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Vietnam Veteran Dennis Zavada is truly an Outstanding Citizen



Photo provided by City of Westfield

Keeping a respectable appearance for Westfield's Fallen Hoosier Heroes Memorial doesn't simply happen. In fact, it's the work of caretaker and Vietnam Veteran Dennis Zavada, pictured here with Mayor Scott Willis. He was honored with the city's Outstanding Citizen Award during Wednesday's Memorial Day Ceremony. "Dennis continues to pour his heart into making sure the memorial remains beautiful, peaceful, and sacred," Mayor Willis said. From all of us at The Hamilton County Reporter, thank you, Mr. Zavada. Our nation needs more fine citizens like you.

It's like hitting Ctrl+Z on your life

By STU CLAMPITT

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What if you could go back and do it all again? One man in an attic may get that chance, and you can see it happen at The Switch Theatre, 10029 E. 126th St., Fishers, May 29 through June 1 when Hyperion Players stages Rocket Man, a play by Steven Dietz.

The Reporter spoke to Director Daniel Maloy about the play and how, in a small way, he is the Rocket Man.

"The first thing I tell everybody is it's not the Elton John story, but we will use some of his music," Maloy told The Reporter. "Rocket Man is a story about a middle-aged man who is not happy where things have ended up in his life, the choices he's made, the ways he's hurt people. He talks about the desire to go back and do it again. 'hindsight's 20-20' or, 'if we can only go back and do something

Get Your Tickets

When: May 29 through June 1. Thursday, Friday and Saturday shows at 7:30 p.m. Sunday show at 2:30 p.m. Where: The Switch Theater, 10029 E.

126th St., Fishers Cost: General admission, \$15 per person Where to buy: Go to HyperionPlayers.

again, maybe we'd do better.' He's given that opportunity and things still do not pan out the way he wants them to."

Maloy calls Rocket Man a serious comedy.

"It's a funny show," Maloy said. "It has some really fun moments, but it deals with some really heavy topics, mostly related to regret and grief and how we choose to move on from that."

Because of those topics, including suicide, the show is not recommended for younger au-

ple in the cast, one of the actors director at the time, my professor



Photo by Will Smith

(From left) Bailey Hunt (Donny), Lauren Taylor (Louise), Greg Fiebig (Buck), Isabel Hunt (Rita), and Amelia Bostick (Trisha).

is one of Maloy's former pro- in college, whose name is Greg fessors. Thus, Maloy is himself a bit of a rocket man in that he gets to direct his own professor for a change.

"This is actually my second time directing this show," Maloy said. "I directed it my This is Maloy's second time senior year in college as a cap-You know, he hears things like, at the helm of this play, and stone project as well. It was inthough there are only five peo- troduced to me by my technical

Fiebig, who – in a weird twist of life – is actually in the show this time around. It's actually kind of fun how 15 years later I've got the person who introduced me to the show in the show after graduating from college."

Maloy said casting this show was surprisingly easy.

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Things are 'sheeping up' for 4-H Fair

By CASH CAMPERELLI

Husky 4-H'ers Club Reporter

On May 14, the Husky 4-H'ers had a jam-packed meeting at Cicero Christian Church.

All the members turned in their donations; this month's donations were to Angels' Attic to help them make sandwiches for their Summer Lunch Program for kids. Then Cooper Kilfoil did a devotion on not being worried or anxious but praying to God instead. That is always good advice.

Next, Matthew Duprey, our Safety Officer, gave a presentation on what to do if trapped in a flood. As it turns out, if you are in flood waters, you should not try to swim through the current This project requires 4-H'ers because they have but move to the side instead.

We then had a trivia question about how many countries there are in the world. The correct answer was 145, and the winner was Ansen Boocher. After that, Levi Lindner did a demonstration on tying different knots,



Photo provided

Naturally, part of the "sheeping up" process involves meeting and petting a sheep.

Adeline Allen talked about the clean. (The whip 4-H Consumer Clothing project. doesn't harm the pigs to buy clothing in demand for such thick skin.)

To finish off the demonstrations, Cooper Kilfoil and Colton Hoane did a demonstration on showing pigs. This project has many tools needed, such as a whip to keep the pig's head up

After that, we played Game Officer Levi Lindner's game called Tic-Tac-Toe

Relay Race. It's a game where to us about sheep. Chad has you run, grab a bean bag, toss it in a hula hoop, then run back such as Bunny Knots. Then and shampoo to keep the pig and tag your teammate so that

they can go do the same thing. My team

Next, we had a guest speaker, Sheep superintendent Chad Hartwick, who came to talk

two daughters, Tess and Stella,

neighborhood to vibrant life I'll never forget **COLUMNIST**

Peonies bring

the first Indiana Peony Festival that took place just blocks from my home four years ago. I remember hearing about it and thinking, "How nice that our state flower will get recognition along with Seminary Park!" I figured a couple hundred people would attend.



My boys and I spent a lot of time at Seminary Park when they were little. Jonathon and Jacob especially loved climbing the trees (which, now that I think about it, I'm not sure they were supposed to do there ... oops ...) It's been wonderful to see how it's improved over the last five years.

I made plans to check out the festival right after going to our farmers market that morning. Imagine my shock when I left the market around 11 to find downtown Noblesville clogged with traffic. A five-minute drive home turned into 20. I'm ashamed to admit I was a bit annoyed.

But then I went to the festival and was thrilled to see so many people, booths, and of course, peonies! By the end of the day, I thought, "Hey ... these festival organizers are onto something."

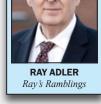
As time went on, my family learned to embrace the event. We no longer plan on driving anywhere that day. Our transportation is either by foot or bike.

It's been a joy to see the Peony Festival grow and spread out to touch so many businesses, organizations, and our downtown. It's also comical to witness the transformation of our normally quiet South 9th Street neighborhood.

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More of the same

One day in high school, I took a small gift to my math teacher and told her that it was free gratis for nothing without costing a cent. She immediately asked me to repeat that over again once more.



COLUMNIST

This column is repeating my diatribe on County grants to not-

for-profits over again once more, knowing that it will not be free gratis for nothing without costing a cent.

Shortly after my column on Honest Graft about potential abuses of the government giving large grants to local not-forprofits, the County announced its annual giveaway program for 2025. It is seeking not-for-profit grant applicants. (Editor's note: See Page 4 in today's edition.)

Rumor had it that Riverview Hospital was not meeting budget and was going to be one of the applicants. I reached out to Riverview's CEO, and he advised that Riverview was not seeking not-for-profit grant money. If 350,000 persons in Hamilton County decide how much they want to give to STEA4M, Red Cross, or the Lions Club, what logic is there in taxing everyone to make a different distribution? It is the County picking winners and losers. (STEA4M is my law firm's charitable foundation that can collect and give away funds to charity without governmental assistance.)

One argument is that some of the notfor-profits are doing jobs that the County would otherwise be required to do, such as the Humane Society. Hamilton County already has several dog ordinances. It is already an offense to let an animal run at large. Additionally, each person who owns a dog or cat must ensure that it bears a permanent means of identification. If animals are being identified by owner, and owners are required not to permit the animal to run at large, wouldn't it just be simpler to enforce the ordinances we have? What we reward, we get more of.

In a year when hundreds of people have gone to the Statehouse to protest high taxes, do Hamilton County residents really need to be taxed so that the County can give money away to not-for-profits? The

See Sheep ... Page 2 **See** *Same* . . . Page 2

VIBRANT-

newspaper invited me to attend the VIPP event the evening before the festival. However, after the tornado sirens went off and we huddled in our basement once again, I hesitated to go to Seminary Park. But the festival committee wasn't deterred, and by 8 they were back with the festivities. I meandered around and took a few photos.

The next day, my husband John and I worked to mitigate the damage to our fence and yard. We were fortunate that it was minor - some of our neighbors had it much worse. As I picked up sticks in the front and side yard, I chatted with families, groups of friends, and dogs on leashes as they walked by. (Yes, I talk to dogs.)

It was fun to welcome so many people to my neighborhood and to hear where they were from. One group of ladies – pups in hand – was from Bremen, which is near South Bend. My happy place is Lake of the Woods, located in Bre-

This year, a certain men, and it was fun to have that connection.

> Center Stage Guitars had their own event to go along with the festival, and my neighborhood had a soundtrack for the afternoon. John and I loved it all!

By four o'clock, things gradually began to calm down. We watched the cars thin out in the parking lot near Ginger's and on our street. I was thrilled that the weather cooperated for the festival and that thousands of people got to see how awesome Noblesville - and its Plum Prairie Neighborhood – could be.

My enthusiasm is just going to keep growing for this event. Don't be surprised if you see a sign next year on a certain South 9th Street saying, "Welcome Peony Festival Attendees!" We're so glad to have them all.

Amy Shankland is a writer and fundraising professional living in Noblesville with her husband John, two sons, two dogs, and a cat. You can reach her via email at amys@greenavenue.info.





Photos provided by Amy Shankland

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Our columnist is always amazed at how many cars fill her neighborhood for the Indiana Peony Festival.





Photos provided by Amy Shankland

Rain didn't keep attendees away from the VIPP event that took place the night before the Peony Festival.





Photo provided by Amy Shankland

Center Stage Guitars got in on the action at last Saturday's Indiana Peony Festival and played music to get the crowds moving.

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well-known play, we had a smaller turnout for auditions than most shows do," Maloy said. "So in a lot of ways, my job was a little bit easier because I was not given a huge canvas to choose from. But. as it turns out, the right peodid audition. So did I have a hard time finding them? No, I absolutely do."

"Because it's not a very Maloy said this is a show can move on from those, ing and talking about long after the curtain falls. He also recommends not doing much internet research on the show before you go.

"My goal is that people walk away talking about it ple who needed to audition with the people they saw it with, and that they look back on their lives and not really. But do I still think maybe even start thinking they're the right people? Yes, about the things that they regret and maybe how they

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audiences will be think- Maloy said. "The fresher a palette that people have when they walk in to see it, the better."

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Rocket Man stages at The Switch Theater, 10029 E. 126th St., Fishers, for one weekend only. May 29 through June 1. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday. Get your tickets online at HyperionPlayers.com.

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a Cross-Bred. He talked about the two sheep classes you can show in 4-H: Market Lambs and Breeding Ewes. Chad also taught us some interesting facts about sheep, such as that their wool is kind of oily and that some farm animals don't like city water, so folks have to bring water with them to the 4-H fair. Afterwards, we food stand!

who show sheep as their

4-H project. Chad brought

a couple sheep to show our group, a Lincoln breed and got to pet the sheep and feel the difference in the two breeds' wool. We then ended the meeting with snacks.

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One final note: the 4-H Fair is beginning to shift into high gear. All records for animals were due on May 15, and our club is preparing for our food stand at the 4-H Fair. We will be selling our Famous Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, which taste like food from heaven. Be sure to check out our

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main assembly room in of, that they need governthe Courthouse says: "That mental assistance? Government Is Best Which Governs Least." The quote ernment and lower taxes. is generally thought to have originated with Thoreau, although some ascribe it to Thomas Jefferson.

Are Hamilton County He is also one of the owners not-for-profits so poorly operated, or thought so little porter Newspaper.

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Sheridan Elementary trains entrepreneurs

Submitted by Sheridan Community Schools

On Friday, May 16, Sheridan Elementary School fourth graders took part in Entrepreneur Day as part of the Social Studies unit on economics. This is one of the most anticipated events of the school year and is a fourth-grade favorite every year. This tradition is a valuable hands-on learning experience that brings business and economics to life.

Entrepreneur Day challenges students to think creatively and critically about how businesses operate and what makes them successful. Each student was responsible for developing and submitting a business plan that outlines their product idea, target market, startup costs, and pricing

strategies. The students create a non-edible product that encourages innovation. This results in an array of handcrafted goods, artwork, toys, and more.

Other classes in the school were invited to come visit and "buy" the product students are selling. These young entrepreneurs proudly showcased their products and practiced sales pitches and customer service skills as they engaged with their classmates.

Throughout this event, students learn vital skills such as: entrepreneurship, startup costs, supply and demand, profit and loss, pricing, scarcity, and marketing. The goal was for students to understand why some businesses succeed and others fail. Students gained





Photos provided by Sheridan Community Schools

Sheridan fourth graders learned important business skills during Entrepreneur Day.

starting, running, and maintaining a business.

Entrepreneur Day is a perfect example of how proj-

can bring learning to life. Students weren't just learning about economics – they were getting the opportunity

real-world experience into ect-based learning, or PBL, to live it. Students had a lot standing of economics. of fun with this project and they were able to engage through hands-on learning and develop a deeper under-

Great job to all of the fourth-grade entrepreneurs for their hard work, enthusiasm, and innovative ideas.

Hamilton County taking not-for-profit grant applications

Applications due by Friday, June 4

The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Commissioners and Councilors are now accepting grant applications from Hamilton County not-forprofits for funding in 2026.

The Grant Program is intended to furnish funding to organizations that provide services in furtherance of County goals and without the providing of these services the County may need to consider the development of such programing.

Awards are provided based on application score and funding available. Any funds awarded must be supported by other funding sources or documented inkind services and may only be distributed to Hamilton HamiltonCounty.in.gov.

County-based organizations. Complete information including eligibility criteria can be found on the application at this link.

Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 4. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. Award recipients will be notified on or after Wednesday, Nov. 12 and funds will begin being distributed in January 2026.

For additional questions not answered in the application, please contact Director of Council Operations Kelly Morehouse at Kelly.Morehouse@HamiltonCounty. in.gov or Assistant Director of Administration Dianna Lynch at Dianna.Lynch@

Heights seniors earn \$500 scholarships



Photo provided by Emily Pearson

Hamilton Heights senior Emma Blanton (left) and Cheyenne Boggs (right) were each given a \$500 scholarship during Senior Awards Night. The students were presented their scholarships by Northern Hamilton County GOP Club Vice President Dustin Dixon.

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Nine area students recognized for academic excellence at IU Kokomo

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komo recently recognized class to be inducted, while scholarnine area students for aca- graduate students must be in ship, and demic achievement in fields the top 20 percent. h a v i n g ranging from Spanish to sociology, and from psychology to business, with their selection for national honor societies.

Beta Gamma Sigma

Two local students were inducted into the Beta Gamma Sigma honorary for business. They are Austin Ramirez and Kira Walton, both of Carmel.

Undergraduates must be class Indiana University Ko- in the top 10 percent of their general

Lambda Pi Eta for **Communication Arts**

Two local students were inducted into Lambda Pi Eta honorary for communication arts. They are Jenna commu-Waterman of Noblesville nication and Josslyn Knox of Tip-

Students must meet national criteria to be selected, including ranking within the highest 35 percent of one's

minimum 3.25 gradepoint average in studies

classes. **Psi Chi, the International Honor Society for Psychology**

Four local students were



Honor Society in Psvchology. They are Paige Perry of Kirklin and Samantha Barentine, Makayla Clark, and Jasmine Wil-

son, all over Noblesville.

Those selected must be member. for excel- at least a second semester lence in sophomore with a major or inducted: Jacob Shively of psychol- minor in psychology and Sharpsville. ogy with have a 3.0 GPA or higher. Sigma Delta Pi, the **Collegiate National**

Spanish Honor Society

Sigma Delta Pi honors students for achievement in Spanish language with induction into the Omega Upsilon chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, the collegiate national Spanish honor society. Also, Chérie Dodd, senior instructional strategies specialist, was inducted as an honorary

One local student was

Students must have completed at least three years or the equivalent of college-level Spanish, with an average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in those courses, rank in the upper 35 percent of their class, and must have completed at least three semesters of college work. Each student must also have genuine interest in Hispanic language and culture and be of good moral character.

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Letter to the Editor

HSE parent to teachers & staff: you are important, valued & loved

for illness, I have prepared my children to head to school with the hope they have a great day and learn important educational and life lessons. Whether we have a tough morning or it's a breeze, I send them off to their teachers and school staff knowing they will feel safe, loved, and seen even in a classroom of 22 or more students.

This year has been filled with teachers who hyped my child up with fashion shows and morning affirmations, nurses who reassured with Band-Aids, ice packs, and hugs, educators and staff who stuck with, dug in, and challenged my children to push through adversity with material, or took the extra time they needed to be sure they understood the work.

Teachers who showed patience and grace when my child made mistakes, helping them grow with discipline and love.

For 180 days, maybe a few less smiling face and willingness to help in the dreaded car drop-off line after our morning routine did not go as planned.

Bus drivers who kept my children safe, made sure they had their glasses as they boarded the bus, and even loved them when they were having a rough day, going above and beyond what is in their job description.

We also can't forget the cafeteria staff who kept them fed and the custodial staff who made sure they had a clean, safe environment to learn.

The end of this school year is especially bittersweet for our family, though. For the past three years, my twins have attended preschool at Brooks School Elementary. I remember the initial meeting vividly because, as a mother of children with special needs, this transition was terrifying for me. The patience and love offered to me that day set the tone for what my family could expect in our time at BSE. We have been supported

Assistant principals who had a through growth, regression, and family tragedy. They have been unwavering in their love and commitment to my children and our family.

> I will never have the words to adequately express my sincere appreciation and love for each of them. Your impact is profound on the Hunt

> We all have our own experiences in life. No organization, or human for that matter, is ever going to be perfect. HSE school district is no different. As this school year ends, I want to make sure that the teachers, staff, bus drivers, and in school admin know how IMPORTANT they are, how VALUED they are, and how VERY LOVED they are. Our children achieved so much because of YOU.

> The fight you put in every day to be the remarkable humans you are is not lost on this community. Not ever. With my deepest gratitude,

Stephanie Hunt HSE Schools parent

Letter to the Editor

Reader applauds State Rep. Smith on his support for research animal adoption bill

Dear Editor:

Every legislative session is a chance for lawmakers to take action against animal cruelty, and every election empowers us, the voters, to send humane allies back to Indianapolis.

With the 2025 session adjourned, I am proud to report that State Representative Hunter Smith took action for Indiana's companion animals.

This year, Representative Smith voted in favor of Sunny's Bill (HB

1458). On average, more than 58,000 dogs are used for research and testing across the United States, including in Indiana. These animals endure unbelievable pain before being cruelly discarded. Sunny's Bill would give these animals a second lease on life by requiring Indiana laboratories to work with animal shelters and rescues to help these dogs and cats find loving homes.

Representative Smith's support of Sunny's Bill this past session speaks to his dedication to Hoosiers and the animals we welcome into our hearts and homes. I urge you to continue electing Representative Hunter Smith and other compassionate lawmakers so that we can continue our fight to make Indiana a better place for people and their animals alike.

Samantha Chapman Indiana State Director, Humane World Action Fund *Fishers*

Noblesville's Lucas McAlister graduates from McPherson College

The REPORTER

McPherson College, a four-year private college located in central Kansas, has announced its students who earned degrees and graduated on May 10.

Among those graduates is **edu/graduation**.

Lucas McAlister of Noblesville, who earned a Bachelor of Science in Automotive Restoration: Management.

A complete list of graduates and the ceremony is available at mcpherson.

Letter to the Editor

Shaffer: when will localities get their debt under control?

Dear Editor:

As national attention focuses on the \$37 trillion national debt, no one seems to care about the exploding debt among Hamilton County suburbs.

Since 2020, these cities have reported total outstanding debt increases:

- Carmel 27.5 percent: \$1.3 billion to \$1.6 billion
- Westfield 86 percent: \$180 million to \$335 million
- Fishers 121 percent: \$550 million to \$1.2 billion
- Noblesville 253 percent: \$286 million to \$752 million The township, school and library debt similarly exploded over just five years.

The federal government can print money; local governments cannot.

And yet, no public outcry.

And, of course, no mention of it in public meetings held by the debtor authorities.

Bill Shaffer

Carmel

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Wawa takes flight in Noblesville



Photos courtesy Wawa Wawa's second store in Indiana opened in Noblesville Thursday morning. The store opened with great fanfare, culminated in several donations to the following organizations: \$1,000 each for "Hoagies for Heroes" to both Noblesville FOP Lodge 198 and the NFD Hamilton **County Community Foundation,** \$2,500 to Riley Hospital for Children, and \$10,000 Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana. The new store is located at 5890 Midland Pointe Blvd. That's in the southwest corner of the intersection of State Road 32 and Little Chicago Road/Hazel Dell Road. Interested in a job at Wawa? Visit wawa.com/careers for more information.



OneZone welcomes Eric J. Holcomb, Mitch Daniels & Mike Pence to Voices of Leadership Luncheon

The REPORTER

OneZone Chamber invites business and community leaders to a special Voices of Leadership Luncheon, presented by Bondry Consulting, this June.

The event will feature a rare and insightful conversation with three distinguished leaders who have each served as Governor of Indiana. Attendees will gain valuable perspectives on leadership, economic growth, and community development, while networking with fellow professionals in an engaging luncheon

Attendees will gain valuable perspectives on leadership, economic growth, and development community while networking with fellow professionals in an engaging luncheon setting.

About the speakers

Eric J. Holcomb, the 51st Governor of the State of Indiana, is a lifelong Hoosier, born in Indianapolis and graduated from Pike High School and Hanover College in southeastern Indiana. He went on to serve six years active duty in the U.S. Navy, first at



Holcomb

and later at Naval Air Station Cecil Field Flor-

CINCIBERLANT NATO Command in Portugal. He recently finished serving his second term as governor, having been elected in 2016 and 2020 when he received the most votes for governor in Indiana history.

as a two-term Governor of the State of Indiana from 2004 to 2012 and as the 12th president of Purdue University from 2013 to 2022. He currently serves as a Distinguished Scholar and Senior Advisor at the Liberty Fund, based in Carmel. He was elected governor in and family. After graduating his first bid for any elected office and then re-elected Indiana University School with more votes than any of Law, he embarked on a Naval Station Great Lakes candidate in the state's his- multifaceted career, includ-



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tory. At Pur-ONEZONE due, he prior-CHAMBER itized student

affordability ida and then overseas at and reinvestment in the university's strengths. He ended 36 straight years of rising prices by freezing tuition and mandatory fees at 2012 levels for all students. The freeze is still in place today. As a result, the total cost of attendance is lower today Mitch Daniels served than in 2012, even without adjusting for inflation, and aggregate student borrowing has declined 37 percent.

Pence

Mike Pence was born in Columbus, Ind., on June 7, 1959, into a family that epitomized the American Dream, instilling in him values of hard work, faith, from Hanover College and

ing law practice, hosting a talk show, serving as a congressman for six terms, and championing limited government and fiscal responsibility. Pence then was elected the 50th Governor of Indiana, focusing on tax cuts, job creation, education reform, and infrastructure investment while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

Please plan to attend for an unforgettable conversation on leadership, public service, and Indiana's future. Do not miss out on this unique opportunity from three of Indiana's most respected leaders.

The Voices of Leadership Luncheon presented by Bondry Consulting will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, June 12 at the Embassy Suites in Noblesville. This is a rare opportunity to hear from three of Indiana's most influential leaders in one setting.

Tickets are now available and can be purchased at onezonechamber.com/ events. Reserve your seat today to be part of this historic conversation on leadership and the future of our state.

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Dr. M. Craig McMains demonstrates the endoscopic spine surgery.

OrthoIndy brings advanced endoscopic spine surgery options to central Indiana

Submitted

For the second year in a row, OrthoIndy leads central Indiana in endoscopic spine surgery – a cutting-edge, ultra-minimally invasive procedure that offers faster recovery, less post-operative pain and improved outcomes for patients with back pain or spine conditions.

Dr. M. Craig McMains, who launched OrthoIndy's comprehensive endoscopic spine program in late 2023, has already performed 30 procedures in 2025 and is on pace to exceed the number he completed in the program's first year, which was approximately 50. He remains the only surgeon in central Indiana trained to treat various spinal conditions using endoscopic techniques.

The basics & benefits of endoscopic spine surgery

Endoscopic spine surgery uses a tiny incision as small as five millimeters roughly the width of a No. 2 pencil – to insert a small tube equipped with an endoscope and high-definition camera. This minimally invasive approach contrasts with traditional open spine surgery, larger – at five centimeters – and involves cutting through muscles and soft tissue. During endoscopic spine surgery, surgeons use specialized instruments to perform precise repairs while minimizing disruption to the surrounding area.

In addition to faster

post-operative pain, benefits of endoscopic spine surgery include less blood loss, a reduced infection rate and a better chance of maintaining flexibility than traditional open surgery. Patients who have had the procedure at OrthoIndy also report that its muscle-sparing benefits were evident in their post-

op MRIs. way to perform spine surgery," Dr. McMains said. "Our patients appreciate that their incisions are smaller and that they can get back to their daily lives more quickly. It's especially beneficial for those who've tried other treatments without success and those seeking alternatives to open surgery."

Expanding eligibility for endoscopic spine surgery

Recent advances are making endoscopic spine surgery an effective treatment for an expanding range of spine conditions. You may be eligible for the procedure if you are experiencing herniated discs, spinal stenosis, facet joint syndrome, bone spurs, spiwhich typically requires an nal joint arthritis, slipped incision at least 10 times vertebra, or failed back surgery syndrome.

> Dr. McMains uses endoscopic techniques for fusion surgery alternatives, decompression of nerve roots, and even more complex procedures such as spinal fusions. He also uses the technique to treat paraspinal defects, or pars

recovery times and less defects, and fractures.

"These are problems that used to mean open surgery, long recoveries or bracing that didn't always work," Dr. McMains said. 'Now, I can treat them endoscopically – with less risk and faster recovery."

Expanding training & access to endoscopic spine surgery

Dr. McMains is one of "It is the least invasive a small but growing number of surgeons nationwide and the only one in the greater Indianapolis area – trained to perform the complete range of endoscopic spine techniques. He's dedicated to expanding patient access by sharing his expertise and training other surgeons across Indiana and the country. This commitment builds on his years of work helping to develop the PTP (prone transpsoas) spinal fusion approach, which allows surgeons to access the spine through a small incision in the patient's side in another minimally inva-

sive manner. "The future of spine surgery is all about maximizing treatment effectiveness while minimizing discomfort for the patient," Dr. Mc-Mains said. "Endoscopy is helping us lead the way. If I needed surgery today, this is exactly the approach I'd want for myself."

To find out if you're a candidate for endoscopic spine surgery, call OrthoIndy at (317) 802-2000 to request a consultation or visit orthoindy.com.

Fortville man dies in I-65 crash in Boone County

The REPORTER

Crash investigators from the Indiana State Police are investigating a crash that claimed one life Thursday morning on Interstate 65 in Boone County.

At 8:39 a.m., a Trooper came upon the aftermath of a serious crash on I-65 southbound near the 149mile marker, just south of the Clinton/Boone county line. The Trooper requested emergency assistance and reported possible fatal injuries. The driver of a 2007

Ford was entrapped in the tractor-trailer in the left lane. vehicle and unresponsive. Firefighters and paramedics arrived on scene and, despite lifesaving efforts, Steven Gilreath Jr., 36, Fortville, was pronounced deceased at the scene.

There were no other injuries reported in this crash.

Preliminary investigation by State Police crash reconstructionists determined traffic in the area was backed up and had come to a stop. rear end of a stopped semi

The circumstances of

this crash are still under investigation and there is no further information at this time. All southbound lanes were closed for nearly three hours while the crash was investigated and the wreckage was removed.

Indiana State Police was assisted by the Boone County Sheriff's Office, the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Boone County The 2007 Ford struck the Coroner, and the Thorntown Fire Department.

Hamilton County's Hometown Newspaper

Cicero gets 'HELP' from Indiana Bond Bank

The REPORTER

Indiana Treasurer Daniel Elliott announced Wednesday that the Indiana Bond Bank assisted the Town of Cicero with financing cardiac monitors through its Hoosier Equipment Lease Purchase (HELP) Program.

The \$169,503.34 purchase of essential equipment was made possible through this program.

The HELP Program is super simple with just a one-page form, helping cities and towns score great rates with flexible terms," Treasurer Elliott said. "Without it, many places might not afford the gear they need to keep things running smoothly.'

in obtaining essential equip-

ment through a standardized and efficient lease-purchase process. It provides standard-term leases with flexible repayment options at competitive rates. By effectively se-

curing competitive bids from various financial institutions statewide, the program ensures the lowest financing costs, thereby saving taxpayer money. Since its inception, the HELP program has financed over \$471 million in essential equipment for Indiana communities.

About the Indiana **Bond Bank**

The Indiana Bond Bank The HELP program as- (IBB) was established as a sists Indiana communities self-supporting quasi-government entity by the Leg-

islature in 1984. A seven-member board oversees the Bond Bank, with the Treasurer serving as the chair of the board, the Public Finance Director of the Indiana

Elliott

Finance Authority is statutorily appointed, with the remaining five members being appointed by the Governor. The Bond Bank assists local governments in the process of issuing debt and provides the following programs: the Advance Funding Program, Community Funding Resource Program, Hoosier Equipment Lease Purchase (HELP) Program, Fuel Budgeting Program, and Interim Loan Program.

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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

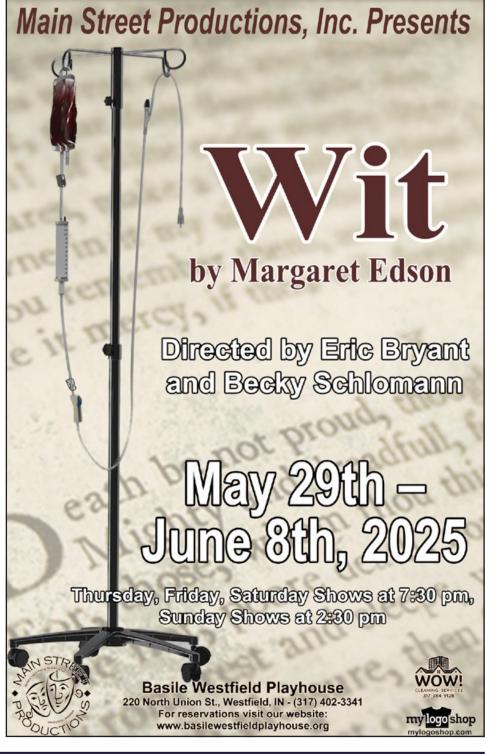
Paid Time Off Package

· 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.





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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.



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Noblesville, In

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





Attorney General Todd Rokita rallies Indy 500 fans to stay alert for signs of human trafficking

Submitted by Office of AG Todd Rokita

As the 109th Indianapolis 500, the Greatest Spectacle in Racing, approaches on Sunday, May 25, Attorney General Todd Rokita calls on Hoosiers and visitors to remain alert for signs of human trafficking.

Large-scale events like the Indy 500, which draw hundreds of thousands of spectators, are known to create increased demand for trafficked individuals forced into manual labor, commercial sex acts, or other exploitative services.

'Spectator events of

targets for human traffickers looking to exploit vulnerable individuals," AG Rokita said. "As we celebrate the thrill of the Indy 500, we must keep our eyes open for signs of

human trafficking. By reporting suspicious actions to law enforcement, we can help stop these predators and rescue victims."

Human trafficking, a modern form of slavery, occurs when individuals are coerced, deceived, or forced this magnitude are prime into providing labor or ser-



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vices. The U.S. State Department identifies signs of trafficking, including individuals who:

 Appear submissive, fearful, or unable to speak

Live in cramped or poor conditions, often with their employer

 Show signs of physical abuse, malnourishment, or restricted freedom

• Provide scripted or rehearsed answers when ques-

• Are minors engaged in commercial sex acts

AG Rokita encourages immediate reporting of suspected trafficking to local law enforcement or the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888.

"Human trafficking thrives in the shadows, but we're shining a light on it,' AG Rokita said. "From protecting victims to equipping families and holding traffickers accountable, our office is committed to rooting out this evil enterprise."

As the Indy 500 coincides with National Missing Children's Day on May 25, Rokita encourages attendees to stay proactive.

TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

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nearing to consider the following: CO-V-10-25: Brian Adams, petitioner, Oak Grove Farms, LLC, owner, requests one (1) development standard variance to reduce the required setback for an off-premise sign in the Prospect Overlay zoning district from 50 feet to 1 foot from the right-of-way, and one (1) development standard variance to place an offremise sign in the AG Agriculture zoning district.

The property is more fully described as: Part of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter and part of the South Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter both in Section 31, Township 22

North, Range 4 East, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows:

Beginning at the South Quarter Corner of Said Section, marked by a PK nail;
thence S89° 20' 50" W (assumed bearing) 2595.41' along the South Line of said
Quarter to the Southwest Corner of said Section; thence N 00° 16' 59" E 1322.42' along the West line of said Quarter; thence N 89° 13' 05" E 1306.14' along the North Line of the South Half of said Southwest Quarter and its extension hence N 00° 15' 21" E 661.23' along a fence which is near the West Line of the Northeast Quarter of said Southwest Quarter; thence N 89° 11" 56" E 1301.85' long a fence which is near the North Line of the Northeast Quarter of said Southwest Quarter to the East Line of said Southwest Quarter; thence S00° 37" 59" W 1990.21' along said Est line to the South Line of said Quarter and the point of beginning, containing 98.81 acres, more or less, subject to highway right-of-

EXCEPT THEREFROM:

A part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 22 North, Range 4 Eas of the Second Principal Meridian, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Southwest Quarter, thence South 89 degrees 20 minutes 40 seconds West (Per Land described in Deed Book 149, page 416, as held in the Office of the Recorder for Tipton County) along the South line of said Southwest Quarter, a distance of 383.00 feet to the railroad spike. thence North 00 degrees 37 minutes 59 seconds East parallel with the East line of said Southwest Quarter, a distance of 570.00 feet to a 5/8" rebar with red plastic identifying cap stamped "HENDERSON LS20300025" hereinafter referred to as "rebar"; thence North 89 degrees 20 minutes 50 seconds East parallel with the South line of said Southwest Quarter, a distance of 382.00 feet to a rebar or the East line of said Southwest Quarter; thence South 00 degrees 37 minutes 59 seconds West along said East line, a distance of 570.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5.01 acres, more or less.

Containing after said exception, 93.8 acres, more or less, in Tipton County,

Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place or comments r objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to

12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The

Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals *R6209*

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Indiana Orthopedic Institute achieves accreditation with Accreditation Commission for Health Care

Submitted

Indiana Orthopedic Institute (IOI) announces that its surgery center located in the new flagship facility has recently earned formal recognition from the Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC). This distinction confirms that IOI is fully licensed by the state of Indiana and meets both state and federal standards for safety and quality.

Earlier this year, IOI completed construction of its new, state-of-the-art, 38,000 square-foot medical office center at 14065 Borg Warner Drive in Noblesville – a \$35 million investment in the community. The facility officially opened its doors on it organization that has roof. What distinguishes

been welcoming patients in preparation for this milestone. IOI providers began seeing patients in the physician clinic and have been preparing to launch surgical services, ensuring all processes met the rigorous requirements for licensure and quality assurance.

Accreditation is a process through which healthcare organizations demonstrate compliance with national standards. Accreditation by ACHC reflects an organization's dedication and commitment to meeting standards that facilitate a higher level of performance and pa-

quality and excellence since 1986. ACHC is ISO 9001:2015 certified and has CMS deeming authority for Home Health, Hospice and DMEPOS. ACHC also has deeming authority for Acute Care Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals, Ambulatory Surgery Centers as well as Clinical Laboratory.

IOI serves communities across central Indiana with cutting-edge, patient-centered orthopedic care. Designed as the "orthopedic hospital of the future," IOI's flagship facility brings together expert clinical teams, innovative technology, and a steadfast commitment to ACHC is a nonprof- excellence – all under one

Feb. 13 and since then has stood as a symbol of IOI is its mission to reimagine every aspect of orthopedic care – from diagnosis through recovery - using a model built on efficiency, compassion, and innovation.

> "Achieving this recognition is the next important milestone in demonstrating the high standards we uphold," IOI Founder and CEO Dr. Michael Meneghini said. "It stands as a testament to our dedication to excellence and reassures our patients that they are receiving care at one of the premier orthopedic centers in Indiana and through the Midwest."

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

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CO-SE-11-25: Walter Trey Mauck, petitioner and owner, requests one (1) specia xception to operate a welding shop in the AG Agriculture zoning district The property is more fully described as:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter, thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes 43 seconds East (Indiana State Plane Coordinate System East Zone) along the South line of said Southwest Quarter, a distance of 1175.95 feet; thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds West perpendicular to said South line, a distance of 30.00 feet to the North Right of Way line for State Road 28; thence North 02 degrees 05 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 206.20 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 02 degrees 05 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 222.25 feet to the Indian Reserve line; thence North 80 degrees 11 minutes 45 seconds East along said Reserve line, a distance of 198.99 feet; thence South 00 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds East perpendicular to aforesaid South line, a distance of 254.53 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 43 seconds West parallel with said South line, a distance of 206.01 feet to he Point of Beginning, containing 1.10 acres, more or less.

More commonly known as: 4756 W. Old State Road 28 Tipton, Indiana 46072

Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place, or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East lefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to

12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.
The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The earing may be continued from time to time

Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals

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BIDDING OPENS: Saturday, May 17th @ Noon SOFT CLOSE BEGINS: Saturday, May 31st @ 6pm PREVIEW DATES: Thursday, May 29th from Noon - 6pm PICK-UP DAYS: Monday, June 2nd Noon - 6pm

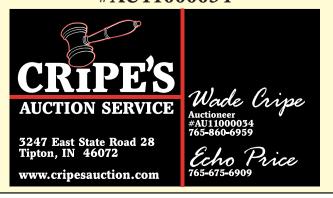
Tuesday, June 3rd Noon - 6pm Coins, Morgan Dollars; Silver Certificates; Advertising & Signs; Marbles, Fiesta Dishes; Pottery, St. Clair & Joe Rice; Lily of the Valley Collection; China, Cast Iron, Padlocks,; Antiques & Rarities; Costume Jewelry; Arrowheads; Black Americana; Ashton-Drake Dolls; Snowbabies Collection; Longaberger; 60" Wood Carved Cigar Indian; 12-Volt John Deere Tractor; (w/ Loader & Trailer); Vintage Barbie Dolls; & Accessories; Baby, Toddler & Children's Toys; Military Uniforms & Jackets; ; Furniture, Curio Cabinets; Vintage Trunks; Kitchen & Household; Small Appliances; Wear-Ever Stock Pots; (100 gt, 65-qt. & 24-qt); Electronics, Home Decor; Bedding & Soft Goods; Party Supplies, Holiday Decor; Intex 15'x48" Swimming Pool; Fishing & Camping Supplies; Bowflex Xtreme 2 Home Gym; Hand Tools, Power Tools; Lawn & Garden Tools; Kobalt, Craftsman; Chicago-Electric Arc Welder; Welding Table & Accessories; Shop Work Benches; Titan Comm. Trash Pump; Titan Industrial Generator; Ladders, JET Dust Collector; Troy-Bilt 5550 Generator; Small Air Compressors; Cyclone Paint Shaker; Hobart Wire Welder; Shop Smith; Workman 350 II Multimixer; Stihl Chainsaw, Pole Saw & Weedeaters; Snapper Snowblower; Troy-Bilt Super Bronco Tiller; County Line 3-pt. Auger; Ford & Dodge Truck Beds; 1945 FarmAll M; 1951 FarmAll M; 2015 John Deere D130; Riding Mower w/ 42" Deck (200 hours); 2025 Hustler Dash HD; Zero Turn Mower w/ 42" Deck; (Brand New w/ only 0.6 hours); 1996 Ford Explorer; 19' Skyjack Scissor Lift

To View Complete Sale Bill Including Pictures & Terms and to Register & Start Bidding:

Click the Calendar Link @ www.cripesauction.com

Absentee Bidding is still Available PREVIEW - PICKUP & PAY AT Cripe's Auction Service, 3247 E. State Road 28, Tipton, IN 765-675-6909

> www.cripesauction@yahoo.com Wade Cripe, Auctioneer #AU11000034



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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CO-V-12-25: Walter Trey Mauck, petitioner and owner, requests one (1) use variance to operate a retail store over 1000 sq. ft. selling grocery products in the

AG Agriculture zoning district.
The property is more fully described as:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter, thence North 39 degrees 35 minutes 43 seconds East (Indiana State Plane Coordinate System East Zone) along the South line of said Southwest Quarter, a distance of 1175.95 feet; thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds West perpendicular to said South line, a distance of 30.00 feet to the North Right of Way line for State Road 28; thence North 02 degrees 05 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 206.20 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 02 degrees 05 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 222.25 feet to the Indian Reserve line; thence North 98.99 feet; thence South 00 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds East perpendicular to aforesaid South line, a distance of 254.53 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 43 seconds West parallel with said South line, a distance of 206.01 feet to

the Point of Beginning, containing 1.10 acres, more or less. More commonly known as: 4756 W. Old State Road 28 Tipton, Indiana 46072 Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place, or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to

12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The

nearing may be continued from time to time Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals

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CO-V-14-25: Clayton Carley, petitioner and owner, requests one (1) development standard variance to reduce the required setback for an accessory structure in the AG Agriculture zoning district from 91 feet to 38 feet from the enter of the road.

The property is more fully described as: Part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 21 North, Range 6 East, Tipton County, Indiana, described as follows, to-wit; Commencing at the center of said Section 29, running thence North 40 rods, thence East 40 rods, thence South 40 rods, thence West 40 rods to the place of beginning, containing 10 acres, more or less.

More commonly known as: 7578 E. 450 S. Elwood, Indiana 46036 Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East

Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to 12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The hearing may be continued from time to time.

Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals R6212

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

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tearing to consider the following: CO-V-15-25: Brice & Tabitha Smith, petitioners and owners, request one (1) development standard variance to reduce the required setback for an accessory structure in the AG Agriculture zoning district from 91 feet to 55 feet from the

The property is more fully described as:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 22 North, Range 4 East in Tipton County, State of Indiana, being more particularly described as follows:
Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 31, Township 22 North, Range

4 East, thence North 88 degrees 11 minutes East on and along the center line of a County Road a distance of 337.35 feet to a point, thence South 00 degrees 46 minutes East a distance of 217.5 feet to an iron pin, thence South 88 degrees 11 minutes West a distance of 337.35 feet to a point in the Range Line, thence North 00 degrees 46 minutes West on and along the Range Line a distance of 217.5 feet the point of beginning, said by previous deeds to contain 1.684 acres, more or

More commonly known as: 5939 W. 100 N. Tipton, Indiana 46072 Interested persons desiring to present their views upon this case will be given an opportunity to be heard at the above-mentioned time and place or comments or objections shall be submitted in writing to the Planning Office at 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana 46072 prior to

12:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing. The proposal may be viewed in the Planning Office prior to the hearing. The nearing may be continued from time to time

Tipton County Board of Zoning Appeals

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Please be advised that the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m., Monday, June 2, 2025 at Westfield City Hall, 130 Penn Street, Westfield, Indiana, or in a virtual format viewable at https:// www.youtube.com/user/CityofWestfieldIN, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and reviewing and acting on the following petitions:
• 2506-PUD-12; Jersey 32 Planned Unit Development (PUD); SEC of Poplar

Street and SR 32; Jersey 32, LLC represented by Nelson & Frankenberger, LLC requests a change in zoning for 2.3 acres from the MF1: Multi-family Low Density District to the Jersey 32 Planned Unit Development (PUD) District • 2506-PUD-13; Trailside Business Center Planned Unit Development (PUD); Generally located at 947 West State Road 32; I3 Investors, LLC by Church Church Hittle + Antrim request a change in zoning for 26.44 acres +/- from the OI: Open Industrial District to the Trailside Business Center Planned Unit Development (PUD) District for the development of a business center. Specific details regarding the requests may be obtained from the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 or by calling (317) 804-3150, option 5.

Written suggestions or objections relative to the requests may be filed with the Secretary of the Commission at the Westfield Community Development Department, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074 at or before the hearing will be considered. Oral comments concerning the proposals will be heard at the aforementioned public hearing. In the case of a virtual meeting, written comments concerning the proposals can be provided before and during the aforementioned public hearing by emailing planners@westfield.in.gov. Such nearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission

Westfield Community Development Department 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074

www.westfield.in.gov

NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF A DECLARATORY RESOLUTION BY THE WESTFIELD REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND OF A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON (EAST SIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA)

Notice is hereby given that the Westfield Redevelopment Commission (the "Commission"), being the governing body of the Department of Redevelopment of the City of Westfield, on March 17, 2025, adopted its Resolution No. 09-2025 (the "Declaratory Resolution") making certain proposed amendments to the declaratory resolution and the economic development plan (the "Plan") for the East Side Economic Development Area (the "Area"), each as previously amended (the "2025 Amendments"). The 2025 Amendments (i) remove certain parcels within the City of Westfield, Indiana (the "City") from the existing East Side Economic Development Allocation Area, (ii) designate certain parcels as a separate allocation area, to be known as the "Grand Millennium Center – Lot A Allocation Area," (iii) designate certain parcels as a separate allocation area, to be known as the "Grand Millennium Center – Lot B Allocation Area," (iv) designate certain parcels as a separate allocation area, to be known as the "Grand Millennium Center – Lot C Allocation Area," and (v) adopt the Plan, together with a supplement thereto (the "2025 Plan Supplement"), as the development plan for the Area, all as more particularly described in the Declaratory Resolution. A detailed description of the proposed 2025 Amendments, together with maps and plats of the Area and copies of the 2025 Plan Supplement and the Declaratory Resolution, can be inspected at the office of the Director of Economic Development, 2728 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074. Notice is hereby given that the Commission will conduct a public hearing on Monday, June 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. (local time), in the Main Level Meeting Roon at the City Services Building, located at 2728 E 171st Street Westfield, IN 46074, to receive and hear remonstrances and objections from all persons interested in or affected by the 2025 Amendments and the proceedings pertaining thereto. Written remonstrances to the 2025 Amendments may be filed with the Commission prior to the public hearing at the office of the Director of Economic Development, 2728 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074, and via email to Jenell Fairman at: jfairman@westfield.in.gov. At the public hearing, which may be adjourned from time to time, the Commission will also determine the public utility and benefit of the proposed 2025 Amendments, whether the proposed 2025 Amendments are reasonable and appropriate when considered in relation to the Plan and the

Meeting Notice

purposes of the Act, and whether the Plan, with the proposed 2025 Amendments

WESTFIELD REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

conforms to the comprehensive plan for the City

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 the Hamilton County Council will meet in Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 4, 2025, in Conference Room 1A at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, for discussion concerning personnel pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D).

Send Meeting Notices to: News@ReadTheReporter.com

Kroger honors military with 10% discount on Memorial Day

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In appreciation of those who have served, Kroger will offer a 10 percent military

discount on in-store purchases for Memorial Day. On Monday, May 26, all active and former military members and their dependents with a valid military ID are eligible for the promotion with the use of a Kroger Card.

"Kroger is proud to salute America's heroes this Memorial Day," Kroger Central Division President Colleen Juergensen said. "We offer this special discount in gratitude as families gather to remember the contributions of our service members who

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Kroger active duty and veteran associates can take advantage of the savings on top of their 10 percent Our Brands discount, saving 20 percent on Memorial Day. (Excludes alcohol, tobacco products, fuel, money orders, taxes, postage stamps, gift cards/certificates, lottery. promotional tickets, CRV, prescriptions and guest or customer services/fees.)

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Graphic provided by Kroger

Trauma cases can rise during summer, so help save lives by giving blood now

The REPORTER

Emergencies don't take a holiday. As Memorial Day weekend approaches, the American Red Cross urges donors to keep the blood supply top of mind and help save lives by making an appointment to give blood.

Immediate access to blood products is a key part of summer safety. With millions of Americans expected to travel around Memorial Day and engage in water sports, boating, camping, and other outdoor activities, the risk of accidents increases. Though it can be a busy time, making and keeping blood donation appointments remains a critical

priority in May during Trauma Awareness Month.

Type O blood donors are essential right now to meet the needs of hospitals. Volunteer blood donors can be the light in a patient's recovery, especially accident victims who may require hundreds of blood units through transfusions.

Shine a light on saving lives. Schedule a time to give now by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED-CROSS, or by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App. Those who come to give by May 31 will receive an exclusive Red Cross solar lantern, while supplies last. Plus, all who come to give in May will be automatically entered

Upcoming donation opportunities

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June 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: IU Health North Hospital, 11700 N. Meridian St.

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June 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Sun King Brewing, 9713 District North Drive, Suite 1220

June 12 from 1 to 6 p.m.: IU Health Saxony Hospital, 13100 E. 136th St.

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Those who come to give June 1 to 30 will get a \$15

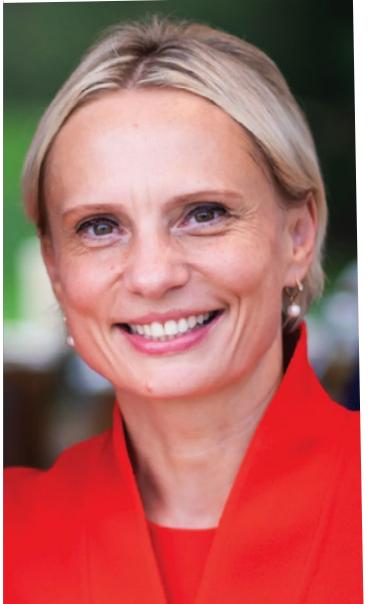
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American Structurepoint expands Habitat for Humanity impact with first-ever double build

American Structurepoint marks its seventh year partnering with Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity for the annual Panel Build. reinforcing the company's commitment to community service and meaningful impact.

This year is a first-ever milestone for the company as it completes two panel builds, doubling its efforts to provide homes for families in need.

With community service at the core of American Structurepoint, its staff find deep fulfillment in improving the quality of life for the people they serve by designing cool projects across the nation and by actively giving back to the community. This year, more than 150 staff from the Indianapolis design center came together to construct two homes for families moving to the Lawrence, Ind., area.

In addition, the company donated \$40,000 to Habitat for Humanity to be used on the materials to construct these new homes.

"You know there's a big difference between building a road, bridge, sewer, school, police station versus building a house," American Structurepoint President Cash Canfield said. "A house becomes someone's home. A place for families to grow roots, build dreams, and raise a family. And we've planted that seed today."

Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity's President Jim Morris echoed the significance of the partnership.

"We appreciate the investment American Structurepoint is making in the families we get to work with," Morris said. "The stability of home ownership will be the result of your efforts today. Thank you on behalf of our board, staff, and volunteers for stepping up and knocking this out like you always do."

Over the last seven years, American Structurepoint has helped construct nearly 10 homes with Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity, strengthening and fostering serving local Habitats in hope for families in Han- Indiana, Florida, and Ohio.

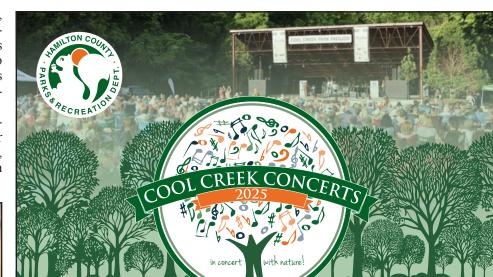


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Over the last seven years, American Structurepoint has helped construct nearly 10 homes with Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity in Hancock, Hamilton, Hendricks, and Marion counties.

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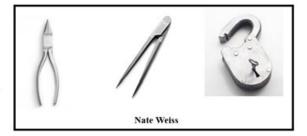
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TODAY'S BIBLE READING

THE ORDINATION OF AARON AND HIS SONS

The Lord said to Moses, "Bring Aaron and his sons, their garments, the anointing oil, the bull for the sin offering, the two rams and the basket containing bread made without yeast, and gather the entire assembly at the entrance to the tent of meeting." Moses did as the Lord commanded him, and the assembly gathered at the entrance to the tent of meeting.

Moses said to the assembly, "This is what the Lord has commanded to be done." Then Moses brought Aaron and his sons forward and washed them with water. He put the tunic on Aaron, tied the sash around him, clothed him with the robe and put the ephod on him. He also fastened the ephod with a decorative waistband, which he tied around him. He placed the breastpiece on him and put the Urim and Thummim in the breastpiece. Then he placed the turban on Aaron's head and set the gold plate, the sacred emblem, on the front of it, as the Lord commanded Moses.

Then Moses took the anointing oil and anointed the tabernacle and everything in it, and so consecrated them. He sprinkled some of the oil on the altar seven times, anointing the altar and all its utensils and the basin with its stand, to consecrate them. He poured some of the anointing oil on Aaron's head and anointed him to consecrate him. Then he brought Aaron's sons forward, put tunics on them, tied sashes around them and fastened caps on them, as the Lord commanded Moses.

He then presented the bull for the sin offering, and Aaron and his sons laid their hands on its head. Moses slaughtered the bull and took some of the blood, and with his finger he put it on all the horns of the altar to purify the altar. He poured out the rest of the blood at the base of the altar. So he consecrated it to make atonement for it. Moses also took all the fat around the internal organs, the long lobe of the liver, and both kidneys and their fat, and burned it on the altar. But the bull with its hide and its flesh and its intestines he burned up outside the camp, as the Lord commanded Moses.

Leviticus 8:1-17 (NIV)

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.

Joan Elizabeth Fieber Nickander October 20, 1935 - May 14, 2025

Joan Elizabeth Fieber Nickander, 89, Noblesville, passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, surrounded



by her loving family. She was born on October 20, 1935, in Madison, Minn., to Nick and Nettie (Sand) Fieber. Joan grew up on the family farm and was very active in 4-H. Her early career included work at the local newspaper, the 4-H Office

at the University of Minnesota, and Powers Electric Company. Later, she became a real estate broker in Noblesville and served as Office Manager for the family business, Nickander Associates. Despite her professional accomplishments, Joan always considered raising her family her most important work.

Joan married the love of her life, Gary Lew Nickander, on September 20, 1958, in Madison, Minn. They met at a dance after Gary returned from Navy service and were inseparable for 66 years until his passing earlier this year. Together, they built a beautiful life filled with love, faith, and family.

Joan had a sharp mind and a love for games and cards – she rarely lost, so no one really knew if she was a good or bad loser. She took pride in always being "put together," with a classic, never flashy, sense of style. She was renowned for never missing a birthday, always sending cards right on time.

Though she couldn't swim and had a fear of water, Joan adored their condo at Ottertail Lake. She loved dancing with Gary – they were graceful and joyful partners on the dance floor. A dedicated sports fan, she cheered for the Colts, Pacers, and Purdue, and especially loved watching games with her grandchildren, right up to her final days.

Joan cherished her role as a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was deeply involved in the lives of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, celebrating their milestones and supporting their journeys.

She was the spiritual heart of her family – a devout Catholic and a true prayer warrior. Her faith in Jesus was unwavering, and she ended each day praying the Rosary.

Joan's legacy is one of love, strength, faith, and grace. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Joan is survived by her sisters, Kaye Novak and Pat (Dan) Jones; her brother, Marc (Phyllis) Fieber; her sisters-in-law, Sue Johnson and Kay Nickander; her children, Dan (Kaylynn) Nickander, Carla (Bill) Crask, Kelly (Mike) McVey, and Kari Nickander (Adam) Perry; her grandchildren, Marci (Alex) Burrow, Lindsey McVey (Aaron Head), Madi Nickander, Mitch McVey, Carl (Kylie) Nickander, Bonnie Nickander, Otto Perry, and Ava Perry; and her great-grandchildren, Dalyla, Arlo, and Bronson Burrow.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Gary; her parents; and her brothers, William and Bernie Fieber.

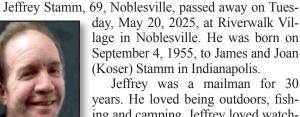
Visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 9900 E. 191st St., Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Our Lady of Grace Altar Rosary Society, 9900 E. 191st St., Noblesville. Condolences: randallroberts.com

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Jeffrey Stamm

September 4, 1955 - May 20, 2025



years. He loved being outdoors, fishing and camping. Jeffrey loved watching sports, especially auto racing. He worked hard for his family and his family dearly loved him.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Stamm; sons, Joseph, Peter, and Philip Stamm; granddaughter, Olivia Stamm; and his brother, Michael Stamm.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Karen Kriesel.

Services will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, May 30, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to the time of service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society for Hamilton County, 10501 Hague Road, Fishers, IN 46038 (hamiltonhumane.com).

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Sharon D. Box

September 26, 1941 – May 20, 2025



Sharon D. Box, 83, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at Riverview Health in Noblesville. She was born on September 26, 1941, to James and Olive (McKenzie) Rook in Owens-

Sharon leaves behind a legacy of love, faith, and creativity. Born a preacher's daughter, she taught herself to play piano with God's help and followed her heart to California, where

she met and married Howard, the love of her life.

A talented organist and proud member of the Professional Musicians Union in Indiana, Sharon was once honored as Artist of the Month in Hamilton County. She devoted her life to music, art, and her passion for collecting antiques – but her greatest joy was always her family.

Sharon was known for her warmth, generosity, and caring personality. She never met a stranger. She touched countless lives with her kind spirit. God truly blessed her and now has welcomed her home. As she often said, "The Lord be with you and keep you safe.'

Sharon is survived by her daughter, Angela D. Box; sons, Howard C. (Margaret "Peggy") Box Jr., Anthony C. (Janet) Box, and Nicholas C. (Moriah) Box; brother, Jim Rook; sister, Janice (George) Hendricks; grandchildren, Alexander (Andrea) Huber, Jordan (Casey) Huber, Benjamin C. Box, Rachel C. (Stephen) Christopher, Joseph C. (Alexandra) Box, Noah (Hannah) Box, Levi Box, Jacob C. (Maddie) Box, Micaela M. (Hunter) Schalliol, Matthew C. Box, Jade Coffman, Nikolai C. Box, and Nikita Box; and her great-grandchildren, Keaton, Zoe, Sophia Rose, Maya Harper Mae, and Riley Jo.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Howard C. Box Sr.; and her sister, Nancy Landis.

Visitation will be from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., with services at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Burial will be at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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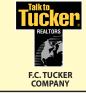
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Boys Track & Field -

Rocks edge out HSE for first-ever sectional trophy

By RICHIE HALL

sports@readthereporter.com

FISHERS - Westfield boys track & field coach Roger Wachtel said that at Thursday's IHSAA sectional meet at Fishers, his Shamrocks were "just doing their jobs and trying to advance to the regional."

Westfield not only did its job well, but got a nice little bonus: the Shamrocks' first-ever sectional championship trophy. Westfield edged out Hamilton Southeastern for the team title, with the Shamrocks scoring 112 points to the Royals' 111 points.

Westfield claimed first place in four individual events and qualified eight performances to next week's regional, which takes place next Thursday at Lafayette Jefferson, with several others likely to get callbacks to the regional. The top three in each event advances to regional.

Wachtel said his Shamrocks are "a very deep team this year.'

"We have some areas where we're not very strong," said Wachtel. "We also have some areas where we're very strong. The 4x1, obviously, is a great relay right now. Our 4x4 is a great relay."

Both those relays finished first. The 4x100 team place.



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Westfield boys track & field coach won its first-ever sectional championship Thursday at Fishers. The Shamrocks edged out Hamilton Southeastern by one point, 112-111, to claim the trophy.

of Caleb Terril, Cayden Gearheart, Cato June and Logan Tuck cruised to victory in a new sectional meet record time of 41.83 seconds. picked up another relay win as part

of the 4x400, joining Ca- 110 hurdles. Wachtel called leb Haney, Maxim Poirier and Will Snedeker for first

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Tuck's victory "huge." "Before the season

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The relay vic- Logan Tuck is,"

ing in at 14.67 seconds to win the deal," said Wach-

that was a big

tel. "But he's just continued Mason Schmitz winning to improve over the course of the year. He's a revelation, starts, nobody knows who honestly, for us."



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and qualified 11 to the region-Southeastern opened the meet with Will Henning, Omar Elsayed, Liam McNiven

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the 4x800 relay. Christian Ortiz was first in the 400 dash, then Sam Long was

Royals the 300 hurdles winner. Liam Powers won the 3200 run, while Evan Senefeld cleared 14 feet to place first in the pole vault.

Carmel finished third with 97.5 points. Isaac Nelson won a very fast 100 dash, clocking in at 10.75 seconds. Ozzy Pollard triumphed in the discus. The Greyhounds advanced seven to the regional.

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Baseball-

Tigers fend off Bulldogs, clinch outright HCC title

By RICHARD TORRES

For The Reporter

FISHERS – Fishers senior Reid Garber hadn't given up an earned run all season, and he wasn't about to start on Thursday night at Tiger Field.

Called in to relieve Tigers' ace Owen Sanders with the bases loaded and no outs in the top of the fourth inning, Garber went to work, and Fishers responded to fend off the visiting Brownsburg Bulldogs during the first of their twogame Hoosier Crossroads Conference series.

Garber induced a sacrifice fly to deep left field, which gave the Bulldogs (13-8, 5-8 HCC) a momentary 4-2 lead in the fourth. and then the right-hander prompted a bases-loaded double play on a grounder to shortstop to diffuse the threat.

three-run bottom Α of the fifth for the Tigers swung the momentum, while the undefeated Garber (6-0) pitched 3.0 innings with two hits allowed, one walk and two strikeouts.

Junior Owen Lukac, an Evansville recruit, collected his third save with a 1-2-3 top of the seventh to clinch Fishers' second HCC title in four years.

Fishers' come-from-behind 5-4 victory secured the program's fourth conference title in eight years and first since 2022 when they went 12-2 in the HCC.

"I really trust my defense. I really trust these guys backing me up, so I'm going out there with full confidence that I'm going to come out without giving up at least one run," said Garber, who has gone 26.0 inning without surrendering an earned run. "We have a great bond on this team."

The Class 4A second-ranked Tigers (23-4, 12-1 HCC) are, in a word, "special," according to head coach Matthew Cherry, who lovingly coined his 2025 squad the "Cardiac Tigers."

"We come from behind. We play defense. We pitch it. We find ways to win. I

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Photo provided

Conference championship. The Tigers won their first HCC title since 2022 and fourth in eight years.

Rocks win HCC finale

The REPORTER

The Westfield baseball team won its regular-season and Hoosier Crossroads Conference finale on Thursday, beating Avon 4-0 in an away game.

Jake Russell scored the Shamrocks' first run in the Beck Jordan hit a sacrifice fly. Westfield added two runs in the third inning after Ian Wilson hit a left field single to send Drew Law and Jordan home. Jor-

dan then hit another sacrifice fly in the fifth inning, bringing in Garrett Pohler.

Gavin Russ also hit a double. Sam Flickinger got the pitching win; Jackson Blevins threw four strikeouts in relief.

The 'Rocks finished first inning, scoring after conference play 8-6 and are 19-8 overall. Westfield travels to the Carmel sectional next Friday, May 30 to play the host Greyhounds in a first-round

The Fishers baseball team held off Brownsburg 5-4 on Thursday to clinch an outright Hoosier Crossroads

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NYSA to hold youth pickleball open house at The Picklr

The REPORTER

The Noblesville Youth Sports Alliance has partnered with The Picklr (started by Drew Brees, Purdue Boilermaker and New Orleans Saints quarterback) to host a youth pickleball open house from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, June 1.

Register to attend and have your boys and girls try pickleball, learn more about all The Picklr has to offer, and talk to NYSA

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representatives about possibilities of forming a youth pickleball club or league in Noblesville.

Pickleball is the fasting-growing sport in the United States with nearly 20 million people playing in 2025 versus just 4 million in 2020. The sport is reaching the youth level and kids are picking up the paddles.

The Picklr is located at 9847 Cumberland Pointe

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thought Brownsburg outplayed us tonight, but we just found a way to win," Cherry said. "That's what they do. They literally don't care as long as they win. They don't have to hit the bomb. They just compete."

A one-out RBI single by sophomore Carter Strole (1for-3) in the bottom of the second put Fishers ahead 1-0, and an RBI single from senior Luke Cherry (1-for-2) in the bottom of the third broke a 1-1 tie.

The Tigers had five hits led by senior Huston Dunn (2-for-3, double), a Ball State commit, and earned six walks compared to Brownsburg's nine hits and five walks.

However, Fishers' lineup chased Brownsburg starter Drew Jennings, a Bellarmine commit, in the bottom of the fifth and loaded the bases five times.

A bases-loaded wild pitch cut Fishers' deficit 4-3 before a pair of walks plated two more. The Tigers logged five walks and one hit batter in the frame without a single hit to take the lead.

"We kind of win each and every way. Our coach calls us 'Cardiac Tigers' because we're never out of it. We always bounce back. back," Garber said. "We're

building momentum here. This is my last year playing baseball, so I'm trying to win as many games as possible. This means a lot. No college plans, so one last ride."

Sanders threw 75 pitches over 3.0 innings before Garber relieved him. Despite giving up four straight hits and two runs in the fourth before exiting, Sanders battled and kept the Bulldogs from breaking the game open.

Garber backed up Sanders with a strong relief effort, as the Tigers' middle infield defense came up clutch twice with runners on base.

Brownsburg stranded 10 runners overall and seven in scoring position.

"I'm so happy for (Garber). He's awesome. The guys rise up for him when he comes in because they love him to death. They know he's going to keep them in games. He's just going to pitch to contact, and he just does his job," Cherry said.

"For Reid to come in with the bases loaded and nobody out and to only give and then to get the double play to end the inning really sparked us coming into our regional. half of the inning."

Fishers concludes its Even when we were down regular-season schedule at 4-2 tonight, we still bounced Brownsburg today at 6:30

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Softball—

Rocks, Tigers finish regular season with easy wins

The REPORTER

The Westfield softball team came back to overwhelm McCutcheon 13-4 in a Thursday home game that finished the regular

The Mavericks led 4-0 midway through the fourth inning, but the Shamrocks blasted back in the bottom of the fourth by scoring nine runs. Reese Mahannah scored the first run, getting home after Adelyn Kurth reached on an error. Reese Gettinger scored on a wild pitch, then Makayla Watson doubled in Kurth and Avery Banas to tie the game at 4-4.

Watson and Sofia Easterhaus scored when Chloe Tanner reached on an error, putting the 'Rocks in front 6-4. Dylan Todd was sent

home by Gettinger's RBI groundout, then Kurth singled in Annika Lawrence (running for Tanner) and Mahannah, giving Westfield a 9-4 lead.

The Shamrocks put up four more runs in the fifth inning. Mahannah tripled in Lawrence, then was sent home by a Kurth single. Banas singled in Kurth with a center field hit, and Watson finished things up with a left field hit to score Watson had three hits,

while Kurth had two hits. Tanner pitched a complete game for the win, striking out three.

Westfield is 12-12 and plays Zionsville Monday in the first round of Sectional 8 at Fishers.

regular season Thursday with an 11-4 home victory over Anderson.

The Indians led off the game with a home run, but the Tigers answered with four in the bottom of the inning. Kendall Jordan batted in Azstryd Alexander with a single, then later scored on a passed ball. Kate Murray tripled in Adrianne Cook, then Rosie Minges got home on Cate Summerfield's RBI groundout.

Jordan singled in Alexander again in the second inning, putting Fishers ahead 5-2. Summerfield got a third-inning run by scoring on a wild pitch. Alexander led off the fourth inning with a center field homer and Murray blasted a three-run home run later,

Fishers wrapped up its also scoring Jordan (who hit a double) and Cook. Grace Waltermann led off the fifth inning with a triple, then got home on Abby Shannon's RBI groundout.

> Jordan and Cook both went 3-for-3 at the plate, while Alexander and Murray both had two hits. Katelyn Lewis hit a double. Murray got the pitching win, while Frankie Jackson struck out five in four innings of relief.

Fishers finished the regular season 15-10; the Tigers' scheduled game with Pendleton Heights today was canceled. Fishers' next game is Tuesday, when the Sectional 8 host Tigers play the winner of Monday's Hamilton Southeastern-Noblesville game in the semifinals.

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Fishers placed a close fourth, scoring 97 points. Mason Cantwell finished first in the shot put and will be one of eight regional qualifiers for the Tigers.

Noblesville finished a strong fifth, totaling 84 points. The Millers picked up two wins, first from Jack Strong in the 1600 run. Angel Wilson triumphed in the 200 dash. Noblesville advanced seven on to the regional.

Guerin Catholic will send two on to Lafayette. Hayden Cler finished second in the 400 dash, while James Moody was the 200 dash runner-up. Hamilup one run on a sac fly there ton Heights' Will Duncan placed second in the shot put, moving him on to the

Sheridan scored 10 points, all coming from Damon Winston. The Blackhawks senior won the high jump with a leap of 6 feet, 6 inches, sending him on to the regional.

NOTE: The Reporter will publish a full list of callback or both the boys and girls regionals in an upcoming edition.

Team scores: Westfield 112, Hamilton Southeastern 111, Carmel 97.5, Fishers 97, Noblesville 84, Lebanon 53.5, Guerin

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Catholic 33, Hamilton Heights 22, Sheridan 10, Lapel 4.

4x800 relay: 1. Southeastern (Will Henning, Omar Elsayed, Liam McNiven, Mason Schmitz) 8:00.23, 2. Westfield (Maxim Poirier, Luke Moulder, Carson Ackley, Caleb Haney) 8:01.34, 3. Fishers (Reece Torres, Bryson Slagle, Sam Quagliaroli, Declan Mohr) 8:01.95, 4. Noblesville (Jack Rush, Jack Shinneman, Ronnie Neal, Jude Naville) 8:02.99, 5. Carmel (Cooper Szotek, Kiefer Jay, Jonah Kaul, Jack Capes) 8:16.91, 6. Guerin Catholic (Cole Eckstein, Brady Linn, Hunter Kinzle-Gorman, Luke Moster) 8:27.40, 7. Wedmore, Silas Fryman, Hudson Holt) 8:31.13.

110 hurdles: 1. Logan Tuck (W) 14.67, 2. Sam Long (HSE) 14.73, 4. Rowen McGee (F) 15.58, 5. Andenet Wolfgang (HH) 15.65, 6. Seffrin Smith (GC) 15.70, 7. Khamari Ramsey (N) 15.89, 8. Mac Murdza (C) 16.11.

100 dash: 1. Isaac Nelson (C) 10.75, 2. Angel Wilson (N) 10.79, 3. Cato June (W) 10.97, 5. James Moody (GC) 11.14, 6. Maison McCray (W) 11.19, 8. Liam Boyd (HSE) 11.68.

1600 run: 1. Jack Strong (N) 4:22.38, 2. Jay (C) 4:22.73, 3. Banner Barnes (N) 4:24.57, 4. Moulder (W) 4:26.60, 5. Carter Buhr (C) 4:27.36, 6. Parker Melling (F) 4:28.23, 7. Rudy Bowman (HH) 4:30.23.

4x100 relay: 1. Westfield (Caleb Terril, Cayden Gearheart, June, Tuck) 41.83, new sectional record, 2. Carmel (Andrew Moss, Beau Snarr, Josh Ott, Griffin Rothenberger) 42.09, 3. Southeastern (Boyd, Tyler Tholen, Jaxson Wanza, Christian Ortiz) 42.16, 5. Fishers (Vincent Rozzi, Reid Spittler, JonAnthony Hall, Carsen Eloms) 42.33, 6. Guerin Catholic (Hayden Cler, Moody, Trevor Macey, Aidan Horn) 43.85, 7. Noblesville (Xavion Bond, Austin Donahoe, Dymonta Collier, Wilson) 44.21, 8. Heights (Austyn Crail, Dre Chandler, Heights (Isaiah Heuer, Charles Cameron Fleming, Noah Shlater) 44.76.

> 400 dash: 1. Ortiz (HSE) 50.09, 2. Cler (GC) 50.18, 3. Deacon Lewis (HSE) 51.11, 4. Rocky Duplessis (F) 51.21, 5. Ryd Wallerstedt (W) 52.42, 6. Carson Faulconer (W) 52.51, 7. Michael Delaney (C) 52.64, 8. Nathaniel Leach (N) 53.10.

> 300 hurdles: 1. Long (HSE) 39.46, 3. Kortez Foster (F) 41.09, 4. Hadi Tebanja (HSE) 41.69, 5. Braeden Dewes (W) 41.92, 6. Murdza (C) 42.97, 7. Joel Leo Prakash (F) 43.03, 8. Ramsey (N) 43.82.

800 run: 1. Will Snedeker (W) 1:54.11, 2. Ba. Barnes (N) 1:54.49, 3. Bradyn Livingston (N) 1:55.16, 4. Isaiah Vohs (N) 1:55.68, 5. Mohr (F) 1:55.69, 6. Haney (W) 1:56.70, 7. Slagle (F) 1:58.36, 8. Schmitz (HSE) 1:59.01.

200 dash: 1. Wilson (N) 22.11, 2. Moody (GC) 22.20, 4. Gearhart (W) 22.34, 5. Terril (W) 22.36, 6. Tholen (HSE) 22.78, 7. Emil Lincey (F) 23.68, 8. Ortiz (HSE) 23.71.

3200 run: 1. Liam Powers (HSE) 9:12.68, 2. John Libs (N) 9:13.82, 3. Quagliaroli (F) 9:14.58, 4. Lucas Bartlett (C) 9:18.23, 5. Isaac Smith Colin Swain (F) 11-6.

(HSE) 9:20.20, 6. Jonah Kaul

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(C) 9:22.19, 7. Ty Conner (W) 9:23.45, 8. Nate Thomas (F) 9:27.49

4x400 relay: 1. Westfield (Terril, Haney, Poirier, Snedeker) 3:21.50, 2. Southeastern (Michael Mott, Wanza, Lewis, Elsayed) 3:23.50, 3. Carmel (Garrett Fuller, Michael Delaney, Myron Pack, Miles Wiley) 3:28.31, 4. Fishers (Torres, Gage Sturgill, Slagle, Aiden Brookins) 3:29.59, 5. Guerin Catholic (Moody, Macey, Cler, Horn) 3:30.05, 6. Noblesville (Leach, Donahoe, Ethan Feliciano, Bode Barnes) 3:30.64, 8. Heights (Day, Ewan Shaffer, Ryan Hilton, Rowan Donald)

Discus: 1. Ozzy Pollard (C) 177-5, 2. Jev Hutton (F) 175-5, 3. Theo Thurmond (C) 172-8, 4. Job Mavrick (W) 149-0, 5. Caleb Johnson (N) 142-4, 6. KJ Mallett (HSE) 139-11, 8. Mason Cantwell (F) 136-7.

Shot put: 1. Cantwell (F) 55-1.25, 2. Will Duncan (HH) 52-11, 3. Thurmond (C) 51-6, 4. Pollard (C) 51-2, 5. Makx Torres (HH) 46-9.25, 6. Tyler Maynard (F) 46-1, 7. Mason McDermott (N) 45-8.5, 8. Jordan Futch (HSE) 44-11.5.

Long jump: 2. Hall (F) 22-0, 3. Dylan James (HSE) 21-10, 4. Alim Broadnax (C) 21-6.75, 5. Braydon Gardner (F) 21-1.5, 7. Boyd (HSE) 20-7.5, 8. Gabe Davis (C) 20-4.

High jump: 1. Damon Winston (S) 6-6, 2. Konrad Hayden (F) 6-4, 3. Robert Campell (W) 6-4, 4. Chris Beck (HSE) 6-2, 5. Davis (C) 6-0, 6. Austin Geesaman (F) 6-0, 8. Julian Wilder (HSE) 5-10.

Pole vault: 1. Evan Senefeld (HSE) 14-0, 2. Alex Wilson (W) 13-6, 3. Lucas Bland (W) 13-0, T4. Dean Watson (C) 12-0, 6. Lux Foster (N) 12-0, 7. Kofi Quist (C) 11-6, 8.

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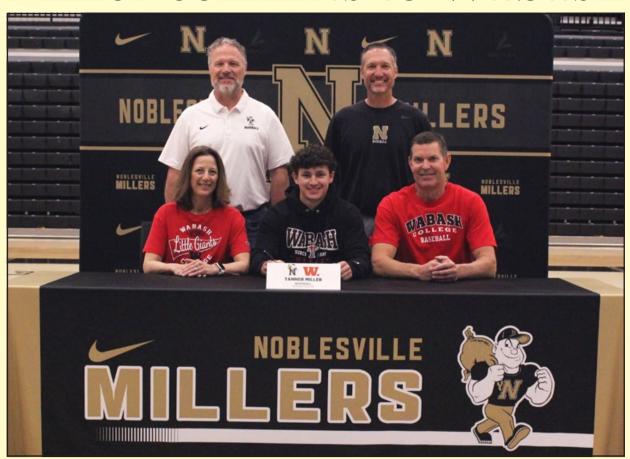


Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics Noblesville's Tanner Miller has committed to the Wabash College baseball team. (Front row, from left) Brandi Miller (mother), Tanner Miller, and Eric Miller (father). (Back row, from left) Scott Henson (Noblesville Baseball Assistant Coach) and Justin Keever (Noblesville Baseball Head Coach).

Davidson commits to Taylor



Photo courtesy Noblesville Athletics

Noblesville's T.J. Davidson has committed to the Taylor University men's basketball team. (Front row, from left) Alicia Davidson (mother), 1.3. Davidson, and Terry Davidson (father). (Back row) Scott McClelland (Noblesville Boys Basketball Head Coach).

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, May 23

BASEBALL

University at Park Tudor, 5:30 p.m. Hamilton Southeastern at Franklin Central, 6 p.m. Zionsville at Noblesville, 6:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Noblesville at Zionsville, 6 p.m. Hamilton Southeastern at Franklin Central, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Sectional 31 at Fishers Fishers vs. Hamilton Southeastern, 4:30 p.m. Sectional 35 at Zionsville Carmel vs. Zionsville, 4:30 p.m. Sectional 56 at Noblesville Hamilton Heights vs. Westfield, 5 p.m. Lapel vs. Noblesville, 5 p.m.

Saturday, May 24

BASEBALL

Carmel Greyhound Invitational, 10 a.m. Frankfort at Hamilton Heights, 10 a.m. Eastbrook at University, 11 a.m. Franklin Central at Hamilton Southeastern, 6 p.m. Guerin Catholic at Danville, 11 a.m. Noblesville at Zionsville, 6:30 p.m. **GOLF**

Hamilton Heights, Westfield at West Lafayette Invitational, 9 a.m. Birck Boilermaker GC

Carmel, Fishers, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern, Noblesville at Muncie Central Invitational, 10 a.m. at The Players Club

TENNIS

Sectional 31 at Fishers Championship, 10 a.m. Sectional 35 at Zionsville Championship, 10 a.m. Sectional 56 at Noblesville Championship, 10 a.m.

UNIFIED TRACK Sectional at Noblesville, 11 a.m.

VOLLEYBALL Regional at Peru Zionsville vs. Fishers, 10 a.m. Fort Wayne Carroll vs. Homestead, noon Championship, 6 p.m.

Monday, May 26

SOFTBALL Sectional 8 at Fishers

Hamilton Southeastern vs. Noblesville, 5:30 p.m. Westfield vs. Zionsville, 7:15 p.m. Sectional 26 at Lebanon Lebanon vs. Guerin Catholic, noon Crawfordsville vs. Brebeuf Jesuit, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, May 27

GIRLS LACROSSE

State semi-finals at Noblesville Carmel vs. Bishop Chatard, 8 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Sectional 8 at Fishers Fishers vs. Hamilton Southeastern-Noblesville winner, 5:30 p.m. Carmel vs. Westfield-Zionsville winner, 7:15 p.m. Sectional 24 at Delta

New Castle vs. Yorktown, 5:30 p.m. Jay County vs. Delta, 7:30 p.m. Sectional 26 at Lebanon Frankfort vs. Lebanon-Guerin Catholic winner, 5:15 p.m.

> TRACK & FIELD Girls regional at Lafayette Jefferson, 6 p.m.

Danville vs. Crawfordsville-Brebeuf Jesuit winner, 7:15 p.m.

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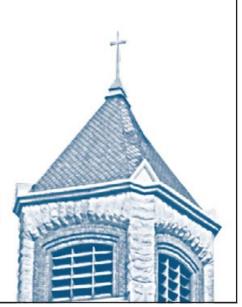


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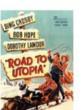


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