health Department Presents

STOP THE BLEED **COURSE**

May 28, 2025 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Hamilton County Juvenile Probation, Shelter Care, Adult Women Annex 18106 Cumberland Road Noblesville, IN 46060

> PARTICIPANTS WHO ATTEND THE COURSE, WILL RECEIVE A FREE STOP THE BLEED KIT.



Register Her



Noblesville, In

June 6th Hamilton County Community Resource & **Health Fair at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds Emphasizing Veteran's Services**





Coroner Jellison speaks to local Republicans





Reporter photos

The Hamilton County Republican Party welcomed County Coroner Jeff Jellison (above left) as the guest speaker at Wednesday morning's monthly breakfast, which took place at Matteo's Ristorante Italiano, 40 N. 9th St., Noblesville. Jellison spoke about the role of his office and how he and his staff are using the newest technology. He also informed attendees on the latest updates in the Fox Hollow case and the impact on the wider community. (ABOVE RIGHT, from left) Local attorney Zech Yoder, Court Magistrate Valorie Hahn, Circuit Court Judge Andrew R. Bloch, and Superior Court No. 9 candidate Paul C. Sweeney.



Carmel earns No. 2 "Best Places to Live" ranking among all U.S. cities

The REPORTER

Carmel has once again been recognized as a top city in the nation – this time by U.S. News & World Report.

The "250 Best Places to Live in the U.S. in 2025-26" list, released Tuesday, ranks Carmel as No. 2 in the na-

The news release touting the rankings credited Carmel "on the strength of its high desirability, value and job market scores.

In addition to quality of life, job market, desirability and value, the ranking meth-

from internal resources, and several government agencies. More information on the ranking methodology can be found at Best Places to in Indiana, Niche Live methodology.

Other Indiana cities in Raise a Family in Indiana, the ranking:

- Fishers: 4th
- Noblesville: 50th
- Greenwood: 91st • Columbus: 92nd

Carmel's ranking by *U.S.* Live in America, Niche *News* Iollows other recent rankings for Carmel includ- in America, Niche

• No. 1 Best City to Move in America, WalletHub

odology also factors in data to in the Midwest, Consumer Affairs

• No. 2 Best Place to Live in the U.S., Livability

No. 1 Best Place to Live

• No. 1 Best Place to

• No. 1 Place with the

Best Public Schools in Indiana, Niche

• No. 2 Best Suburb to

No. 7 Best Place to Live

• No. 1 Best Small City

Seals Ambulance unveils new logo

Submitted

Seals Ambulance, a leading Emergency Medical Service (EMS) provider in central Indiana and a member of the Priority Ambulance family of companies, announced Tuesday the unveiling of a new company

The new design was revealed in conjunction with National EMS Week (May 18 to 24, 2025), honoring EMS professionals across the country and celebrating the company's 60th anniversary, which takes place this fall

The refreshed design pays homage to the company's rich heritage while modernizing its visual identity for the future. The updated logo retains the distinctive green stripe from the original design, which has become synonymous with Seals Ambulance's commitment to excellence and serves as a subtle nod to the iconic Indianapolis Motor Speedway, reflecting the company's deep historical roots in central Indiana.

"As we approach this milestone anniversary, the new design represents both our proud history and our

vision for the future," said Tony Anteau, Mid-States Regional President for Priority Ambulance.

"Retaining a green stripe symbolizes our commitment to the values established by the founders of Seals Ambulance. Ronald and Darlene Seals, while the modern design elements reflect our continued evolution in emergency medical services."

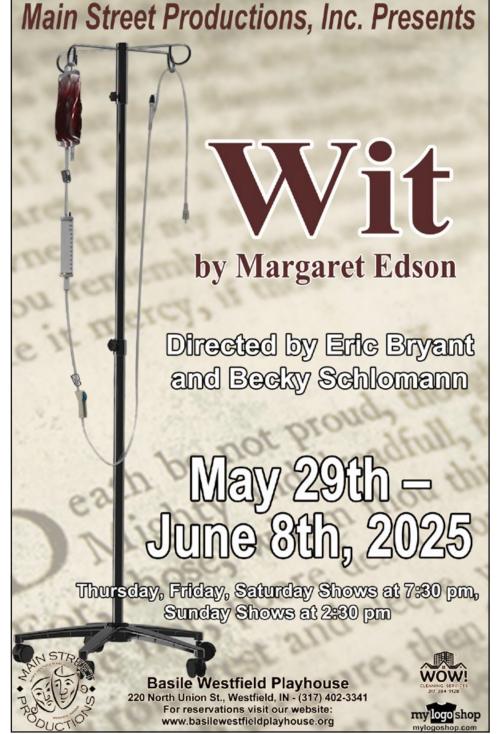
Founded in 1965 in Fortville, Ind., Seals Ambulance has evolved from a small family business into a vital healthcare provider in the region. Son, Randal Seals, and his wife, Marie, carried forward the family legacy when they purchased the company in 1996. In 2014, Seals Ambulance joined the Priority Ambulance family of companies, the nation's second-largest provider of pre-hospital medical care, expanding its capabilities while maintaining its commitment to local communities.

The new logo will be implemented gradually across the Seals Ambulance fleet, facilities, and commu-



out 2025. Seals Ambulance plans to host an official 60th Anniversary celebration later this fall.

For more information, visit seals-ambulance.com.

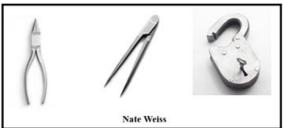






Indiana Blacksmithing Association 43rd Annual Conference June 6-8 2025 **Tipton County Fairgrounds** Tipton, Indiana

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Riverview Health unveils newly expanded acute rehabilitation unit Surge in overdoses linked to

The REPORTER

Riverview Health has opened its newly expanded acute rehabilitation unit at the Noblesville hospital, featuring state-of-the-art facilities and advanced equipment to enhance rehabilitation services.

This unveiling marks the completion of phase one of a two-phase project, which has increased the unit's capacity to 24 beds. The unit has been named "The Mindrebo Family Acute Rehabilitation Unit" in recognition of the significant contribution from Dr. Norman and Peggy Mindrebo. Dr. Mindrebo is a respected orthopedic surgeon at Riverview Health Physicians Orthopedics & Sports Medicine.

The unit will begin welcoming patients on Thursday, May 29.

The unit offers a healing and patient-centered environment with accessible patient rooms designed to support comprehensive rehabilitation care for individuals recovering from conditions such as stroke,



brain injury, spinal cord injury and orthopedic surgery. The unit is the only CARF (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities) accredited facility in Hamilton County and has been serving the community for over 30 years. "We are incredibly

proud to open this newly renovated Mindrebo Family Acute Rehabilitation Unit at Riverview Health," Rivinvestment, made possible through the generous support of the Riverview Health Foundation and its donors, underscores our commitment to providing



Photos provided by Riverview Health

erview Health CEO Dave the highest quality reha-Hyatt said. "This important bilitation services to our community and supporting patients on their journey to recovery."

A grand opening celebration was held last Friday, May 16, at Riverview

Health Noblesville Hospital. Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen attended the event and assisted with the ribbon-cutting ceremony, demonstrating the city's support for this vital healthcare advancement.

Dr. Mindrebo spoke at a VIP preview, sharing his perspective as a Riverview Health orthopedic surgeon on the importance of comprehensive rehabilitation and his family's commitment to the hospital.

"Riverview Health Foundation is profoundly grateful for our donors' remarkable support in making this exceptional acute rehabilitation unit a reality, enhancing care for our community," said Megan Wiles, Vice President of Foundation & Community Affairs at Riverview Health. "With the successful completion of phase one, we are now focused on raising funds to support phase two, the renovation of the existing patient rooms to match these new facilities. Those interested in supporting our continued efforts to update the entire unit can find more information and donation opportunities at donate.riverview.

Public health alert

dangerous drug known as "KD" in Hamilton County

The REPORTER

Hamilton County health throid-based pesticide, ofand public safety officials ten found in products like are issuing an urgent warning following a spike in overdoses tied to

a dangerous street drug commonly known as "KD." The substance being laced with heavy-duty bug sprays and is

causing severe,

life-threatening



Jellison

Raid, onto substances such as

marijuana or tobacco. Users then smoke the treated material, resulting in a toxic and unpredictable chemical reaction in the body.

"This is an incredibly danreactions gerous practice," Hamilton

high-concentration pyre-

KD is made by spraying

See Alert . . . Page 11



Photo provided by Duke Energy

Cinderella and her Prince Charging taught the kids about the importance of saving energy.

Duke Energy takes energy conservation on tour to White River Elementary

The REPORTER Duke Energy

morning.

and Bright Star Touring Theatre partnered to bring a live performance of "Cinderella & Prince Charging" to White River Elementary School in Noblesville on Wednesday

Through this 25-minute show, professional actors taught students about energy conservation through an engaging and informative live theater sketch.

In this fresh take on the classic fairy tale, Cinderella by the Prince and his castle. org/rehabilitation-center." Determined to help save electric bill.

her community, she enlists the help of the audience – and the willing Prince – to bring energy-saving solutions to the kingdom.

Following the performance, if a parent or guardian of a child who viewed the show is a residential Duke Energy customer, they can request a free energy efficiency kit to not only supplement the concepts their child is surprised by the amount learned during the show, of energy being consumed but also help them save energy and money on their

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.

Benefits include:

· Bi-Weekly Salary

· Longevity pay after the 1st year is available

Paid Time Off Package

· Health, Dental, Vision and Life insurance Certification and/or Degree Bonus

Duties, Job Requirements, Difficulty of Work and Responsibilities, etc. can be found on the Town of Cicero's website at www.ciceroin.org.

Please contact

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







Help with Federal Agencies

I can help you when dealing with federal agencies, including:

- Social Security issues
- Medicare claims
- Veterans benefits
- Passport assistance
- IRS questions



US Flag Requests

Obtain commemorative flags flown over the US Capitol from my office.



Military Academy Nominations

High school students in our district may contact my office to request a nomination to attend one of our nation's service academies.



US Capitol and White House Tour Requests

My office can help arrange tours throughout our nation's capital.

Expanding the Gateway into Carmel



On Monday, Carmel Gateway celebrated its groundbreaking of the forthcoming East Lawn, a oneand-a-quarter-acre outdoor amenity space. East Lawn will provide the tenants of Carmel Gateway with a park where they can relax, meet with colleagues, or even engage in casual athletics during the workday. This nearly \$2.2 million project is part of a major investment into the office park for Rubenstein Partners LP, and aligns with the new creation of a gateway into Carmel by the city and fits in with an overall strategy of replacing "hardscape" with "softscape" and green space. Find out more at CarmelGateway.com. (ABOVE, from left) Rebecca Price, Carmel Gateway Community Manager; Angelina Conn, Carmel Planning Administrator; Christina Jesse, Carmel Planning Administrator; Jeremy Kashman, Carmel Chief Infrastructure Officer: Patrick Moyers, Carmel Gateway Property Manager; Carmel Mayor Sue Finkam; Brian Simel, Rubenstein Partners LP Vice President; Rachel Keesling, Carmel Planning Administrator; David Littlejohn, Carmel Alternative Transportation Coordinator; and Kennedy Gallagher, Carmel Gateway Marketing Manager.





Sweeney announces candidacy for Hamilton Superior Court 9 Judge

Submitted

Paul C. Sweeney, a with longtime Carmel resident than 60 trials and attorney with over 28 years of legal experience, has announced his candidacy for Judge of the newly established Hamilton County Superior Court 9. This court was created by the Indiana General Assembly, set to begin operations on Jan. 1, 2027.

Sweeney's decision to run for judge reflects his long-standing commitment to public service and his desire to give back to the community that shaped him.

"Since moving to Indiana nearly 40 years ago, I've been inspired by the servant leadership of my mother, mother-in-law, and so many others in our community," he said. legacy and give back to a place that has given so much to me."

A Carmel resident since high school, Sweeney is a graduate of Carmel High School, Indiana University, and the I.U. Robert H. McKinney School of Law, magna cum laude. His career spans representing individuals to Fortune 500

companies, more and arbitrations across the country. He currently serves as Senior Counsel at Ice Miller LLP, focusing commercial, labor, employment, wage hour, and non-compete litigation, as well as general business counsel and

Beyond the courtroom, Sweeney is he was recognized with the deeply engaged in his com- James Krupowicz Award munity. He is completing for outstanding catechist, "Serving as a judge would his second three-year term honoring his two decades allow me to continue that on the Faith Formation of service at St. Maria Council at St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church. He has also served his church as to bring his extensive lita volunteer youth minister for almost 20 years and has held leadership roles with other Hamilton County community organizations, e.g., the Carmel Symphony Orchestra and the United Way of Central Indiana – Hamilton County



Reporter photo

Superior Court No. 5 Judge David K. Najjar (left), who is running for reelection, and Paul C. Sweeney, candidate for the new Superior Court No. 9.

Advisory Board. In 2019.

Sweeney says he plans igation experience to the bench and supports expanding the problem-solving courts in Hamilton County, including a mental health court.

Learn more about the candidate at SweeneyFor-Judge.com.

Concerts start at 7 pm

Gates open at 6 pm



May 30

The Flying **loasters**







June 13





Uptown Funk

Pompeii



July 11

July 18

August 1



Cool Creek Park 2000 E. 151st St., Carmel

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets or by going to myhamiltoncountyparks.com.

ALERT-

County Coroner Jeff Jellison said. "The pyrethroids in bug sprays are not meant for human consumption, and when inhaled, they can lead to catastrophic health effects."

Users of KD often exhibit "zombie-like" symptoms, including:

- An inability to walk, speak, or breathe properly Catatonic states or un-
- responsiveness · Muscle rigidity and

disorientation

 Risk of overdose and death even with small doses

this drug and the ease of access to pesticide sprays make it especially dangerous and unpredictable.

Health officials are urging parents, caregivers, and community leaders to speak to young people about the dangers of synthetic drugs. Residents are also encouraged to report any suspect-

from Page 10 ed drug activity to local au-

thorities. If you or someone you The synthetic nature of know is experiencing symptoms after using suspected KD-laced substances, call

911 immediately. Public health and safety officials will continue to monitor the situation and are working with law enforcement, healthcare providers, and community organizations to respond to this growing trend.

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Railbike Season

Forest Park Rail Adventure

Experience the beauty of nature on the historic Nickel Plate rails. The Forest Park Rail Adventure is a 7-mile railbike ride through scenic Northern Hamilton County.

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.

Twilight Rail Ride

Take an evening rail bike ride and enjoy the sights and sounds of twilight. Bikes will depart from Hobbs Station in Noblesville for a 7-mile round trip ride.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

THE PRIESTS' SHARE

The Lord said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites: 'Anyone who brings a fellowship offering to the Lord is to bring part of it as their sacrifice to the Lord. With their own hands they are to present the food offering to the Lord; they are to bring the fat, together with the breast, and wave the breast before the Lord as a wave offering. The priest shall burn the fat on the altar, but the breast belongs to Aaron and his sons. You are to give the right thigh of your fellowship offerings to the priest as a contribution. The son of Aaron who offers the blood and the fat of the fellowship offering shall have the right thigh as his share. From the fellowship offerings of the Israelites, I have taken the breast that is waved and the thigh that is presented and have given them to Aaron the priest and his sons as their perpetual share from the Israelites.'"

This is the portion of the food offerings presented to the Lord that were allotted to Aaron and his sons on the day they were presented to serve the Lord as priests. On the day they were anointed, the Lord commanded that the Israelites give this to them as their perpetual share for the generations to come.

These, then, are the regulations for the burnt offering, the grain offering, the sin offering, the guilt offering, the ordination offering and the fellowship offering, which the Lord gave Moses at Mount Sinai in the Desert of Sinai on the day he commanded the Israelites to bring their offerings to the Lord.

Leviticus 7:28-38 (NIV)

Paul Poteet . Weatherman



Pastor Warren E. Otter

September 6, 1933 – May 17, 2025

Pastor Warren E. Otter, 91, Fishers, passed away on



Saturday, May 17, 2025, at Harbour Manor Care Center in Noblesville. He was born on September 6, 1933, to Lavern and Eula (Carlson) Otter in Elmira, N.Y.

Warren graduated from Asbury College in 1955, from Asbury Seminary in 1958, and received his doctorate from Concordia Theological Seminary. He was a pastor at several

northern Indiana churches and in Saudi Arabia from 1970 to 1974. Warren married Isabelle Rearden on August 24, 1957, and they were married for 60 years. He enjoyed singing in the church choir and volunteering at Riverview Hospital. Warren loved meeting, ministering, and counseling people.

He is survived by his sister, Faith (Joel) Key; brother, Ernest (Christie) Otter; daughter, Karen (Michael) Staton; son, Gregory Otter; grandchildren, Jessica (LJ) Thompson, Cézanne (Reese) Tennery, Tiffany (John) Moore, Carson (Chelsea) Otter, Cynthia (Andrew) Gehr, Caroline (Jacob) Bruffey, Cherise (Jesper) Holke-Farnam, and Ashton Staton; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Isabelle Otter; and great-grandson, Wyndham Tennery.

Services will be held at noon on Saturday, May 31, 2025, at Noblesville First United Methodist Church, 2051 Monument St., Noblesville, with Pastor Nicole Caldwell Gross officiating. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to the time of service at the church. Please join us for a meal following the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Music Ministry at Noblesville First United Methodist Church, 2051 Monument St., Noblesville, IN 46060.

Condolences: randallroberts.com

The Reporter's policy on obituaries

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

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

New at Sheridan **Public Library**

The REPORTER **Fiction**

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- · Going Home in the Dark – Dean Koontz
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- ster Amanda Noll • Pokemon Big Book of
- Squid in Pants Kax
- Windness Summer is Here – Will
- Hillenbrand • Uni & the Dolphin -
- Amy Kroius Rosenthal · Waking the Rainbow

Dragon - Tracey West **Young Adults**

- Enemy's Daughter -
- Girls Like Her Melanie Sunrow
 - Meet Me at Blue Hour Sarah Suk
- Rose Bargain Sasha Peyton Smith

Movies

- Wicked
- Moana 2

Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District Board will meet at noon on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville

The Hamilton County Commissioners will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, 2025, in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.



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19552 Wagon Trail Drive

NOBLESVILLE

Over 3,000 square feet of goodness to love in this 4BR/3 car garage, beautiful insideand-out home near Potters Bridge in Noblesville.

Recently painted inside and out. This home is better than new and ready to be loved! Listed at \$449,900



1710 S. Butler Avenue **INDIANAPOLIS**

All investors or owner occupant looking to make instant equity, this 3BR/2 full bath stone ranch just needs a little love to bring it back to its 1957 glory! Home is sold as-is. Two parcels included in the

purchase, 0.34 acre per parcel. Listed at \$144,900



0 Vine Street

LAPEL

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Fans pack Java House to see Ed Carpenter Racing drivers

By RICHIE HALL

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CARMEL - The Indianapolis area loves its Indy 500 drivers, and those drivers are always willing to show the love right back.

The drivers of Ed Carpenter Racing - Carpenter, 2016 champion Alexander Rossi and Christian Rasmussen - came up to Clay Terrace in Carmel Wednesday afternoon for an appearance at Java House. The three men greeted fans and signed autographs for two hours; with the fans waiting in a line outside of the door for most

"One of the things that makes the 500 specifically so special is just how the city of Indianapolis gets excited for the event," said Carpenter, a threetime Indy 500 pole winner who finished second in 2018. "As soon as the calendar rolls over from April to May, you see checkered flags in people's yards and around town and different decorations. So, it's really a city-wide celebration."

Java House has 12 locations throughout Indiana, including three in Carmel and one in Fishers. The Clay Terrace store was the first to open in May 2019 and has become a favorite stop for Rasmussen. The Danish-born Rasmussen now lives in Carmel and said when he goes to get coffee, "this will be again, feel the support of it." where I go."

Rasmussen. He appreciates the Indy 500, featuring the ECR ing those in attendance.

won at Brownsburg 9-4 on

Wednesday in its final Hoosier

Crossroads Conference game of

away, as Kate Murray singled

in Azstryd Alexander to score in

Softball-

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the season.



Reporter photos by Richie Hall

(ABOVE) Ed Carpenter, Christian Rasmussen and Alexander Rossi of Ed Carpenter Racing signed autographs and spoke with fans at an event that took place at Java House in Clay Terrace on Wednesday. The drivers are pictured with Jim Zent of Greenwood, one of hundreds of race fans that attended the event. (BELOW) Gary from Java House (left) is about to go national in commercials for Java House that are set to air during the Indianapolis 500 on Sunday. Gary is pictured with Matt Thompson from Java House and Ed Carpenter Racing; Thompson produced the commercials.

Java House events – the store has links to ECR and its merchandise on its website, with the drivers getting to meet race fans at all of Java House's different locations.

Rasmussen said it's been "super fun" to get closer to the race fans, "because when we're out at the Speedway, it's very limited time that we have to do all this sort of stuff, because we're obviously busy with other stuff. So, it's been cool to have the time to do that and to,

Rasmussen joined Ed Car- Indiana-based Heartland Food who drove to six top 10 Indy here," said Gary. He mentioned penter Racing in 2023. He com- Products Group, and its owner 500 finishes, including third the "hundreds of excited fans peted in the 500 for the first time Ted Gelov became a co-ownin 2024, finishing in 12th place. er of ECR last September. The "It's really cool to feel the company will air national telesupport of everyone," said vision ads during this year's

sent a home run over the center

The Tigers struck back in the



Fishers added four more runs 3-for-4 at the plate, with Jordan

Lafayette Central Catholic 346, ette 368, Rensselaer Central 384,

Western 349, Logansport 355, Benton Central 421.

strikeouts.

at 5:30 p.m.

Java House is a brand of drivers and Danica Patrick, place in 2009.

> The commercials will also feature Gary from Java House, who was at the event entertain-

bled Kinder home, then Adri-

anne Cook smacked a home run

Jordan in to score. Brownsburg

scored three runs in the bottom

"It's an exciting moment getting autographs, memorabilia and the opportunity to talk with the drivers.

"They'll never forget this experience," said Gary.

Cook and Murray both went

Fishers finished HCC play

getting two hits. Murray pitched

a complete game, tossing nine

1-6 and is 14-10 overall. The

Tigers continue regular-season

play today by hosting Anderson

Colts owner Jim Irsay dead at 65

By JOSH BODE

WISH-TV | wishtv.com

The Indianapolis Colts announced that owner Jim Irsay died Wednesday afternoon at age 65, "peacefully in his sleep."

Irsay was around the Colts for nearly his entire life, spending 53 years with the team. His father, Robert Irsay, acquired the Colts in 1972.

Irsay became the Colts general manager in 1984, when the Colts loaded up the Mayflower Trucks in



Baltimore and arrived in Indianapolis in the middle of the night. They played their first game in Indianapolis on Sept. 2, 1984, in the Hoosier Dome, later known as the RCA Dome.

Irsay became the sole owner of the

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Noblesville hires new girls soccer coach

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Noblesville High School announced on Wednesday that it has named Mitchell Holden as their new

head varsity girls soccer coach, replacing former coach Mike Brady.

Coach Holden joins NHS from his role as head girls soccer coach for Plainfield High School, where he



Holden

amassed a record of 44-20-6 resulting in a perfect 28-0 conference play record and four consecutive mid-state conference championships.

Holden also brings experience as a former head girls soccer coach at Lawrence North High School and Mooresville High School, as well as roles as an Indy Eleven Academy girls coach and a volunteer assistant women's coach at Marian University.

We're happy to welcome Coach Holden to our program and are confident he will continue to build upon our culture of success," said Noblesville High School athletic director Leah Wooldridge. "His coaching focus on hard work, mentorship, growth and relationship building will serve our students well both as athletes and in life."

Holden is a United States Navy veteran where he trained as a Navy SEAL and served as a Command Fit-

Boys Golf-

Huskies place sixth at Hoosier Conference meet

Tigers win conference finale

ers went up 3-0 in the third in- Olivia McNall and Rylee Bast.

a single, then Kendall Jordan in the sixth inning. Jordan dou-

fifth, as Frankie Jackson blasted of the sixth, but the Tigers held

The Bulldogs scored a run in into center field, which also sent

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boys golf team placed sixth at the Hoosier Conference meet, which took place last Saturday at Bear Slide Golf Club.

The Huskies totaled a team score of 364. Kole Kirtley led Heights with 80, placing him third individually. Kirtley was named to the All-Conference team.

Caleb Sullivan scored 88; were: Tipton 335, Twin Lakes 336, Hamilton Heights 364, West Lafay-The Hamilton Heights he was 15th individually and named Honorable Mention. Other Huskies scores were Drew Woodruff 90, Isaac Correll 106 and Joe Deitsch 116.

The Fishers softball team ning: Hailey Kinder led off with

The Tigers scored right the bottom of the third inning.

field fence.

the top of the first inning. Fish- a three-run homer, also scoring on for the win.

Tipton won the team championship with a score of 335. Preston Lancaster totaled 77 for medalist honors.

Complete team scores

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Baseball-

Big third inning lifts Rocks past Avon

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team used a big third inning to beat Avon 5-3 Wednesday in a home Hoosier Crossroads Conference game.

The Shamrocks got their first run in the second inning, as Lincoln Hoffman scored on Johnny Ewing's RBI fielder's choice. Westfield took further control of the game in the third: Drew Law got home on a fielder's choice bunt from Hoffman. then Ian Wilson scored on an error.

Hoffman got home when Nick Fero reached on an error. Caden Lindsey singled in Fero with a left field hit to give the 'Rocks a 5-0 lead. The Orioles scored one run in the fourth inning and two more in the sixth, but Westfield took care of Avon three up, three down in the seventh.

The Shamrocks totaled five hits, one each from Jake Russell, Law, Wilson, Hoffman and Lindsey. Luke Collingsworth pitched five innings for the win, striking out seven and allowing no hits.

Westfield is 7-6 in con-The Westfield baseball ference play and 18-8 overall. The 'Rocks travel to Avon this evening for a 6 p.m. game that will finish their HCC and regular seasons.

Carmel lost to Cathedral 12-2 in a six-inning game Wednesday at Hartman

The game was switched from the Irish's field due to weather, so Cathedral played as the home team. The Irish led 7-0 after two innings. The Greyhounds scored both of their runs in the fourth inning, when Evan Vogt singled in Carson Mace and Parker He-

Cathedral held Carmel to two hits; Jack Harris hit a double in the third inning. Ivan Dodd (1.1 innings) and Natham Koebcke (1.2 innings) both threw three strikeouts.

The Greyhounds are 16-8 and host their own invitational on Saturday. Carmel plays Harrison in its first game, which starts at 10 a.m.

LIV Golf holds media day at Chatham Hills



Photos by Mike Navarro (ABOVE) LIV Golf conducted a media day at Chatham Hills Golf Club in Westfield Wednesday in anticipation of LIV's tour stop at Chatham Hills, which takes place Aug. 15 to 17. Bubba Watson (second from right), a two-time Masters champion, spoke at the media day. He is pictured with Betsy Garfield of Henke Development, Westfield Mayor Scott Willis and Jerry Foltz, LIV golf announcer. (RIGHT) Bubba Watson put on a putting demonstration for the attendees at the media day,



which included members of the Guerin Catholic and Westfield golf teams.





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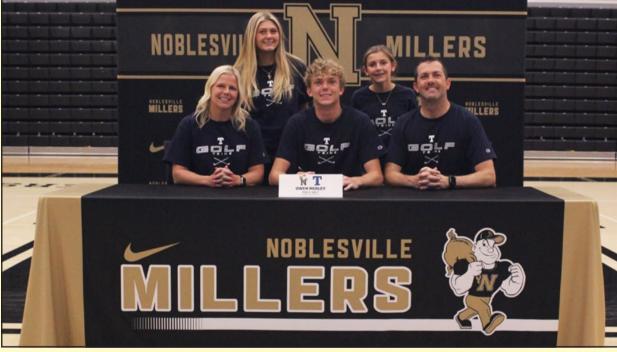


Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics

Noblesville's Owen Medley has committed to the Trine University men's golf team. (Front row, from left) Kristi Medley (mother), Owen Medley, and Joshua Medley (father). (Back row, from left) Chloe Medley (sister) and Stella Medley (sister).

Neal commits to U of Toledo

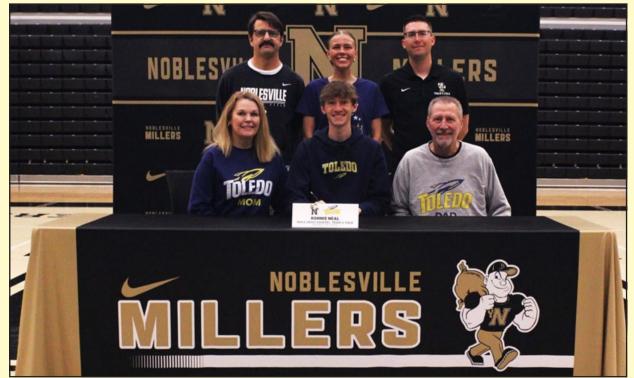


Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics

Noblesville's Ronnie Neal has committed to the University of Toledo men's cross country and track & field teams. (Front row, from left) Dana Neal (mother), Ronnie Neal, and Ron Neal (father). (Back row, from left) Bill Kenley (Noblesville Cross Country Head Coach), Anna Neal (sister), and Jake Freske (Noblesville Cross Country/Track & Field Assistant Coach).

Grandstand sellout crowd for Indy 500 encouraged to arrive early, 'plan ahead' with IMS.com

Public gates open at 6 a.m. on Race Day, Sunday, May 25

Submitted by IMS

With the massive grandstand sellout crowd announced for the 109th Running of the Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge on Sunday, May 25 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, fans should plan ahead and arrive early.

To ensure a smooth entry into the facility, fans are encouraged to arrive earlier than usual, even as early as 6 a.m. when gates open. This is the best way to ensure a smooth and quicker entry into the facility with time to visit activations and be in seats for the green flag.

Race fans are encouraged to "Plan Ahead" IMS.com/Plan Ahead, an interactive web page that serves as a home base for fans headed to the track this weekend.

The "Plan Ahead" page features detailed information about the entire fan experience at IMS, including directions, parking, schedule, gate regulations, digital ticket guide, ADA accessibility and much more.

Race fans are encouraged to download the IMS App and use technology from NTT INDYCAR SERIES title sponsor NTT and its Smart Solutions platform, which will update the IMS App every 30 seconds with wait time information at each gate to allow race fans smoother entry into the facility.

IMS is offering a whole morning of thrills and entertainment for ticketholders looking to beat traffic and avoid longer lines by coming to the track early. Gates open at 6 a.m. following the traditional infield blast.

Many enjoyable opportunities are available to fans right as the gates open or shortly after, including:

Fan Midway Experience Open at 6 a.m.

This year's Fan Midway features several exciting, fan-friendly activities. The Midway will open at 6 a.m. and be available for enjoyment until the green flag flies to start "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing."

Shopping and Food

Exclusive and commemorative 109th Running attire will go fast, so don't miss out! Grab breakfast at one of the many concession stands open throughout the facility, and then shop for family and friends while supplies last. Retail and food options are available at 6 a.m.

Epic Pre-Race, Be in Your Seat for It!

This year's pre-race festivities for the Indianapolis 500 are a carefully organized and choreographed show that will entertain race fans at any moment they are in their seats. It will feature moving military tributes, former Indy 500 winner and historic race car laps around the famed 2.5-mile oval, the heartfelt singing of "Back Home Again in Indiana" by Jim Cornelison, the "G.O.A.T." drive of Tom Brady and Jimmie Johnson in the Fastest Seat in Sports, "God Bless America" performed by acclaimed opera singer Arturo Chacón-Cruz and so much more.

Additionally, all Speedway patrons should be aware of the following facility information and regula-



tions to ensure a successful day at the track:

Cashless Operations

IMS is a cashless facility. Please be prepared to complete ticket, credential, parking, concession and merchandise purchases with ease via debit or credit card.

Tap-to-pay phone payments will be accepted, as will credit and debit transactions. Cash-to-Card machines, which convert paper money onto a temporary debit card, will be located in Pagoda Plaza and outside Turn 1 by concessions stand 7. These funds can be spent inside the venue, outside the venue, online or anywhere in the world where Mastercard/Visa debit cards are

Cooling/Water Stations

IMS will have cooling buses located in the infield on the corner of Fifth Street and Hulman Boulevard, Seventh Street and Hulman Boulevard, B Stand near Gate 1 and Northwest Vista in Turn 4. Misting stations will be located in the Midway, Pagoda Plaza, concert area inside Turn 3, west of the IU Emergency Medical Center in the infield, outside Turn 1 and outside Turn 4 between the Northwest Vista and J Stand. There will also be six water bottle filling stations located throughout the facility on Race Day in each of the four turns, as of their digital ticket. Race well as behind Tower Ter- fans are also encouraged to race and in the Garage Area.

Public Parking

Parking for the Indianapolis 500 is sold out, including ADA and motorcycle parking. All IMS exterior parking lots open at 5 a.m. on Race Morning, while interior lots open at 6 a.m.

Bike to the 500 and Bike Parking

IMS and Bike Indianapolis have collaborated to offer race fans a safe and healthy way to commute to the track on Race Day. The commute starts at the AMP at 16 Tech and follows a police escort to the racetrack, where cyclists will then park outside the famed Gate 1. Race fans can register for Bike to the 500 here.

Bike parking is available for all cyclists at Gates 1, 6 and 9

Rideshare Location

Race fans who are not planning to park at the racetrack should consider using a rideshare program, such as Uber or Lyft, when traveling to or from the facility on Indianapolis 500 Race Day. Guests using rideshare services like Uber, Lyft or taxis will be dropped off at the corner of 10th and Polco streets. Guests also will be picked up at this location after the race.

The Race Day IMS shuttle program is sold out. Shuttle services pick up and drop off from Indianapolis International Airport or at

Gate Ten Events and Parking, located across the street from Lucas Oil Stadium. Guests who already purchased shuttle passes will be dropped off and picked up from the Main Gate parking lot on Race Day.

Pedestrian Gate Entry

Public pedestrian gates open are: Gate 1, Gate 1B.1, Gate 1C, Gate 2, Gate 3, Gate 4, Gate 5N, Gate 5B, Gate 6N, Gate 6S, Gate 6B, Gate 7S, Gate 7 Vehicle, Gate 7N Gate 9, Gate 10, Gate 10A, Gate 11A, Gate 11B, Gate 11C, Gate 12.

Security screening detection devices are installed at all pedestrian gates.

As fans pass through one of the pedestrian entrances, they will walk through a CEIA OPENGATE® security device. Fans won't need to empty their pockets or remove items of clothing, simply walk through the gate and enter the facility.

Digital Tickets

Race fans who order tickets in advance may select their delivery method at checkout. Digital tickets can be accessed on their smartphone's web browser or by saving the digital ticket to their mobile device's wallet. Fans are encouraged to ensure the brightness on their smart phone is turned up before approaching the gate for a seamless scanning visit the IMS Digital Ticket guide to manage their digital tickets and enhance their at-track experience.

Weekend Street Parking

Race Weekend event parking restrictions in the Town of Speedway will be enforced during the Indianapolis 500. No parking will be allowed on the south and east sides of any street bound by 25th Street on the north, Georgetown Road on the east, Lynhurst Drive on the west and Crawfordsville Road on the south from 6 p.m. Thursday through 8 p.m. Sunday. Additionally, race fans will not be able to park on Main Street in Speedway between 10th Street and 16th Street on Race Day starting at midnight.

Parking will also be restricted in other areas of the Town of Speedway on Indianapolis 500 Race Weekend from 6 p.m. Thursday through 8 p.m. Sunday along several neighborhood streets. Local streets impacted by street parking can be found here.

Road Closures

Race fans should be aware of multiple road closures before making their way to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Race Day. Those include:

• Speedway Police Department will close Georgetown Road south of 25th Street at 5 a.m. on Race Day to all vehicular traffic. Guests accustomed to driving a vehicle through Gate 7 should enter through Gate 2 or Gate 10. Local residents are encouraged to make provisions for the temporary traffic restriction. Georgetown Road will remain closed until approximately one hour after the conclusion of the race.

· Speedway Police Department will also close 16th Street between Olin Avenue and the roundabout from approximately noon until the end of the race. Additionally, 16th Street will not be accessible from Polco Street, as it will be blocked at 10th Street.

• Traffic traveling east on Crawfordsville Road from the west will be turned around at the 16th Street roundabout. Traffic traveling west on 16th Street from downtown will be diverted south on Olin Avenue.

Post Race

Fans should continue to plan ahead as they prepare to leave IMS after the Indy

• To keep everyone safe, vehicles will not be released from IMS parking lots until pedestrian traffic allows for clear roadways. This can take up to an hour following the end of the race.

· The Speedway and surrounding area is divided into four quadrants. As fans leave the Speedway, they will be directed to the nearest interstate access based on the quadrant in which they are parked – not their intended destination.

Additional Resources and Information

Drivers can learn the locations of work zones and highway restrictions by calling INDOT's TrafficWise at 1-800-261-ROAD (7623) or viewing an online map here or visiting @TrafficWise on X.

No coolers larger than 18 inches by 15 inches by 15 inches can be brought into the facility, which will be strictly enforced. Fans will be allowed to bring one cooler and one standard backpack or book bag per person. Coolers are allowed

inside the Snake Pit gates. For more information regarding access to IMS, visit IMS.com. For additional information, follow on Twitter the Indiana State Police @IndStatePolice, the Speedway Police Department @SpeedwayPD or listen to radio stations WF-NI-FM 107.5/WFNI-AM 1070 or WIBC-FM 93.1.

The Speedway Police Department can be reached for non-emergency services by dialing 311 on a cell phone. The goal of 311 is to provide an easy-to-remember number for non-emergency services while freeing up 911 lines for timely emergency response.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 22

BASEBALL

Franklin Central at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. Westfield at Avon, 6:15 p.m. Brownsburg at Fishers, 6:30 p.m. Noblesville at Zionsville, 6:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Anderson at Fishers, 5:30 p.m. North Central at Guerin Catholic, 5:30 p.m. Ben Davis at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. McCutcheon at Westfield, 6 p.m. Noblesville at Zionsville, 6 p.m. **TENNIS** Sectional 31 at Fishers

Anderson vs. Pendleton Heights, 4:30 p.m. Fishers vs. Hamilton Southeastern, 4:30 p.m. Sectional 35 at Zionsville Guerin Catholic vs. University, 5:15 p.m.

Sectional 56 at Noblesville Hamilton Heights vs. Westfield, 4:30 p.m. Lapel vs. Noblesville, 4:30 p.m. **TRACK & FIELD**

Boys sectional at Carmel, 5:30 p.m.

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Colts in 1997. Today, his net worth is \$4.8 billion, according to Forbes.

In December 2004, he joined Indianapolis Mayor Bart Peterson at the RCA Dome to announce the construction of a new stadium. Lucas Oil Stadium opened in August 2008.

In his time as the owner of the Colts, the team won 10 division titles, made it to the Super Bowl twice, and won Super Bowl XLI in 2007. Under his leadership, the Colts had Hall of Fame careers from Peyton Manning, Marvin Harrison, Edgerrin James, Dwight Freeney, and more. Irsay's legacy spans off

the football field as well, focusing on philanthropy.

He and his family launched Kicking The Stigma, which focuses on mental health and raising awareness around the stigma that frequently comes with mental health disorders.

He supported Riley Hospital for Children, donating money to help their mental health services.

Irsay hosted the Chuckstrong Tailgate Gala with raised more than \$16 million for cancer research.

Irsay also donated \$1 million on stage at Farm Aid in 2023, and participated in many more philanthropic efforts.

Irsay was a lover of rock music, collecting instruments from some of the most famous artists, like Bob Dylan, The Beatles, James Brown, and more in The Jim Irsay Collection. The Jim Irsay Collection also spans outside of music, containing Jack Kerouac's original On The Road manuscript. The collection has become a "traveling museum," which has had free exhibitions across the country. He also loaned items in his collection to museums and nonprofits.

His love of music also motivated him to create The Jim Irsay Band, which was comprised of some of music's greatest artists.

Irsay had been dealing with health issues. In December 2023, a 911 call was made to Irsay's home in Carmel. Irsay was found breathing but unresponsive. He was later diagnosed with a respiratory

At Colts training camp in 2024, he told reporters he was rehabbing from two surgeries.

"It's great to see you guys, the fans and to be out here," he said at the time. jim-irsay-dead-at-65.

"I'm feeling great, you know, just trying to get this left leg stronger, which it will be."

He is survived by his three daughters, Carlie Irsay-Gordon, Casey Foyt, and Kalen Jackson, who are co-owners of the team. Colts Chief Operating

Officer Pete Ward released the following statement Wednesday night regarding Irsay's death:

"We are devastated to announce our beloved Owner & CEO, Jim Irsay, passed away peacefully in his sleep this afternoon. Jim's dedication and passion for the Indianapolis Colts in addition to his generosity, commitment to the community, and most importantly, his love for his family were unsurpassed. Our deepest sympathies go to his daughters, Carlie Irsay-Gordon, Casey Foyt, Kalen Jackson, and his entire family as we grieve with them.

'Some of Jim's fondest memories came from his youth working training camps in Baltimore and growing relationships with players, coaches, and former Colts head coach staff whom he considered Chuck Pagano, which has his extended family. He worked in every department before he was named the youngest general manager in team history in 1984 when the Colts arrived in Indianapolis. After he took sole ownership in 1997, he led the Colts to a long series of division titles and brought the city its first Super Bowl Championship. Jim's love and appreciation for the NFL in addition to its history, tradition, and principles influenced him to become a steward of the game throughout his 50plus years in the League.

> 'Jim's generosity can be felt all over Indianapolis, the state of Indiana and the country. He made philanthropy a daily endeavor. He never hesitated to help countless organizations and individuals live better lives. Music was one of Jim's passions and the ability to share his band and collection with millions of people across the world brought him tremendous joy. Simply put, he wanted to make the world a better place and that philosophy never wavered. Jim will be deeply missed by his family, the Colts organization, and fans everywhere, but we remain inspired by his caring and unique spirit."

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